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## Newfound Class of 2020 praised as both great and grateful



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BRISTOL – As Newfound Regional High School's "modified" graduation got underway last Saturday, Principal Paul Hoiriis set the tone by comparing them to the Greatest Generation of military men and women who took part in both the first and the second World Wars, commending them for showing the same resilience and ability to adapt and overcome obstacles against unprecedented challenges. As the first post 9/11 babies, he said the Class of 2020 has developed the same traits of the Greatest Generation, maturing at an accelerated rate while facing obstacles along the way.

"You will face many life challenges, but never lose faith that you are great enough to overcome them all," said Hoiriis.

Newfound Area School Board Chair Jeff Levesque also harkened



back to the Greatest Generation in his speech, pointing out how they too not only fought for liberty but overcame the threats of the Spanish Flu pandemic in 1918. That same generation went on to develop the telephone and made many other achievements.

"Look around — grasp those things, then step off and make the world a better place," said Levesque.

This year's ceremony had a unique look to it though, one that will be remembered for many years to come.

Students were permit-

ted to have three family members in attendance, each of whom marched with them from the parking lot to the center

of the track/soccer complex. There, designated seating pods, all spaced safely apart in light of

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At Newfound Regional High School's graduation ceremony last Saturday morning, Isaiah Dokus's cap perhaps best expressed the joy and excitement of many of his classmates.

## Year-long investigation results in arrests

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ALEXANDRIA — After nearly a year of investigation on a house located on King Road in Alexandria, several law enforcement agencies assisted the Alexandria police on Wednesday, June 10, as they conducted a search warrant that resulted in two arrests.

Police Chief Donald Sullivan said investigations of the residence began in 2019 when neighbors started calling in complaints about suspected drug activity at the home.

"We spent an incredible amount of hours surveilling the neighborhood and documenting traffic at that residence," said Sullivan.

Recognizing some of the people who would come and go, they dug deeper into the situation and that eventually culminated in a 20-page affidavit for the court that was written by Sgt. David Suckling.

With warrants in hand, they then enacted what the chief called a "low-key entry" to make their arrests under the Common Nuisance law. He referred to an RSA which states, "Maintaining a common nuisance refers to knowingly or intentionally maintaining a building structure, vehicle, or other place that is used one or more times by individuals to unlawfully use controlled substances; or used for unlawful manufacturing; keeping; offering for sale; selling; delivering; or financing the delivery of controlled substances, or items of drug paraphernalia."

Assisting APD in the execution of the warrant were members of Bristol Police and Danbury Police and Fire Departments, as well as officers from Pittsburg, Wilmot, Grafton, New London and the Belknap County Sheriff's Department.

Sullivan said Belknap County was on hand to execute an outstanding arrest warrant on one suspect believed to be residing in the home; New London provided a K9 unit and Wilmot brought along a paramedic who is specially trained for drug-related arrests should any emergency arise. Pittsburg was invited to take part in the operations as a training exercise while others were from departments Alexandria has worked with in the past who were called upon to provide any necessary back up.

"Most of us have done this type of thing together in the past and everyone brings their own special skills to a situation like this one," Sullivan said.

The incident resulted in the arrest of two people for outstanding warrants and two additional individuals were found hiding inside the home at the time.

"Further charges are pending, the chief said.

## NLRA Annual Meeting — a time to celebrate, reflect, and look forward



BRISTOL — The Newfound Lake Region Association's Annual Meeting and Membership Gathering will be held June 26 from 5-6 p.m. This annual event is a time to celebrate the beauty of Newfound Lake and the diligent efforts that keep it clean, reflect on the events

of the year, and lay out plans for the future protection of Newfound.

Agenda highlights include the election of 2020-21 board officers, a State of the Lake report, and an update on land conservation within the Newfound watershed. Attendees will also hear from new Executive

Director, Rebecca Hanson, about her first nine months with NLRA.

"I'm inspired every day by the passion and commitment this community shows for Newfound," says Hanson. "And I look forward to connecting with our

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## NMMS eighth graders set off toward high school

DONNA RHODES

Greeting Sophia Jean as well as her fellow eighth grade classmates during a special Class Night Parade at Newfound Memorial Middle School last Friday were Principal Jay Lewis, District Superintendent Stacy Buckley, Eighth Grade Team Leader Donna Ritchie and Assistant Principal Trisha Lewis.

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BRISTOL — As seniors at Newfound Regional High School prepared for their graduation, eighth grade students at Newfound Memorial Middle School who will

move up to become the 2020-2021 freshman class at the high school next fall were also honored with a Class Night parade last Friday evening.

North Main Street in Bristol was lined with friends, family and

supportive community members as one by one the students and their parents made their way to the school parking lot. Once there, they found teachers and staff mem-

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**Can You Invest for Retirement and Education?**

Typically, this time of year is filled with graduation ceremonies and celebrations. But with the coronavirus pandemic, not much has been typical lately. Eventually, though, things will return to normal and schools will re-open for in-person learning. And if you have young children, you may want to save for their higher education, whether that be college or trade school. At the same time, though, you're moving ever closer to retirement. Can you save for your kids' education and a comfortable retirement for yourself at the same time?

It is indeed possible, although you may need to prioritize somewhat. Specifically, you may not want to put off saving for retirement in favor of education. But by viewing these goals together and investing as early as possible in each of them, you can take advantage of one of your biggest assets – time. Of course, you'll still have to budget your resources. You want to invest as much as you can, but not so much that your monthly cash flow is cramped. Consequently, you may have to consider retiring later, contributing less to your child's education, or a combination of the two. But in terms of logistics, you can make saving and investing easier. First, consider your retirement accounts. If you have a traditional 401(k) or similar plan, your contributions come out of your paycheck before you even see the money – so it's about as painless a way of building your retirement fund as possible. Put in as much as your budget allows and consider increasing your contributions when you receive a raise at work. You can also direct your bank to move money each month from your savings or checking account into your IRA. Now, let's move to your other key goal: education. Several education funding vehicles are available, but one of the most popular is the 529 plan. Your earnings grow tax-deferred and withdrawals are free from federal tax, provided the money is used for qualified higher education expenses. (529 plan withdrawals not used for qualified expenses may be subject to federal and state income tax and a 10% IRS penalty on the earnings.) Furthermore, your 529 plan contributions may earn a state tax deduction or credit if you participate in your own state's plan. You can set up recurring contributions from a bank account to a 529 plan. And you don't have to fund your 529 plan on your own. Instead of gifts for birthdays, holidays, graduations and other occasions, why not ask friends and relatives to contribute to the 529 plan you've set up for your child? They're all eligible to participate – and their contributions may earn them tax benefits if they live in your state and you've invested in your own state's plans. A financial advisor can help you plan for more than one goal, understand the benefits and tradeoffs of your decisions, and make the process of saving for those goals easier. So, get the help you need to stay on track – or rather, two tracks – toward the important objectives of education and retirement.

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## CADY Corner

### Coping with fear, anger and other negative emotions

BY DEB NARO  
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Even in the best of circumstances, parenting a teen or young adult can be challenging especially in the uncharted waters of a pandemic. But when substance use enters the picture, you are likely to feel overwhelmed by negative emotions including fear, worry and anger which cause distress. Whether it's fear of what might happen next, shame associated with the stigma of substance use, resentment that this is happening to your family, or guilt that perhaps you could have done something differently as a parent, these emotions are very powerful.

Sometimes the emotions hit us in moments when we are quiet, while others seem to have become as much a part of us as breathing. Regardless of their intensity or frequency, the fallout can be damaging. You may have difficulty focusing at work, be reluctant to leave your home unattended or isolate yourself from friends or family. Constant negative emotions can also get in the way of happiness, compound our level of stress and worry, and ultimately damage our own health.

While there is no magic wand to change negative emotions to positive ones, there are ways to lessen the intensity of the emotion and shorten its duration. With practice, you can learn to disrupt and tame negative cycles. Not only will handling your negative emotions in a healthy way improve your overall outlook, but you will also be modeling healthy coping skills for your teen or young adult that don't rely on drugs or alcohol.

When we obsess about negative situations, we often tell ourselves to "stop thinking about this!" It's not helpful to shut down negative feelings, we should instead acknowledge and accept them. The mere act of identifying the emotion underlying our negative feelings can begin to lessen its weight. For example, fear is often experienced as a shortness of breath, a rapid heartbeat or a gnawing sensation in the belly. While grief might be experienced as a heaviness of the heart or a lump in the throat. Acceptance is the basic premise of mindfulness meditation, a practice that helps reduce stress and anxiety.

Our interpretation of thoughts about events, memories, judgments, beliefs, values, expectations, and observations give rise to feelings and emotions. This is called self-talk, and it is how we talk to ourselves, either aloud or silently. What we tell ourselves in any given moment can be helpful or result in much unnecessary upset or distress.

Once we've named the emotions and examined the thoughts that led to them, it's helpful to challenge our thinking. If having trouble challenging your negative thoughts, try imagining that your friend is feeling the way you feel. What advice would you give? Now think how that advice might apply to you.

When negative thoughts are making you feel agitated and overwhelmed, take a deep breath, and then another. Practicing controlled breathing can help lower the stress response and calm your anxious thoughts. You are not alone in experiencing negative thoughts and emotions. No matter what your thoughts are, undoubtedly other parents have had similar thoughts cross their minds. If you find yourself feeling depressed or extremely anxious, consider seeking help from a mental health professional. In the meantime, give yourself a break and try to have compassion and love for yourself. If you or someone you know struggles with substance misuse or addiction, please call 2-1-1 or the Doorway at LRGHealthcare (934-8905) for help.



DONNA RHODES

### Peaceful pond

On a near-perfect late spring day this past Tuesday, two gentlemen enjoyed paddling and fishing on the peaceful waters of Sky Pond in New Hampton, just below the Ashland town line.

## Sustainable Bristol

BY LAUREN THERRIALT

Water conservation may not be something on your mind because we all live so close to the lake and not in a state where droughts are common. This doesn't mean that you should let the water topic slide down the drain. There are lots of ways you can conserve water, and the energy used to heat/pump the water, and it's not all that hard and some may dare say fun. Here are a few I do.

Turn off the water when brushing your teeth or shaving.

Use the dishwasher

instead of washing in the sink. It does actually save more water.

Invest in a rain barrel. Connected to your gutter a rain barrel collects rainwater that can be used at another time to water your garden or your lawn.

Keep a pot or bucket in the shower to fill with water when the water is getting hot. This can also be used for watering plants or flushing your toilet if the power goes out.

Install a low flow shower head to save water. Full disclosure, I do not do this, I prefer to be blasted with water

and take a quick shower, usually while my kids scream for my attention at the bathroom door.

If you must water your plants or lawn with a hose, do so in the morning or evening when it's not so hot; more water ends up on the plants and not evaporated.

Keep a pitcher of water in the fridge so you can have cool water without having to run the faucet for a long time.

Save the water you use to steam vegetables to water your plants. My husband thinks I am nuts but I really do think the vitamins and minerals in the water help the

plants to grow better.

Only do laundry when you have a full load.

Can you do one or two of these things to save water at your house?

If you have any questions or comments please email Sustainable Bristol at [sustainability@townofbristolnh.org](mailto:sustainability@townofbristolnh.org)

*Lauren's Green Tip of the Week: Don't buy your dad anything for Father's Day, he probably already has all the tools, belts, and socks he needs. Just tell him you love him; this saves money and is sustainable.*

## Letters to the Editor

### Silence and compliance are not moving NH forward

To the Editor:

I am running for State Senate District 2. The last several months have been difficult for everyone. As a self-employed business owner for over 31 years, I see trouble on the horizon. Many businesses and families have a tough road ahead, due to policies that chose which businesses would succeed and fail. Big box stores and liquor stores remained open, while most small establishments were shuttered. I support proper protection policies, however destroying a small business owner's livelihood, along with their employees' was wrong. Elected officials remained silent on the subject, thus forcing small businesses

into financial ruin. I will be an advocate for New Hampshire businesses and its citizens against unsound government interventions.

I am a fiscal conservative. I want government to be efficient and protect our rights. As a current Belknap County Commissioner, I believe the State cannot continue to balance the budget by down shifting costs to municipalities and counties. The politicians in Concord need to recognize a change in policies is the only way to reduce costs.

We also need welfare reform. All too often, employees ask employers to cut their hours because the state will shut them off from financial

aid. The State of New Hampshire discourages people working, while businesses desperately need employees. Those who do work, get trapped and find it hard to get ahead because working longer hours means a reduction in benefits. We have a system that rewards less work. I will support policies that encourage work and not reduce aid to people that need help.

Another issue that needs to be addressed is healthcare. Rural hospitals throughout the country are closing and those in the lakes region and central New Hampshire are no exception to this danger. Our elected leaders have been silent on this issue, as well.

Nobody wants to live in a health hazard zone, where you cannot have access to care. Driving long distances or going out of state should not be our only option for health care.

I am a retired Army Colonel with 30 years of service. I will listen and work hard for you. Government needs to create the conditions so we can all succeed. I am running for the State Senate because silence and compliance is not leading and moving the great State of New Hampshire forward.

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## Towns

### Alexandria

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What lovely weather we have been having! The gardens are growing, flowers blooming birds singing and pollinators are busy at work. Have seen quite a number of swallowtail butterflies every day. Life is good!

Town Conservation Commission Meeting Wednesday, June 24 at 6:30 p.m. in the Municipal Building.

#### Alexandria UMC

Sunday, June 21, drive-in services will be held at AUMC and you will be able to hear the service on your car radio. There will be someone to direct the parking for the service and no masks are required as long as you remain in your car. If you do get out of your car please wear a mask, and keep socially distanced. If you need a mask, there will be some available.

Thank you to Phil Polhemus for providing his technical knowledge throughout these last few months to keep us all connected!

Hope you all have a marvelous week ahead, filled with all good and positive things. As for me, I'm off on an afternoon of adventure with my side kick! Great fun celebrating the end of the school year and beginning of fun in the sun of summer!

### Bristol

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As conditions continue to relax a bit, I would caution all my friends to still do all you can to be safe and to insure the safety of others in all respects. Even though the opening up phase of the crisis is underway, we all still need to use caution while enjoying this new development. I have seen and heard things that make me nervous as to attitudes regarding the safety of others. We need to act as respectful

individuals to insure good health practices so we can get back to "normal," although I don't expect we will ever be back to the 'normal' we once knew.

It has come to my attention that the citizens of Bristol are way behind in submitting Census information. Less than 30 percent have been submitted and that strikes me as a very low estimate for this time of the year. Please take the time (less than 10 minutes) to take care of this important task.

The Bristol Historical Society Museum, 15 High St., Bristol, will be opening for the summer on Tuesday, June 29. Step into the upper level of the former Bristol Firehouse and discover a large collection of artifacts, memorabilia and photographs. Share your stories of growing up in Bristol or vacationing at the lake with the society host or learn something you may not have known about Bristol's past. Summer hours will be Tuesdays, 6:30 to 8 p.m. and Saturday mornings from 9 – 11 a.m. Closed July 4. For information, call Lucille Keegan at 744-2751 or email lucillekeegan1@gmail.com.

The TTCC Board has voted to go forward with Summer Day Camp with some restrictions, which should come as no surprise. A number of actions to align with the Governor's Guidelines for day camps and the CDC recommendations are being implemented. If you are not signed up but still need care, contact the TTCC to see if there still might be room.

TTCC Baseball and Softball are now able to offer some training sessions and there is still room in all training sessions. Contact Jeff Kane (ttccbaseballsoftball@gmail.com) to get a child signed up for these training sessions.

Other program updates: The Annual Firecracker 5K on July 4 is going virtual; Shape Up is continuing outside at Kelley Park; Adult Softball is moving forward; Pickleball can resume outdoors; Volleyball and

Basketball are postponed indefinitely. TTCC activities: karate, Irish dance, badminton, roller fitness are postponed indefinitely. Swim lessons and British Soccer Camp have been cancelled.

Please avail yourselves of the Summer Reading Programs at the Minot-Sleeper Library by visiting the website: <https://www.minotsleeperlibrary.org/summer-reading.html>. There is a Youth Summer Reading Program as well as an Adult Summer Reading Program. Something for everyone!

Congratulations to the NRHS Class of 2020! The graduation was very unique and it looked like everyone felt the personal touch was just that as much as it was possible. I would congratulate the entire school community for its perseverance in dealing with so many new concepts in learning. Thank you, teachers and staff, for all your hard work in making it work and for your constant effort to ensure every child was given opportunity to continue to learn. I wish you all a wonderful summer in hopes you can regroup and return to school in the fall eager to get on with your educational efforts.

### Hebron

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Town Election (Tuesday, June 23) and Town Meeting (June 25)

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the town election originally scheduled for May 12, and the business portion of town meeting scheduled for May 14, were postponed. The Town has decided to proceed as outlined below.

DRIVE-THRU VOTING FOR TOWN OFFICIALS – TUESDAY, JUNE 23  
CHURCH LANE 11 a.m. – 7 p.m.

The Town will conduct drive-thru voting for the election of town officials on Tuesday, June 23 between 11 a.m. – 7 p.m. Voting will take place outside the He-

bron Church but from the comfort of your motor vehicle. Entrance to the voting area will be the one-way entrance to Church Lane from North Shore Road (across from School Street) and will proceed to the check-in station in front of the old Town Clerk's/Tax Collector's office. After checking in and obtaining a ballot, the voter will proceed to park their vehicle in the designated area on the east side of the church to cast their ballot. After casting their ballot, the voter will drive around behind the church to the check-out station to place their ballot in the ballot box and exit onto North Shore Road by the Hebron Store.

- At check-in, a voter will be asked to show their photo identification through their car window to the ballot clerk. If no photo identification is available, a voter's identity can be verified by an election official or the voter may complete a challenged voter affidavit.
- Golf pencils will be available from the ballot clerk to mark your ballot.
- On election day,

## Churches

### Holy Trinity (Roman Catholic)

Bishop Libasci has issued a directive that allows us to reopen for Mass at 40 percent capacity. Saturday, June 21 until Sunday, June 28, the following schedule will apply:

4 p.m. on Saturday, 7:30 and 11:30 a.m. Sunday at St. Matthew, and 9:30 a.m. at Our Lady of Grace.

We ask that you read through all of these instructions. The following must be done to be able to attend Mass.

- You must make a reservation. An email will be sent to you via our database and you can reply to that with your desired time and location. Next, print out the reply email to bring with you to church. We will also have registration lists at the churches so the ushers can confirm your reservation. If you don't have email

new voters may register with the Supervisors of the Checklist who will be in the Gazebo on the Common.

Absentee Ballots: Voters qualify for absentee ballots for being physically absentee from town, work obligations including caring for children or infirm adults, religious obligations, or a disability. On April 10, the New Hampshire Secretary of State and the New Hampshire Attorney General issued guidance on voting during the ongoing pandemic. A voter who is uneasy about voting in person due to health concerns, may cast an absentee ballot by reason of a disability. Please visit the town's website ([hebronnh.org](http://hebronnh.org)) or contact the Town Clerk for more information on obtaining an absentee ballot.

Absentee and election day ballots will be printed with the original election date of May 12.

TOWN MEETING – THURSDAY, JUNE 25  
TOWN COMMON 6:30 p.m.

The business portion of town meeting will be

held on Thursday, June 25 on the Town Common beginning at 6:30 p.m. Please maintain six-foot social distancing guidelines.

Voters are requested to:

- Wear a mask
- Bring a chair
- Bring your town report (mailed to registered voters)

If possible, please have amendments in writing prepared ahead of time to submit to the Moderator.

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we all work through the process of conducting voting and town meeting during this pandemic.

As we get closer to the election and town meeting, please check the town's website for any further postponements.

"Seasonal" Speed Limit Signs are out!

Please drive 40 mph ("Seasonal" speed limit) from North Shore Road heading south along Mayhew Turnpike to the blinking light in Bristol and the same way heading back to Hebron. Thank you very much

gregational singing at Mass, as singing further increases the spread of contagion.

- Please dress accordingly: All windows and doors must be left open.
- There will be standalone offertory boxes: You can safely deposit your contributions without interaction.
- Please use the bathroom before you come to church. There cannot be a group of people going to use the bathroom at the same time because of the risks involved. If you must go, please make sure you are practicing safe distancing rules. There will be disinfecting spray in the bathrooms, we ask that you wipe it down after you are through. Thank you.
- Children must be supervised at all times: especially if they need to use the bathroom.
- Please follow all CDC guidelines.. If you

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Jeannine M. Martin, 82

BRISTOL — Jeannine M. Martin, 82, of Bristol died on Dec. 19, 2019 after a brief illness.

She was born in Auburn, Maine on April 11, 1937, the daughter of Willie and Rose (Plante) LeComte. She graduated from Edward Little High School in 1955, and from St. Mary’s School of Nursing in 1958.

Jeannine devoted her life to caring for others first as an operating room nurse and later she cared for her sister, father, and mother until they passed away. She was always quick to offer help and support to anyone in need and would never expect anything in return.

She met her husband Neal, and they were married on April 14, 1960. They lived in San Francisco, Calif. and Manchester, Maine before moving to Bristol in the late ‘70’s. She had an incredible vision and ability to remodel and decorate homes. She enjoyed bowling, gardening, sewing, and bridge. She was known as the ultimate hostess and was an amazing cook.

Jeannine was an active community member, volunteering countless hours to Augusta General Hospital, Bristol P.T.O., and especially enjoyed being involved in the Bears Athletic Boosters, as she was not only a sports enthusiast of her beloved Boston Celtics but she would never miss any event her children participated in. She also began to volunteer for Newfound Area Nursing Association (“NANA”) in Bristol. Jeannine’s



Jeannine Martin

nursing background coupled with her keen business sense led to her being appointed as the Executive Director for NANA. Jeannine was credited with turning the struggling NANA into a highly successful agency in New Hampshire. She was respected throughout the State of New Hampshire in the home health industry as a leader that knew how to get things done. She quietly accepted awards and accolades for her dedication and expertise until she retired in 1999.

Family was always the most important thing to Jeannine, and as much as she thoroughly enjoyed being a mom, one could argue her greatest joy of all was being a Grammy/ Mimi to five grandchildren Kim, Dave, Josh, Kelsey and Riley. She would travel to the Cape to visit her first three grandchildren as often as she could and especially loved when they would spend time with her in NH where she would never tire of playing games, shooting Nerf hoops, or cooking everyone’s favorite dishes for breakfast, lunch, and dinner! After retiring, she traveled to York each week to spend time with her two grandkids

that decided she should be called Mimi. She became involved in their school and was every teacher’s favorite volunteer. She made this her routine for 12 years!

Jeannine enjoyed walking, going to exercise classes, and eating lunch out with her dear friend Monica Fournier. She was devoted to her husband and they never tired of having a healthy debate.

In addition to her parents, Jeannine was predeceased by her beloved sister, Constance M. Young, and her nephew Brian A. Young.

Family members include her husband of 59 years, Neal Martin of Bristol; three children, Todd Martin and his wife Lori of South Dennis, Mass., Craig Martin of Allentown, Pa., and Kerry Martin Johnston and her husband Rich of York, Maine; and five grandchildren (Kimberly Martin of Plymouth, Mass., David Martin and Joshua Martin, both of South Dennis, Mass., and Kelsey Johnston and Riley Johnston, both of York, Maine).

Donations in memory of Jeannine may be made to the Newfound Area Nursing Association of Bristol, NH at 214 Lake St. Bristol NH 03222 or to Spina Bifida of Greater New England, 219 E Main St., Milford, MA 01757, a cause very dear to her as her nephew Brian was born with Spina Bifida.

Please visit [www.DirectCremationSeacoast.com](http://www.DirectCremationSeacoast.com) to view Jeannine’s memorial website to send words of condolence and for additional information.

Paul Ray Beadle, 80

NEW HAMPTON — Paul Ray Beadle, 80, of New Hampton, died June 11, 2020 at his home, after a period of failing health.

Born in Hooksett on Oct. 24, 1939, he was the son of Howard, Sr. and Anna (Zyla) Beadle.

Paul grew up in the Hooksett and Manchester area. He attended Manchester Schools. He had been a resident of New Hampton for the past 54 years.

Paul had owned and operated Beadle’s Trucking for over 30 years. Paul was a long-time member of the Ashland Fire Department, and had achieved the rank of Captain.



Paul Beadle

Paul was predeceased by his wife, Rosella Mae Beadle, who died in November of 1996; his son, Edward Williams; his brother, Robert; and sister Pearl Bernard.

Paul is survived by his daughters, Laurie Brooker of Bristol, Diana Beadle of Ashland,

and Stacy Paquette of New Hampton; his son, Kenneth Beadle of Ashland; five grandchildren (Jimmy, Miranda, Tiffany, Shawn, and Brandan); six great grandchildren (Donovan, Carter, Arianna, Dakota, Jayden, Alexia, and one on the way); his brother, Howard “Bo” Beadle, Jr., and his wife Bonnie of Rumney; and many nieces and nephews.

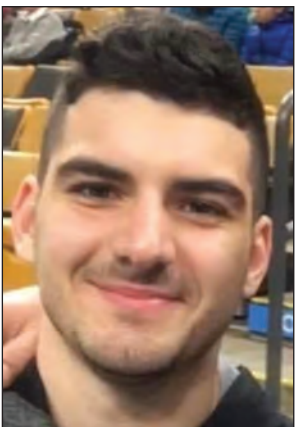
A graveside service will be held in the Green Grove Cemetery, Ashland.

The Mayhew Funeral Homes and Crematorium, in Meredith and Plymouth, are assisting the family with arrangements. [www.mayhewfuneralhomes.com](http://www.mayhewfuneralhomes.com)

Leo L. Ntourntourekas, 21

BRISTOL — Leo L. Ntourntourekas, 21, died Monday June 8, 2020 while doing one of his favorite activities, working out.

He was born in Franklin, the son of Demetrius “Jimmy” and Jennifer (Milbrad) Ntourntourekas. He had been a lifelong resident of Bristol, attended local schools and graduated from Newfound Regional High School, and was currently attending Plymouth State University. He loved physical fitness and practiced many different disciplines. The mountains surrounded his life, and he found wellbeing in hiking the local mountains. Leo enjoyed mu-



Leo Ntourntourekas

sic of all types and was known for being a talented drummer and guitarist.

Family and friends were dear to him. In addition to his parents, he leaves two brothers, Peter and Alex Ntourntourekas; sister Nicole Ntour-

turekas his paternal grandmother, Dorothea Ntourntourekas; and maternal nana Jackie Milbrad; many aunts, uncles, and cousins.

He was predeceased by his maternal and paternal grandfathers, whom he had special relationships with, Panagiotis Ntourntourekas and Leo Milbrad.

Friends were invited to calling hours on Saturday, June 13, 2020 from 5-8 p.m. at the Emmons Funeral Home, 115 South Main St., Bristol. Following current guidelines from the CDC and State of New Hampshire, friends will be admitted to the funeral home in small groups only.

Jeffrey Neal Martin, 90

BRISTOL — Jeffrey Neal Martin, 90, of Bristol passed away peacefully on Sunday, June 7, 2020.

Mr. Martin was born on Oct. 5, 1929 in Lewiston, Maine, a son of the late Alouisius and Claire (Pelletier) Martin. He shared over 59 years of marriage with his beloved wife, the late Jeannine (LeComte) Martin.

He was raised in Lewiston, Maine and graduated from Lewiston High School with the Class of 1946. He received a B.A. in History and Government from the University of Maine, Orono in 1950. He joined the army and served during the Korean War and during that time received a degree in History of the Far East at Sophia University, while stationed in Tokyo, Japan in 1952. After returning from the war, he attended George Washington Law School, receiving a JD Degree in 1957.

He practiced law in Lewiston, Maine with his father A.F. Martin, from 1958 to 1961. He met his wife Jeannine during this time and they were married on April 14, 1960. A year after they were married, Neal and Jeannine’s adventurous side took over and they moved to San Francisco, where Neal made a career change into banking, working in the Trust Department for Wells Fargo Bank. He returned to Maine as an SVP for Depositors Trust Company and later was President and CEO of First Consumers Savings Bank. In 1977, he moved to Bristol, where he was President and CEO of Meredith Bank & Trust. He would later follow a different career passion that combined his legal and financial backgrounds, becoming a business consultant, specializing in business valuations, mergers and acquisitions.

He was very active in professional and community activities. He



Jeffrey Martin

was a member of Rotary International, Chaired the Newfound School District Planning Committee, was a member of Town of Bristol Budget Committee, and the President of the Maine State Chamber of Commerce to name a few.

Neal had many passions in life. He began playing the piano as a child and was a natural performer. He played in jazz clubs all over including Tokyo, San Francisco, Washington, D.C., Boston, and New York City. He put himself thru law school by playing in the house band for the TV show, Jazz on Five. He was the founding member for both the Augusta Music Society and the NH Jazz Society. Anyone that would see him play would be amazed at his ability to play just about any song requested and never needing to look at music. Technically he was a gifted musician but more than that, he played from his heart and loved connections he made with others through his music. He taught lessons to local students and provided scholarships for those looking to pursue a degree in music.

He played golf whenever he had the chance. He loved playing with anyone he could and played well into his 80s. He enjoyed tennis, skiing, and would tell you that bridge was the only card game worth playing.

He never missed any activity his kids were involved in, whether it was an athletic, academic, or musical activity, he

was always there. Of all the titles he may have had, he was proudest of the title given to him by his grandkids. He loved to introduce himself to people as Grampy or Bumpy and would explain why that was so special as he was sharing photos of them.

He loved the Boston Celtics and the New York Giants. He never waived on this, and would defend his loyalty to anyone that questioned his allegiance to a New York team.

Most of all he loved people and he could talk to anyone and would have a life speech for any situation you could throw at him. His gift for talking suited him well as a taught several courses at Thomas College Graduate School, University of Maine, Husson College, and Plymouth State.

Neal was predeceased by his parents and his beloved wife, Jeannine.

Family members include his three children (Todd Martin and his wife Lori of South Dennis, Mass., Craig Martin of Allentown, Pa., and Kerry Martin Johnston and her husband Rich of York, Maine) and five grandchildren (Kimberly Martin of Plymouth, Mass., David Martin and Joshua Martin, both of South Dennis, Mass., and Kelsey Johnston and Riley Johnston both of York, Maine).

Services will be private. If desired, memorial donations may be made to the Seacoast Jazz Society, by visiting [www.seacoastjazz.org](http://www.seacoastjazz.org) or to Seniors Helping Seniors, 360 Route 101, Suite 3B, Bedford, NH 03110.

Please visit [www.DirectCremationSeacoast.com](http://www.DirectCremationSeacoast.com) to view Neal’s memorial Web site to send words of condolence and for additional information.

Services planned for Robert Brigham

BOSCAWEN — Interment services for Robert M. Brigham III of Bristol, who died Nov. 22, 2019, will be held Friday, June 26, 2020 at 10 a.m. at the New Hampshire Veterans Cemetery in Boscawen. Emmons Funeral Home of Bristol is assisting with arrangements.

Madeline A. Clark, 72

GROTON — Madeline A. Clark, 72, of Groton and formerly of Meredith, died suddenly on June 6, 2020 at her home.

Born the youngest of nine children in Meredith on April 22, 1948, she was the daughter of James William and Ruth (Weld) Amabile. She grew up in Meredith, and attended Meredith Schools

Madeline worked for many years at Annalee Dolls and as a deli worker at E.M. Heath Supermarket in Center Harbor.

Madeline enjoyed knitting, watching wildlife, cook outs and family restaurants until her failing health.

Madeline was prede-



Madeline Clark

ceased by her siblings, Wendell Irvine, Irene Jones, Anthony, James, Joseph, Raymond and Katherine.

Madeline is survived by her husband of 38 years. Peter Lyon Clark of Groton; daughter Lori Clark and her husband James of Laconia;

son Frank Weare and his wife Melissa of Palm Bay Fla.; grandchildren, Kristine, Nicole, Mason Marceau, Jennifer Clark, brother John Amabile of Meredith; many nieces and nephews.

Rest in peace, Mom, “Butch.” Forever missed and loved. Fly high above with butterflies the Angels

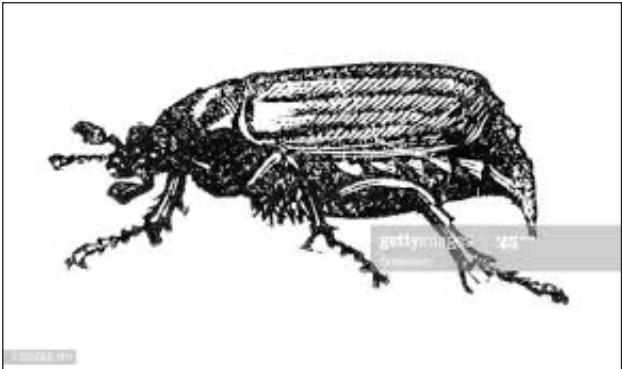
A graveside service will be held in the Meredith Village Cemetery, Meredith.

The Mayhew Funeral Homes and Crematorium, in Meredith and Plymouth, are assisting the family with their arrangements. [www.mayhewfuneralhomes.com](http://www.mayhewfuneralhomes.com)

NORTH COUNTRY NOTEBOOK

By JOHN HARRIGAN

June bugs, toting tiny suitcases, stage comeback with little fanfare



The June bug represents an impressive amount of calories on the wing, and here and there has been missing from the scene. They have returned with aplomb. (Courtesy gettyimages.com)

The other day I had a little idle time between errands, and parked on Main Street just to see what went by.

Two 18-wheelers bearing logs of oak went by, followed by two truckloads of what appeared to be ash. All the logs were about the same size—a foot or so on the butt--and all appeared to be eight feet, with enough extra for a clean cut at both ends.

We have the timber on our side of the border, but few mills to mill them. Quebec and Ontario get the logs, and the jobs. When I served on the Northern Forest Lands Council, one of our questions was how many Canadian sawmills were within, say, ten miles of the border. The answer was 46. That’s forty-six.

When a Canadian sawmill burns to the ground, the various governments are right there the next morning with a check for rebuilding, with state-of-the art equipment. Because the Canadians value their sawmills and their jobs in a way we seem unable or unwilling to match, they’ll always be the ones who wring every possible job out of every tree we send.

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JUNE BUGS RETURN  
(NOBODY CARES)

The above headline is there because I love to write headlines, and it’s even accurate. The overriding reaction from about half the audience (female division) to the very mention of June bugs, by the way, was something like “I hate them. They get caught in my hair. They’re sticky. Yuck.”

Few people seemed to notice the recent 10-year absence of rabbits (snowshoe hare). However, the June bugs can’t avoid being noticed, what with crashing into outer walls and windows, flying under the radar to smash into windshields and ooze bodily fluids that dry into airplane glue, and displaying rare and taunting disregard for bouffant hairdos. They have returned after several seasons of being scant to non-existent

(at certain elevations, at least).

The above paragraph has qualifying phrases, for good reason. There’s been no research on the short-lived phenomenon of June bugs that I know of, and as with much about Mother Nature, it’s sheer speculation. Believe me, it is utter folly to call the widely known State House number and ask, politely but professionally, “Who’s in charge of June bugs, huh? Huh? Huh?”

All I know is that during normal times, if there’s such a thing as “normal,” June bugs would smack into the sides of the house as long as there was a light on. In the shop, which I try to keep neat, I’d have to sweep them up every morning, all of them down there on the concrete floor, with their little feet crinkled up in the air and little X-marks on their tiny eyes, to signify “dead.”

Who cares? Birds of many a stripe, I’d guess, and bats, and perhaps smaller creatures of the weasel family. Think “Ermine Almost A Weasel Catches June Bug on Wing, Crowd Applauds.”

As hefty insects right up there size-wise, at least, with bumblebees, June bugs represent a good deal of protein on the hoof, or wing, and their absence surely left many species in many niches in the food-chain wanting. Oh sure, we think we can never run out of June bugs. But remember the buffalo. Soon to come, right there on the back-side of a new nickel: a June bug?

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Found in my Inbox among a recent morning’s mail:

“I enjoy your column in The Baysider and look forward to each edition. Shortly after reading your article on eagles, my wife and I were driving the back roads from Rochester to Alton Bay.

“On Ten Rod Road, just north of Rochester, I spotted an American bald eagle sitting in a stone wall adjacent to the road. My wife Barbara did not see it so I turned around in the nearest driveway and

headed back.

“The eagle was now in the middle of the road, and another car was approaching slowly from the other direction. The eagle flew off to a nearby tree, dropping its prey in the road. It sat there, about 15 feet up, waiting for me to take a photo and with a look that said “Don’t mess with my lunch.

“Photo was taken May 25, with a Panasonic Lumix LX5 pocket camera.”  
--Vince Bober, Alton Bay

Vince, like many readers, was shocked at the notion of anyone trying to shoot raptors out of the sky, yet it was a matter of course, only a couple of generations ago.

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“Man charged with 125 wildlife crimes” was the headline above an Associated Press story in several papers around the state.

A Chippewa County, Mich., man has been charged with 125 wildlife crimes, including killing protected bald eagles and wolves. The charges — filed earlier in May against Kurt Johnston Duncan, 56, of Pickford — were the result of a months-long investigation by the Department of Natural Resource’s Law Enforcement Division.

Duncan is accused of illegally killing 18 wolves in the last 18 months as well as killing and disposing of three bald eagles. Wolves are protected in Michigan and are on the federal endangered species list. Bald eagles are protected under state law, as well as the federal Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act.

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In Vermont, The Daily Digger reported on a House-approved bill that would allow Abenaki tribe members to receive free fishing and hunting licenses. This came only after several attempts to amend the legislation and hold it for more discussion.

Some presented the move as a form of reparations for Vermont’s indigenous people, who have lost land and hunting rights to some areas. Other lawmakers worried that giving away free licenses would re-

duce desperately needed revenue.

This leaves me wondering what New Hampshire’s indigenous people think about this--today’s remnant Abenaki or Wobena-ki, encompassing the once-numerous Penacooks, Ameriscoggin, Coashaukee, and many others.

My contacts sometimes seem fleeting. Often, it feels as though all I have in solid form are images, in my mind, of the totems left periodically on poor old Metallak’s grave and



all around the stone, stuck into the ground he roamed and loved. It would good to hear from someone out there among the People of the Dawn Land.

(Mail is welcome, with phone numbers, please, at campguyhooligan@gmail.com or 386 South Hill Rd., Colebrook, NH 03576)



Vince Bober went right by this bald eagle on Ten Rod Road, but turned around so he could get this photo and his wife Barbara could get a better look.

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# THE REAL REPORT

RECENT REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS

Town	Address	Type	Price	Seller	Buyer
Alexandria	Cass Mill Road	N/A	\$18,000	Mohegan Real Estate LLC	Bryan L. and Deborah Richardson
Alexandria	191 Foster Pond Rd.	Single-Family Residence	\$240,000	Andrew J. Deroma	Diane Sambor
Alexandria	90 Gordon Hill Rd.	Single-Family Residence	\$267,000	Craig A. Mayo and Vicky C. Thibodeau	Joshua T. Nickerson
Alexandria	21 Solar Acres Rd.	Single-Family Residence	\$200,000	James & Lynn Martin Fiscal Trust	Mark C. and Sandra M. Pagani
Bridgewater	Whittemore Shores Condo Unit 49	Condominium	\$250,000	Barbara N. White 2005 RET and Andrew S. White	Gregory White
Bristol	77 W. Shore Rd.	Single-Family Residence	\$170,000	John W. Palmer	Patrick J. Allen
Bristol	151 W. Shore Rd., Unit 7	Condominium	\$100,000	David R. Pelletier	James Rascoe RET
Campton	26 Condo Rd., Unit 2	Condominium	\$115,800	Gerard A. and Aileen M. Mack	Lori M. Routhier RET
Campton	13 Mespelli Rd.	Single-Family Residence	\$229,000	Philip J. and Sherry A. Nangle M.A. George-MacDonald and Michael G. MacDonald	Jon and Hollie Halverson
Campton	1151 NH Route 175	Single-Family Residence	\$230,000	Wade M. Huke	Robert W. and Ann Kuell
Campton	N/A	N/A	\$270,000	Beverly Ormston Fiscal Trust	Maria Marc-Schulz
Campton	N/A	N/A	\$330,000	Francis W. and Barbara W. Lajeunesse	Michael B. Bower and Helena M. Fjaeliskog
Hebron	90 George Rd.	Single-Family Residence	\$450,000	GFY RT and Paul E. Sughrue	Michael J. and Fiona E. Moran
Hebron	N. Shore Road	N/A	\$350,000	Douglas A. and Jane T. VanBuskirk	Janice E. Smith
Holderness	84 Heritage Hill Rd.	Acc. Land Imp.	\$515,000	Carignan 2000 Fiscal Trust and Richard C. Carignan	Gregory and Kara Levasseur
Holderness	US Route 3, Lot 2	N/A	\$55,000	Jerry & S. Hopkins RET	Jon and Hollie Halverson
Holderness	362 US Route 3	Single-Family Residence	\$500,000	Linda S. Beaty	Carl A. and Mary M. Lachance
New Hampton	96 Drake Rd.	Single-Family Residence	\$300,000	Richard A. and Lillian C. Goulette	Troy and Mindy Foster
New Hampton	23 Woodman Lane	Single-Family Residence	\$240,000	Eliza L. King and Jared Steer	Tara M. and Michael J. Albert
Plymouth	10 Cummings Hill Rd.	Single-Family Residence	\$180,000	Aimee K. and Christopher Lee	Cody Gibbs
Plymouth	104 Highland St.	Single-Family Residence	\$194,933	Jenny R. and Justin B. Thibeault	Ashley MacMillan and Andrew Nelson
Plymouth	34 Merrill St.	Single-Family Residence	\$213,000	Thaddeus C. Guldbrandsen	Nicholas R. and Alissa M. Helms
Plymouth	Old Route 25	N/A	\$191,000	George A. and Candace R. Ports	Georgia C. Prestosz
Thornton	15 Bear Chase Rd., Unit 15	Condominium	\$174,000	Dawn F. and Thomas P. Lawler	Brittany C. Lawler
Thornton	Mill Brook Road	N/A	\$25,000	Steven A. Martin	James M. and Kasey B. Moccio
Thornton	65 Mountain River East Rd., Unit 52	Condominium	\$126,600	Ronald J. Dalphonse	Teresa J. Rezendes
Thornton	Route 49	N/A	\$80,000	Owen Lawlor	Faye W. Haley
Warren	N/A	N/A	\$129,933	Ronald M. and Mary L. Whitcher	Joseph R. and Sharon M. Difranza
Waterville Valley	20 Avalanche Way, Unit 23	Condominium	\$240,000	Carol A. Donnelly	Katherine O. Spirtes

## ABOUT THE REAL REPORT

Here are recent real estate transactions in Alton and the surrounding areas. These sales summaries are informational only, not a legal record. Names shown are usually the first listed in the deed. Sales might involve additional parties or locations. Prices are usually based on tax stamps and might be inaccurate for public agency sales. Refer to actual public documents before forming opinions or relying on this information. Ad-

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# Minot-Sleeper Library receives Digital Divide grant

BRISTOL — The Minot-Sleeper Library has recently been awarded a \$10,000 grant to address the digital divide in the Newfound Area. The grant is funded by the New Hampshire Humanities and the National Endowment for the Humanities through Cares Act funding.

The Digital Divide is defined as the economic, educational, and social inequalities between those who have computers and online access and those who do not. The Minot-Sleeper Library serves as a clearing house for access to information. The library staff and trustees recognize that there are many in our community without computers or other technology, including internet access, at home. As information online becomes critical in our daily lives, from accessing health records to applying for jobs, having access – and bridging the

Digital Divide – is imperative.

Beginning this summer, the library will loan tablets and laptops to library cardholders. For those needing internet access, hot spot devices may also be borrowed. The library will also expand its access to online programming by providing select library presentations and information about resources through the local Newfound Area Public Access TV channel for those without online access. Certain children's and adult educational programs will be recorded with presenters' permission and made available through circulating DVDs.

For those wishing to utilize technology and internet access at the library, a mobile computer station will be available outside the library later this month. The station will allow anyone with an appointment to use a

laptop and the library's WiFi to access the internet. The service will be weather dependent and available by appointment. To reserve a time to use the computer, call the library at 744-3352.

In addition to expanding the availability of technology, the Minot-Sleeper Library is also creating more access to its collection through a home delivery service. Beginning this week, the library now offers home delivery service for individuals living in the Newfound Area who are homebound. This service brings library books, audiobooks on CD, magazines, and DVDs to those temporarily or permanently confined to their residence due to illness or accident, or permanently, due to age, disability or other mobility problem, or are at a high risk during the COVID-19 pandemic. This service is avail-

able free of charge to residents of Bristol, Alexandria, Bridgewater, Danbury, Hebron, Hill, Groton, and New Hampton. This service is made possible thanks to the library's volunteers. Those interested in signing up or learning more about the service may call the Library at 744-3352 Monday-Friday 10 a.m.-6 p.m. or Saturday 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

The library's three-year strategic plan includes goals to increase access to a wider population in the Newfound Area, use innovative communication techniques, and optimize its physical space. With support from the New Hampshire Humanities and the National Endowment for the Humanities, new programs beginning this month will support the library's work in achieving these goals.

## Churches

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are having any symptoms at all, please stay home.

The Mass will still be filmed, at least throughout the summer if not longer, and your Sunday obligation can still be fulfilled that way. You can watch it on our Youtube channel, Holy Trinity Parish NH.

There are a lot of steps we need to take to keep everyone as safe and healthy as possible. Practicing patience and compassion will go a long way towards a successful return to conscious and active participation in the Mass.

As of Monday, June 15, daily Mass, along with private prayer and Eucharistic Adoration are also available. For a schedule of days and times, refer to the church bulletin which can be obtained by emailing Chris at [holytrinitybristol@gmail.com](mailto:holytrinitybristol@gmail.com).

## Plymouth Congregational, UCC

YOU ARE INVITED to join Pastor Mike Carrier for worship at 9:30 a.m. via our Facebook Page when we will be live-streaming our morning service. The Sunday Bulletin for this service as well as videos and Bulletins from past services can be found on our church's Web site at [www.uccplymouth.org](http://www.uccplymouth.org).

In order to protect everyone's health and safety, we have made the decision to suspend all gathered worship services and meetings until further notice.

How do I access the church's Facebook Page? You can find our Page by searching for "Plymouth Congregational United Church of Christ Plymouth NH." "Like" the Page and you will receive notifications when the weekly service goes live! Missed something? Scroll down to the date of the service or program you missed. It is all there!

Feeding Our Children Together  
From the start of this

school year, we have been providing 3,000 calories to food insecure children in the Head Start Program and to Plymouth Elementary School so that they will have enough to eat over the weekend. We are currently working with our partners to support the needs of these children while the schools are closed.

PCUCC is a vibrant community of faith that is welcoming, theologically progressive, socially liberal, open and affirming, inclusive and enthused about sharing Christ's love with the world. Please visit our Web site at [www.uccplymouth.org](http://www.uccplymouth.org).

## Starr King Unitarian Universalist Fellowship

Starr King Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, 101 Fairground Rd., Plymouth, is a multi-generational, welcoming congregation where different beliefs come together in common covenant. We work together in our fellowship, our community, and our world to nurture justice, respect, and love.

THIS WEEK AT STARR KING:  
Sunday, June 21  
The Promise of Flowers  
Rev. Dr. Linda Barnes, Worship Leader  
Sarah Dan Jones, Music Director

It is the care we give today that makes for a brighter tomorrow. Join us on this Flower Communion Sunday and Father's Day to appreciate and celebrate the beauty and truth that, in the seed lies the promise of the flower. Please take a look at our website, [starrkingfellowship.org](http://starrkingfellowship.org), to see instructions on sharing flowers for our flower communion.

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Graduation

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the COVID-19 pandemic, awaited each family and their graduate. Personalized green and white masks for each senior were also custom-made by two of the graduates' moms, while the family members invited to the event were offered other free facial masks when they arrived.

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dynamic group of supporters to share all the great work that their commitment makes possible."

Together, Board President Rob Moore and Rebecca Hanson will present the Founder's Award, which is presented every year to an individual or group that has provided significant active service as a member or volunteer, given a significant financial or in-kind contribution to the conservation of Newfound, or, an individual or group that, through leadership and scientific discovery, has contributed to a better understanding of the importance of the Lake and its watershed.

For the safety of all, the Annual Meeting and Membership Gathering will be held remotely. This event is open to the public, but only current NLRA members are eligible to vote for the 2020-2021 board officers. To read the full agenda, review the slate of officers, and RSVP, please visit [www.newfoundlake.org/annual-meeting](http://www.newfoundlake.org/annual-meeting).

With the support of its members, the Newfound Lake Region Association works year-round to conserve and protect the Newfound watershed through initiatives including water quality monitoring, land conservation, invasive species watch, educational programming, and public events. You can join at [www.newfoundlake.org/membership](http://www.newfoundlake.org/membership).

marks, Salutatorian Ashlynn Hatch spoke about memories and pride. She congratulated the class on working together over the years and said they may have had their "senior year ripped away from us," they got through it all as a team and were still getting to enjoy the graduation they deserved.

Valedictorian for the Class of 2020 was Anna

Watson. As she took to the stage, she said she hoped her classmates will be met with success and happiness in the years to come, no matter the path they choose. Having endured "a pandemic, murder hornets" and other unexpected challenges, Watson was proud they still managed to come out on top.

Other special moments were when Class President Tuan Nguyen spoke, apologizing that he didn't have the upbeat speech he had hoped to present.

"I wasn't prepared to give a speech to people spread so far apart," he said as he looked across the track. And while he didn't feel comfortable giving advice that he felt

his classmates already knew too well, he did however ask for a moment of silence in memory of a previous NRHS graduate and friend, Leo Ntourtourekas, who recently passed away.

"I actually had an anecdote that included Leo but I don't think it's appropriate now," said Nguyen.

Class Secretary Evelyn Cutting had the honor of officially presenting the class gift, a bear sculpture created by artist Colton Workman of Gilford that now sits outside the school entrance. Cutting said the class first developed the idea for the sculpture in their freshmen year and it was constructed of recycled materials, some of

which they themselves contributed.

"This is a lasting piece that we'll be remembered for," she said.

The final speaker was faculty member Amy Doolin. In her keynote address to the class, Doolin began by saying how great it was to see all the graduates after three months of separation through remote learning.

"You hold a special place in my heart... thank you for challenging me and inspiring me," said Doolin. "Sometimes, life throws you curveballs but what I saw in you was nothing short of remarkable... No one said it would be easy, but as you sit here today, I hope it was

worth it!"

Closing out the ceremony, the 83 graduates then walked across the stage to receive their diplomas as their parents awaited them on the other side. From there, each family moved on to have a special photo taken under a trellis to commemorate the occasion. As class president Nguyen stepped forward at last to direct them in moving their tassels from left to right, their graduation was complete.

The Class of 2020 will surely be remembered as not only a class of "great" students, as Hoiriis and others called them, but grateful students who then marched off to their futures outside of NRHS.

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bers with signs and lots of enthusiastic cheers as they motored through. At the end of the line-up were Principal Jay Lewis, Assistant Principal Trisha Lewis, Newfound Area School Superintendent Stacy Buckley and Eighth Grade Team Leader Donna Ritchie.

Pulling up under a special tent decorated for the occasion, each

of the 109 students were handed a carnation and a bag filled with their graduation certificates, any awards they had earned throughout the year, and other goodies.

Principal Lewis said the class adapted very well to the sudden change in their educational path in March when the school was asked to switch to remote learning due to the Coronavirus pandemic;

while some did their assignments through online digital methods, others were still able to do their classwork with paper and pencil. Lewis said they did however, miss being together with their teachers and friends and he received many emails from students asking when they could return to their school building. While that was not possible, the parade gave the

eighth graders a chance to at least drive through the school grounds and see many of their teachers one last time as the school year came to a close.

"This class will be remembered for their ability to make everyone feel welcome and for the positive school community that they helped to create," said Lewis.

Historical Society Museum opens June 29

BRISTOL — The Bristol Historical Society Museum, located at 15 High St. in Bristol, will be opening for the summer on Tuesday, June 29.

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# Newfound welcomes NLRA Watershed Stewards



Ryan Hannon

BRISTOL—Newfound Lake Region Association has added two new members to its team, please welcome the NLRA Watershed Stewards!

As part of the Lakes Region Conservation Corps, a region-wide AmeriCorps program, the Watershed Stewards lend their time and talents to further the mission of conserving the Newfound watershed. Stewards support water quality monitoring of Newfound Lake and its tributaries, guard against aquatic invasive species, reduce and prevent storm water erosion through innovative landscaping practices, and work with community partners on projects around the watershed.

In their first few weeks, including a two-week quarantine period, the Watershed Stewards have already participated in trail maintenance at the Hebron Town



Colleen Clausen

Forest during National Trails Day, many hours of site maintenance at Grey Rocks Conservation Area, and have added plantings to the Cummings Beach swale in partnership with the Pasquaney Garden Club and the Town of Bristol.

Colleen Clausen is a New Hampshire native with a Bachelor of Science in Biology from Colby-Sawyer College. She has experience in water quality testing and landscaping and an interest in animal behavior and aquatic ecology.

Clausen says, “I am excited to help keep the land and water of the region I grew up in clean and healthy. I hope to learn more about, and add to the success of, the programs NLRA runs to protect Newfound’s water quality.”

Ryan Hannon, originally from Massachusetts, is a recent graduate of Plymouth State University with a bachelor’s degree in Environmental Planning

and Sustainability. He also holds certifications in permaculture design and geographic information systems.

“I look forward to furthering the effort to conserve Newfound, which will allow people to enjoy it that much more,” says Hannon.

Colleen and Ryan will be working throughout Newfound until the end of October. If you see them, be sure to say hello! You can stay up-to-date on the work of the Watershed Stewards by reading the Stewardship Journal at: [newfoundlake.org/watershed-stewards](http://newfoundlake.org/watershed-stewards)

The Newfound Lake Region Association’s mission is to protect Newfound Lake and its watershed. The Association – through education, programs and collaboration – promotes conservation and preservation of the region’s natural, social, and economic resources. Learn more at [newfoundlake.org](http://newfoundlake.org).



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