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Alexandria Conservation Commission announces photo contest winners

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ALEXANDRIA — Creatures great and small were included in the nearly 60 photos sent in for the Alexandria Conservation Commission's second annual calendar photo contest, whose theme this year was "Animals of Alexandria," and last Friday evening, the winners were announced at the Alexandria Town Offices.

Photos of any living

creature were welcomed into the competition as long as each photo was taken within the town limits.

From caterpillars, butterflies and beetles to moose, bear and bobcat, there were spectacular pictures of each presented to the commission. Several domestic animals, like horses, dogs and cats were entered as well, but Chairman Ernie Lamos said he was surprised to see some

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THE ALEXANDRIA CONSERVATION COMMISSION WAS PLEASED RECENTLY TO UNVEIL PHOTOS SELECTED FOR THEIR 2017 CALENDAR. FROM LEFT TO RIGHT ARE FRAN BUTLER, WHOSE PHOTO WAS SELECTED FOR THE COVER, ALONG WITH COMMISSIONERS JENNIFER TUTHILL, ERNIE LAMOS AND TOM LARSON.

DONNA RHODES

New Hampton police urge residents to be on the lookout for impostor

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NEW HAMPTON — On Friday, Nov. 18, police in New Hampton received a report of a person impersonating an officer in their town, and they are cautioning the public to be on the alert for any similar encounters.

An unidentified female resident stated that she was pulled over on Route 132 last Friday

morning by a new silver Dodge Charger that displayed two blue lights in the grill, much as a low profile or unmarked police cruiser might have. Unlike most police vehicles, however, it had no front license plate.

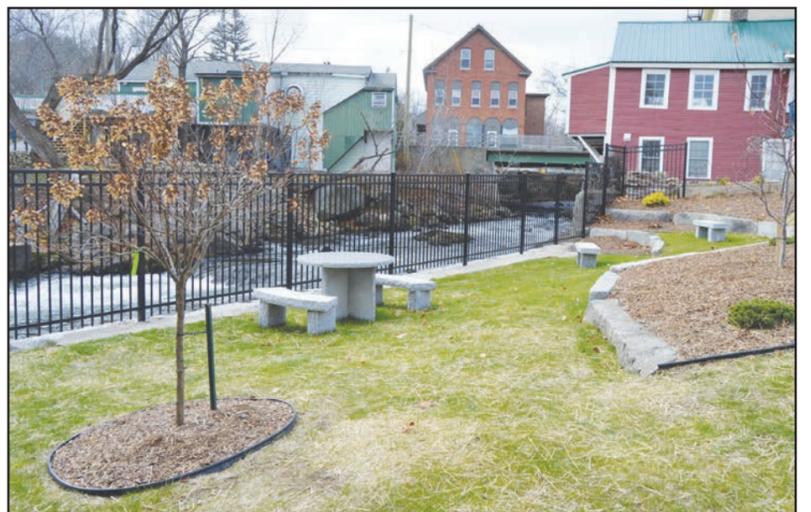
She told police that after she pulled over, the man who approached her vehicle did not ask her for a driver's license or other standard iden-

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Local Scout spearheads creation of micro-park in downtown Bristol

BY DONNA RHODES
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BRISTOL — This Thanksgiving, residents and visitors to downtown Bristol can



A MICRO-PARK IN DOWNTOWN BRISTOL WAS BUILT THROUGH THE EFFORTS OF LOCAL BOY SCOUT REED WILSON AND OPENED TO THE PUBLIC EARLIER THIS MONTH. THE PARK, SITUATED BESIDE MILL FUDGE FACTORY, PROVIDES A RELAXING SPOT FOR THOSE WHO WANT TO ENJOY THE NATURAL BEAUTY OF THE NEWFOUND RIVER.

DONNA RHODES

Tax cap forces Newfound district to look at consolidation

BY THOMAS P. CALDWELL
Contributing Writer

BRISTOL — A budget forecast that has gotten bleaker by the week, coupled with a tax cap that limits flexibility in funding, has officials in the Newfound Area School District considering the elimination of a summer education program and abandonment of many of the building improvements the superintendent had hoped to make during the coming year.

The dilemma prompted School Board Chair Jeff Levesque of Groton to raise an idea that has been anathema to the towns making up the district: closing a school.

"It's become increasingly clear to me over

the years — and this year and next year it's going to become apparent to a lot more people — that the tax cap is going to force the consolidation of the buildings in this district," Levesque said.

"The tax cap does not allow for repairs and maintenance. If you have to choose between teachers, summer pro-

grams, and equipment that has a direct impact on children, which is our primary focus — a building has never educated a child. So if we have to make a choice to cut something, we end up cutting infrastructure," Levesque continued.

"If we stop maintaining these structures, add a local Boy Scout

to their list of things a young man's Eagle Scout project has added feature to the town — a peaceful micro-park

to be thankful for, as yet another beautiful SEE MICRO PARK, PAGE A11

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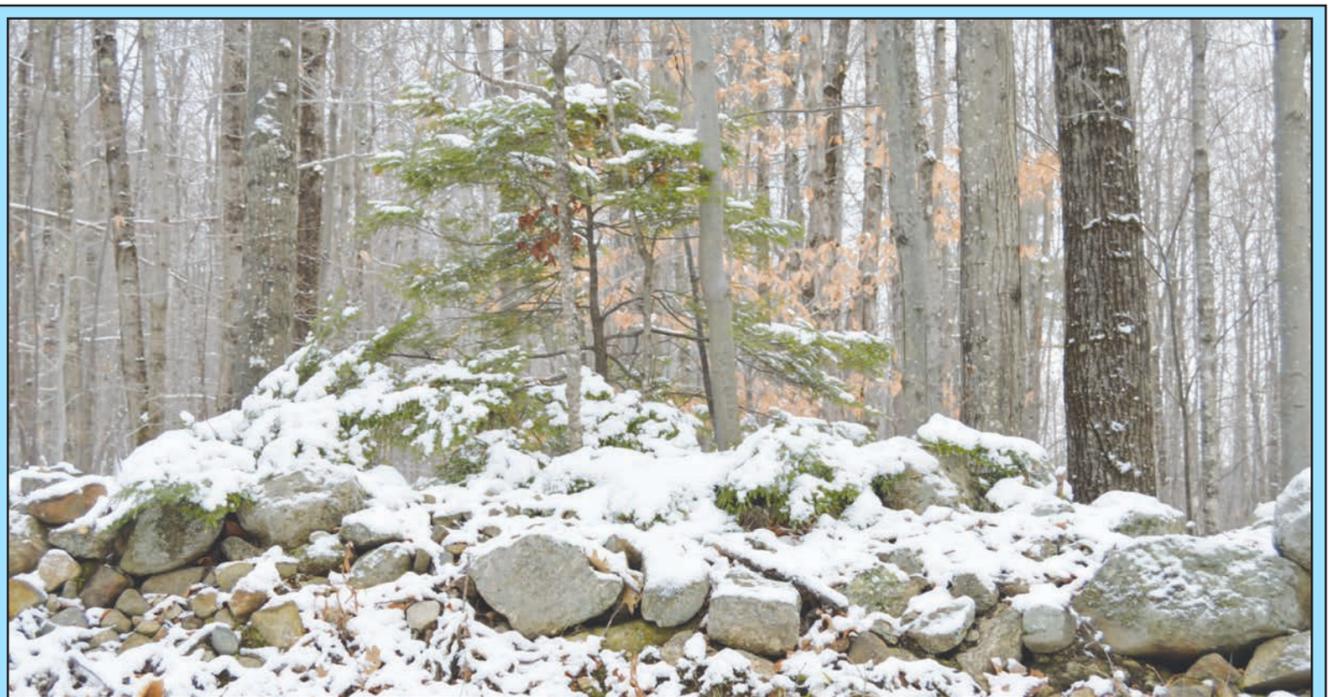
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Winter arrives

AFTER A DELIGHTFUL SUNNY WEEKEND WITH TEMPERATURES APPROACHING 60 DEGREES, NEW HAMPSHIRE RESIDENTS AWOKED MONDAY MORNING TO FIND ANYWHERE FROM A DUSTING TO TWO INCHES OF SNOW ON THE GROUND, SIGNALING THE HARSH REALITY THAT WINTER IS HERE. WHILE MANY ROADS IN THE LAKE AND RIVER VALLEYS HAD TO BE TREATED FOR ICY CONDITIONS, HIGHER ELEVATIONS EVEN RECEIVED A BIT OF PLOWABLE SNOW IN SOME TOWNS. AS THE SEASONS CHANGE, DRIVERS ARE REMINDED TO STAY ALERT TO VARIABLE ROAD AND WEATHER CONDITIONS IN THE MONTHS TO COME, ADJUSTING THEIR SPEED AND DISTANCE FROM OTHER VEHICLES ACCORDINGLY.

DONNA RHODES

Selectmen discuss policies on snow and parking

BY THOMAS P. CALDWELL
Contributing Writer

BRISTOL — Just ahead of the season's first signs of snow, the Bristol Board of

Selectmen adopted a new snow obstruction policy that sets fines for placing snow or ice on town roads and walkways, or on town

property. The board is continuing to work on a policy governing downtown parking by private property tenants.

The snow obstruction policy sets a \$75 fine for anyone placing snow or ice on roads and walkways, and \$50 for placing snow in places such as Central Square, with additional charges if the fines are not paid within 10 days.

The town maintains several public parking areas, including in front of TD Bank and behind the Minot-Sleeper Library. The parking ordinance under consideration would allow the tenants of downtown apartments to leave their cars overnight in those two locations between Nov. 15 and April 15, as long as the vehicles are moved before 8 a.m. to allow the highway department to plow the lots.

The ordinance also would allow the town to tow any vehicle that interferes with snow plowing and removal operations.

Recognizing the limited parking space downtown, selectmen agreed to look into additional parking for tenants, perhaps on Spring Street and the gravel lot that will provide access to the riverfront trail. The town

also will reopen dialogue with the Bristol Baptist Church about the possibility of having reserved parking spaces in the church lot.

Other discussions at the Nov. 17 selectmen's meeting included a presentation by Minot-Sleeper Library Director Brittany Overton on the circulation trends at the library.

Overton said that, while many New Hampshire libraries are experiencing a decrease in usage, Bristol's facility has been trending upward, with patron visits having increased 35 percent since 2012, to 29,390. Community events decreased from 213 to 193 during the construction of a library addition in 2013, but, since the new section opened, activity has more than doubled, to 435 programs in 2016.

The circulation of library materials increased from 36,809 in 2012 to 41,408 this year, while computer and wifi use increased from 3,768 in 2012 to 8,516 this year.

During questioning, Overton said the staff hand-counts the numbers, which increases

the interaction with patrons. While some libraries use door counters, Overton said that can distort actual use, giving the example of someone who steps out five times to smoke. She insists on the hand count to track unique visitors, and said it also allows them to greet visitors and record their specific needs and interests.

The library is using an integrated circulation system purchased with a grant from the Bristol Rotary Club to handle its materials, and it has set up a "Giving Tree" decorated with book titles, so people can select and purchase books for the library's collection.

"Individuals and families are hearing about the library and they are spending more time there, connecting with one another," Overton said, adding that she sees a great deal of interest in life-long learning from the library patrons.

In other business, Don Milbrand, chair of the Capital Improvement Committee, reviewed the recommendations for this year, including the replacement of the library's roof. SEE PARKING, PAGE A11

Volunteers bring holiday spirit to Bristol's Central Square

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BRISTOL — Some of Santa's local elves were busy in Central Square last weekend, decorating the village for the community's upcoming holiday celebration scheduled to kick off at 5 p.m. this Friday.

Bristol's Downtown Decorating Committee and Town Events Committee have been preparing for the annual event for several weeks and look forward to hosting a nostalgic night of caroling, roasted chestnuts, cider, popcorn and hot chocolate, courtesy of the committees and the Bristol Lions Club.

Topping off the festivities will be Santa's trip into the square, courtesy of the Bristol Fire Department, where he will magically light the town tree. From there he will make his way to Tapply Thompson Community Center to spend time with all the good boys and girls who want to share their holiday wishes with him.

Stores in downtown Bristol are looking for-



DONNA RHODES

Thanks to local volunteers, wreaths, snowflake banners, red ribbons and boughs of winter greenery have left Bristol's Central Square decked out for the holidays.

ward to the event as well, with many open late that afternoon to greet the start of the busy holiday shopping season.

The public is also encouraged to help make the holidays a bit brighter for other New Hampshire children this year

by dropping off an unwrapped gift at LinCross Roast Beef and Sandwich Shop. All donations will assist the U.S. Marine Corps Reserves' Toys for Tots program. LinCross Sandwich Shop is located at 10 Pleasant St. in downtown Bristol.

Bristol Budget Committee announces 2017 budget meeting dates

BRISTOL — The Bristol Budget Committee's 2017 Budget schedule has begun and the Committee welcomes and encourages all citizens to participate in the budget process. To that end the Committee is announcing two of the important 2017 Budget Meetings that open and finalize this process before the annual budget is presented to Town Meeting on Saturday, March 18.

The first important session, Bristol's Annual Department t Head 2017 Budget Presentation Meeting with the

Budget Committee has been scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 3 at 9 a.m. The meeting will be held at the Old Town Hall on Summer Street. There is time allotted at the end of each department's presentation for questions from the Committee and public. If you are unable to attend or would rather have a question presented for you by the Committee Chair, you can email them to Bill Cote at whcote@yahoo.com.

The second important session to be held before Town Meeting

is the 2017 Budget Public Hearing scheduled for Feb. 13, 2017. This is tentatively scheduled to be held at the Old Town Hall as well. This is the final opportunity for public input and Committee deliberation or changes to proposed 2017 budget prior to Town Meeting.

For more information about the Budget Committee and its regular meeting schedule visit the Town of Bristol Web site at www.townofbristolnh.org or contact the Town Offices, 230 Lake St. in Bristol, at 744-3354



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Counting down the days

Pictured above is Rosemary McGuirk of Hibernating Artists. McGuirk is pointing to Dec. 3, the date of the next Danbury Winter Market. Her original calendars and many locally made, grown and produced items will be available from 9 a.m.-2 p.m., at the grange hall, 15 North Rd. in Danbury.

Welcome the holidays with annual tree lighting in Bristol Square

BRISTOL — The Bristol Downtown Decorating Committee is busy getting ready for the annual tree lighting in Bristol Square on the day after Thanksgiving, Nov. 25. Swags have been hung on the wrought iron fence in front of Beno's apartments. The barrels have been filled with greens and wreaths on the light poles and the big tree will arrive soon.

Everyone is invited to join in the celebration and tree lighting organized by the Bristol Town Events Committee on Nov. 25. All Blakely will again be the master of ceremonies. Caroling will commence at 5 PM with Libby Danahy leading everyone in song. Some carolers will be attired in 1800's costumes but this is not required to join in the singing. The Lion's Club will offer

hot chocolate and the Town Events Committee will be serving free roasted chestnuts, popcorn and hot cider.

Santa will arrive on a fire truck at 6 p.m. to turn the big switch that will light up the tree. While the celebrants wait for Santa they will be visited by Frosty, the Grinch, a gingerbread boy and maybe more. A special bench will be set up for photo opportunities.

Santa will be heading to the TTCC after the tree lighting to meet with all the children. A special mailbox and writing materials will be available for the children to get those letters off to Santa.

Other events taking place on that day will be the Make & Take Natural Holiday Craft at Slim Baker Lodge between 2 and 4 p.m., and the One Stop Christmas Shop for Kids at the TTCC from 4-7 p.m.

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Day Away Program holds medical forum on memory loss

BRISTOL — The Day Away Program sponsored an informational forum on memory loss recently at the Minot-Sleeper Library in Bristol. A short film was played showing a family's struggle living with a loved one with Alzheimer's. The film was followed by presentations from a panel of medical professionals who specialize in memory loss. The panel's subjects included the complicated effects on those suffering with Alzheimer's disease and dementia, current treatments available, coping skills for caregivers, the need for

respite, and long-term care options. Bill York of Live Free Home Health Care spoke on the importance of support groups for caregivers. Day Away would like to thank the panel for their time and much needed information on the many facets of memory loss diseases including care giving.

Day Away is a dementia-specific social day care program for those with memory loss diseases. We socialize, exercise, play games and take care of your loved ones during the day so that you can enjoy them at night. If

you are a caregiver for someone who is suffering from Alzheimer's disease or another type of dementia Day Away is here to help you and your love one. The Day Away program is held on Thursdays from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. in Simard Hall, Our Lady of Grace Chapel, 17 West Shore Rd., Bristol. Trained volunteers and an RN are on staff. We are a non-denominational program open to eligible participants in the lakes region. There are currently openings available. Contact Fran Olson at feolson@gmail.com or 744-6828 for more information.



Pictured, left to right: Bill York CDP, Erin Hattan MD, Diane Arsenault MD, Maria Babineau MSW, Scott Meyer PhD.

Day Away Program holds annual Open House

BRISTOL — Day Away invites you to our third annual holiday open house Thursday, Dec. 8 from 2-4 p.m. Simard Hall, Our Lady of Grace Chapel, 17 West Shore Rd., Bristol. The barbershop quartet, "Kitchen Sync" is scheduled to arrive at 3 p.m. to entertain and refreshments will be provided.

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RSVP is not required for the open house but is helpful for planning. Contact Deb Avery at 755-3500.

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Give the gift of reading this holiday season

BY BRITTANY OVERTON
Minot-Sleeper Library

The season of giving thanks for that of which makes our lives joyful is upon us. As we gather with family and friends, and together as a community around celebrations of merriment, it is easy to think of the simple things in life that can make all the difference. At the Minot-Sleeper Library, we join others in the holiday spirit by bringing back our Giving Tree now through the end of the year. The tree, which gives patrons an opportunity to purchase books for the library, is our way of encouraging small acts of kindness

that better the lives of those in our community.

Around this time last year, the library staff put together a list of books that children and adults had asked for, and ones that desperately needed replacing. These titles decorated our Giving Tree, from which visitors could purchase the book for the library. Bestselling audiobooks to current nonfiction, and many books of other genres were added to the collection. Since this time, those who use the library have had the opportunity to learn new gardening techniques, find a new children's series to in-

dulge in, and so much more thanks to these new materials.

The library's Giving Tree will adorn the inside of the library, seen through the front windows with its white lights, once again this holiday season. We welcome all to visit and take a look at our tree. For those who purchase a title, we share our greatest appreciation for giving the gift of life-long learning and by helping to enrich the lives of all in the Newfound Region.

Day Away Program celebrates Thanksgiving

BRISTOL — Participants of the Day Away enjoy a home cooked meal every Thursday when they gather for lunch. To celebrate Thanksgiving both volunteers and participants gathered for a turkey dinner to give thanks for another year of the blessings bestowed on them. Few participants have left Day Away and it's always hard to say good bye to them. New participants have joined Day Away and have become members of the Day Away family. Day Away would like to thank all who help to make the program a

wonderful place to be.

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Shown in the above photo are participants and volunteers gathered at table in Simard Hall.

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A month of Christmas events at the Bristol United Church of Christ

BRISTOL — The Bristol United Church of Christ "The Church on the Hill," invites you to any or all of our Decem-

ber events to usher in Christmas. We start the month off with the Women's Fellowship Holiday Fair, Saturday Dec. 3

from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The fair will include wreaths, crafts, baked goods, and a Christmas White Elephant. SEE CHRISTMAS, PAGE A11



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We give thanks

BY DEB NARO
Contributor

Happy Thanksgiving! CADY would like to take the time to extend our gratitude for many things and many people, including you, our readers and Brendan Berube, Editor of the Record Enterprise for his ongoing support of this column. We often say that "Prevention is Everyone's Business" and that is evident in the strong support we receive from our communities. It would be impossible to fulfill our mission, of preventing and reducing youth substance misuse and achieving our vision of promising futures for our youth without the support of our community. You inspire us to reach beyond expectations, and we will continue to do so with your help. Together, we will build possibilities, potential, and promise for our youth.

Here are just a few of the many things our staff is thankful for:

I am thankful to our CADY volunteers. Your assistance and presence is beyond measure. ~Ann Stark, Data Coordinator

I am thankful to the Newfound, Pemi-Baker, and Linwood schools and police departments who give local youth, who commit a first-time offense, an opportunity to participate in the CADY Restorative Justice Program and for our program volunteers for their ongoing commitment. This program has been in existence since 2007 and has assisted over 170 local youth and prevented them from having a conviction on their permanent record. ~Timothy J. Tyler, Restorative Justice Director

I, personally, am so grateful for the community where I live and work, as well as the young leaders with whom I get to work. It is such a blessing to have the opportunity to know such incredible and inspiring

youth; to watch them implement their ideas and emerge as leaders. Their spirit, creativity, and passion inspire me every day, and they are truly the reason why I love this work. I am thankful for all the young people who continue to enrich my life. ~Liz Brochu, Youth Services Coordinator

I am thankful for parents who work hard to keep their children safe, who talk with their children about the risks of using alcohol and drugs, and who set clear expectations about drug and alcohol use. ~Deb Tobine, Administrative Outreach Coordinator

And I have so much gratitude, my list goes on and on—so here's a summary of my thoughts. I am thankful:

to the Central NH Public Health Network for their ongoing support and dedication to excellence: Spere Memorial Hospital; Mid-State Health Center; Genesis Behavioral Health; Pemi-Baker Community Health; NANA; and the Lakes Region CAP Program.

that most of our youth choose to remain drug and alcohol free;

for our Launch youth who run Frosty Scoops all summer, satisfying our pallet with yummy ice cream; to Alex Ray and the Common Man Inn for creating opportunities for local kids over the past 11 years and to Senator Jeanie Forrester for accessing state funding to keep this youth employment program moving forward the last 4 years;

for the youth in our CADY Youth Advisory and Advocacy Council (YAAC) for playing a vital role in reducing and preventing alcohol and other drug problems in New Hampshire;

for the PSU TIGER Program for partnering with CADY on Alex's Story of HOPE (Heroin and Opioid Prevention Education)—together we

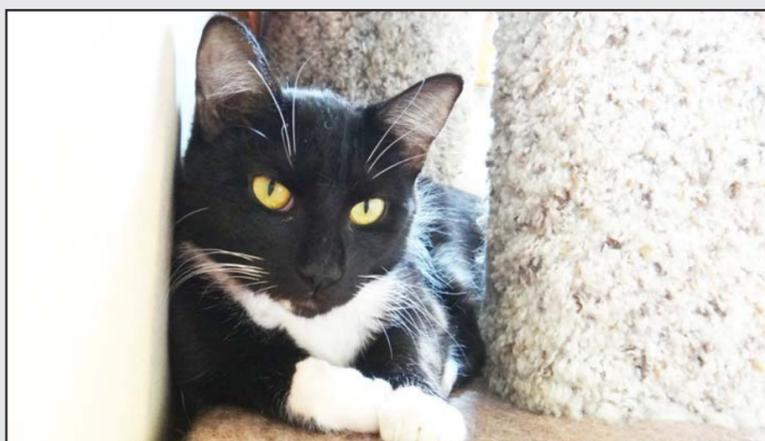
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PET of the Week Bangle



an astounding sweet, beautifully marked black and white cat has lived at the shelter for over a year... Bangle has adjusted pretty well; all things considered.

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



troductions, she really is a lap cat. Bangle seems to get along with all the cats she meets and has taken shelter

life in her stride, it just isn't home. Home would be a cozy warm spot by the woodstove, or lap time with kind

people who will love her always. Home for the Holidays, it's what Bangle wishes for most in life.

North Country Notebook



By JOHN HARRIGAN
COLUMNIST

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

"About the northern end of Winnepesaukee has always been my

A New Hampshire turkey story, just in time for Thanksgiving



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

guess," says Ted Walski, who not only knows his turkey history but

has turned the state's restoration project into a wildlife success story

known from coast to coast.

And it is truly a spectacular story—from the first failed release at Pawtuckaway in the early '70s, to the release of a hardier variety around Keene in 1975, to a point where today's population is an estimated 35,000 to 40,000. Today, the big black birds with the ironclad feathers and keen-eyed sentries are seen in every county and every town in the state.

And to think that it all started with a swap, SEE NOTEBOOK, PAGE A12

From the Capital Steps

BY SEN. JEANIE FORRESTER
District 2

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

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

In an effort to better understand what is happening, the New Hampshire Health Care

Association (NHHCA) initiated a survey to determine the root causes of the growing shortage of LPNs and LNAs.

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

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

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

74 percent of respondents said that their LNA candidates have experienced delays and dif-

iculties with obtaining licensure from the NH Board of Nursing.

58 percent of those responding to the survey say they have at least one candidate who has passed the LNA exam and are awaiting their official license.

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

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

18 percent have been waiting longer than one month.

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

Other data collected by NHHCA looked at

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

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

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

Despite staffing challenges, New Hampshire's long-term care facilities continue to offer care ranked among the best in the nation. Non-profit organizations such as the New Hampshire

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Lucy Annette Nelson, 83

PLYMOUTH — Lucy Annette Nelson, 83, of Plymouth, passed away on Nov. 4, 2016, at Blueberry Lane Rehabilitation Center in Laconia, surrounded by her loved ones, following a brief struggle with cancer.

Lucy was born July 20, 1933, to Lucy (nee Brown) and Lloyd Smith in Haverhill.

Lucy was a dedicated homemaker and much-beloved mother, grandmother and friend to many. She had a love for her flower gardens, canning organic foods, trying new recipes and cooking for family and friends. She kept an extensive photo collection of generations of family and friends. In her younger days she enjoyed swimming, dancing and a love for nature and animals. Lucy especially enjoyed quiet times with family and friends playing games, doing puzzles, laughing and playing pranks, hosting holidays and family gatherings, all putting smiles on everyone's faces. In her later years, she enjoyed trips with friends arranged through the Senior Center.

Lucy was predeceased by her husband, Frank Nelson, Jr., in 2002. She is survived by her children, Frank Nelson III of Guilford, Maine, Ned Nelson and wife Deborah Nelson of Raymond, Penny Thompson and husband David Marsh of Bristol, and Lucy Young and husband Ernest Young of Campton; nine grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

Services for Lucy were held on Saturday, Nov. 19, at Mayhew Funeral Home, 12 Langdon St. in Plymouth, 9 - 11 a.m., followed by a graveside service at Blair Cemetery in Campton. In lieu of flowers, donations in her honor may be sent to Plymouth Regional Senior Center, PO Box 478, Plymouth, NH 03264.

The Mayhew Funeral Homes & Crematorium are assisting the family with arrangements. For more information, please go to www.mayhewfuneralhomes.com.

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Marion F. Sheerin, 76



BRISTOL — Marion F. Sheerin, 76, passed away at Lakes Region General Hospital on Nov. 18, 2016. Marion was born on May 29, 1940 in Fitchburg, Mass. She was the daughter of the late Walter and Nora Huard (Barnes). Marion, moved her family to New Hampshire in 1987.

Marion will be remembered for her thoughtfulness, kind, caring and loving nature. She would help anyone who needed it. She loved to watch and figure out the names of all the birds that came to her feeders daily and she loved to spend time with her family. Marion loved to play bingo and go to the casinos, hoping to win big. In 1999 at a Funspot bingo game, she won \$14,000. She was very happy that day.

Survivors include her loving husband of 58 years, Thomas W. Sheerin of Bristol; her three sons, Thomas Sheerin of Greenville, William Sheerin

of Concord, and Kevin Sheerin of New Hampton; and one daughter, Cynthia Sheerin of Jacksonville, Fla. She leaves many nieces and nephews, along with her grandchildren, Melissa, Lynn, Kayla, William, Kevin, Kyle, Ashley, Kurt, Tina, Matthew, Brandon, Zach and Kaitlynn, and her great grandchildren, Braylynn, Layla and Avianna.

Calling hours are Nov. 28, 2016 from 5 to 7 p.m. at Mayhew Funeral home at 204 D.W. Highway, Meredith. There will be a celebration of life for Marion, in the spring in Massachusetts where she will be buried.

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Giving thanks

For enough snow to fill the dry leaves, enough wood for the winter, big windows to capture the sunlight, family, friends, neighbors and two cats to keep me on my toes. I hope you have many things to be thankful for also.

Book sale, Haynes Library

Saturday, Dec. 10 at Alexandria Town Hall, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The trustees are looking for people interested in the Library, both as volunteers and serving as trustees. Come by and see how you can help.

From the town

Selectmen's Meeting, Nov. 15, 2016 Meeting minutes from Nov. 1, 2016 were approved.

Items Reviewed and Signed

PA-29 Application for Tax Credit: Map 405 Lot 5

Abatement: Map 202 Lot 47

Abatement: Map 202 Lot 62

Abatement: Map 406 Lot 53

Abatement: Map 418 Lot 62-1.1 and Lot 62-1.2

EMPG Final Performance & Expenditure Report/Emergency Operations Plan Update Grant

Purchase Order: Jordan Equipment- carbide edges for Peterbuilt

Purchase Order: HP Fairfield - Sander trade out and carbide install

Purchase Order: EW Sleeper - 3" trash pump

Proposal for Professional Services/Right Angle Engineering: Karl Gordon Road culvert replacement

Appointments/ Department Heads

Jeff Cantara, Road Agent
Brook Road bridge

work may start as early as the end of this week.

The new truck will be picked up this week.

Forest Hicks, logger, approached Mr. Cantara and would like to pay the Town to grade Healey Road. The Selectmen will review this request with Town Counsel.

A resident brought up a concern regarding a damaged culvert on the state maintained section of Fowler River Road. Mr. Cantara said that the state DOT is aware of the problem.

Business

The Selectmen are waiting for town counsel response regarding problems notifying the owners of 211 Bristol Hill Rd. about hazardous building concerns.

Mr. Tuthill thanked all those who helped out on voting day.

The Selectmen reviewed the current building permit process

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BRISTOL — Florence "Flo" P. Soares, 85, died Sunday, Nov. 20, 2016 at the Merrimack County Nursing Home.

She was born in Bristol, the daughter of Frank and Rose (Nadon) Perron. Flo worked as a Real Estate Broker in the Lakes Region area. She was a member of the VFW Auxillary in Franklin, the American Legion Auxillary in Laconia and the Moose Club of Concord.

Family members include a son, Manuel Soares of Bristol; three daughters (Deborah Carlin of Alexandria, Doreen Soares of Portsmouth, and Darlene Kee of Alexandria); a stepdaughter, Yvonne Wilkins of Johnson City, N.Y.; 10 grandchildren; nine great grandchildren; two brothers, Richard Perron of E. Windsor, Conn. and Robert Perron of Carthage, Miss.; a sister, Beatrice Mil-

lette of Jenson Beach, Fla.; many nieces, nephews, great nieces, and great nephews.

At Flo's request, there will be no calling hours and the funeral will be closed to family. Fr. Leo LeBlanc will be the officiant. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her memory to the Charity of One's Choice. Arrangements are under the direction of Emmons Funeral Home of Bristol.

Florence P. Soares, 85

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Sunday, Nov. 13
Sunday, Nov. 13, Scott Gusha was guest preacher, as Pastor Glen and Sharon Yung-hans were on vacation. Guest soloist was Gospel singer Scott Brunt. The monthly fellowship luncheon followed.

Upcoming
Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, Nov. 24
Thursday, Nov. 24, Thanksgiving Day. No church activities. We do pray you will have a happy Thanksgiving, and will remember to thank the Lord for His manifold blessings, and provisions.

Saturday, Nov. 26
Saturday, Nov. 26, 10 a.m., Men's brunch at the church. Please contact Pastor Glen or Willy Gusha for information or reservations.

Sunday, Nov. 27
Sunday, Nov. 27, you are invited to join us at 8:30 a.m. for bagels, coffee and juice; 9 a.m.: Bible Education for all age groups pre-school through Adult Bible Studies. 10 a.m.: Sunday morning service. Children's church during the morning service for ages 3-K, and grades 1-4. 5 p.m.: Prayer meeting. "You do not need any experience in order to pray, only faith and trust in Jesus our Lord." You may put prayer requests in the green box marked "Prayer Requests" on the hall table.

Tuesday, Nov. 29
Tuesday, Nov. 29, 6:30-7:30 p.m., Youth 4 Truth for grades 5-8 meet at the church.

Thursday, Dec. 1
Thursday, December 1, 6:30-8 p.m., you are invited to join us for our Family Night at the Church. We offer Godly ministry for children, youth, and adults with programs for people of all ages: Royal Rangers Club for boys, elementary through high school; Mpaact Club for girls, preschool through high school; Youth 4 Truth for High School age. Do come for this great time of fellowship and learning.

Monday, Dec. 5
Monday, Dec. 5, noon-2 p.m. - the Church's Helping Hands Food Pantry will be held and free clothing will be available.

Looking Ahead
Sunday, Dec. 11, the monthly fellowship luncheon will follow the morning service. Please bring food to share and join the fellowship around the tables.

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

Our mission statement
Our Mission Statement is "Transforming lives through God's Word."
Prayer requests for the bulletin may be given to Candy Gusha at craftmom03264@yahoo.com.
Please give announcements for the Sunday bulletin to the Church office by 4:30 p.m. on Tuesdays by e-mailing fwcag@hotmail.com or Pastor Yung-hans at gyung-hans@hotmail.com, or

phone the church at 536-1966 or Pastor Glen at 726-0254. Everyone is welcome at all of our services. The Church is handicapped accessible, east entrance. Note the Church's new Web site: www.assemblyofgodplymouthnh.org.

Hebron Union Congregational Church

All are welcome to join in our worship services on Sundays at 10 a.m., followed by coffee hour.

Our Bible study meets on Thursday mornings at 9 a.m. and all are welcome. There will be a Fair meeting following the service on July 10.

We gather once a month to make soup for people in our local communities. Our next soup route is in December. While we are making soup for others, we also share a meal of soup, salad, bread and dessert. If you would like more information about Soup Route, would like to volunteer to help us, or would like to receive soup from us, please contact our church secretary using the contact information listed below.

The Newfound Area Churches begins its Advent Services every Wednesday at noon beginning on Nov. 30. The half-hour service is followed by a light lunch. Here is the schedule and locations: Nov. 30 - New Hampton Community Church, Dec. 7 - Hebron Union Congregational Church, Dec. 14 - Bristol United Church of Christ, Dec. 21 - Bristol Baptist.

Our church is located in the center of historic Hebron village at the intersections of North Shore Road and West Shore Road. Our church secretary's office hours are Tuesdays from 9:30-11:30 a.m. and Wednesday and Thursday afternoons from 1-3 p.m. and our phone number is 744-5883. Our address is 16 Church Lane, PO Box 67, Hebron, NH 03241. The secretary's email address is staff@hebronchurchnh.org. To find out more about our church, please visit the church Web site at www.hebronchurchnh.org.

Holy Trinity (Roman Catholic)

Campus Ministry
Thanksgiving Baskets: Thank you to all of the students, faculty, staff, alumni, and community members who helped out with this effort. And extra-special thanks to the students who took nearly 200 phone calls from people requesting baskets.

Next Monthly prayer service & supper with Fr. Leo for students is Sunday, Dec. 6, at 6 p.m. at Holy Trinity rector. Students interested in attending should contact Kathy Tardif at km-tardif@plymouth.edu so that we have enough food. Parishioners interested in providing a dish for these suppers should contact Sandy Abbott at 254-3431 or sandyabbott6@gmail.com.

Home-baked stress relief: Food for Finals is coming up soon, a time when Catholic Campus

Ministry and C3: Caring Campus Coalition deliver comfort food in the form of homemade goodies to all residence halls and Centre Lodge the first night of Finals Week. Parishioners interested in providing batches of cookies or squares should contact Sandy Abbott at 254-3431 or sandyabbott6@gmail.com with their name, phone number, what they will bake, and the amount. Baked goods should be dropped off at the Reflection & Spiritual Care Center between 9 a.m. and noon on Saturday, Dec. 10. The Center is located on Highland Street, across from Lamson Library, the next building up from Citizens Bank

Day Away Annual Holiday Open House
Nov. 16-Day Away invites you to our third annual holiday open house Thursday, Dec. 8 from 2-4 p.m. Simard Hall, Our Lady of Grace Chapel, 17 West Shore Rd., Bristol. The barbershop quartet, "Kitchen Sync" is scheduled to arrive at 3:00 p.m. to entertain and refreshments will be provided.

Reminder for Parishioners
We would kindly ask if you are looking to plan an event for the church or halls on any campus that you would call Sandy at the Plymouth office at 536-4700 to check for availability and to book the date. All events planning for our buildings have to go through the Plymouth office.

Altar server training — Plymouth
There will be an altar

server training session on Sunday, Dec. 4 after the 11:30 Mass at St. Matthew Church. Please plan to attend. See you then!

Liturgy corner — end times
We are fast approaching the end of the liturgical year, and the end of Ordinary Time - our longest liturgical season. Ordinary time gives us the opportunity to follow the public life of the Lord and to meditate on the mysteries and miracles of Jesus and our faith. These last weeks of the liturgical year are devoted to the end times and remind us to be always ready, for we know not when the Lord will come. The readings are full of references to the last things and we take this time to remember the faithful departed in a special way.

Keep Christ In Christmas Coloring Contest
The Knights of Columbus in Bristol are sponsoring a "Keep Christ in Christmas" coloring contest. This contest is open to children ages five to 14. Posters should have a slogan that defines how they will try to keep Christ in Christmas, and then the picture should portray the slogan. Faith Formation children in Bristol will start their projects during class and take them home to finish. All posters should be done on 11-by-17-inch paper, (given out during class), Deadline for poster submissions is Dec. 11. There will be three age groups for judging: Ages five to seven, eight to 10, SEE CHURCHES, PAGE A7

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and the need to adopt the process properly.

The Selectmen announced that the Alexandria Conservation Commission will be holding their

Photography Competition Reception on Friday, November 18, 2016 from 7 to 8:00 pm in the Conference Room at the Municipal Building.

Mr. Piehler said that the roof has been put on the kiosk that the Conservation Commission had constructed on Bog Road.

Public Input
Fred Bussino mentioned the cover over the snow roller; Mr. Piehler said that the historical society had the cover constructed.

Mr. Bussino asked if the hearse house was going to be moved; the Selectmen said that they had not had an update on the status of the hearse house.

George Whittaker let the Selectmen know that there were problems with the lighting outside of the Town Hall; an electrician has been notified.

Danbury

Donna Sprague
huntoonfarm@myfairpoint.net

South Danbury Church

Rev. Les Norman will lead Sunday worship at the South Danbury Church on Sunday, Nov. 27, at 11 a.m. All are welcome--and encouraged--to attend. There will be refreshments and conversation afterward, and the continuing sale of gently used cookbooks and Christmas cards and wrappings. All proceeds from the sale are for the Church Preservation Fund.

December Holiday Farmers Market
Next Saturday, Dec. 3, is the Blazing Star Grange is winter market and 25th annual occurrence of the holiday craft fair. Jeanie Forrester will attend to present the grange with a senate resolution to honor the accomplishment of reaching an anniversary of a decade of winter

markets.
Mary Lyn Ray, local children's book author will be in attendance for sales and book signings. Other attending vendors will be: Autumn Harvest Farm, Cardigan Mt. Soapworks, Cutting Farm, Deanna Pellegri-no, Field Acres Farm, Healthy Porcupine, Hibernating Artist, Huck-ins Farm, Huntoon Farm, Lorin Beebe, Lorraine Wason, Margie Gorman, Nancy's Chocolates, Nannies Canning Pantry, Rocky Meadow Designs. Lunch and breakfast served in the Blazing Star Bistro. The event runs rain, snow or shine from 9 a.m. -2 p.m. at the grange hall, 15 North Rd. in Danbury. For information, call Donna at 768-5579.

Hebron

Bob Brooks 744-3597
hebronnhnews@live.com

Community Breakfast
Community Breakfast, Saturday, Dec. 3, 7:30 - 8:45 a.m. at Community Hall in the Union Congregational Church in Hebron: - for \$4 come enjoy eggs, bacon, sausage, hash, oatmeal, fruit, pastry, juice & coffee.

NAC Schedule
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Happy Thanksgiving to all!



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and 11-14. Posters will be judged in three areas: 1) Slogan ~ how clearly the theme is presented. 2) Visual ~ how well the visual conveys the message. 3) Overall Impact ~ how effective poster is at capturing attention. There will be a prize for each age group and then the finalists will be sent on to the district and state contests. For more information, contact Jim Cooper at 744-3090

The Spirit of Giving... The Giving Tree will be on display at St. Matthew Church and at Our Lady of Grace beginning the weekend of November 26th. Parishioners are asked to select a gift tag and return the wrapped present with the gift tag attached to the outside of the package by Sunday, December 4th. Your generosity has always been inspiring here at Holy Trinity Parish. If you have any further questions, please contact Clay Norwood at 786-2977 (Plymouth), or Kathleen Haskell at 744-2862. (Bristol).

Bristol Baptist Church Christmas in Song Bristol Baptist Church is inviting any Holy Trinity members that would like to participate in their Christmas in Song concert on Dec. 11 at 6 p.m. to please contact Suzie Putnam at 744-8804.

Weekly meetings Sundays

Faith Formation Class: No class on Nov. 27
Bristol: Simard Hall, 10:30 a.m. - noon
Boy Scout Meeting, St. Matthew Hall, 5 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 11 ALPHA, St. Matthew

Hall, 6 - 8:30 p.m. (dinner included)

Wednesday

Bible Study: Bristol, Marian Center, 9 - 10:30 a.m.
Plymouth, St. Matthew Meeting Room, 3:30 - 5 p.m.

Thursday

Day Away, Simard Hall, 9 a.m.
Faith Formation Class: Boy Scout Meeting, St. Matthew Hall, 5 p.m.
~ AA meeting Monday - Saturday, St. Matthew Hall, 11 a.m.

Star King Unitarian Universalist Fellowship

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

Sunday, Nov. 27, 9:30 a.m. A Unitarian Abroad: Adventures in Transylvania

Worship Leader: Rev. Linda Barnes
Worship Associate: Kathy Hillier
Music: Elizabeth Dana-hy

How is our faith related to the Unitarians in Transylvania? Explore the story of our European Unitarian roots through lens of Rev. Linda's trip to Transylvania. Learn about the first, and only, Unitarian King and his declaration of religious freedom, mostly.

Visitors are invited to attend the service

as well as all programs at the church. Nursery care is provided for infants and toddlers. The children's program is held downstairs concurrently with the service. Join us for coffee and conversation following the service.

Children and Youth Religious Education, Meredith Flynn, DRE

Room 1: Pre-school-Kindergarten: Chalice Children-Core Message- At our church we take care of nature.

Room 2: First-Third grade: In Our Hands-Core Question- How can we work together to solve conflicts?

Room 3: Fourth-Fifth grade: Windows and Mirrors- Core Message- The love and support we give to those around us is a wonderful gift.

Middle school: Neighboring Faiths-No class

High school: Youth Group- The high school youth group meets the second and fourth Sundays for the month from 6-7:30 p.m. in the youth room.

Social Justice Community Outreach - Plymouth Area Community Closet

Once a month Starr King donates the collection taken during the service to a local charity. The Social Justice Outreach for November is Plymouth Area Community Closet. The general mission of PACC is to assist those in need by providing limited emergency funds for food, prescriptions and clothing. In January, Financial Assistance will be able to provide help with fuel thanks

to the KTHO program. PACC provides assistance to 14 communities: Plymouth, Alexandria, Ashland, Bridgewater, Camp-ton, Dorchester, Ellsworth, Groton, Hebron, Holderness, Rumney, Thornton, Warren, Waterville Valley and Wentworth. In order to provide the assistance PACC relies on private donations and the profits from the Thrift Shop. The collection for PACC will be on Nov. 20. Over the years our Fellowship has been extremely generous to PACC. The folks at PACC are very grateful!

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

Upcoming events

Decking the Halls at SKUUF - Sunday, Dec. 4, following the service, the Youth group will provide a soup, bread and dessert lunch for all ages as a fund raiser for their service trip to Nicaragua in the spring. Afterwards we will make ornaments for the tree. All the materials will be provided. Join us in this fun time. Music

provided by Sara Dan Jones for sing along.

Ongoing activities

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

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

See Activities committee on the Web site at www.starrkingfellowship.org, where you can access the up to date calendar of events.

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

Second Sunday Hike Depart SKUUF rear lot at 11:30 a.m. Refreshments and dinner following the hike if interested. Contact Mitch at mitch@newfoundfarm.org to register and re-

ceive updates. Rain cancels.

Wise Women in Training is a women's group to discuss issues related to women. Each meeting will have a theme that will be facilitated by a volunteer member of the group. Contact Betty Ann Trought at batrought@gmail.com or just come and meet with this welcoming group. Wise Women regularly meets every second and fourth Wednesday at 10:30 a.m.

Starr King Men's Group will meet 6-8 p.m., on the first and third Sundays.

Gentle Yoga meets in the Fellowship Hall on Wednesdays from 5:00-6:00 pm, and Saturdays from 8:30-9:30 am. For information contact Darlene Nadeau at 493-1478.

Bridge players meet on Thursdays in the Fellowship Room from 12:30-3:30 pm.

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

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Put Thanksgiving Lessons to Work in Your Financial Plans

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

So, here are a few suggestions:

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

• **Invest in your children.** If you have young children, and you'd like to see them go to college someday, you may want to start putting money away toward that goal. You can save and invest for college in a variety of ways, but one popular method is

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

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

• **Safeguard your own financial independence.** Almost certainly, one of the most undesirable outcomes you can imagine is to become financially dependent on your grown children. Even if you save and invest diligently throughout your working years, you could still

be vulnerable to financial dependency if you need an extensive period of long-term care, such as a nursing home stay. These costs can be enormous, and Medicare typically pays only a small percentage, and usually for just a limited time. To protect your financial freedom, you should explore ways of addressing long-term care costs. A financial professional can explain those alternatives that may be appropriate for your situation.

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

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

This article was written by Edward Jones for use by your local Edward Jones Financial Advisor.

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Eric Spieth of the Enterprise Center and Cynthia Robinson of Karl Drerup Art Gallery were pleased to show people the artwork of PSU student Jessica Fligg that was on display as part of November's Walk About Wednesday, a new monthly event in downtown Plymouth.



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Jaime Pauley (left) from Simply Sunflowers was happy to host artist Leigh Standley (right) and her Curly Girl artwork during November's Walk About Wednesday, a once a month collaboration between the arts and businesses of downtown Plymouth



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Middle and high school students welcomed the public into their art room at Pemi Youth Center during the November Walk About Wednesday event in Plymouth where they were busy creating paintings and other works of art.

Plymouth's Walkabout Wednesdays promote appreciation for work of local artists

BY DONNA RHODES
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PLYMOUTH — On the first Wednesday of each month, businesses in downtown Plymouth are now joining forces with the arts through Walkabout Wednesdays, a day when the public is invited to stroll along Main Street and stop by many of the downtown shops where special exhibits from a wide variety of local artists will be on display.

November was just the second of the monthly events, but Walk About Wednesdays have already grown in popularity among not just the visitors but the artists and businesses themselves. The inaugural event in October saw approximately 10 loca-

tions where art could be viewed but Month Two found 27 participating businesses and more interested in taking part in the future.

Inspiring the project were both the Museum of the White Mountains and Plymouth State University's Karl Drerup Art Gallery where visitors have enjoyed many forms of art and photography over the years.

"This seemed like a good moment in time to combine forces with the downtown businesses. It's just a great way to bring the community together," said Cynthia Robinson, director of the Drerup Gallery who helped organize Walk About Wednesdays.

Beginning with exhibits in her gallery on the

edge of the PSU campus, people can cross Main Street to the Enterprise Center where last month the locally inspired landscape paintings of PSU student Jessica Fligg were on display. Eric Spieth, director of the Enterprise Center, said they were thrilled to be a part of the new endeavor and pleased to host Fligg's paintings for November.

"We've been looking at empty walls here, yearning for some artwork, and now we get to have some each month," he said. "The best part though is this also gives people a reason to come into our building where they can not only enjoy the art but learn more about all that goes on here."

Down the street, Simply Sunflowers hosted artist Leigh Stanley of Curley Girl Designs who presented many of her whimsical and often touching cards for November.

Pemi Youth Center had younger middle and high school students who could be actually observed in the process of creating their own art and nearby the Kil'n Time Art Studio hosted a pottery demonstration last month.

All through downtown businesses like Café Monte Alto, Chase Street and Dressers Unlimited featured artists, while some even offered wine tasting and snacks for their guests. At Underground Photo there was not only a display

from the Community Photo Club but live music out on the sidewalk provided by local musician Uncle Steve of the Uncle Steve Band.

Off the Hanger filled their front window with the ceramic work of PSU senior Marina Rodriguez, saying they had intentionally sought to promote student art.

"When they asked me, I was super nervous about how it would all look but then I was so excited when I saw how it was installed in their window. It came out awesome," said Rodriguez.

Further down the street Gowen Realty got in on the excitement with the incredible work of highly renowned nature photographer Tom Sears of Wentworth and the fine folks at Quince & Quail spotlighted the ceramic artistry of Penny Huynen.

Artistic Roots, the

Plymouth Historical Society, PSU's Lamson Library, Community Clay Center, Plymouth Congregational Church, Northern Exposure and Hundelrut Studio were among the other businesses with art on display for last month's Walk About Wednesday.

"This began as something to bring about a greater awareness of what's going on in town and all the talent we have around us, but it's really exceeded my expectations. We started with just a few stores in October and now more and more people are calling to say they want to be a part of it all," said Robinson.

The next Walk About Wednesday is scheduled for Dec. 7 from 4-6 p.m., a perfect time to not only admire talents but to browse and shop the great stores that host the monthly art displays. A virtual map of participating businesses, along with applications for stores and artists who would like to participate, can be found at www.plymouth.edu/gallery.

Wizards of Winter bring TSO-inspired holiday rock to Plymouth

PLYMOUTH — The Flying Monkey Performance Center presents Wizards of Winter on the Plymouth stage on Sunday, Dec. 4 at 6:30 p.m. Anchored by three former Trans-Siberian Orchestra members, they have garnered legions of fans with their original album and holiday rock opera. Tickets for this concert start at \$29.

Envision Christmas season by enjoying progressive rock with a dash of metal? What about power ballads with a dash of theater? Well then experiencing Wizards of Winter might just be just the holiday experience for your family.

This is a holiday show extravaganza if there ever was one, blending a heavy metal, progressive rock vibe with the heartwarming sounds of the season, and the production theatrics that reminds one of TSO itself. A 12-member ensemble will perform music from their own rock opera, Tales Beneath a Northern Star, as well as Trans Siberian Or-



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The Flying Monkey Performance Center presents Wizards of Winter on the Plymouth stage on Sunday, Dec. 4 at 6:30 p.m.

chestra's greatest hits such as "Christmas Eve in Sarajevo," "Mad Russian," "Christmas in the Air," "Old City Bar" and "Queen of the Winter Night." Their unique style of musical intensity, soaring vocal harmonies and stage theatrics layered around a rich storyboard will create a most unique dazzling holiday spectacle.

Make no mistake: The Wizards of Winter is not a Trans-Siberian Orchestra tribute group, and they do not perform a whole evening of their music but do perform some of their greatest hits as part of an original holiday rock opera. 2016's holiday tour features three former members

of the Trans-Siberian Orchestra with the recent return of lead vocalist Guy LeMonnier, vocalist Peter Shaw, and narrator Tony Gaynor.

LeMonnier says, "I

had the fortune of meeting them in 2013, and I found a group of musicians and friends that quickly became family. The excitement on that stage for their craft and their love for the audience is awe-inspiring and I'm thrilled to be back with the pack to rock the nation this holiday season."

Tickets for Wizards of Winter are \$29, and \$39 for premier seating. For more information on upcoming shows or to purchase tickets call the box office at 536-2551 or go online at www.flyingmonkeyNH.com.

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RECENT REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS

Town	Address	Type	Price	Seller	Buyer
Ashland	11 Cottage St.	Single-Family Residential	\$173,000	Kara B. Hamill and John E. Donovan	Scott R. Langmaid and Sara A. Anderson
Ashland	57 Fairway Drive, Unit 3	Condominium	\$134,000	Janice Munro	Edwin M. Penn and Darlene M. Reiss
Ashland	24-40 LedgeWood Lane	Multi-unit apartment complex	\$1,398,000	Hodges David A. Sr. Est. and Nancy Friese	Laconia Area Community Land Trust
Ashland	194 Thompson St.	Single-Family Residential	\$130,000	Robert H. and Deborah A. Dupuis	John D. Jirkovsky
Bridgewater	Carriage Road	Residential Undeveloped Land	\$45,000	David Dyer	Davod R. Bulk RET and Davod R. Bulk
Bridgewater	Dinardi Road	Residential Pdv. Land	\$45,000	David Dyer	Ann W. Bulk RET and Ann W. Bulk
Bridgewater	2835 River Rd.	Single-Family Residential	\$200,000	Avery FT and Albin Conkey	James and Kathi Gickas
Bristol	40 Partridge Run	Single-Family Residential	\$190,000	Bessie W. Lumbra 1999 T and Bessie W. Lumbra	Travis R. and Melanie A. Kelley
Bristol	4520 River Rd.	Single-Family Residential	\$215,000	Michael J. Costello and Jacqueline L. Costello	Roberta Emerson
Campton	34 Condo Rd., Unit 1	Condominium	\$49,533	Joseph and Rosmary Otoole	RsbrothersLLC
Campton	David Thompson Drive (Lot)	Residential Open Land	\$11,333	Todd and Leslie Sevey	Stephen J. and Erin Froio
Campton	48 Haley Drive	Single-Family Residential	\$289,000	Glen M. and Lisa K. Mair	Lea A. Stewart
Campton	31 Heights Rd.	Single-Family Residential	\$243,000	Richard E. and Joann P. Khoury	Russell Perry and Amanda Donoghue
Hebron	Newfound Lake Condo Unit 31	Condominium	\$290,000	Nancy L. Tompkins RET and Nancy L. Tompkins	Christopher and Mary A. O'Connor
Hebron	Newfound Lake Condo Unit 31	Condominium	\$264,000	Christopher and Mary O'Connor	Richard C. and Mary J. Berube
New Hampton	Carter Mountain Road	N/A	\$45,000	Charles V. Cady T and Charles V. Cady	Jeremy J. Hiltz RET and Jeremy J. Hiltz
Rumney	15 Hallelujah Ave.	Single-Family Residential	\$48,000	Anne E. Dolack	Michael and Yvrose Hall
Thornton	96 Banjo Drive	Single-Family Residential	\$197,000	Joseph D. and Lori K. Degrace	Kelly D. Davis
Thornton	Stone Dam Road	N/A	\$17,533	Stephen Shaughnessy	Mary B. and Kathryn Cordeiro
Thornton	N/A	N/A	\$40,000	Thomas O. Cook	Mark W. and Sharon A. Lacroix
Warren	NH Route 118	Residential Open Land	\$109,000	Robert W. and Catherine M. Turnbull	Kevin D. Kerin
Wentworth	53 NH Route 25A	Mobile Home	\$139,000	Elaine T. Long	Jason R. Stone and Tristanie Plourde
Wentworth	6 Red Oak Hill Rd.	Single-Family Residential	\$149,000	Anderson George Carl Est. and Arlene L. Anderson	William R. Wood

ABOUT THE REAL REPORT

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

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

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MARK ON THE MARKETS

Real market returns



BY MARK PATTERSON

If you have ever put money into a mutual fund and discovered that the proclamation of return did not line up with your real return of dollars, then there could be several reasons. The net return could be affected by the fees and commission charged by the fund that can vary between funds, fund companies and share class. But an-

other issue is the manner in which the return is calculated or advertised. This concept not only relates to mutual funds but to overall performance of the markets as they relate to your dollars. Without even calculating any fees or commission you pay, let's just say you invest \$100,000 in a low cost S+P 500 index fund. The first year in the index losses 40%, much like 2008. You now have \$60,000 in your account. But then the market snaps back the following year and advances 40 percent. Well if I lose 40 percent then gain 40 percent, I should be even, right! Well why do I only have \$84,000 in my account? Because a 40 percent gain

on \$60,000 is only \$24,000. So the next year the index is up 10 percent, sending the three year average to a positive number but my account only has \$92,400 in it. Following a 40 percent loss, you would need a 67 percent return to just get you back to even, ouch! The math works the same way in reverse meaning that if you started with a 40 percent gain, followed by a 40 percent loss, you still have \$84,000.

This is why the lost decade was really 13 years. From the year 2000 until 2013, if you left money in the broad markets including most stock mutual funds you would have had a brief period of time to get out about break-

even in 2007, but then we went into another market collapse that bottomed in March of 2009.

Since March of 2009 the equity markets as a whole have not seen a significant correction, while over-due statistically, the Federal Reserve has managed to keep the markets from correcting by offering extremely low interest rates fueling equities (stocks) as the only place for yield or growth.

If you have 20 plus years until retirement then I would not be overly concerned with market risk but look at the fee's inside your invest-

ments. If you have "managed" mutual funds instead of low cost index funds or ETF's, you are giving your money away to fee's and expense that is simply not necessary. Not to say it should not be managed, just use low cost vehicles(individual stocks, exchange traded funds) to do so. But if you are getting close to retirement, within 10 years, then I would mitigate the risk in my portfolio and investigate some index crediting methods that capture partial gain but allow for 0 loss with a portion of your money that you will need for retire-

ment income. A laddered bond portfolio with varying maturities and credit quality are other means of mitigating market risk and creating sustainable income.

Talk with your advisor or call my office if you want information about these crediting methods that could change the way you manage your retirement income and potentially your tax burden.

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

Lakes Region Symphony Orchestra donates to Circle Program

PLYMOUTH — The Lakes Region Symphony Orchestra is pleased to make its third donation from the proceeds of our annual Youth Concert to the Circle Program of Plymouth. Shown above accepting this donation are student Aiyanna and mentor Martha Cloutier

Founded in 1993, The Circle Program provides girls from low income families with new opportunities to learn the skills, courage, and confidence they need to handle the challenges in their lives.

Initially the Circle Program started as a "pilot program" with 22 girls and has grown to over ninety girls and teens who come from twenty-nine towns throughout the Lakes Region. The Circle Program is the only program of its kind serving girls in New Hampshire and is one of the few programs in the country that combines



LRSO Music director Benjamin Greene is shown presenting donation to Circle Program student Aiyanna and mentor Martha Cloutier.

camp and mentoring and serves rural girls. Additional information on the Circle Program may be found at www.circleprogram.org.

More information on the Lakes Region

Symphony Orchestra's upcoming concert schedule. may be found at www.LRSO.org. All concerts are held at the Inter-Lakes High School Community Auditorium.

Local Art Live! Pop up Shop and exhibit extended

PLYMOUTH — Local artists who put together a POP Up Shop on Main Street are coming together for an additional two days on Black Friday

and Community Saturday. The art shop is at 91 Main St. in beautiful downtown Plymouth. The shop is called 'Local Art Live! Pop up Sale!' and will be open Nov. 25 & 26 from 9 a.m. – 8 p.m. each day.

Live music by Holly Furlone, refreshments and more cool raffles to benefit Voices against Violence. All artists are also donating a portion of their profits to Voices against Violence.

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Impostor

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tification documents, as would typically be the case. He instead asked her daughter, the passenger in the vehicle, for her identification.

The man stated that he believed the daughter to be under the age of 18. He then went on to give them a verbal warning that, as a minor, she was required to have a seat-belt on while traveling in any motor vehicle.

Once he pulled away from the scene, he was observed heading north on Route 132 toward Ashland.

The women described the man to be a white male who appeared to be somewhere between 25 and 35 years of age and displayed what they felt

to be "feminine" qualities in his mannerisms and voice. He was approximately six feet one inch to six feet two inches in height, of average build and was dressed in a black, collared sweatshirt style shirt with gray pants. They noted that he also had dark hair that was fashioned into a "man bun" along with a "scruff type beard" on his chin.

Police departments in surrounding towns have also sent out alerts on this suspect and are advising people to be cautious whenever a suspicious vehicle with police lights attempts to pull them over for a traffic stop.

Among the advice they are offering is that, when unsure if the cruiser behind them is legit-

imate, drivers should slow down and turn on their hazard lights. If a cell phone is available, they can call 9-1-1 for confirmation on whether the car is being driven by an actual police officer, and should otherwise continue driving slowly until they reach a well lit public area before they comply with the stop.

Drivers should never speed away from an attempted police stop however. Besides being dangerous, it could lead to even more trouble if the stop is being enacted by an actual police officer.

Anyone with information on the person and/or vehicle involved in the New Hampton incident last week is asked to contact the New Hampton Police Department at 744-5423.

Budget

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they're going to fall into disrepair. If they fall into disrepair, we're going to be forced to consolidate," he concluded.

That harsh assessment came after a projected \$1,550,615 shortfall between the superintendent's proposed budget and the amount allowed by the district's tax cap turned into a \$1,743,130 shortfall—but before the district learned that Groton would be losing all of its state catastrophic aid. A few days after the Nov. 14 school board meeting, the district learned that the total loss of aid to the member towns would be \$195,072.

Superintendent Stacy Buckley said she would be working on further budget reductions for presentation to the school board on Nov. 28.

She already had proposed putting off repairs to security cameras and reducing the number of document cameras the district would purchase for classroom use, as well as creating a replacement schedule for

computer servers, rather than purchasing new ones. The purchase of Chromebook carts, interactive white boards, monitors, and other technology for the classrooms was eliminated, with supplies being level-funded and textbook purchases being reduced.

Buckley also proposed the elimination of the summer program for elementary school students, for a \$30,072 savings, and cutting \$1,940 for the Bridge Academy.

The biggest proposed reductions are the postponement of roof repairs at Newfound Regional High School (\$800,000) and asbestos abatement and tile replacement at Newfound Memorial Middle School (\$143,000). The roof on the 30-year-old high school has been leaking, and tiles at the middle school are well-worn, with some of them buckling. If they are replaced, it would expose asbestos, which would require abatement.

The district has placed a renewed emphasis on building maintenance, with a facilities commit-

tee established to come up with a plan for keeping buildings in shape, after public opposition to the school board's consideration of closing the middle school and realigning the classrooms in other buildings. The district has been making a number of largely cosmetic improvements while putting together proposals to address the larger problems, such as the leaking roof at the high school.

Window replacements and tree-trimming (except for hazardous cases) have been eliminated from the proposed budget as well.

The tax cap limits the increase in the assessment to the towns of the district to two percent. Spending can increase more than two percent, but those additional costs have to be balanced by increases in revenues. Instead, with the reduction in catastrophic aid, the district is hard-pressed to meet contractual obligations such as the \$248,042 increase in teachers' salaries and \$18,228 in retirement stipends.

Christmas

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phant sale. The next day, Dec. 4, during our 10 a.m. morning worship, we will be decorating the tree in our sanctuary with "Chrismons." Chrismons are ornaments made of white and gold that symbolize the life of Jesus. This is an intergenerational service and all our welcome. The following

Sunday, Dec. 11 after morning worship there will be a "Cookie decorating workshop." Sugar cookies and supplies will be provided for attendees to decorate some cookies to take home. Sunday, Dec. 18, we invite everyone to morning worship at 10 a.m. to enjoy the annual Christmas Pageant, which this year will be in a "Reader's Theatre" format.

There will be a "Christmas Eve Candle-light Service" on Dec. 24 at 7:30 p.m. All are invited to this special service of carols, candles, and Scripture readings. Sharing in this service can be the most moving and meaningful part of the holiday season. We hope you will join us Christmas Eve and also Christmas Morning, Dec. 25 at 10 a.m., when

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are reaching and teaching NH students about the dangers of drug use and addiction; to our first responders, police and emergency personnel, who risk their lives every day to keep us safe.

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Capital

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Long Term Care Foundation actively work to recruit and educate this important workforce. In 2016 alone, they awarded over \$100k in scholarships to 45 caregivers in long-term care centers across New Hampshire who are pursuing growth in their professions. (The NH Long Term Care Foundation was established to promote the care and

wellness of NH's elderly through the development of long-term care providers and individual care givers.)

However, unless we begin to aggressively address this issue, New Hampshire's most vulnerable and growing senior population will suffer. We must do more, and it begins with valuing our health care professionals—the LPNs and LNAs who are on the frontlines performing the chal-

lenging work of caring for our elderly population. These are the folks who will promote this career choice for others.

It includes working with our high school counselors to encourage young people to look at a career in long-term care. It means working with our higher educational institutions to make sure we have affordable accessible programs. It also means working with

Micro Park

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overlooking the scenic Newfound River.

Fifteen-year-old Reed Wilson of Bristol is a member of Boy Scout Troop 55 in Meredith, and said that in his search for a meaningful Eagle Scout Project, he brainstormed with Kerry Mattson of the Bristol Rotary Club.

"I thought I could build a gazebo in the square at first, but we realized there wasn't a lot of room for there. That's when we came up with the idea of the micro-park just around the corner," Wilson said.

The property, located adjacent to the Mill Fudge Factory on Central Street, was cleaned up through a Brownfields Grant after the former Mica Building was torn down several years ago. Wilson said he heard the town had hopes to develop the property so he met with selectmen to volunteer his services by creating the park.

"They approved the project and so did the Eagle Scout Board of Review, so on July 4, I got a crew together and held a fundraiser at the fireworks down on the lake," he said. "We borrowed a smoker from my friend's dad and sold pulled pork barbecue sandwiches. In just that one night I raised approximately \$1,000. It was a really great team effort."

From there, Wilson

spent more than 50 hours making phone calls, collecting donations of materials for the park and laying out his plans for the design and construction process.

The money he raised over the summer covered the purchase of two granite benches and a picnic table to be placed on the waterfront and others chipped in to help with the landscaping.

Wilson said he was grateful to Emma's Perennials in Hill, which donated two trees to be planted along the river. Bristol residents Shaun Lagueux and Hilda Bruno contributed flowers and plants for a garden, and a local landscape company offered a truckload of mulch for the flowerbeds. Neighbors also pitched in by lending his crew tools, generators and other equipment needed to get the job done.

Wilson attends high school at Burke Mountain Academy in Vermont but returned home for his scheduled Work Day on Sept. 11. In the days leading up to the construction, the town erected a wrought iron fence along the river and his father and members of the town Highway Department prepped and leveled the ground for the new park.

"A lot of people came by while we were working on Sunday to help out, too. There were family, friends, people from town and

even residents of New Hampton. It was really awesome," Wilson said.

Also lending their efforts for the job were his fellow scouts and good friends from Troop 55.

Once completed, the park remained closed until Wilson returned on Nov. 4 to make his final presentation to selectmen. Soon thereafter the temporary orange fencing along Central Street came down and the area was opened to the public.

Wilson said he takes a lot of pride in knowing he accomplished it all with no cost to the town, except for the fencing along the river, which was erected for safety purposes. The Town of Bristol was also able to use some old granite slabs to divide the park from privately owned property beside it.

"It all came down to one big day with my crew. Before that, I was the one who planned the whole project, fund raised for it and got another \$2,000 in donated goods," he said. "I was just happy that I could do something that made a difference in downtown Bristol."

Town Administrator Nicholas Coates said selectmen have yet to name the park, but that doesn't take anything away from all the work Wilson put into the project or the enjoyment it will now bring to those who stop to enjoy the beauty of downtown Bristol.

Parking

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replacement schedule for equipment. One controversial proposal that the CIP committee again recommended is setting up a capital reserve fund to purchase a police cruiser each year. Capital reserve funds typically allow towns to set aside money each year for large purchases in the future, but the CIP committee is proposing that the town put money into a fund for withdrawal the same year as it contin-

ues to replace one of the five cruisers each year. Selectmen in the past have rejected that suggestion, which accountants say involves a lot of extra work for what normally would be handled in a direct appropriation.

Milbrand noted that the CIP committee only priorities expenditures and makes a recommendation, while the selectmen are responsible for making the decisions and determining how to fund them.

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our state agencies such as the Board of Nursing to instill a sense of urgency, balanced with meeting the requirements, so that we don't have people waiting to get to work.

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

Contest Winners

FROM PAGE A1
familiar animals not among the submissions for 2017.

"This was once a large dairy farming community. We had some photos of horses but none of cows or other farm animals," he observed.

Vice-Chair of the Conservation Commission, Jennifer Tuthill, gathered all the entries received for the contest, numbered them and sent them off anonymously last month to professional photographer and designated judge, Phil Loneragan. Loneragan, a former resident of the community, is also a Professor of Art at Plymouth State University.

His voluntary charge was to assess each photo submission for clarity and content, determine 12 winners then assign his picks to a specific month in the upcoming calendar. Loneragan also selected a cover photo from the 58 entries presented to him.

"It took him three weeks to go through every thing that was sent in and we're here tonight to announce the winners that he assigned for the calendar," said Tuthill.

Tuthill's own sunflower picture will grace the January page of the calendar ("To brighten the winter months I suppose," she said with a laugh), while Ducks by Carolyn Sharp will represent February. March will exhibit a bear cub that David Redmond caught climbing a mossy tree and April will be represented by Fran Butler's chickadee photo. His adorable photo of a raccoon will also grace the cover of the 2017 calendar.

"The raccoon evidently came to ravage my bird feeder and I sat outside until I got a photo of him peeking out from the eaves of the carport," Butler said.

May will be represented by Carolyn Sharp's butterfly photo and June will be designated by a quaint shot of a chipmunk taken by Lisa Barrett.

July is Sharp's photo of a chickadee perched on a lawn sculpture in her backyard and August will be a photo of David Sharp's mighty draft horse.

Ron MacLean's hummingbird will represent September and a photo of Sugars, a pinto horse



DONNA RHODES

Two of Michelle Sanborn's photos of a horse named Sugars and her husky Ruby were not only chosen for the Alexandria Conservation Commission's 2017 calendar, but also won two of the three People's Choice awards last Friday night.

photographed by Michelle Sanborn, will be featured in October.

For November, there will be Tom Larson's photo, titled "Bird on Wall," while a classic black and white photo of Michelle Sanborn's family pet Ruby will round out the year.

"He's a red and white husky. When I took the picture though, I thought it would be fun to see how it looked in black and white and that's what I sent in," she said.

Those who attended the presentations at the town offices last week were also invited to select a People's Choice

award for their favorite three submissions, all of which hung on display throughout the room. In the end, viewers selected Sanborn's two calendar photos for first and third place while Carolyn Sharp's portrayal of wild ducks in a puddle on her property placed second with the crowd. The women each received prizes donated by Cardigan Mountain Store.

Tom Larson of the commission asked permission from the participants to include some of their photos at Barrett Park, a "pocket-park" under development on Bog Road in Alexandria.

A new kiosk there will feature information on the natural wonders of the bog, which they noted is technically a "fen." Through the kiosk visitors will become more acquainted with the area's ecological importance as they keep an eye out for songbirds, waterfowl, nesting turtles and larger mammals such as fox, beaver, otter, deer and moose.

"I think some of these photos would look really nice on display out there," he said.

Art

FROM PAGE A10

painting – stop by to see a local artist at work! Come by for holiday shopping, to support local artists, have a snack and give back to our local Voices against Violence office. Local artists include Wayne King with original and open edition photographs, Michelle Dunn with original artwork and prints, Charlie Kuizinas from Cosmic Moose Art with original art and prints, Carolyn from Cookie

While winning photographers each received a free copy of the calendar, they are also available for purchase through the Alexandria Conservation Commission. Those interested in supporting the commission through their latest fundraising efforts are asked to contact Tuthill at jentuthill@gmail.com. The price for each calendar is \$10 and checks should be made payable to the Alexandria Conservation Commission (ACC).

Kreations, Madeline McElaney from Clean Bee Soap Works, Jareth Ryan with his incredible metal sculptures and Sue Decraue with herbal teas and essential oils. Alice King will be selling her beautiful semi-precious stone bracelets and necklaces as well as other jewelry recycled from vintage work. Additional Artists will be joining us as well.

We hope you will join us and see what we are doing – and help us support our local community.

Notebook

FROM PAGE A4

fisher cats for turkeys.

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

It was back around the winter of 1969-70, Ted recalls, that West Virginia wanted to restore its fisher population, and let its northern neighbors know that it wanted some. New Hampshire, meanwhile, had plenty of fisher cats, and similar intentions on wild turkeys.

Wildlife biologists up and down the seaboard, and indeed across the nation, tend to know each other, and quite soon a swap was arranged: 31 cannon-netted wild West Virginia turkeys for 31 wild-trapped New



COURTESY

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

Hampshire fisher (cats), courtesy of New Hampshire Trappers' Association members, who stepped up to the challenge and were paid a token fee.

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

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

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

around Keene, they took.

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

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

Stream and clear to the Quebec and Maine lines.

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

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

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

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

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

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Amanda Johnston earned All-State First Team honors and was named to the Twin State Team.



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Savanna Bony was named First Team All-State.

Trio of Bears earn field hockey All-State nods

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING

Sports Editor

REGION — The New Hampshire Field Hockey Coaches Association has announced All-State honors for the recently-concluded season.

Local athletes were among the players selected for All-State honors.

In Division II, Kingswood seniors Jessica Distler, Emily Skelley and Ali House, Kennett's Allison Solomon and Leah Canavari and Plymouth's Jevan Sandhu all earned First Team honors.

Joining them on the First Team are Con-Val's Hannah Reinfrank, Derryfield's Cecelia Templeton, Analise Groves and Lindsey Stagg (Player of the Year), Hanover's Sophie Cardenali and Johanna Copeland, Hollis-Brookline's Jackie Hallerman and Meghan Hill, Lebanon's Corinne Kennedy and Emily Hunnewell, Merrimack Valley's Kylee Warren, Milford's Lauren Dis-

hong, Oyster River's Eliza Keegan, Portsmouth's Haily Blodgett and Katie Crowell, Sanborn's Amy Eacho, Souhegan's Timber Devine and Maddie Maurais, St. Thomas' Emma Connor and Windham's Bri Langlois and Rachel Estes.

Lenny McCaigue of Derryfield was named the Division II Coach of the Year.

Kennett's Cassidy Daigle, Kingswood's Brooke Seigars and Plymouth's Jackie Gaumer and Caitlyn Irish all earned Division II Second Team honors.

Joining them on Second Team were Sara Krslovic and Dee Kashulines of Con-Val, Sarena Dutton and Jessica Edmonds of Goffstown, Jasmine Lou of Hanover, Rachel Dvareckas of Hollis-Brookline, Meredith Melendy of Lebanon, Raegan Bailargeon and Jess Mulleavey of Merrimack Valley, Maya Flores and Sydney Kolasinsk of Milford, Laura Dre-



JOSHUA SPAULDING

Hayleigh LeTourneau led the defense for Newfound and earned First Team All-State honors.

her of Oyster River, Kayleigh Vogel of Portsmouth, Alexandra Gannon and Erin McCool of Sanborn, Julia Jones and Catherine Torr of St. Thomas and Kenna Melvin of Windham.

In Division III, three Newfound Bears earned First Team honors, with Hayleigh LeTourneau, Savanna Bony and Amanda Johnston all being selected.

Joining them on the First Team are Myra Arsenault and Julie Downs of Berlin, Lauren Roy of Bishop Brady, Sonya DeLorie of Bow, Hailley Haskins of Franklin, Kellie Ryan and Jillian Lachapelle of Gilford, Emmy Campbell of Hopkinton, Olivia Fatcheric of John

Stark, Cheyanne Zapala of Laconia, Shania Lampinen and Hannah Tucker of Masce nic, Kayla Hammond of Mascoma Valley, Madeline Ellnor (Player of the Year) and Hannah LaBarre of Monadnock, Kennedy Pysz of Newport, Emily Bevins and Sarah Morin of Pelham, Kelly Wagner of Pembroke, Marion Lovett and Elyse Scott of Stevens, Genevieve Truland of White Mountains and Makenzie Snow of Winnisquam.

Deb Georgevits of Franklin was named the Division III Coach of the Year.

The Division III Second Team includes Al- yson Blanchette of Berlin, Brigitte Doherty of Brady, Lizzie Pizzi and Hallie Lothrop of

Bow, Lauren Pelletier and Lauren Marsh of Franklin, Kaitlyn VanBennekum of Gilford, Amelia Thomas and Clara Walling of Hopkinton, Mercedes Camacho and Haley Decotis of John Stark, Vica Henskens and Morgannie Flinkstrom of Kearsarge, Devon Mello and Emily Gray of Laconia, Jordyn Babin of Masce ni, Layla Meyveagaci and Kaitlyn Pushee of Mascoma, Cassandra Walker of Monadnock, Hailey Perry and Kendall Hamilton of Newport, Abigail Gagnon of Pelham, Carley Songen and Michaela Dupuis of Pembroke, Jennie Morey of Ste-

vens, Emily McCusker and Aviara Challinor of White Mountains and Riley Toupin and Kaylee Tierney of Winnisquam.

Also announced along with the All-State honors were the kids who earned Twin State team spots. The Twin State Game, which will pit New Hampshire's top seniors against Vermont's top seniors, will take place on Friday, June 23.

Among the players named to the team were House, Canavari and Johnston.

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Garrett Macomber dives to the end zone for the first touchdown of the game on Saturday.



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With Garrett Macomber holding the plaque, the Plymouth football team celebrates winning the Division II championship.

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Late touchdown pass leads Bobcats to Division II title

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING
Sports Editor

DURHAM — It's well-known that the Plymouth football team likes to run the ball.

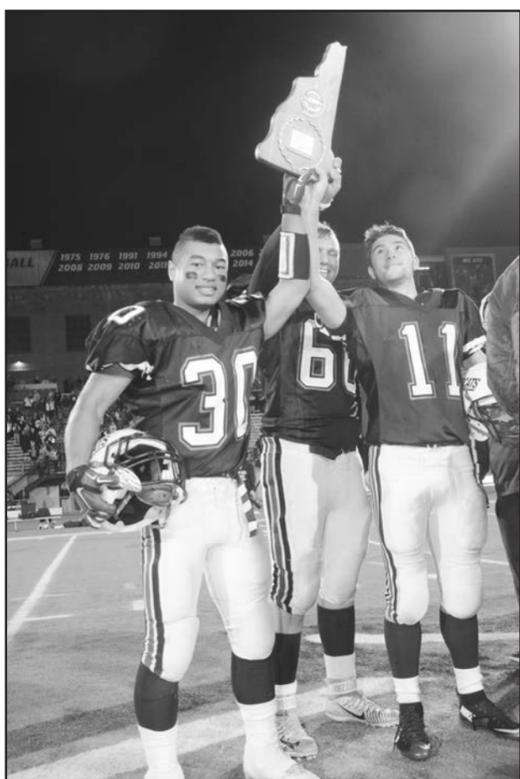
But in the biggest moment of the season, with everything on the line on Saturday at the University of New Hampshire, coach Chris Sanborn dialed up a pass play.

And quarterback Brandon Roy and running back Garrett Macomber did the rest, as the duo connected on a 15-yard touchdown pass with 16 seconds to go in regulation to lift the Bobcats to a thrilling 27-24 win and the team's first state championship in the post-Chuck Lenahan era.

"You've got to do what you need to do to win," Sanborn said of the winning play, which came following a crucial penalty on Bow that moved the ball 15 yards closer to the end zone. It also came after the Bobcats had used all of their timeouts and were in need of a big play. "They won the championship. It wasn't pretty at times, but I will take it.

"I don't really like throwing the ball, but sometimes you have to do it to win the game," Sanborn continued.

The Macomber touchdown pass, one of just two passes Roy



JOSHUA SPAULDING

Captains (l to r) Sam Slaughter, Chad Merrill and Brandon Roy hold the Division II championship plaque aloft after the Bobcats defeated Bow on Saturday.

threw on the day (both completions), did not officially end the game. After Danny Carey's extra point made it a three-point game, Bow still had time and connected on a huge pass and accepted a Plymouth penalty to move the ball from the three to the 41. But two plays later, Colby Moore, sporting a cast on his hand from an injury suffered in the semifinals, intercepted the last-ditch pass and the Bobcats stormed the

field in celebration. Senior captain Chad Merrill, who missed the entire year with an injury, doused Sanborn with the water bucket as the team celebrated on the UNH turf.

"I couldn't be happier for these seniors," Sanborn said. "I told them, if they win the championship, they won't remember me yelling at them all year."

The fans in attendance on championship Saturday at the new Wildcat Stadium certainly got their money's worth from the Division II matchup, as both teams had their moments throughout the afternoon.

Plymouth got first crack at the ball and didn't waste the opportunity, as they scored on the very first drive. It was a heavy dose of Macomber, the junior fullback who broke coach Mike Boyle's record for touchdowns in a season, topping 2,300 on the first drive. He converted a third and six by bringing the ball near midfield and then Roy converted his first pass of the day to Tony Velez for another first down. Macomber then broke loose for a 27-yard rumble down to the 10-yard line and then carried in from there, diving across the goal line at the sideline for the touchdown. Carey's extra point bid went wide in the nar-



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Coach Chris Sanborn holds the championship plaque as he addresses his team following the Division II title game.

rower college goalposts but Plymouth had the 6-0 lead with less than five minutes gone.

Bow came back and picked up a pair of first downs but a Collin Goodale interception ended the drive. However, on Plymouth's first play, a fumble gave the Falcons the ball right back and they converted, running five plays before a 47-yard touchdown pass and extra point gave them a 7-6 lead with 2:50 to go in the first quarter.

Plymouth punted away on the next drive and Bow ran out the clock on the first quarter. The Falcons continued their drive into the second quarter and after a nice break-up by Connor Magowan on a pass attempt, the Falcons connected with a 14-yard touchdown pass and booted the extra point for a 14-6 lead with 9:52 to go in the first half.

Plymouth had to punt again after three plays on the next drive and Bow came back with another scoring drive. Despite a sack by Moore, Bow picked up three first downs and got the ball inside the 15. However, Patrick Malm stuffed the Falcons on third and four and they had to settle for a 31-yard field goal to make it 17-6 with just three ticks under three minutes to go in the half.

Plymouth sprung to action behind Magowan, with Macomber nursing an injury on the sideline. Magowan got the call on four plays in a row and on fourth and one, he broke free for a 56-yard touchdown run with 50 seconds to go in the half. He then got the two-point conversion as well and the lead was

cut to 17-14, where it stayed until halftime.

Sanborn praised Magowan for being ready for his big moment when it came.

"He hasn't really gotten the carries and that can be frustrating," Sanborn said. "But today, we went to him, he had his moments and he had a couple of big runs."

Bow opened the second half with a drive that included two first downs, but a fourth and three pass fell incomplete and Plymouth got the ball back. However, the Bobcats also weren't able to generate a scoring chance and punted away. The defense of Moore, Goodale and Isaiah Crane stuffed Bow on the next drive and the Falcons also punted away.

With Macomber and Magowan doing the work, Plymouth finished out the third quarter with a trio of first downs and opened the fourth quarter on the 37-yard line. Macomber picked up another first down and Magowan also picked up a first down. A penalty helped set Plymouth up at the six-yard line and Macomber carried in from there with 9:36 to go, giving Plymouth a 20-17 lead.

Bow didn't back down, however, despite Goodale stopping a screen pass in the backfield on the very first play of the next drive. Bow drove down the field and put the ball in the end zone from three yards out with 4:02 remaining to take the 24-20 lead.

Calmly, the Bobcats took over again and Macomber and Jordan Docen had carries, moving the ball up the field for a first down. Macomb-

er carried three more times to get the ball over midfield for another first down and then picked up another first down with 48 seconds to go at the 30-yard line. He got the call on first and 10 and a facemask penalty on the Falcons moved the ball to the 15.

After Macomber was stopped on first down and the Bobcats finished their timeouts, Roy hit Macomber on second and 10 for the 15-yard touchdown. Carey's extra point made it 27-24 and then Moore's interception sealed the Division II title for the Bobcats.

"We started great, but they we started making mistakes," Sanborn said. "But I thought we could keep running it and do what we do."

And the coach praised the people responsible for paving the way.

"What it comes down to is the boys in the trenches," Sanborn said. "The guys up front played their tails off, that was the key to our game and our season."

"I can't say enough about them," the Bobcat coach continued, noting Tyler Morrison, Rowan Drew, Cody Campbell, Dylan Hixon and Drew Hodges were instrumental in Macomber's monster season and in the title game win.

"After the first game with Bow, our kids said that was the best line they'd played all year," Sanborn said. "They are a well-coached team. They are fundamentally strong and they executed well."

The Bobcat coach, who won many a title as an assistant coach under Lenahan and also as a player, noted that

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Captains Brandon Roy, Sam Slaughter and Chad Merrill lead the Bobcats on the field on Saturday.



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Garrett Macomber celebrates his game-winning touchdown in the final seconds of Saturday's title game.



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Connor Magowan is off to the races on his way to the end zone during the Division II title game on Saturday.



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Colby Moore delivers a hit to Bow's quarterback in action on Saturday.



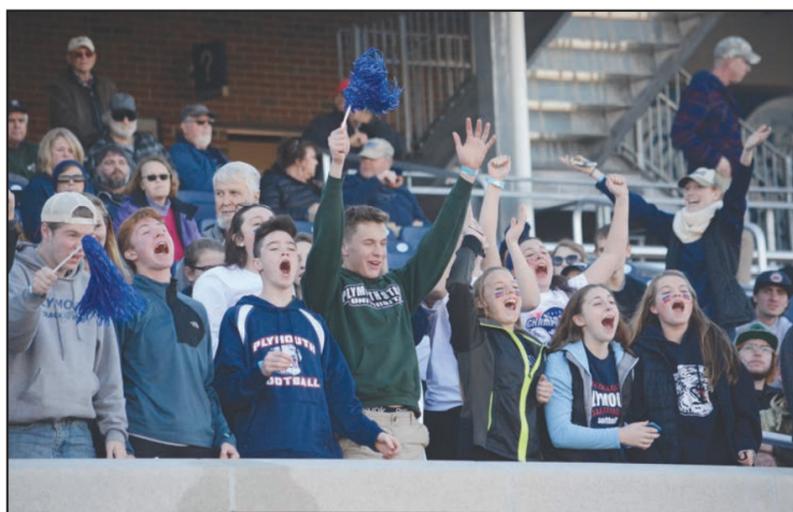
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Coach Chris Sanborn is doused with water in celebration of the Division II championship.



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Tony Velez hauls in a pass during the first drive of the game on Saturday.



JOSHUA SPAULDING

Plymouth fans show their support for the Bobcats on Saturday at UNH.

Champs

FROM PAGE B2

excitement in the championship game can be hard on a coach.

"I guess if you're going to win, that's the way to do it," he said with a smile, his jacket still glistening with ice water. "But I kind of would like to not have a heart attack."

He went on to thank UNH for the use of the facility and his assistant coaches for their hard work throughout the season.

And as he accepted the championship plaque and held it aloft for the fans screaming from the bleachers, the smile on his face said it all, that the hard work, sacrifice and dedication

that went into the season, was worth it, when you can draw up a fairy tale ending.

Even if it did take a passing play to pull it off.

Notes

Macomber ran for 178 yards on 31 carries and Magowan ran for 99 yards on 12 carries. Sanborn's stable of running backs, considered a strength at the start of the year, was significantly depleted as the year went on. Slaughter saw limited time due to injury, Nolan Farina missed most of the season with an injury and Owen Brickley broke his collarbone in the first-round win over St. Thomas. Moore's hand injury in the semifinal game cre-

ated even more room in the backfield. Macomber dealt with a hip injury for much of the game but gutted it out at the end. Magowan was also hurt on the final Bow drive.

Moore led the way with 10 tackles on the day, while Crane added eight.

Bow actually out-gained the Bobcats 347 to 319 but Plymouth held the Falcons to just 99 yards on the ground on 29 carries.

Slaughter had a strong day on special teams, punting three times for a total of 76 yards, including a long of 35 yards.

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The Newfound junior high A volleyball team poses for a photo after completing an undefeated season.

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Young Bear spikers finish undefeated season

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING
Sports Editor

BRISTOL — The Newfound Memorial Middle School junior high girls' A volleyball team recently wrapped up an undefeated season.

The team, coached by Victoria Spencer, finished the season at 16-0 with a schedule that included Inter-Lakes, Laconia, Gilford, Belmont and Winnisquam.

Athletic Director

Shane Tucker noted that the team also finished as the runners-up in the Laconia tournament, hosted by the Laconia High School team.

"They had some great leaders who will make a big impact at the high school level," Tucker said, praising the work of Bailey Fairbank, Hailey Towne and Haley Dukette for their consistent serves, digs and kills across the board.

Tucker also not-

ed that the future appears pretty solid for the young Bears, as the team has a number of players returning to the fold next year.

"The future is look-

ing good for the team as there are some very talented seventh and sixth graders that played at a high level and will be looking to lead the team next season," Tucker

said.

The Newfound roster included Haley Dukette, Bailey Fairbank, Hailey Towne, Danielle Walker, Shyann Seymour, Jamie Norton, Emalie

Ruiter and Marisa Stafford.

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

A once in a lifetime experience, for a second time?

SPORTING CHANCE



By JOSHUA SPAULDING

Lost amidst the hubbub of the World Series and the busy times of tech week for Kiss Me, Kate at the Village Players Theater, was the fact that I actually got some pretty cool news a few weeks ago.

Back in 2012 I was excited to receive credentials to cover the Winter Olympics in Russia in 2014. Thanks to the generosity of so many people, I was able to make the trip to Sochi to cover the local Olympians and the Olympics in general. It was by far one of the most incredible experiences of my life and I can never thank the people who helped me raise money for the trip enough for the experience that I had.

When I applied for those credentials, it was pretty much on a whim. I saw that weekly newspapers were low on the priority list for people receiving credentials, so I figured there was a slim chance that I would be heading to Russia. How-

ever, after an interview and some paperwork, the US Olympic Committee decided to give me a credential for the Sochi Games.

I had the chance to apply for credentials for the Summer Olympics that recently took place in Rio de Janeiro, but with a lack of local athletes, I wasn't as interested in heading to South America. With the amount of money it costs to make this trip, I didn't think the expense would justify the means. Additionally, a lot more people apply for Summer Olympic credentials than Winter Olympics, so my chances were smaller of even getting in.

But, I did apply to credentials for the 2018 Winter Olympics in Pyeong-Chang, South Korea and I got news a few weeks

ago that my credential application had been approved and, if all things work out, I will be heading around the world in February of 2018.

Last time this opportunity arose, I launched a fundraising campaign and had a lot of great people help me out along the way. So many readers and other community members helped me reach the fundraising goal and my company matched the money that I raised.

This time around, I am not 100 percent sure how I am going to handle putting the money together for this trip. My company has once again agreed to match anything that I raise to make the trip, for which I am eternally grateful.

However, the last time this happened, I framed it as a once in a lifetime opportunity for a local sports reporter and since this will technically make this a twice in a lifetime experience. So I don't know if I feel

right raising money for the trip when last time I billed it as a once in a lifetime experience.

Yes, the Olympics are still more than a year away, but I will at least be thinking about it over the next few weeks as I figure things out. But needless to say, this is yet another exciting opportunity and I am thrilled to just get the chance to think about this.

Finally, have a great day Kristi and Brian Hikel.

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