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GILFORD, N.H.

Gunstock hosting craft fair, ski sale this weekend

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From homemade crafts to ski equipment, Gunstock will be hosting some big sales for Labor Day Weekend.

This weekend, Gunstock will be the site for the Labor Day Weekend Craft Fair and the annual Ski and Sport Sale.

The Labor Day Weekend Craft Fair by Joyce's Craft Shows will run Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. and be free to the public. Visitors can peruse a wide variety of different arts and crafts such as woodwork, pottery, jewelry, furniture, photography, quilts, different foods, and much more.

Chainsaw wood carver Elise Ford will demonstrate her art both days. The sale will also feature live music. Masks will be required and people are asked to socially distance.

For more information on this and other Joyce fairs, visit joycescraftshows.com.

This weekend, Gunstock will also hold its annual Ski and Sport Sale from Saturday through Monday. Shoppers can get skis, snowboards, goggles, gloves, hats, boots, helmets, and so much more for 40-60 percent off. The sale will get rid of old inventory to make room for new merchandise for the new ski season.

The sale will take place Sept. 5-7 each day from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. or until items sell out.

Shoppers can peruse the sale under the giant tent in the base area as well as on the deck and inside the Ski & Sport shop. Shoppers are asked to wear a mask and socially distance.



The Labor Day Weekend Craft Fair returns to Gunstock this weekend.

FILE PHOTO

Informational meetings planned on bridge projects

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REGION — A public informational meeting will take place this Thursday on proposed repairs to three bridges, two in Gilford and one in Meredith.

The Department of Transportation has scheduled an informational meeting on Thursday for three bridge repair projects in the local area. In Gilford the state will work on the bridge on Route 11

over the Gunstock River and Route 11A over poor Farm Brook while in Meredith the state will fix the Route 3 bridge over Maple Street, also known as the "POW/MIA Freedom Ride" Bridge.

The DOT will hold an informational session on all three projects on Thursday, Sept. 3 at 6 p.m. The meeting will take place at Gilford Town Hall and members of the public can attend in person, though it is

recommended that people attend via Zoom. People can access the meeting online at <https://zoom.us/j/95323723674> password: 862188 or by phone at 1-646-558-8656 with the meeting ID 953 2372 3674 and the password 862188.

The state will present a "Proposed Action" plan for the bridges and members of the public will have the opportunity to ask questions or make statements or suggestions.

In the past few months Phillip Brogan with the NH Department of Transportation Bridge Preservation Project met with both the Gilford and Meredith boards of selectmen to present the proposed projects.

In Gilford the project on Route 11 will take the pavement off the bridge, repair the concrete on the deck, seal cracks, and replace the bridge

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Gilford schools reopen Tuesday

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Gilford schools will be opening this coming Tuesday with the superintendent giving the board of selectmen an update on what this coming year will look like.

Last Wednesday, Superintendent Kirk Beitler gave the board of selectmen an update on the school district and the coming school year.

Beitler said going from in-person learning to remote learning in March was a huge transition for the district. They had Blizzard Bags for snow days, though those were meant for one-day periods and not for the 12 weeks that the schools ended up being closed.

"We've worked on formalizing that a little more this summer," Beitler said, "making sure that if we have to make that shift again we'll be prepared for it and making sure that we have a more structured schedule I'll say for students, staff, and just making sure things are in a better place if we do have to transition to a remote learning environment."

All three schools will be offering in person classroom learning as well as the option for remote learning. Beitler said going into the school year, several families have chosen the remote learning option for at least the first trimester of school.

Many kids will also be returning to the schools starting Sept. 8 in staggered groups with all students taking the in-person learning option expected to all be together by Sept. 14.

"Speaking as a parent I know my children are craving to go back to school, they're really craving those classroom experiences that I don't think we can do a good job virtually on," Beitler said. "I think there's times when you need to be in person you need to feel things touch things."

Selectman Kevin Hayes asked how the district will monitor for COVID-19 cases. Beitler said there will be self-screening protocols for students and staff including temperature checks and questions about symptoms and any travel outside New England. Anyone not feeling well will be asked to stay home and take care of themselves. Beitler said all of these will be going by an honor system. Additionally, students and staff will be required to wear masks and there will be protective equipment in the schools.

Beitler also thanked the Parks and Recreation Department, who provided some picnic tables for the middle and high school buildings. Students can learn outside in good weather as well as eat lunch outside.

The district welcomed new teachers the day after the meeting for teacher orientation. Teachers came into the buildings on Sept. 1 and held professional development through Sept. 3. Students will start arriving on Sept. 8 with different groups each day until all students are scheduled to be back in the schools on Sept. 14.

Beitler said they heard in late June that the NHIAA was going to allow teams to participate in

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Town starting fall preparations for facilities

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With summer winding down and the school year starting, the town will get ready for less use of the beach with changes in sanitation and staffing.

During Wednesday's meeting, Town Administrator Scott Dunn and the selectmen spoke about the winding down of the summer season at the town beach.

Dunn said with the

end of the summer season the town will scale back its sanitizing schedule. Instead of having a private contractor sanitize the beach facilities twice a day, they will scale back to once a day with the appropriate signs indicating the change. Dunn said a main reason for doing this once a day is that the sanitizing devices require a plug and no there is no electricity at the playground after La-

bor Day unless they run a 200-foot cord. He said the use of the beach playground will also diminish with the end of the summer with students back in school right after Labor Day.

Selectman Gus Benavides said he was concerned that there will be no lifeguards on the beach after that day. Board chair Chan Eddy said most lifeguards will probably be going back to school. Dunn said the

lifeguards are usually pulled from the beach after Labor Day, but the holiday is coming a little later this year.

The raft on the beach will be taken out shortly a little later this year. Dunn said the raft is usually taken out right after Labor Day, though this year the diver who does it will not be available until the week after Labor Day.

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Bolduc Park Golf Tournament winners announced

A total of 94 golfers teed off in the 27th Annual Bolduc Park Golf Tournament Aug. 21 – 23 in Gilford. Sponsored by Bank of New Hampshire and Franklin Savings Bank, the event supports Bolduc Park, the non-profit year round recreational facility for the benefit of the community. Winners were: Richard Berg – Winner of the Putting contest and Longest Drive contest; Lacey Rouillard - Girls 15 and under; Joel Collins – Boys 15 and under; Malou LaPointe – Women 16–59; Teddy Foster – Men 16–59; Kim Slattery – Women 60–69; Ted Foster – Men 60–69; Elaine Holt – Women 70–79; Ken Dunbar – Men 70–79; Judy Melonson – Women 80+; Bob Corriveau – Men 80+.



Closest to the Pin Winners included Ali Sargent, Robin Mescom, Joel Collins and Joe McComiskey. Pictured above are Richard Berg and Grant Cole preparing to tee off.

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LRPA presents Third Annual “Silent September” Film Festival

LACONIA— This September on LRPA After Dark, movies should be seen and not heard! Celebrate Hollywood’s great silent film era each Friday and Saturday night at 10 p.m. for our Third Annual “Silent September” Film Festival. Almost every genre of film – action, comedy, romance, western, horror, sci-fi – can be traced back to the silent era that

began nearly 125 years ago and ran until the introduction of “talkies” in the late 1920s. Many technical and artistic elements that modern moviegoers take for granted, such as scene continuity, close-up shots, enhanced lighting and feature-length films, were developed during this important time in the history of cinema. Lakes Region Public Ac-

cess Television is proud to highlight some of the most interesting films of this period. This weekend (Sept. 4 & 5), we are proud to show a rarely-seen silent classic: 1919’s “Male and Female,” directed by Cecil B. DeMille and starring Gloria Swanson and Thomas Meighan. Crichton (Meighan) is an educated butler serving in the home of Lord

Loam. He is secretly in love with Loam’s captivating daughter, Lady Mary Lasenby (Swanson). She doesn’t give Crichton a moment’s notice, as he is a member of a lower social status and the two could never be together. To round out this unrequited love triangle, sweet house maid Tweeny (Lila Lee) fancies Crichton, but he doesn’t recognize her simple charms. One day, Lord Loam takes family and friends out for a sail on his yacht. Crichton and Tweeny are also on-board to serve. The yacht becomes shipwrecked on a remote island, filled with wild animals and danger at every turn. Lady Mary and her family and friends are not equipped to cope with the circumstances of the disaster – but their help, particularly the brave and steady Crichton, most certainly are. Considering the situation, the societal roles begin

to reverse. Lady Mary sees Crichton in a new light – strong, reliable, capable – and falls in love with her former butler. Just as the islanders become comfortable with their new lives, they are rescued. What will happen when they return to civilization? Can love conquer all?

While not the most famous of Cecil B. DeMille’s epic blockbusters, “Male and Female” was indeed one of the most notable of DeMille’s silent film career, and has much to offer the modern viewer in terms of acting, set design, lighting, and elements of potential danger. There were scenes filmed with live animals, including several lions (on set with Gloria Swanson) and even a purportedly “man-killing” leopard that was tranquilized so that he could lie across the shoulders of a terrified Thomas Meighan! “Male and Female” includes a well-known fantasy sequence that features Swanson in an elaborate costume complete with a feathered headdress. She is at the top of her silent film splendor, and that alone makes it a movie worth watching. More than a century after its release, the theme of class distinction in “Male and Female” is still topical. So, grab your popcorn and join LRPA after dark for a night of dramatic adventure.

Mark your calendars for LRPA’s Third Annual “Silent September” Film Festival!

All showings are at 10PM on LRPA TV

- Sept. 4 & 5: “Male and Female,” 1919
- Sept. 11 & 12: “He Who gets Slapped,” 1924

- Sept. 18 & 19: An Evening of Silent Comedies!
- Sept. 25 & 26: “The Phantom of the Opera,” 1925
- Coming in October: LRPA’s Fifth Annual “Shocktoberfest!”

You can’t find television like this it anywhere but LRPA TV, Atlantic Broadband Channel 25. Not a subscriber? Then watch us online at live.lrpa.org to catch all the fun.

About Lakes Region Public Access Television (LRPA)

Lakes Region Public Access Television (LRPA) is a nonprofit, non-commercial public access TV station and community media center located on the Laconia High School campus in Laconia. LRPA cablecasts locally on Atlantic Broadband Channel 24 (educational programming and public bulletin board), Channel 25 (information and entertainment) and Channel 26 (government meetings) to more than 12,000 homes in our member communities of Belmont, Gilford, Laconia, Meredith and Northwood. Programming is produced by and for the people of the greater Lakes Region. LRPA’s mission is to empower our community members to produce content that fosters free speech and the open exchange of ideas,

encourages artistic and creative expression, promotes a well-informed public through governmental transparency, and unites our communities through the power of media and technology. LRPA’s slogan: Community empowered by media. Visit us on the Web at www.lrpa.org.

LRGHealthcare hosting virtual diabetes management class

LACONIA — Community Education at LRGHealthcare has gone virtual! Join us for an online version of our four-week Everyday Living & Diabetes class. This free class will be held on Tuesday’s from 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. beginning Sept. 15. This virtual class will require that participants have access to the internet and have an email address. Give us a call and we can walk you through the easy process to join the class.

Those attending this class will learn skills for living a healthy life with diabetes. Learn to set goals for improving your diabetes with topics including managing blood sugar levels, healthy eating, physical activity, relieving stress, and more.

For more information on this class, future sessions or to register please call LRGHealthcare Community Education at 527-2948.

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Jewish Food Festival an unexpected but triumphant success



LACONIA — This year’s Jewish Food Festival was a true labor of love from the members of Temple B’nai Israel to the state of New Hampshire.

With the outbreak of COVID-19 and continued risk of exposure, the food festival committee was challenged to salvage a 23-year tradition of being engaged in good works for the community. The dedicated and

creative members of the TBI food festival committee came up with an online version of this popular annual event. A plan and strategy were put in place to offer some of the most popular items from the onsite festival including cheese blintzes, New York style meat and potato knishes, dairy rich noodle kugel, flakey rugelach pastry, matzo ball soup, a homemade chicken broth with fluffy matzo balls

and carrots, traditional Jewish style brisket, and braided challah bread. Many of these items had already been prepared and frozen just prior to the COVID-19 outbreak and that became the basis for the online menu. Then there were technical hurdles to overcome as well as processes to develop for ordering and pickup, plus it was unpredictable how consumers would react.

The first challenge was setting up the TBI website ordering system with appointment times for pick-ups. Online ordering was not new to TBI. Preordering of take-home frozen items has been offered, and well received for several years. However, this year required inventory tracking as well as a system of appointments, set up in ten-minute increments, on a “drive-by” basis, for contactless pickup. After some modifications to the temple website, inventory information was entered and a method for choosing a pick-up day and

time set-up. Once the TBI Web site opened on July 27, there was an overwhelming response from the community, near and far, which led to many items beginning to sell out. The dedicated team of chefs and bakers sprang into action to make more. One of the biggest surprises was the demand for matzo ball soup. Historically 20-25 quarts were sold annually at previous Food Festivals. This year, customers bought 107 quarts. Although matzo ball soup has always been on the Jewish Food Festival menu, the requests for this

“Jewish penicillin” certainly was a big surprise to festival organizers.

According to TBI president, Ira Keltz, “We can’t rule out matzo ball soup as an actual cure for COVID until we get everyone to try it.”

When life under COVID-19 throws you lemons, you make lemonade... matzo balls.

The second challenge was the complexity of designing a pick-up process that would provide safety for both the pickup teams and the customers. In order to comply with state guidelines, a system of contact free, pickup by appointment was used to insure everyone’s safety. Clients were assigned to a specific date and time to drive by the temple in Laconia to get their orders. Inside the temple, teams of two volunteers, masked and gloved, picked the specific items. Once the order was packaged it was placed outside on a table for the client to take away. The 10-minute apart system of appointments worked well to allow for appropriate distancing and cleaning between pickups. A total of 150 customers picked up their orders, over a five-day window, in 175 time slot options.

The results were incredible and made this 23rd year of the Jewish Food Festival an outstanding success. Here are some of the

mind-blowing statistics:
280lbs of beef brisket purchased (used in both the brisket and gravy as well as the meat knishes)
26 gallons of matzo ball soup
560 meat knishes
74 lbs. of rugelach
830 blintzes
365 potato knishes
60 individual 8” square noodle kugels
40 challah breads

The members of Temple B’nai Israel want to thank the Lakes Region community and those who traveled from all around the state for their patronage. In addition, the support of the local media including Adam Hirshan and the Laconia Daily Sun, Pat Kelly at 107.7 FM, Jeff Levitan of Northeast Communications and The Weirs Times for help in getting the word out about this virtual event. The temple hopes to resume normal Food Festival operations in 2021.

Hannaford supermarkets to be presenting sponsor for Children’s Auction

LACONIA — The Greater Lakes Region Children’s Auction is pleased to announce that Hannaford Supermarkets will be the Presenting Sponsor for the 2020 Auction.

Hannaford has been a loyal supporter of the Auction for more than 15 years, donating funds, items and employee volunteer hours. However, 2020 marks the first year that the supermarket will take on the role of Presenting Sponsor. Sherri Stevens, Manager of Community Relations for Hannaford Supermarkets, says supporting the Children’s Auction is a perfect example of Hannaford’s tagline, ‘Greater Than Groceries.’

“We like to think of ourselves as more than the building down the

road that provides groceries,” says Sherri. “Community is so important to us at Hannaford, and it’s clear that it’s important to our associates, too. Our employees feel a particular passion when an event supports kids. We know that to help our kids grow and learn and develop, we must invest in them. We genuinely believe in and understand that they are our future.”

Larry Poliquin, Franklin Store Manager, has been with Hannaford for more than 30 years. He’s been a dedicated Auction volunteer for nearly two decades and is responsible for connecting Hannaford and the Auction. Larry serves on the Auction Board of Directors and its Disbursement Committee.

“It’s amazing to see the amount of need the Children’s Auction fills,” Larry states. “It’s great to see the number at the end of the week, and to know that money is going to help children.”

Sherri Stevens agrees. “The fact that Larry identified the Auction as an area where we could help, and that it’s making such an impact, is so meaningful to us,” she says. “We’re hugely proud of Larry and the other associates who have joined him along the way.”

Jaimie Sousa, Chair of the Greater Lakes Region Children’s Auction, adds, “We are excited to have Hannaford partner with the Auction as 2020’s Presenting Sponsor. Hannaford’s management and staff

support their communities through giving back. This year more than ever, we look to community leaders such as Hannaford for their commitment to children and families in need.”

Mark your calendar for the 2020 Children’s Auction: December 8-11, 2020!

About Hannaford Supermarkets Hannaford Supermarkets, based in Scarborough, Maine, operates 184 stores in the Northeast. Stores are located in Maine, New York, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, and Vermont. Hannaford employs more than 26,000 associates. Additional information can be found at Hannaford.com.

About the Greater Lakes Region Children’s Auction

The Greater Lakes Region Children’s Auction is a charitable event held every December in central New Hamp-

shire. Countless volunteers and donors have turned the Auction and its many fundraising events, including Pub Mania, into a major annual campaign. In the 39 years that the community has come together for the Auction, more than \$6 million has been raised for local charities, all through volunteer efforts, community donations and corporate

sponsorship. The Greater Lakes Region Charitable Fund for Children is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that helps community organizations in the Central New Hampshire region. For more information about the Auction, the nonprofits it supports and how you can help, visit ChildrensAuction.com.

GILFORD POLICE LOG

Gilford police log

The Gilford Police Department reported the following arrests during the week of Aug. 24-30.

David Gary Boyd, age 54, of Gilford was arrested on Aug. 24 for Theft By Unauthorized Taking or Transfer-Theft From a Building and in connection with a bench warrant.

Jason L. Ford, age 36, of Gilford was arrested on Aug. 27 for Driving After Revocation or Suspension.

Merrijoy E. Dahlberg, age 20, of Gilford was arrested on Aug. 28 for Driving While Intoxicated and Possession of less than three quarters of an ounce of Marijuana (first or second offense).

Joseph Felix Worthington, age 37, of Maynard, Mass. was arrested on Aug. 28 for Driving Under the Influence-Impairment.

John Steven Nicholaides, age 24, of Chelmsford, Mass. was arrested on Aug. 28 for Driving While Intoxicated and an Open Container violation.

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OPINION

Happy trails

Actress Shirley MacLaine once wrote “Fear makes strangers of people who would be friends.”

This week, the topic of strangers has been at the forefront of our minds. Having met several strangers on the hiking trails over the past few months has opened up an appreciation for others that has always been there, yet as of late, for some reason, these meetings have become more meaningful. Simple conversations can lead to an unraveling of several rewarding conversations.

They always say there’s no such thing as a solo hike, and it’s true, for the most part. While hiking the Mount Cabot loop recently, a chance meeting with a teacher from southern New Hampshire took place. It was interesting to hear his views on his school re-opening plan and how he handled remote teaching. According to him, he sort of “rolled with it.” On that same trail, a fortunate meeting with Ray took place. A CPA from Boston who was on his 47th of New Hampshire’s 4,000 footers, was in the right spot at the right time. Being five feet, one inch in height, the hop from one boulder to the next on top of The Horn, would not have happened without a boost from Ray. Claspings his hands together and lifting me from one perch to the next made for a great lunch on top of the mountain. His tales of climbing to the Mt. Everest base camp and his ski adventures all over the world was the perfect accompaniment to a well deserved peanut butter and jelly sandwich.

A 66 year old veteran named Brian was the perfect person to head down Mount Willard with. After the storm wreaked havoc on the trail, the trek down was, well, sort of like an obstacle course. Brian (and his dog) shared so many eye-opening stories about his time serving in the military. I was proud to have him by my side and honored he shared his story.

On top of North Sugarloaf, a Spanish teacher with her family topped the list. They were in from Mass for the weekend. They shared their love of New Hampshire with the best humor and were so appreciative of the nature around them. The family has decided to make lemonade out of lemons and are choosing to get their elementary age students out into the mountains as much as possible, the kids said they love every minute of it.

When hiking sections of the Appalachian Trail, you will meet a ton of thru hikers, each coming with a unique name. This past week, while hiking the Beaver Brook Trail up to Mount Moosilauke, “Whole Foods,” “Square Peg” and “Sherpa” each had amazing tales. Whole Foods is from P.A. And was hiking south to Georgia, in a kilt. Square Peg stopped to chat as he was making his way down and told us, this was his third time completing the AT. Sherpa told us that the wind at the top literally blew him over. He was a tiny thing, and after summiting, we believed him.

On top of Mount Nancy, a family surprised ‘Dad’ for his 50th with party hats and cupcakes. It was so neat to be a part of that. Impromptu parties are the best. This is a story that deserves it’s own and will be forthcoming in the next few months.

Whether you chat someone up on the trails or in line at the store, you never know what you will learn. Some people will engage, others won’t. It’s a coin toss and that can be a fun game all it’s own.

If you have a fear of talking to strangers, do it anyway. When you do something repeatedly the fear tends to dissipate and your conversation techniques will feel more natural. If you imagine that the person is already your friend, you’ll treat them as such and this approach can alleviate an awkward feelings.

In the words of Anais Nin, “Each friend represents a world in us, a world not born until they arrive, and it is only by this meeting that a new world is born.”

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The Wolves settle in

The New England Wolves Jr. team are settling into their host families. With the season starting on Sept. 18, the Wolves are acclimating to their new host families in the Lakes Region. Life is different for the Wolves this year with testing, COVID screening and social distancing, but the Wolves are committed to making this season great! Pictured are Andreas Matejka, Ayden Kopec and Drake Adams, with their host family, the McKenzies of Gilford.

NORTH COUNTRY NOTEBOOK

Found in the rubble: Catamounts in Maine, but not the missing months of summer



By JOHN HARRIGAN
COLUMNIST

All of a sudden we’ve skimmed right past the Dog Days of August. Anyone knowing where June and July went, please call or write---they’re missing and may never have happened. This morning I almost had a chill-fire. Any day now: Water in dogs’ dishes will be frozen at dawn.

My desk is the usual disaster, with a particularly threatening pile of stuff towering and glowering on a far corner, so before it falls, here goes:

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Parents, teachers, administrators, bus-drivers, cafeteria-workers and students are doing a lot of last-minute scram-

bling about when school will start and who will go where. Just about every scenario involves kids and teens studying at home via computer.

Meanwhile, Secretary of State Bill Gardner has issued a really nice, beautifully laid out, informative voter registration and voting guide, mailed to every known household in the state, featuring email information and various state websites.

But what if there’s no computer in the home? Planners and politicians seem to assume that all households, everywhere, have access to a computer and the Internet. Well, they do not.

Various surveys indicate that 11 percent of U.S. households do not have a computer, and an even larger number, 18 percent, do not have access to the Internet.

I keep trying to point out this substantial disenfranchisement to anyone who will listen, which seems to be nobody. I might as well whistle in the wind. And it’s not that I’m a Lud-



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For anyone trying to envision a cougar (mountain lion, catamount, puma), this photo from Idaho makes it plain: Very big animal, very long tail. (Courtesy Idaho Fish and Game)

dite---I’ve got all the bells and whistles of Computerdom, and am connected to next door, the neighborhood, the country, the hemisphere, the tectonic plate, the world, the planets and the stars. I just want all these people relishing the ride on the runaway train to remember that not everyone’s on board.

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People who live in larger towns and cities sometimes don’t realize the challenges rural and small-town residents face with television and Internet service. Urban residents have access to cable and can assume that people in the hinterlands do too.

Up until recent years, however, there were no truly viable, much less profitable, systems for setting up large receiving stations to serve small numbers of customers, and then stringing cable to each one. Instead, utilities already reaching most households---electricity and telephone companies---figured out how to piggyback computer and Internet service on their lines, and offer “bundling” packages for customers.

So why do so many households remain without computers and Internet service? Some simply cannot afford them. Others simply

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FROM OUR READERS

DeVoy is the right choice for District 2

To the Editor:
I would like to provide my support to Dave DeVoy in his bid to become a NH State Senator for District Two.

I have known Dave for six years in his current role as the Chair of the Belknap County Board of Commissioners. Dave helped lead our county to find solutions to serious concerns that had developed over time, especially within the Department of Corrections. When Dave became a County Commissioner, the county jail facility

was an antiquated structure that was unable to meet many national standards, was constantly overcrowded and provided little programming options to address the overwhelming drug and alcohol problems that lead to the majority of the criminal convictions in Belknap County.

Dave became the Chair of our Building Planning Committee which was formed to solve these matters. Under Dave’s leadership, we were able to obtain funding approval

from the County Convention to construct a new Community Corrections Center, upgrade and re-purpose sections of the existing jail and form the Corrections Opportunity for Recovery & Education (CORE) program. This project was completed under budget and ushered in a new paradigm for how the local criminal justice system handles people with drug and alcohol addiction.

Dave is a devoted family man, has served his country through mil-

itary service, is a local businessman and concerned about your community. He listens to all views and asks relevant questions to help find solutions to issues that occur in our lives. Dave will work hard for his constituents and ensure that your voices will be heard in Concord. I feel that Dave DeVoy is the right choice to ensure that New Hampshire continues to be a great place to live and raise a family.

KEITH GRAY
GILFORD

Notebook

FROM PAGE A4

don't want them--period. And a relatively small number are simply too remote or devoid of any regular utility services to get anything at all--except for those who cobble together energy-producing systems from wind, water or sun, or even wood or other organically driven systems, and then get services via satellites.

Whenever I think about this, my mind wanders off to friends who've managed, in many diverse ways, to live off the grid. One of them, David Brooks, was a retired engineer (GE, as I recall) who refurbished the old Wonalancet Power & Light dam, penstock and generating plant, and produced enough electricity to power his house, a beautifully outfitted wood and machine shop, a heated pool, and even his own little ski area, complete with two lighted trails and a Poma Lift. (For the generationally challenged, a Poma Lift was an early type of ski-lift on which you slid a softball-sized, pole-mounted disc behind your butt.)

Dave was in my company--Dearborn's New Hampshire Company in Maj. Return Meig's Division--when we reenacted Benedict Arnold's famed 1775 march up through the wilds of Maine in an attempt to take Quebec City, facilitate French Canada's rebellion, and enjoin it to become the Revolution's 14th colony. We did this in 1975, on the 200th anniversary of the event, scheduled over the course of a two-week vacation.

Another friend lives completely off the grid not far from where I live, tucked back in the woods and living without amenities he thinks are soul-stealing junk anyway. Still another has a log cabin that combines wood heat, propane and solar power to get along just fine without a utility pole or lines for miles.

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Island Pond, Vermont, is not very far from North Stratford, and the two towns are linked by the Portland-Montreal railroad, as well as many family ties and traditions.

Veteran outdoorsman Mick Connary sent me a letter recounting some of his experiences with mountain lions (cougars, catamounts, panthers, pumas). "I believe that there have been cougars in this area for many years," he wrote. "I have personally seen several. In about 1910 my great-grandfather shot a cougar off his roof. He had a farm on the Bog Road in East Stratford.

"In 1965 I talked with a man (whose) last name was Jordan. He told me that about the end of World War II he shot a cougar at Dennis Pond in Brunswick, Vermont. He said that the cat hung at the store in North Stratford for about 10 days. My father affirmed that the cougar hung at his store, and he said that a picture was in the newspaper."

Mick went on to recount his own experiences. "Last year I saw a cougar beside the road at East Brighton, VT. About 30 years ago at the Oscar Nadeau farm



Nancy Piper sent in this picture of a bob-tailed backyard visitor. "I know they are not terribly rare," she wrote, "but this guy in our yard in Tuftonboro seemed perfectly comfortable posing for a picture." (Courtesy Nancy Piper)

on Rte. 105, I saw a large female in his hay field near his house. About 40 years ago I saw a large cougar at the Stone Dam between Brighton and Bloomfield (VT). This cat was walking the railroad track."

Mick enclosed three or four streamers (long flies imitating small fish) he had tied, noting: "I get very few orders for grasshoppers. Everybody wants caddis flies."

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Mick included a few pages of the Northwoods Sporting Journal, a lively not-so-little sheet out of West Enfield, Maine striving to run all sorts of outdoor-oriented stories from the nation's most-forested state (New Hampshire is second).

The July issue ran to 68 pages, several of them devoted to various accounts and assessments of mountain lion reports in Maine. The state's North Woods runs all the way northeast into heavily forested New Brunswick (wildlife doesn't care about international boundaries), into Nova

Scotia, and so on, a vast stretch of woodlands where legend, lore, and facts on cougars have long been kept alive.

One compendium listed seven accounts of recent cougar sightings, several of the incidents involving husbands and wives who all saw exactly the same thing. All reports specified the large size of the animals, the tawny color, and the long tail. There is only one animal that can fit that description, and please don't try to tell these seasoned outdoor people that they were looking at fisher (cats).

In case some Maine people see these scribblings, and at the risk of making steady New Hampshire readers roll their eyes ("Here he goes again"), the appendage "cats" after "fisher" is decidedly unscientific but has a rich place in legacy and lexicon. "Fisher cat" has been in use ever since the first Europeans stepped ashore on the Gulf of Maine and began moving up the rivers to settle land that proprietors insisted they had bought



There's no reason to run this picture except that I like it. Somewhere in there behind all the whiskers is Jeff Fair, long of Sandwich, long of Loon Preservation Committee renown, and now long of Palmer, Alaska. Jeff was fishing with friends on the Kashwitna River when he got this average-size silver salmon. (Courtesy Nicole Whittington Evans)

fair and square from the various offshoots of the Abenaki, "People of the Dawn Land." The Abenaki tend to dispute this.

But history is history, and trying to rewrite it is tricky business, nor would we if we could--would we? This is the stuff of good conversation in camp, as is the shadowy story of the catamount.

Either way, that "cat" business on the end of "fisher" is in the vernacular to stay. It goes

way back, like "rabbit" and "partridge." These terms are technically incorrect, for sure, but are nonetheless handed down from generation to generation. And okay, I'll admit it, I'm prone to sticking "cat" on there now and then to needle learned friends.

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Please submit a letter of interest to Debbie Thompson, Business Administrator at dthompson@sau80.org or Shaker Regional School District, 58 School Street, Belmont, NH 03220 no later than September 15, 2020. Please contact Ms. Thompson at 267-9223 ext. 5303 with any questions.

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Edward Jones: Financial Focus

Labor Day: Make Investments Work as Hard as You Do

Labor Day is almost here. Of course, this year, the holiday may have a different impact, given the employment-related stress and disruptions stemming from the coronavirus. Yet, it's good to recognize the value of work and its importance in achieving your life's goals. But if you're going to retire comfortably and reach your other financial objectives, you also need to invest – and your investments need to work as hard as you do.

To help make this happen, you need to know why you're investing in the first place. You likely have a variety of financial goals, including short-term ones – a long vacation, a new car – and long-term ones, such as a comfortable retirement and the desire to leave a legacy for your family. But you can't invest in the same way for these goals. For example, when you're planning an overseas vacation for next year, you

want a certain amount of money to be available at a certain time, so you'll want an investment that offers a high degree of preservation of principal. However, when you're saving for a retirement that may be decades away, you need to consider investments that offer growth potential. In any case, you can help your investments work efficiently for you by matching them with specific goals.

You also want to keep your investments "on the job." In the immediate aftermath of large market downturns, such as we saw earlier this year, many people simply stopped investing altogether. But taking a "time out" can be costly. For one thing, when you stop adding to your investment portfolio, you reduce its growth potential. Furthermore, if you're on the investment sidelines, you might miss out on the next market rally – and the biggest

gains often happen in the early stages of these rallies.


Not everyone simply abandons the investment world following a downturn, though – some people just put more money into cash and cash equivalent accounts. And while it's a good idea to have enough cash on hand for emergencies (about three to six months' worth of living expenses), you may not want to have cash as the major component of your portfolio. Cash simply doesn't "work" hard enough in the sense of providing you with long-term growth opportunities.

So, whether the markets are moving up, down or sideways, it's important to keep investing and keep a reasonable percentage of growth-oriented investments in your portfolio, with the exact amount depending on your goals, risk tolerance and time horizon. These investments will fluctuate in value, but

the longer you hold them, the more the impact of short-term drops may be reduced, especially if you maintain a diversified portfolio, although diversification, by itself, can't ensure a profit or protect against loss in a declining market.

Finally, here's one other step you can take to help keep your investments working hard: Check up on them periodically. Review your portfolio at least once a year to determine if it's still helping you make progress toward your goals. If it seems like you're falling behind, you may need to adjust your investment mix.

You've probably discovered that hard work pays off for you in just about every endeavor – so why should it be any different with investing? Keeping your investments working diligently can help boost your chances of achieving your important financial goals.



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PET OF THE WEEK

JOAN

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BACK TO SCHOOL

The benefits of a new approach to learning for students



The validity of the adage “necessity is the mother of invention” was on full display during the COVID-19 outbreak. People quickly had to learn to adapt to a new way of life, including an educational system that was transformed dramatically by social distancing guidelines.

More than 76 million students are enrolled in United States schools, per the latest Census Bureau information. In 2018, 2.12 million students were in Canadian postsecondary institutions alone. In a matter of days, millions of students who once attended classes in-person were

forced to transition to virtual learning instruction. The process showed just how flexible learning systems can be, and how virtual instruction may become more than an emergency protocol in the future.

Schools utilized systems like Google Classroom, Canvas and virtual meeting apps to connect and learn. While in-class lessons provide the socialization and one-on-one interaction that can be vital for students’ academic success, there are many different reasons why virtual instruction can be a key component of learning models as well. When virtual learning is used in conjunction with traditional teach-

ing, students may have a more well-rounded experience. Here are some potential benefits that may unfold as more data is collected.

- **Pace:** Virtual learning affords students the chance to work on lessons at a pace that fits their individual needs. Students can go back and re-read or re-work problems until they’re satisfied they have learned their lesson. Lessons can be slowed down or sped up depending on proficiency, creating a customized educational experience.

- **No more weather days.** Many school districts include snow or extreme weather days into their calendars, adding on extra days at

meet the specified number of educational days. Remote learning can take over in these times and keep school districts from having to pad calendars.

- **Convenience:** The American Academy of Pediatrics recommends that middle and high schools start at 8:30 a.m. or later to provide students the best chance to get the amount of sleep they need. Still, most adolescents currently start school before 8:30 a.m. Remote learning enables students to complete their assignments when it works best for them. This may help them get more sleep, too.

- **Apps:** Learning apps are a new wave of educational tools that have helped buoy virtual instruction. Primary school students or those with individual education plans may benefit the most from reinforced app skills that match their learning pace in fun ways.

Virtual home instruction may become a large part of the educational landscape even after it’s no longer a social distancing necessity.

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Elderly home care and depression – symptoms and prevention tips

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No matter what age we are, living a life of purpose, connection and joy is critical for our physical and mental wellbeing. For older adults, a variety of obstacles like vision loss, social isolation, mobility problems and memory issues can make enjoying life more difficult.

Why is it important for seniors to focus on their mental health?

Socially isolated seniors have a 59 percent greater risk of mental and physical decline than those who do not experience social isolation (Forbes).

The health effects of social isolation and loneliness on seniors is equivalent to smoking 15 cigarettes per day (AARP.org).

Depression in the elderly is associated with increased risk of cardiac diseases and risk of death from illness (WebMD).

Signs of depression in seniors can include change in attitude, self-isolation, weight loss, fatigue or lack of interest in once enjoyable activities.

For older adults that want to improve their quality of life through enhanced mental health, there are a few things they can do to kick off their healthy habits.

Exercise – Seniors should always consult with a physician before starting any physical activity or fitness program. Seniors that are able, and approved, to exercise may see increased physical and mental wellness. Exercise has been proven to have a positive effect on

the brain.

Connection – At any age, many people find joy in spending time with family and friends. Social isolation can be a problem for seniors that have mobility issues or aren't able to drive, or who have loved ones that live far away. However, there are services that can help overcome these issues, including transportation help, in-home care assistance, technology that fosters connection and other outside sources of help.

Volunteering – Sharing time and talents doing volunteer work can bring a sense of purpose and fulfillment. Many organizations have programs and volunteer opportunities specifically geared to older adults.

Spending time on joyful activities – Everyone has a different interest or hobby that brings joy,

whether that's music, art, dance, gardening or games. Seniors should try to spend time doing something that brings them happiness on a daily basis to improve their quality of life.

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Help the Children's Auction fill the Mi-Box!

Three Collection Days: Sept. 4, 5 & 6 at MVSB in Gilford

LACONIA — The Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction needs your help to collect items early for this year's Auction! To keep everyone safe during COVID-19, we're working hard to collect items now. We have partnered with MI-BOX Moving and Mobile Storage and Meredith Village Savings Bank to hold three special collection days at MVSB in Gilford: Friday, Sept. 4, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 5, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Sunday, Sept. 6, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Dropping new, unused and unwrapped items for the Children's Auction is easy! Just drive up to MSVB in Gilford, fill out a simple form, leave your item with the volunteer, and you're done! Need ideas on what to donate? These items bring the best bids:

- Gift cards
- Electronics
- Tools
- Toys
- Sporting goods
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Many thanks to MI-BOX Moving and Mobile Storage and Meredith Village Savings Bank for making these special collection days possible. Questions? Visit childrensauction.com or call 527-0999. Mark your calendar for the 2020 Children's Auction: Dec. 8-11!

About the Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction The Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction is a charitable event held every December in central New Hampshire. Countless volunteers and donors have turned the Auction and its many fundraising events, including Pub Mania, into a major annual campaign. In the 39 years that the community has come together for the Auction, more than \$6 million has been raised for local charities, all through volunteer efforts, community donations and corporate sponsorship. The Greater Lakes Region Charitable Fund for Children is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that helps community organizations in the Central New Hampshire region. For more information about the Auction, the nonprofits it supports and how you can help, visit ChildrensAuction.com.

MARK ON THE MARKETS

Cash is a position



BY MARK PATTERSON

Couple of weeks back, I was speaking about little-known fees inside mutual funds. This cash left inside of mutual funds is not for tactical purposes but for mutual fund outflows. This cash creates "cash drag" that adds to the overall expense of mutual funds. As an advisor who manages money and would never use an expensive broker sold fund, I do often have cash in my client's accounts. The key difference is that this is not cash left aside for outflows, but it is or can be used for tactical purposes.

I was recently at a conference for money managers where one of the presenters spoke of his advisory that primarily sells option premium. Selling option premium is something that I do inside my client's accounts where appropriate, and

this is a tactic within a strategy that gains revenue for the account, because I'm selling premium and collecting money. The other reason that I do it is to build positions of stocks or ETF's using this option strategy to improve the price for my client. But getting back to the advisor whose objective is to sell options premium. He stated that through much of the year he is in cash, typically in times of low volatility the premium available when selling an option contract is low, so this advisor waits for volatility to rise to maximize the premium that is collected on behalf of his clients. So, you could see that the cash in the client accounts is not just sitting there unproductive, but if used sporadically and tactically, returns can be very good, double digits in his case (YTD). Another tactical use for the cash in your account may be simply waiting for certain situations within the markets to become available.

As I've stated in the past, a well-constructed portfolio according to modern portfolio theory will have low-correlated asset classes which typically do not all do well or poorly at the same time. Over time you will enhance the yield and

mitigate the risk with this method. Studies have also shown that the average investor will buy near the top and sell near the bottom based on the emotions of fear and greed. Having cash in the account allows us to scale into asset classes that are undervalued and scale out or rebalance those asset classes where we are over invested.

A well-constructed portfolio is likely to not see the gains that a portfolio built only with growth stocks would have in a bull market for equities, but it will also not have the losses of a bear market it stocks. The objective is to move ahead and be able to quantify the gains and losses using statistical analysis and a standard deviation from the mean, a.k.a. average.

Your portfolio should

reflect goals, objectives and risk tolerance that pertains to you. If your money is positioned for growth but need income, then you are not invested properly your needs and objectives. It is my opinion you cannot just buy a family of mutual funds and achieve a well-diversified portfolio of investments that return maximum performance/ mitigate risk and have low fees.

Please visit my Web site, MHP-Asset.com, and go to tools and then risk analysis. You are welcome to take the Riskalyze profile to measure your risk tolerance using real dollars as an example.

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PROJECTS

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rail and approach rail. The project on Route 11A will remove pavement from the deck and repair the concrete. They will also remove a drainage scupper on the bridge which has been causing some rot. The project will work to find the best option for drainage problems on the northeast wingwall. Crews will then replace the bridge rail and the approach guardrail. In Meredith, Brogan told the selectmen the bridge is nearing the end of its serviceable

life but with repairs it can continue for another 20 or 30 years. The project will Brogan said the pavement will be torn up and the concrete below will be repaired as needed including the deck, the beams, and the abutments. The bearings will also be cleaned and have paint removed. The granite curb will be replaced with a concrete curb. The joining will be repaired and the guardrail on the southern side will be replaced. Additionally, new drainage structures will be in-

stalled and the sidewalk will be repaired. All three bridges will remain open during construction with lanes closed off during work. Both projects will also have to adhere to the National Environmental Policy Action (NEPA) regarding if the project would impact any historic, natural, or cultural structures and assets. More details and materials on all these projects can be found at <https://www.nh.gov/dot/projects/meredith-gilford41483>.

Madison Schumacher named to St. Lawrence University's Dean's List

CANTON, N.Y. — Madison R. Schumacher has been selected for inclusion on St. Lawrence University's Dean's List for academic achievement during the Spring 2020 semester. Schumacher is a member of the Class of 2020 and is majoring in biology and business in the liberal arts. Schumacher attended New Hampton School. To be eligible for the Dean's List, a student must have completed at least four courses and have an academic average of 3.6 based on a 4.0 scale for the semester. About St. Lawrence University Founded in 1856, St. Lawrence University is a private, independent liberal arts institution of about 2,500 students located in Canton, New York. The educational opportunities at St. Lawrence inspire students and prepare them to be critical and creative thinkers, to find a compass for their lives and careers, and to pursue knowledge and understanding for the benefit of themselves, humanity and the planet. Through its focus on active engagement with ideas in and beyond the classroom, a St. Lawrence education leads students to make connections that transform lives and communities, from the local to the global. Visit www.stlawu.edu.

GILFORD

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skills and drills in small groups. Gilford athletes started to do that in late June through the summer with practices for fall sports starting Sept. 8 with games scheduled to start around Sept. 15. Beitler said the playoff schedules have not been changed, meaning that the fall season will be a bit shorter this year. This might mean around 10 to 12 games for field hockey, soccer, and volleyball but less for football. Extracurricular activities will still be offered with the appropriate precautions. This year, the GHS theater department will put on three short one act plays. Beitler said director Matt Demko is excited to get started again, especially for the seniors. Beitler said during the shutdown food services still delivered food twice a week to around 150 families across the district. Buses delivered food to bus stops where families picked them up. "That seemed to work very well," Beitler said. "Children and families were certainly thankful to have food. Students were happy to see people and get some food." Board chair Chan Eddy asked if there were any technology challeng-

es for students during remote learning. Beitler said the school has Chromebooks for every student, though some families had problems with internet access. The district purchased hotspots for a number of families. Then Atlantic Broadband offered services for families who needed Internet access. "Through the period of time that we were remote we were able to connect with everybody," Beitler said.

FALL



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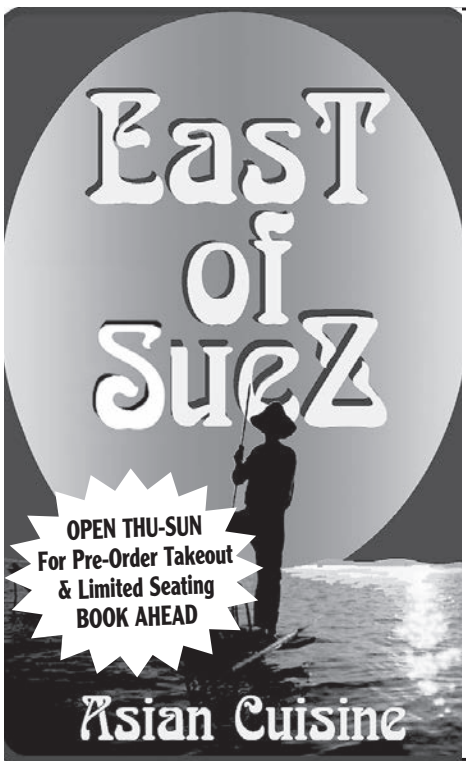
He said the raft typically takes up a large amount of space on the beach when it's in, so the timing works out. The board will also put off any decisions on allowing outside groups to meet at town hall, which was halted because of the pandemic. Eddy said this is a subject they revisit every meeting and maybe it's time to reconsider the current restriction. Selectman Kevin Hayes said he would like to hold off on this until after school starts and Benavides also said he is not in favor of bringing this up right now. The board will look at this at a later date.

Angela Strozewski promoted at NH Mutual Bancorp

MEREDITH — Angela Strozewski has been promoted to Executive Vice President, Senior Operations Officer for New Hampshire Mutual Bancorp (NHMB). NHMB is a shared service organization that provides essential services to three 150-year-old mutual community banks in New Hampshire - Savings Bank of Walpole, Merrimack County Savings Bank (the Merrimack) and Meredith Village Savings Bank (MVSb) - as well as their sister organization NHTrust, a full-service trust and investment management firm. The services provided by NHMB to their sister companies include human resources, finance, information technology, compliance management, facilities management, risk management, operations and marketing. In her role, Strozewski provides leadership of operations departments and staff throughout the state including lending operations, deposit operations, collections, facilities management, compliance management, fraud management and electronic banking services.

Assistant Treasurer and Vice President and Controller. In 2011, Strozewski was promoted to Vice President, Operations and Reporting and was responsible for finance, loan operations, deposit operations and collections. In 2013, Strozewski assumed responsibility for deposit and loan operations and collections at Meredith Village Savings Bank as well as the Merrimack. In 2014, she was promoted to Senior Vice President and Operations Officer for NHMB. Active in her local community, Strozewski is currently a member of the Board of Directors of The Friends Program in Concord. She received her BS in Financial Management from Franklin Pierce University. She is also a graduate of Northern New England School of Banking and the New England School of Financial Studies. New Hampshire Mutual Bancorp, a shared services organization, was formed in 2013 when two New Hampshire-based community banks, Meredith Village Savings Bank and Merrimack County Savings Bank, formally affiliated - the first relationship of their kind in the state. This strategic partnership has positioned the banks to leverage each other's strengths as they work together to advance a shared vision of maintaining and enhancing community banking standards and values. MillRiver Wealth Management joined as a third affiliate in 2015, combining the financial advisory divisions of MVSb and the Merrimack. Savings Bank of Walpole joined NHMB in 2018. In 2020, MillRiver Wealth Management affiliated with The New Hampshire Trust Company to become NHTrust. NHMB combined assets total more than \$2.6 billion. For more information, visit nhmutual.com.





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