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Phil Bartels, Butch Mixon and Jeff Fluet enjoy a hot drink as they thaw out from their kayak run along the Winnepesaukee River on New Year's Day.



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Kayakers and white water rafters were happy to arrive safely at Trestle View Park in Franklin last Monday where they enjoyed warm soups, drinks and hospitality.



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White water rafters work together as they make their way through the final set of rapids on the Winnepesaukee River in Franklin Monday afternoon.

Kayaking enthusiasts brave the cold for annual New Year's river run

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FRANKLIN — Temperatures danced all around the zero degree

mark on New Year's Day, with wind chills taking them even lower, but that didn't stop hardy outdoor enthusiasts from mak-

ing their traditional run down the Winnepesaukee River from Northfield to Franklin, where hot food, drinks, and a warming

tent awaited them. "I have an obligation to be here as a member of the Board of Directors for the Merrimack Val-

ley Paddlers, but I looked at the temperatures today and decided that I'd keep my boat on shore. This is even colder than

2009," said Jeff Swett of Goffstown.

Others were a lot more daring, though, and took SEE RIVER RUN, PAGE A7

Canine hero saves owner's life

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BELMONT — A canine companion is being credited with saving a Belmont man's life when he managed to get out of the house and get attention the only way he knew how — by standing out in the road until someone stopped.

Police in Belmont said that at 11:53 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 29, they received a call for a loose

dog that would not move out of the road for oncoming traffic. Belmont Police Officer Kristopher Kloetz responded to the scene and after identifying who the dog belonged to, he walked the shivering animal back to his home a short distance away. After several minutes of knocking on the door, no one inside responded, however.

"The door was slight-

ly ajar, which is how we feel the animal got out of the home. Upon stepping inside the residence, the officer spotted the dog's owner down on the floor and unresponsive," Lt. Richard Mann reported.

Finding only a weak pulse with irregular breathing, Belmont Fire & Rescue was immediately summoned to the residence. Medics were able to quick-

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Recreation Director Samantha Magoon (left) and Executive Director Brittani Stewart (right) are now overseeing programming at Pines Community Center, and look forward to a year filled with exciting recreational, social and after school activities for residents of the towns of Tilton and Northfield.

New year brings new leadership to Pines Community Center

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NORTHFIELD — The year 2018 is bringing a fresh new look to Pines Community Center, with new programs, new

ideas and, most importantly, new leaders.

Late last summer, Brittani Stewart, a very familiar face at PCC, was named the new Executive Director of the

recreation facility that serves children from the towns of Northfield and Tilton.

Stewart said she came to PCC "fresh out of col- SEE PCC, PAGE A5

Belmont police seek owner of money found at Belknap Mall

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BELMONT — Police in Belmont were in search last weekend of an individual who lost a sum of money at the Belknap Mall.

Lt. Richard Mann said that on Friday, Dec. 29, an employee of

the mall discovered the cash inside the mall complex and rightfully turned it over to police in hopes that the owner could be found.

Anyone who may have lost an undisclosed amount of money at the mall during that time period is

asked to contact Belmont Police at 267-8350.

Respondents are expected to accurately describe the denominations and total sum of money that was discovered, along with the carrier in which it was found.



COURTESY

A ride on the Polar Express

Pre-K through third grade students at the Paul Smith Elementary School were treated to a ride on the Polar Express on Dec. 22, on what was a snowy start to the holiday break for the children. The halls of the school were turned into train cars, and teachers and volunteers were the conductors punching tickets for the kids. The train ride took the students to the cafeteria, where they enjoyed hot cocoa, holiday treats and a visit from Santa Claus.

Some helpful hints for staying safe this winter

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REGION — Winter has arrived, and with it, First Responders wish to pass on safety tips that can help keep people safe in the cold and snowy months to come.

Police would like to remind drivers that road conditions change rapidly, and often unexpectedly, at this time of year. A clear road surface can quickly turn into something much different, and the end result is not always good. Whether an overnight re-freeze of the road occurs or plows and snowmobiles drag snow across a roadway, drivers must always be alert for those changes and be prepared to react accordingly. Drivers are also asked

to remain a safe distance behind any plows or other large trucks. If you cannot see the driver of those vehicles in their rearview mirror, they cannot see you. Passing town and state plow trucks is also never advised, as they work to SEE WINTER, PAGE A5

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Belknap County Republicans welcome Speaker of the House to next dinner

B E L M O N T — The Belknap County Republican Committee (BCRC) has announced that their next monthly meeting will be held on Wednesday, Jan. 10, at 6:30 p.m. at the Top of the Town Restaurant, 88 Ladd Hill Rd., Belmont. This month's guest speaker will be Speaker of the House, Gene

Chandler. Chandler, currently in his 18th term representing the town of Bartlett, was recently elected to serve as Speaker for the remainder of former Speaker Shawn Jasper's term. Jasper was nominated in October by Gov. Chris Sununu to be Agriculture Commissioner, confirmed by the Ex-

ecutive Council in November, and sworn in on Dec. 11. Chandler will share his thoughts about his plans for the 2018 House session, having already made good on his promise to include House members representing various "notches" on the political spectrum to his leadership team. In addition to hear-

ing from Speaker Chandler, the Committee will be electing a new State Committee member to fill the seat of Rep. Don Flanders who passed away last September. Also, the Committee will discuss the results of the Jan. 9 primary and the upcoming Feb. 27 Special Election to fill the remainder of Rep. Flan-

ders term in the House. Belknap County GOP meetings are open to all Republicans and like-minded Independents. Per their usual meeting format, if you're interested in having dinner (at your option) and/or wish to socialize before the meeting, plan to arrive as early as 5 p.m. The Commit-

tee again encourages its members to continue to bring non-perishable food items which will be donated to local food pantries. For more information, please check the Committee's Web site at www.BelknapCountyGOP.org or send an email to alan.glassman@gmail.com.

TILTON POLICE LOG

TILTON — The Tilton Police Department responded to 366 calls for service and made the following arrests during the week of Dec. 18-24. Please note that the names of juveniles, and those of individuals taken into protective custody but not formally charged with a crime, have been withheld. Arrested during this time period were Jasmine Bordeau (in connection with a warrant), Nicole Dempsey (in connection with a warrant and for Driving After Suspension), James Karr (for Reckless Operation), Shaunna Murphy (in connection with a warrant), Corey Cooper (for Driving After Suspension), Nicholas Johnson (in connection with a warrant), Naomi Adams (for Willful Concealment), Evan Byers (for Driving Under the Influence), and Stephen Tobin (for Driving Under

the Influence, Driving After Suspension, and Breach of Bail).

HALL MEMORIAL LIBRARY

- Monday, Jan. 8**
Lug A Mug, 2-6 p.m.
Warm up with a free coffee or hot chocolate
- Chess Club, 3-5 p.m.
- Trustees Meeting, 5 p.m.
- Open to the public
- Scrabble, 6 p.m.
Adults Only
- Tuesday, Jan. 9**
Spanish Club, 10 a.m.
- Tech Tuesday, 2-4 p.m.
- Wednesday, Jan. 10**
Story Time, 10:30 a.m.
- Magic the Gathering, 4 p.m.
- Thursday, Jan. 11**
Cribbage and Coffee, 2 p.m.
- Adults Only... Don't know how to play? We'll teach
- Friday, Jan. 12**
Sit and Knit, 2-5 p.m.
- Saturday, Jan. 13**
Let's Go Lego, 10 a.m.



Faith Trammell named to Dean's List at Bob Jones University

GREENVILLE, S.C. — Faith Trammell, a Junior Graphic Design major of Sanbornton, was among approximately 890 Bob Jones University students named to the Fall 2017 Dean's List. The Dean's List recognizes students who earn a 3.00-3.74 grade point average during the semester.

Located in Greenville, S.C., Bob Jones University provides an outstanding regionally accredited Christian liberal arts education

purposely designed to inspire a lifelong pursuit of learning, loving and leading. BJU offers over 100 undergraduate and graduate programs in religion, education, fine arts and communication, arts and science,

and business. BJU has nearly 3,000 students from nearly every state and more than 40 countries. We are committed to the truth of Scripture and to pursuing excellence in all we do.

Belknap County Democrats to host forum with Congressional candidates

MEREDITH — On Wednesday, Jan. 10, the Belknap County Democrats will present a round table forum with the 6 Democratic candidates for New Hampshire Congressional District 1, the seat currently held by Carol Shea-Porter. The forum will take place at the Meredith Community Center at One Circle Drive in Meredith, with refreshments at 5:30 p.m. and the forum from 6 to

8 p.m. There will be 6 tables for the public, and the candidates will rotate from table to table, each having six 10-minute conversations. The candidates are: Mark MacKenzie (former Manchester firefighter, former NH AFL-CIO President, currently a NH State Representative from Hillsborough); Mindi Messmer (a scientist with her own environmental consult-

ing firm, currently a New Hampshire State Representative from Rye); Terence O'Rourke (Rochester City Attorney, Bronze Star Iraq veteran, former prosecutor in Rockingham and Carroll counties); Chris Pappas (owner and manager of a restaurant in Manchester, former NH State Representative (two terms), currently on the New Hampshire Executive Council); Lin-

coln Soldati (former Stafford County Attorney, former mayor of Somersworth, Army veteran); and Maura Sullivan (US Marine Corps Iraq veteran, former Assistant US Secretary of Veterans Affairs). The public is invited to meet the candidates and join the Belknap County Democrats at this round table discussion.

Free blood pressure clinic to be offered in Gilmanton

GILMANTON — Central New Hampshire VNA & Hospice will be offering another Free Blood Pressure Clinic, this time to be held at the Gilmanton Town Hall, 503 Province Rd. in Gilmanton. The clinic will be held on Jan. 17 and Feb. 21 from 9-10:30 a.m. Come meet your local visiting nurses and make a New Year's Resolution to care for your health! No need to reserve a spot, just stop by. Call Heather Carpenter at

the Gilmanton Town Hall at 267-6700, ext. 10 or Angela Smith at 524-8444 if you have any questions. Central New Hampshire VNA & Hospice is happy to provide this service, always free of charge, anywhere in the Lakes Region. If you are interested in having a clinic in your town, call Angela Smith at the number shown above.

About Central New Hampshire VNA & Hospice

The Mission of Central New Hampshire VNA & Hospice is "Promoting dignity, independence, and well-being through the delivery of quality home health, hospice and community-based care services." Central New Hampshire VNA & Hospice has served Lakes Region communities since 1918 and provides Home Care (nursing and rehabilitation services in the home); Pediatric Care (direct health care, education

and support services for children and families); and a comprehensive, team-based Hospice program. Central New Hampshire VNA & Hospice is a not-for-profit, Medicare-certified provider of home care and hospice services, licensed by the State of New Hampshire. The agency is governed by a volunteer Board of Trustees and supported by private and corporate donations. www.centralvna.org.

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Northway Bank welcomes Merron Pillart as Mortgage Loan Officer

LACONIA — Northway Bank proudly welcomes Merron Pillart to the retail mortgage lending

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Merron Pillart

Pillart is located in the Bank's Laconia branch, and can be reached at 326-7322 or mpillart@northwaybank.com.

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Mental Health Center project nearing completion

LACONIA — Building renovations are quickly nearing completion as Genesis Behavioral Health prepares to relocate its clinical and administrative offices to 40 Beacon St. East in downtown Laconia in early January. To coincide with the move, the organization will be embracing their corporate name; the Lakes Region Mental Health Center which was first established when they opened their doors more than 50

years ago. “Dr. George ‘Pete’ Harris, one of our founders, understood that mental health care and physical health care is fundamentally linked,” said Maggie Pritchard, Executive Director. “There are multiple associations between mental health and chronic physical conditions that significantly impact people’s quality of life, increase demands on health care and other publicly funded services,

and generate consequences to society. The renovation of this property into a state-of-the-art medical facility for our patients and for the community will allow us to close service gaps, enhance the quality of care, expand the services available to our patients, and make access to care easier for those that need it. It is the next step towards furthering our mission of providing integrated health care to the residents of the

Lakes Region.” “I am pleased to have the opportunity to expand and strengthen our relationships with the community in bringing this much needed project to the greater Lakes Region,” said Pritchard. The Lakes Region Mental Health Center is excited to have a facility in which community partners and patients can utilize space for trainings, education, and enrichment opportunities. Partnerships

between community members, area businesses, foundations and other stakeholders will allow the organization to more effectively meet the needs of the community and contribute to the region’s overall well-being and economic vitality, says Ann Nichols, Director of Development & Public Relations. A Chamber Meet & Greet and Community Open House are planned for Feb. 1, 2018.

Anyone who is interested in learning more about this project or wishes to donate to the capital campaign may do so at cc.genesisbh.org or by contacting Ann Nichols at 524-1100, ext. 445 or anichols@genesisbh.org.

The Lakes Region Mental Health Center, Inc. is designated by the State of New Hampshire as the community mental health center serving Belknap and southern Grafton Counties. A private, non-profit corporation, LRMHC serves nearly 4,000 children, families, adults and older adults each year. LRMHC provides Emergency Services 24 hours a day,

7 days a week, to anyone in the community experiencing a mental health crisis, regardless of their ability to pay. Additionally, LRMHC provides individual, group and family therapy; mobile crisis teams in the event a tragic event occurs that impacts a community at large, psychiatry; nursing; community support programs for people with severe and persistent mental illness; care management; community-based supports; housing; supported employment; substance use disorder treatment; and specialty services and evidence-based practices for children and their families, including trauma-focused therapy, art therapy and play therapy. Child Impact seminars are offered in Laconia and Plymouth for divorcing families. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call 524-1100 or visit the website at www.lrmhc.org. Find the Lakes Region Mental Health Center on Facebook and follow us on Twitter for updates and information.



Tyler Road Bluegrass Band



Cheryl Arena Blues Band

Pitman’s welcomes the Tyler Road Bluegrass Band

LACONIA — Pitman’s Freight Room, located on New Salem Street in Laconia, is thrilled to be hosting the following shows this weekend:

Friday, Jan. 5, 8 p.m., \$20: Tyler Road Bluegrass Band

Tyler Road has been performing publicly and at private functions since 2003. Tyler Road has acquired the talent of various musicians from central New Hampshire to create a blend of music that you will not find anywhere else. With the combination of banjo, acoustic

guitar, fiddle, mandolin, bass, accordion, box drum and bluesy vocals, Tyler Road creates the best foot stomping jams in the Northeast. Tyler Road has performed at arts and music festivals across New England.

Scott: Guitar, Dobro, Vocals, Steve: Banjo, Vocals, Theresa: Viola Dave: Mandolin, Vocals Andy: Percussion, Vocals Woody: Mandolin, Banjo Beth: Stand Up Bass Drew: Djembe

Saturday, Jan. 6, 8 p.m., \$20: Cheryl Arena Blues Band

Cheryl Arena sizzles with excitement as she

mesmerizes audiences with her sultry voice and powerhouse energy. She is a triple threat—a great songwriter, vocalist and blows harp like there’s no tomorrow...

Hailing from Boston, she began playing harmonica and immersing herself into the Blues in 1987. She has recorded on several cds with her most recent one, being her 1st solo effort, “Blues Got Me” including seven original songs, backed by a stellar seven piece band and produced by Duke Robillard, who also plays on a few cuts.

Cheryl will be teaming up with Danielle Miraglia, who comes armed with a strong steady thumb on an old Gibson, an infectious stomp-box rhythm and harmonica with tunes ranging from heart-felt to socially conscious that will move both your heart and hips. On her latest “Glory Junkies” she’s joined by a killer cast of musicians blending the classic rock vibe of The Rolling Stones and Janis Joplin with Danielle’s signature lyrical ability to explore human nature at its best and worst.

International Film Series continues with “Selma”

LACONIA — The Laconia Human Relations Committee in cooperation with the Laconia Public Library offers the film, “Selma,” as the January selection for the International Film Series. Selma will be shown on Monday, Jan. 8 at 6:15 p.m.

“Selma” is based on the 1965 Selma to Montgomery voting rights march led by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Hosea Williams, James Bevel, and John Lewis.

1965 was a significant year for the U. S. Civil Rights Movement. Two events stand out. Four black girls walking down stairs in the Birmingham, Ala. 16th Street Baptist Church were tragically killed by a bomb set by the Ku Klux Klan. Annie Lee Cooper attempted to reg-

ister to vote in Selma, Ala., but was prevented by the white registrar. Voting rights become a central concern. Dr. King, along with other black leaders and Selma residents, marched to City Hall to request that blacks be allowed to register. After a confrontation in front of the courthouse, a shoving match occurred where the police brutally went into the crowd. Dr. King, along with other black leaders, was jailed.

Dr. King met with President Lyndon B. Johnson and asked for federal legislation to allow black citizens to register to vote without harassment. Though the president responded that he understood Dr. King’s concerns, the Vietnam War was raging and he had more im-

portant concerns. Civil rights leaders decided to gather in Selma for action. Ralph Abernathy and Andrew Young joined Dr. King and other SCLC leaders to commit to a march in Selma. The subsequent terror and violence against the black community is important to keep in mind as part of the continuing struggle for civil rights in the U. S.

“Selma” is the January International Film selection as a part of celebrating Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday a week later.

This is another in the International Film Series shown monthly from September through June at the Laconia Library. Check the International Film Series shelf at the library for this and other

films shown over the past several years. Order films from this series through your own library if you do not live in Laconia!

The Laconia Human Relations Committee is a committee of the mayor of Laconia dedicated to expanding our horizons for the appreciation of the diversity found among us and in the wider world. For more information contact Len Campbell at lcampbell@nh-cc.org.

Living Well with Diabetes

TILTON — Are you or someone you care for living with diabetes? Would you like to learn tools and strategies to better manage and live well with this disease? If so, the Living Well with Diabetes workshop is for you.

Learn how to better manage diabetes with the “Living Well with Diabetes” workshop presented by LRGHealthcare. A free six-week workshop will be offered on Wednesdays from 9:30 -11:30 a.m. beginning Jan. 10 at the Franklin Savings Bank Community Learning Center in Tilton. Those attending the workshops will apply skills for living a full, healthy life with diabetes, learn to set weekly goals and develop a practical step-by-step plan for improving diabetes care. Weekly topics include managing blood sugar levels, healthy eating, physical activity, relieving stress, and more!

Workshop leaders will guide participants through this proven program developed by the Stanford University School of Medicine. These sessions are ideal for anyone living with diabetes or a caregiver of someone with diabetes.

For more information or to register for this upcoming workshops, please call LRGHealthcare Education Services at 527-7120.

LRGHealthcare is a not-for-profit healthcare charitable trust representing Lakes Region General Hospital, Franklin Regional Hospital, and affiliated medical providers. LRGHealthcare’s mission is to provide quality, compassionate care and to strengthen the well-being of our community.



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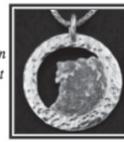
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STRATEGIES FOR LIVING

The search for significance

BY LARRY SCOTT

It was early afternoon (as I recall) at Rosalia High and along with most of my fellow classmates, we were awaiting the arrival of our director for our next choir practice. It was for me a favorite class, but for this young sophomore, the world suddenly came unglued.

Without warning, a group of the guys wrestled me to the floor, unbuckled my belt, drew my slacks down to my knees, then jumped up and quickly went back to their seats. Leaving me exposed and embarrassed, to say I was humiliated is to put it mildly; even the girls thought it was funny. Not this kid!

As the son of missionary parents to Peru, I was more Peruvian than American. Home schooled for most of my grade school years, I was uncomfortable in a classroom setting, clearly a fish out of water. I was the school "goat," the one you messed with when things were slow. You cannot imagine, especially with my desire to be accepted, what this and several similar experiences did to me. It was a lark for them; for me it was traumatic, an experience I cannot recall even now without deep emotional overtones.

It is axiomatic that each of us is in search of significance, driven to discover purpose and meaning to our lives, anxious to make a difference. The quest to be noticed and respected is a human trait, and the extent to which we will go to achieve it at times drives us to resort to the ridiculous.

We carefully craft our public image and yet ignore personal weaknesses that cry for attention; we attempt to impress our friends with homes and automobiles we can't afford, so deeply in debt we can't afford to retire; athletes excel in their sport, develop an enthusiastic following, yet have problems simply growing up. Why is that? It takes only a bit of honesty to realize many of us are in deep trouble. Without any objective standard of right and wrong, we flounder in the dark with no means to find our way.

But it need not be so. Moses, the adopted grandson of one of the most powerful men on earth, spent his first 40 years of life thinking he was somebody. After a run-in with the Pharaoh of Egypt, he escaped to the Sinai and spent forty years, isolated and forgotten, shepherding his father-in-law's sheep thinking himself to be a nobody. And then finally, at 80 years of age, God called him to lead his real family, the people of Israel, out of Egyptian bondage, and it was only then that Moses discovered that God can take a nobody and make a somebody out of him!

I am deeply grateful for a God who has my best interests at heart. Even though I still find times when I am out of step with my peers, I have had to remind myself that it is not what others think about me, but what I think about me, and more importantly, what God thinks about me that really counts. Again, don't misunderstand; I am not crying the blues. What I am saying is that with what God is doing in my life, I have every reason to look forward to a great new year.

You want to talk about it? Hit me up at rlarry-scott@gmail.com.



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PET OF THE WEEK

RHONDA

Tall, stately, brindle coated Terrier mix, Rhonda is a dog who has endured may twists and turns on the road to a secure, loving forever home, including a very quick return after being adopted before Thanksgiving!

Dogs need time to blend into a new family setting, rarely is this effected in a few short days. Our adoption counsellors know what dogs need and we take the leap of faith this will be followed.

In Rhonda's case, while she does seem to feel companionable around dogs of similar size, smaller creatures trigger her interest in a less convivial way.

Rhonda arrived via our SAFE HARBOUR program. She's been calling our shelter home since the Sum-

mer.

Well now the weather is cold, snow is in the air, Winter has arrived, and she is still reeling from the return to us wondering what happened.

Once more into the breach... large dogs yes, no cats and other small creatures (although to truly flourish being the only pet would be the best possible placement). A home where she can finally unpack her suitcase of sorrow and rejection is Rhonda's wish at Christmas-time.

She is a lovely dog, a big girl, still waiting for that committed adoptive home, and one that will manage her foibles appropriately.

We have not given up hope and neither should she!



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Why the secrecy surrounding insurance buy-out increase for town employees?

To the Editor:

The Sanbornton Board of Selectmen's Dec. 4 approved meeting minutes contained an item of increased cost which surprised me. A motion by Chair Ober was made in regard to budget line (4155), to increase the employee opt out medical insurance amount to \$4,500. This would require an employee to request such a payment in lieu of Medical Insurance coverage provided by the town. The minutes did not indicate that any discussion about the increase took place before the motion was approved by all!

As I recall, the current opt out amount in lieu of an employee taking medical insurance is currently \$1,000; the approved motion increases that amount by \$3,500 to \$4,500 — that's around a 350 percent increase. I am interested in why this increase was introduced at this time, and how many employees may

select this option.

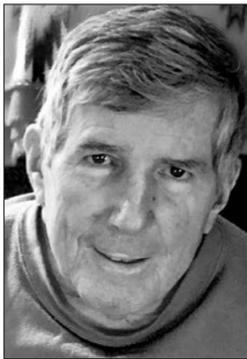
Ober also stated that this increase would be effective Jan. 1, 2018 pending Town Meeting approval, so will this item be a separate Petitioned Article for us to vote on at Town Meeting, or will it already be in the proposed budget presented at the Town Meeting?

Please note that the Selectmen, at the Nov. 29 meeting, made the following statement: "The Selectmen encouraged residents to make an appointment with them, attend a Wednesday meeting at 5 p.m. or call them directly with any questions or concerns. Katy North #491-2522, Karen Ober #286-9995 or John Olmstead #528-3129." So if you have any questions or concerns, give them a jingle!

Bill Whalen
Sanbornton

North Country Notebook

A big snowstorm? No problem: The snow roller will come along



By JOHN HARRIGAN
COLUMNIST

Editor's note: Due to an emergency hospitalization, Mr. Harrigan was unable to submit

a new column in time to meet our press deadline for this week's edition. The following column was originally published in January 2017. We hope our readers will join us in wishing Mr. Harrigan a speedy recovery from his illness.

As someone who lives on a country road, a question I'm sure to get before a big snowstorm is "Are you going to be able to get to town?" One implication is that I have some abiding need to get to town, which I don't,



COURTESY

"The Road Roller," by Rockwell Kent (1909), depicts a snow roller and crew in a heroic scene, which was an actual fact of life on the farm.



COURTESY

Plows drawn by horses or oxen were cumbersome affairs, had to be weighted with rocks, and were no good in deep snow.

but the real implication is that my road will be impassible.

Quite the contrary.

"My biggest challenge is getting from my barn to the road," is my stan-

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MARK ON THE MARKETS

2018 resolve



BY MARK PATTERSON

Almost every one of us have a New Year resolution. Some are major do-overs and some

are subtle changes that we may have wanted to do, but just got put off. Many of our resolutions are about our health and fitness levels. For myself, I would like to exercise more often and maybe drop a few pounds, which is very likely a common resolution. I am going to attempt to be somewhat smarter than in the past and work my way into a more structured routine of exercise and not go all out right from the get-go saddling myself

with an overuse injury. The temptation is to go really hard for a couple of weeks to get through that sore phase when our bodies are adapting to the stress. But that is difficult for our de-conditioned bodies to absorb, often resulting in that injury that puts our quest for fitness on the back-burner until the next New Year. Because our fitness quest is on hold we might as well just say "to hell with that diet" too.

Well you can all

probably figure that I have an analogy cooking up here, and you are correct. Another big resolution is the "want to get my financial life in order." I have clients that typically are very intelligent people who are very motivated in their lives and business who do not have the most fundamental financial planning task underway. We typically start this journey together, with me being the chief organizer and constant voice keeping

the ball rolling to update and consolidate all the stuff that is just so boring and tedious for them to get to. I actually warn them in the beginning of this process, that if we start this, we are going to finish this. A file of their life insurance, long term care, even health and Medicare policies are consolidated with the names and contacts of family and beneficiaries. In the event of a health crisis or accident I want everyone

to know where this information is kept. Any wills or trust documents should also be in a location that can be accessed quickly when need be.

The end result of this arduous exercise in planning and organization is a happy client that can cross that task off their mental "keeps me up at night" list.

So if you want to start this journey you must gather all your policies together. If SEE **MARKETS**, PAGE A8

WINTER

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clear the road ahead to make the road safe. Patience, police said, is the key.

In addition, safety officials would like to remind everyone that there is a state law requiring drivers to clean all snow from their vehicles. Keeping rooflines, hoods and trunk surfaces clear can minimize the distraction of blowing snow or dangerous sheets of ice that can crash onto other vehicles and possibly cause an accident.

Around the home, there are other concerns people should consider this time of year. All entrances should be kept clear of snow and ice so that not only residents but safety personnel have ready access both in and out of any residence.

"If you can't get out, we can't get in," said one emergency responder.

All heat exhaust and dryer vents should be shoveled regularly to prevent back up of toxic fumes into a home. Roofs also need to be shoveled when snow and ice begin to build up to pre-

vent damage or collapse to any structure.

Plymouth Fire-Rescue, as well as other area departments, would also like encourage people to be certain their smoke and carbon monoxide detectors are in good working condition, have fresh batteries and are stationed on all levels of their home, including outside bedroom doors.

As an added note, Plymouth's Deputy Fire Chief, Tom Morrison, cautioned, "Portable generators must not be operated within ten feet of the home."

That distance will

help prevent the generator's carbon monoxide exhaust from making its way into any inhabited areas where sickness and even death can result.

Power cords should also be used only as recommended by the manufacturer, and not overloaded with heating appliances or other electrical units.

Fire department officials in all towns are happy to schedule a safety check on a home should anyone have concerns. Residents are encouraged to contact their local department

for such a review.

Candles are another frequent form of accidental fires. Safety officials remind everyone that no candle should ever be left unattended or placed near on or near any potentially flammable objects or surfaces.

Finally, when arctic temperatures hit the region, all skin surfaces should be kept covered as people step outdoors. Layers of clothing help ward off hypothermia and frostbite, and drivers should also keep blankets and even snacks available in their

vehicle in the event of any breakdowns that may occur in the winter months.

With the arrival of winter, Plymouth Fire-Rescue would like to share some fire prevention tips with our residents to ensure a safe holiday season.

Please make sure that smoke and carbon monoxide detectors are in good working condition.

It is important that heating appliances be serviced by a professional, and that the vents be clear, particularly of snow and ice.

Keep exits from your home clear of snow and ice.

Portable generators must not be operated within ten feet of the home.

Choose decorations that are flame resistant or flame retardant.

Keep lit candles away from decorations and anything else that can burn.

Make sure that power cords are used only as they are intended. Some are rated for indoor use only.

Replace any string of lights with worn or broken cords or loose bulb connections. Read manufacturer's instructions as to the number of light strands that may be connected together.

Use clips not nails to hang lights so the cords do not get damaged.

Choose a fresh cut tree. Keep it at least three feet from any heat source, and make sure to keep water in the tree stand.

Please enjoy the holidays, and do not hesitate to contact us should you have any questions or concerns.

Deputy Chief Tom Morrison.

PCC

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lege" in 2009, and has been there ever since, dedicating her time to quality programs for today's residents in her hometown.

"I grew up in Northfield, and it's nice that I can now give back to the community. I love working with people of all ages. I also have a lot of good relationships with the people and other organizations in the area and I look forward to collaborating with them in the future," said Stewart.

In fact, establishing new programs for often overlooked teen populations or working to support other groups that focus on their needs is now one of her goals.

Stewart comes to PCC with a degree in Sports Management from Colby-Sawyer College. After graduating from college, she served the community center for approximately nine years as their Recreation Director. In January of 2017,

she then stepped up to become the interim director of PCC until her official appointment last summer.

"It's a lot easier for me now," Stewart said. "For a while, I was fulfilling both positions as Recreation Director and Executive Director, but Sam (Samantha Magoon) helped me out by doing a lot of the recreation work for a while."

And that made for a very smooth transition, Stewart said, when Magoon was named the center's official Recreation Director in October of 2017.

Magoon is another familiar face at PCC. Like Stewart, she, too, grew up in Northfield, and was a 2010 graduate of Winnisquam Regional High School. She went on to Lakes Region Community College and Plymouth State University, where she graduated with a teacher's certification and a Bachelor of Arts Degree in English.

"I always knew I wanted to work with

kids, though," said Magoon.

Ever since high school, Magoon has been an integral part of PCC, working with children as camp councilor then an assistant for the community recreation programs, before and after school programs, and summer camp.

Since her graduation from college Magoon has taken her teaching skills from the classroom to the recreation hall where she has been met with great success.

"In the past nine years or so, I've had a lot of ideas in my head, and I'm excited that now I can use some of them here," Magoon said.

Among those ideas are additions she'd like to make to the summer camp program and some thoughts to bring more teens to the center.

"I really want to start a Youth Leadership group where they can sit down with the Board of Directors and give their input. I want middle school and perhaps high school kids to be a part

of what happens here," she said.

And when Magoon isn't busy working at PCC, she and Stewart, too, can be found on the Winnisquam Regional School District athletic fields..

Stewart has been an assistant track coach at WRHS for several years, and Magoon, besides formerly working as a paraprofessional and substitute teacher in the district, has also enjoyed her role as the middle school field hockey coach.

"Coaching's great," said Magoon. "I think it's important that we stay a part of the community, even while we're working here."

The two are all smiles as they discuss the future of PCC and what positive changes they hope to bring forward. Stewart said the board has been very supportive, and that's something she greatly appreciates.

"They've been behind me all the way, and we're looking into a lot

of other grants now to make improvements to the center. I'm finding there's a lot of money out there for projects and programs we could use, so we'll see what we can come up with," said Stewart. "So far, so good. We're moving forward!"

Besides the school day and vacation camp programs for younger children, PCC offers many other community-oriented activities. The 603 Karate group now holds instructional classes at PCC, there are senior activities and luncheons, fitness programs for all ages and skill levels, cooking and crafting classes, holiday celebrations and much more. The center also hosts scouting programs for the Tilton-Northfield area and offers rental space for private or civic parties and meetings. For up-to-date information on their latest programming schedules, visit them online at www.pinescommunity-center.com or find them on Facebook.

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Edward Jones: Financial Focus

Time is a Key Factor in Investing

With the arrival of the New Year, many of us will pause and ponder the age-old question: "Who knows where the time goes?" And, as is always the case, none of us really do know. However, wherever the time goes, it will usually be a key factor in your success as an investor. Time can affect how you invest, and the results of your investing, in different ways:

Growth potential – Contrary to myth, there's no real way to "get rich quick" when investing. To build wealth, you need patience – and

time. If you own quality investments with growth potential, and you give them years – in fact, decades – to increase in value, your perseverance may be rewarded. Of course, there are no guarantees, and you'll need the discipline to withstand the inevitable downturns along the way. But in describing how long he likes to keep his investments, renowned investor Warren Buffet says his favorite holding period is "forever."

Targeted goals – To accumulate resources for retirement, you need to save and invest throughout your

working life. But along the way, you'll probably also have some shorter-term goals – making a down payment on a home, sending your children to college, taking a round-the-world trip, and so on. Each of these goals has a specific time limit and usually requires a specific amount of money, so you will need to choose the appropriate investments.

Risk tolerance – The element of time also will affect your tolerance for risk. When you have many decades to go until you retire, you can afford to take more risk with your invest-

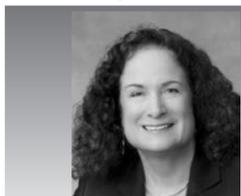
ments because you have time to overcome periods of market volatility. But when you're on the verge of retirement, you may want to lower the risk level in your portfolio. For example, you may want to begin moving away from some of your more aggressive, growth-oriented investments and move toward more income-producing vehicles that offer greater stability of principal. Keep in mind, though, that even during retirement, you'll need your portfolio to provide enough growth opportunity at least to help keep you ahead of inflation.

Thus far, we have looked at ways in which time plays a role in how you invest. But there's also an aspect of time that you may want to keep out of your investment strategies. Specifically, you might not want to try to "time" the market. The biggest problem with market timing is it's just too hard. You essentially have to be right twice, selling at a market top and buying at the bottom. Also, as humans, we appear to be somewhat wired to think that an activity – especially a long-running activity – will simply continue. So, when the market goes up, we seem to ex-

pect it to keep rising, and when the market drops, we think it will continue dropping. This can lead to big mistakes, such as selling after a major market drop even though that can be the time when it may be much smarter to buy because prices are low.

As we've seen, the way you interact with time can affect your investment efforts. So, think carefully about how you can put all the days, months and years on your side. Time is the one asset you can't replenish – so use it wisely.

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Mary Florence Morse, 94

GILMANTON — Mary Florence Morse, 94, of 74 Foss Rd. died peacefully in her home, surrounded by love, and her family on Friday, Dec. 15, 2017.

She was born on April 9, 1923, in Gilmanton, the daughter of John A. Geddes and Florence (Edgerly) Geddes. She was a proud nurse and after retiring she enjoyed many years as a classroom volunteer at the Gilmanton Elementary school. She enjoyed music, playing the guitar and harmonica in her younger years, and later the Hammer Dulcimer.

Most recently, she took up the Bodhran drum at 92, playing with The Dump Run Gang. Mary was an active member of the Gilmanton Community Church and loved her church family as her own. She had a gift for hospitality,



loved cooking, spending time with family, friends and neighbors. She was known for her volunteerism and stepping in when needed. One of her greatest joys was her large weekly family dinners.

She leaves her sons, Herb Morse, John Morse and wife Donna, all of Gilmanton, Donald Morse and Trish Gordon of Pittsfield, and her daughter, Donna Morse, and Garrett Doyle of Alton; seven grandchildren; seven great-grand-

children; and many nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by her husband, Howard B Morse, and two brothers, Duncan A Geddes and David W Geddes.

A Celebration of her life will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Jan. 13, at the Gilmanton Community Church, 497 Province Rd, Gilmanton.

For those who wish, memorial contributions may be made to the Gilmanton Community Church, PO Box 16, Gilmanton, NH 03237.

Wilkinson-Beane-Simoneau-Paquette Funeral Home & Cremation Services, 164 Pleasant St., Laconia, is assisting the family with the arrangements. For more information and to view an online memorial, go to www.wilkinson-beane.com.

Colette Lorette (Frechette) Tessier, 93

FRANKLIN — Colette L. Tessier, 93, a longtime resident of Tilton and Franklin, died Dec. 26, 2017 at the Merrimack County Nursing Home in Boscawen following a lengthy period of failing health.

Colette was born in Tingwick, Quebec, Canada, Aug. 19, 1924, daughter of Achille and Marie (Michel) Frechette.

Colette moved to the United States in 1938 and became a citizen in 1946. She had lived in the Franklin-Tilton areas for most of her life. She moved from Dalton when she was in the eighth grade. In her ninth grade year, she moved back to Dalton and completed high school, graduating in 1942. In 1943, she moved to Laconia, where she found work at the former Scott and Williams Company, working as a secretary.

She married in 1962 and continued her work at Scott and Williams, moving to Tilton in 1966, seeking employment as a secretary at the Arthur S. Brown Co., leaving in 1982 to work at the Arwood Corporation in Northfield, retiring in 1989. She and her husband Andrew lived at River St. Apartments, on



Willow Hill in Franklin, returned to Tilton and then to Laconia. Prior to moving to the County Nursing Home, she and her husband lived in the Franklin Senior Apartments.

Over the years, Colette and her husband were collectors of lighthouse memorabilia. They made many visits to St. Charles Children Home in Rochester, and because of the joy it provided to the children, they decided to donate their vast collection to the Home.

Colette was a former parishioner of both St. Paul's Church in Franklin and St. Mary of the Assumption Church in Tilton, now combined as St. Gabriel Parish.

She was predeceased by her husband of 50 years, Andrew J. Tessi-

er, who died in 2012.

Her family includes sons Rene A. Tessier and his wife Vickie of Tilton, Ronald A. Tessier and his wife Ella of Rumney and Roger A. Tessier and his wife Carolyn of Concord; eight grandchildren and two great-granddaughters.

Calling hours were held Monday, Jan. 1, 2018 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the William F. Smart Sr. Memorial Home, Franklin-Tilton Road (584 West Main St.) in Tilton. A Mass to celebrate Colette's life was held Tuesday at 10 a.m. at St. Paul Church, of St. Gabriel Parish, School St. in Franklin.

Spring burial will be at in St. John Cemetery to rest next to her husband Andrew.

The family would like to thank all of the staff and volunteers at the Merrimack County Nursing Home for making Colette's final years active and enjoyable. Those wishing may make memorial contributions in Colette's name to the Activities Fund, Merrimack County Nursing Home, 325 D. W. Highway, Boscawen, NH 03303

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

Stephanie Lynn (Ryan) Magoon, 49

FRANKLIN — Stephanie L. Magoon, 49, a resident of Franklin since 2007, died Saturday, Dec. 23, 2017 at the Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center in Lebanon following a sudden illness.

Stephanie was born in Laconia, July 16, 1968, daughter of Andrew J. and Theresa J. (Aube) Ryan. She grew up in Franklin, attended schools there, and was a graduate of Franklin High School, class of 1986. She went on to college, receiving her Bachelor of Arts degree from Plymouth State College, and later received her Master's degree in Business from Plymouth State University. She lived in Holderness for several years, later moving to Ashland, where she lived until moving to Franklin.

She had worked part time at Volpe's Market in Plymouth.

Stephanie worked for



19 years as an administrative assistant with the Plymouth Police Department, and later was employed at the Northern Lakes Veterinarian Clinic in Ashland. At the time of her death, she was employed as an administrative assistant with the English Department at Plymouth State University, working there since 2014.

Most important in Stephanie's life was her family. She enjoyed sitting down with a good book, helping others

which was solidified upon her passing by becoming an organ donor. She had a favorite color, pink, and enjoyed her collection of pens. Stephanie was an avid supporter of Susan G. Komen and the numerous volunteer and events for "Race for the Cure" programs, relating to breast health and breast cancer.

When thinking of Stephanie, one should give thought to "Faith, Hope and Love."

Stephanie was predeceased by her father, Andrew J. Ryan.

She leaves her husband of 25 years, Shawn M. Magoon of Franklin; daughters Kassie M. Magoon and Ashleigh J. Magoon of Franklin; her mother and step father, Theresa J. (Aube) and Everett A. Colburn of Fort Pierce, Fla.; aunts, uncles and generational cousins; and to also include her brother in law, Bob Magoon, his wife Lisa and their family of New Boston, and sister in law, Pamela (Magoon), her husband Dan Conger and their family of Freedom.

Calling hours were held Sunday, Dec. 31, 2017 from 1 to 4 p.m. at the William F. Smart Sr. Memorial Home (Franklin-Tilton Road), 584 West Main St. in Tilton, NH 03276. A private graveside service will be held in the spring when family gathers.

It only seems fitting that flowers be omitted and donations (in Stephanie Magoon's name) be made to Susan G. Komen Headquarters, 5005 LBJ Freeway, Suite 250, Dallas, Texas 75244 (1-877-GO Komen).

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



Carole Anne Boehle, 81

CHENOA, Ill. — Carole Anne Boehle, 81, of Burt Court, died Tuesday, Dec. 26, 2017 in Chenoa, Ill.

Carole was born on Dec. 20, 1936 in Detroit, Mich., the daughter of the late Bernard and Mary Catherine (Clarke) Brisse. The Brisses moved to Lake Port in 1942. After graduating from Laconia High School in 1952 at the age of 16 and St. Raphael's Nursing School in New Haven, Conn. in 1956, she earned her BSN RN from Saint Anselm College in 1958. Carole practiced and taught Nursing at the Elliot Hospital in Manchester from 1958-1960.

Carole answered a call to serve in the Papal Missions in Latin America, serving in Columbia and Guatemala until 1967. While serving, Carole met fellow missionary Jim Boehle in 1964, and they were wed in 1965. Returning to New Hampshire, Carole served as Director of Nursing at Lakes Region General Hospital for 20 years, and then Director of Social



Services at the Belknap County Nursing Home for 17 years.

In 1974, she received a Meritorious Service Award from her beloved Alma Mater, St. Anselm College, for her many years of service in the Papal Missions serving in Latin America as a nurse. Carole is a past president St. Anselm College Alumni Association and former vice president St. Joseph's Church parish council.

Carole is survived by her husband of 52 years, James Boehle of Chenoa, Ill.; three children, Peter (and wife Kathy) Boehle of Lexington, Ill., Katherine (and husband Paul) Bihn of Normal, Ill., and Karl (and wife Amy) Boehle of Parker, Colo.; one sister, Mary Lou Jacques of Laconia;

and six grandchildren (John Boehle, Jacob Boehle, Ethan Boehle, Mallory Boehle, Makayla Bihn and Teresa Bihn).

Carole was preceded in death by her sister, Katherine Blanche Brisse.

Calling hours were held from 4 to 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 2, 2018 at the Wilkinson-Beane-Simoneau-Paquette Funeral Home, 164 Pleasant St., Laconia, using the Carriage House entrance.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 3, 2018 at St. Andre Bessette - St. Joseph's Church, 30 Church St., Laconia.

Burial will be held in the spring in the family lot at St. Lambert Cemetery in Laconia.

Wilkinson-Beane-Simoneau-Paquette Funeral Home & Cremation Services, 164 Pleasant St., Laconia, is assisting the family with the arrangements. For more information and to view an online memorial, go to www.wilkinsonbeane.com.

Donna Lee Duso, 62

LACONIA — Donna Lee Duso, 62, of Winnisquam Ave., died Tuesday, Dec. 26, 2017 in her home after a courageous battle with cancer.

She was born in Laconia, the daughter of Barbara (Wheeler) Cyr. Donna worked as a retail manager for Sweaterville and for True's clothing.



She enjoyed motorcycle riding, traveling and camping. She was also a communicant of St. Joseph's Church in Laconia.

In addition to her mother of Belmont, she is survived by her husband, James T. Duso of Laconia; one daughter, Christine Fysh, and her husband Nate of Belmont; one

brother, Wayne Clough of North Carolina; three grandchildren, Elizabeth, Colin and Brady Fysh; five nieces and 12 nephews.

She was predeceased by her brother, Charlie Clough, and a nephew, Travis Clough.

There will be no calling hours.

A celebration of life will be held in the spring.

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Noel Cassiano, 43

LACONIA — Noel Cassiano, 43, went home to the Lord on Tuesday, Dec. 26, 2017.

Noel was always the life of the party, the karaoke king, the one who could sell an Eskimo ice. When he entered the room, you knew it because his presence commanded the attention of those around him in such a way that no one else could. He was song and like a song, he was able to comfort the soul, if only for a moment. His laugh became your laugh. His heart was one with yours and he let that be known through his love for Christ. We will miss his laugh, his light, and his ability to bring joy through music. He loved his family and always wanted a reunion and while he was taken too soon to realize it, his spirit will carry on and live in the hearts



of his family especially his children, nephews, and nieces whom he loved dearly. May his soul rest in eternal peace. We will love you always.

Noel is survived by his parents, Fernando and Juanita (Echeuarria) Cassiano; his wife, Holly (Dupont) Cassiano; his daughter Lilly; his son Devon; three sisters, Yesenia Schuler, Eileen Ackerman and Amy Rivera; five brothers (Barry Ackerman, Thomas Ackerman,

Dorian Ramos, Fernando Ramos and King Ramos); and many nieces and nephews.

Calling hours were held from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 30, 2017 at the Wilkinson-Beane-Simoneau-Paquette Funeral Home & Cremation Services, 164 Pleasant St., Laconia.

A Celebration of life was held at 3:30 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 30, 2017 at Faith Alive Christian Fellowship, 72 Primrose Dr. South, Laconia.

Burial will be private.

Wilkinson-Beane-Simoneau-Paquette Funeral Home & Cremation Services, 164 Pleasant St., Laconia, is assisting the family with the arrangements. For more information and to view an online memorial, go to www.wilkinsonbeane.com.

Abram T. Tappan, 39



BELMONT — Abram "Abe" T. Tappan, 39, died unexpectedly on Monday, Dec. 18, 2017 after a long battle with addiction.

Abe was born July 10, 1978 in Laconia. He was the son of Kim (Richard) Fury of Laconia and Dean P. Tappan of Tilton. He is also survived by his grandmother, Annette Richard of Belmont, who he loved with all of his heart and enjoyed taking care of her.

Abe had a knack for computers and loved gaming, music, tropical fish and "Jeopardy." Abe lived his entire life in the Lakes Region. He was a free spirit and a gentle soul who lived by

his own rules. He was a social guy who loved his many friends. Abe was always willing to help those in need. He was close with his mother and was the light of her life more than words can express.

Abe was predeceased by his dog Bella, who, like Abe, was a big love. A memorial gather-

ing to remember Abe will be scheduled after the New Year. As many of his friends have expressed interest in helping with arrangements, his mother encourages people to reach out to her.

In lieu of flowers, Abe would want everyone to take care of each other and help stop the terrible crisis that is taking loved ones away.

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RIVER RUN

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to the icy waters despite the grueling temperatures.

Due to the weather conditions, spectator participation was down this year, but kayakers were still greeted with enthusiasm as they navigated the final rapids before arriving at the landing in Franklin's Trestle View Park.

"I've been wanting to come here to see this for years, and even though my husband didn't really want to come today because of the cold, I said, 'We're doing it,'" said one Belmont resident poised on the bridge at Central Street.

While multiple runs through the rapids have been a tradition in the past, this year, many of the kayakers said one trip was enough for them.

"It's cold," admitted Jeff Fluet of Mont Vernon. "This is a ritual for me, but I doubt there'll be a second run."

The reasoning behind that decision was the icy conditions. As he made his way down river, Fluet said he tried not to splash too much water while manipulating his way through the rocks and bends in the river. Despite his best efforts, he still had to stop in a cove to rub icicles from his eyelids before he could proceed to the end.

"I just wanted to be able to see when I got to the last set of rapids," Fluet said.

It wasn't all just single-person kayaks rolling down river, though.

Martin Parichand and his friend Matt also hosted white water rafting experiences for fellow enthusiasts who were thrilled to help paddle the large yellow raft through the rapids.

"It's a little chilly today, so you have to know what you're doing, but it's still a lot of fun," said Matt, who had just overseen a group trek along the Winnepesaukee River. "This place (with the plans for a new Mill City Park kayaking facility) will certainly be a huge hit within the next ten years. It's exciting."

Mill City Park is one of many revitalization plans for the City of Franklin currently being put into place. Through many partnerships, Mill City Park will create a kayaking recreation area unlike anything else in New England.

"We took a look at a kayak park in Colorado that was a big success, so we're excited to bring one to Franklin now, too," said Sarah Stanley Mullvaney of Franklin Savings Bank and the Choose Franklin committee. "Theirs benefited many businesses in the area, and we think this will do the same here for Franklin and surrounding towns."

In the meantime, New Year's Day kayaking has been a tradition for more than 30 years. Dan Darling of First Day Franklin said it was 13 years ago when the City of Franklin realized they could be a part of all the activity, too, and the subsequent

First Day event has proven to be yet another great success in the community.

"If the kayakers are coming down the river on New Year's Day, we decided we could make this great thing even better," he said. "We put up a tent, invited everyone to participate, and it's been spreading to downtown businesses ever since. It's been a great thing."

Each year, kayakers and their support crews come from all across New England and beyond. To encourage them and other local guests to learn more about downtown Franklin this year, the committee also held a fun family scavenger hunt where clues for prizes could be found at a number of supporting businesses.

In addition to that, groups within the warming tent offered hot drinks, some hot chili and Hopping John to eat, along with informational booths from Franklin Savings Bank, Franklin VNA and Hospice, and other local organizations. For the kids there was cookie decorating booths, snowflake crafts, beanbag games and some outdoor snow art available. Donations were also gratefully accepted in support of the Franklin Outing Club and Franklin Police Officers who oversaw safety operations throughout the day.

"This is a New Year and a tradition that I wouldn't miss," said Fluet.

NOTEBOOK

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dard reply. "The road's always in good shape." Which it is.

I have a mid-size tractor with a bucket loader, but this kind of rig is no good for clearing a big barnyard and long driveway. For this, I rely on a neighbor who plows commercially.

However, he has a long list of customers to take care of, so I always tell him "Plow me last." This is partly because I'm in no hurry to get anywhere, and partly because I want to get doorways and the outdoor furnace and woodshed all cleared out, and move the snow into his path before he gets here.

Some people from more urbane areas think I'm kidding about the road, but I'm not. During a typical extended snowstorm that promises to dump some substantial snow, I'm sure to hear the town plow rumble by at least two or three times during the night. And in the morning I could set my watch, if I wore one, by the plow coming by at 7, just before the school bus runs.

But imagine what life was like before snowplows. What if everybody all over the countryside had to wait for the snow roller?

I can practically envision younger readers rushing for their computers, to Google "Snow rollers." But that's no good, because what they'll get is a description (and photos) of a weather phenomenon in which wind-driven wet snow begins rolling downhill and forms rolls that look like muffins, or even more precisely, muffins (I have actually seen this). No, "Horse-drawn snow rollers" is what Google needs to seek.

These were basically giant wooden cylinders drawn by horses or oxen, heavy enough to pack the snow down so that horse-drawn sleighs and puns could travel without floundering.

But this took time, far more time than today's diesel-powered snowplows, and far-flung farm families could be cut off from the outside world for days.

In farming's heyday, schoolhouses were scattered all over the countryside, each town supporting multiple schools so that they were within reasonable walking distance for students. The stories from grandparents that teenagers rolled their eyes at, about walking three or four miles to school, were no joke, and even in winter children were expected to trudge their way through a few inches of new snow to school and back, and no argument about it. But a big snowfall was something else.

For children, being cut off from school by a big storm was a double-edged

sword. In such circumstances they were expected to tackle a list of hose and barn chores, ranging from sewing on buttons to splitting kindling to hauling heavy loads of wood and cleaning out livestock pens. Thus the alternative of school soon took on a rosy hue—an emancipation from hard work at home.

The impending arrival of the snow roller was therefore a major event, and the literature of the day is full of stories about children cut off from school, the little ones spending the days in the front room of the house, noses pressed against windows and eyes scanning the distance, waiting for the all-important arrival of the heroes on the snow roller.

(This column runs in papers covering two-thirds of New Hampshire and parts of Maine and Vermont. Letters should include town and telephone numbers in case of questions. Write to campguyhooligan@gmail.com or Box 39, Colebrook, NH 03576.)

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ly determine the man had overdosed and was near death. They administered Narcan then loaded him into the ambulance where he recovered while en route to the hospital for further evaluation and treat-

ment.

"It does not take much to realize this animal knew something was wrong with its owner and went to get help the only way he knew how," Mann said. "He'd better buy that dog a steak; there is no doubt in our minds the animal saved that man's life."

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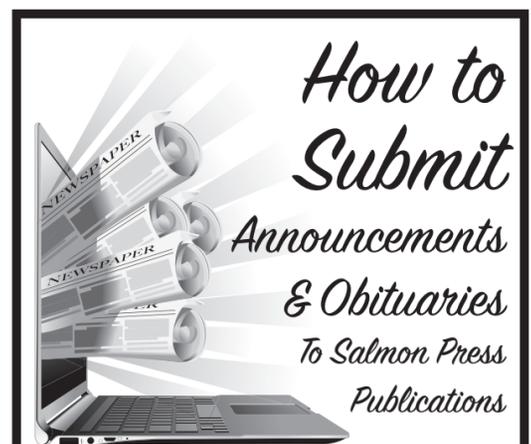


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Megan Goodridge dribbles around a Newfound opponent in a loss for the Winnisquam Bears last week.



BOB MARTIN

Makenzie Snow breaks away from Newfound defenders and drives to the hoop.

Newfound girls too much for Winnisquam

BY BOB MARTIN

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TILTON — The Winnisquam girls' basketball team has been progressing as a team this season, but on Dec. 21 the team had the difficult task of taking on Newfound, one of the best teams in Division 3.

Newfound center Ashlee Dukette put on a clinic, scoring 38 points in an 82-27 win, but Winnisquam coach Jordan

Richardson said he was happy to get this game out of the way, and that there is plenty that can be learned from a loss against a team of this caliber.

"She gets down the floor, can make shots and is a really good all-around player," Richardson said of Dukette, who last year was named Division 3 player of the year when she led Newfound to an 18-0 regular

season in her sophomore year. "She is by far the best player we've seen. The thing that impressed me so much about Newfound is how fast they are and how hard they work for each other. It's probably a good thing that we played them."

Newfound went on a 13-0 run in the first 2:40 of the game, setting the tone of what was to come. Winnisquam got on the board when Meghan Cote hit a pair of free throws to finally get on the board. Shannon Goodwin made the first field goal for Winnisquam about a minute later. Newfound went on a 7-0 run to end the first quarter, sitting pretty with a commanding 26-7 lead. Dukette already had 17 points at this point, and was hitting shots from underneath, mid-range and from behind the arc.

The onslaught of points from Dukette and the rest of the Newfound squad continued in the second quarter, where the team outscored Winnisquam 20-5. Dukette had nine points in the quarter, but she was also a beast on the boards and on defense.

With a 46-12 lead, Newfound was in the driver's seat. This allowed Richardson to get some of his bench players in the game and show him what they



BOB MARTIN

Shannon Goodwin tries to find an open player against the tough Newfound defense.

could do against a tough team like Newfound.

"I was actually pretty impressed with how some of the bench players were," said Richardson. "They came in and ran with what they needed to do, and didn't try to do too much. I think some of our starters tried to dribble through things instead of passing around. The bench came in and passed the ball, penetrated the middle of the zone and played offense."

Leading the team for Winnisquam in scoring was Cote with nine points. Goodwin added six points in the loss.

While Dukette was by far the top scorer for Newfound, her supporting cast wasn't too shabby

either. Jasmine Peterson ended the night with 18 points, Savanna Bony had 12 points and Bailey Fairbank had eight points.

Richardson said he felt Newfound was the best team in Division 3 going into the game, and that feeling was only enhanced after facing them. He said Winnisquam's game plan didn't change at all when preparing for the matchup, saying he is working on getting the team to buy into their own style of play regardless of opponent.

"I wanted us to get our feet on the ground, play a tough team and see how they would play us," said Richardson. "I wanted to see how we would fight through adversity, so I didn't make any changes."

Richardson said with this game in the rear-view mirror, the main goal is to get the Bears into the win column. He

said despite a blowout loss, the team is "starting to do some nice things on the court."

"I am glad this game is over with," said Richardson. "We don't have the team to compete with them now but we are making progress. We started off 14-0 against Prospect because we played good basketball. It wasn't because they weren't making shots, it was because we were forcing tough decisions and playing good basketball."

Richardson said if Winnisquam continues to make those stretches longer, and the girls come to play each day, the team will have a bright future.

"They might not always result in wins but we are making progress," said Richardson.

Winnisquam hosts 0-5 Somersworth on Jan. 5 in hopes of getting the first win of the season.

Gilford, Belmont win tournament openers

GILFORD — The Lakes Region Holiday Hoop Tournament opened on Wednesday, Dec. 27, and featured boys' and girls' teams from Gilford, Moultonborough, Belmont, Kingswood, Newfound, Laconia and Prospect Mountain and Winnisquam.

The opening day of the tournament saw the Belmont boys and girls both dispatch Winnisquam in the first round and the Gilford boys and girls both dispatch Moultonborough in the first round, all in the high school gym.

In the middle school gym, the Laconia boys and girls both defeated Prospect Mountain, the Newfound girls defeated Kingswood and the Kingswood boys defeated Newfound.

This set up consolation games between the Winnisquam and Prospect Mountain boys and girls, the Kingswood and Moultonborough girls and the Newfound and Moultonborough boys as well as semifinals between the Laconia and Belmont boys and girls, the Gilford and Newfound girls and the Kingswood and Gilford boys, all of which took place on Thursday, after the early holiday deadlines for this week's paper.

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Local alpine teams race at Bretton Woods

BY BOB MARTIN

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BRETTON WOODS — Several Lakes Region teams competed in the alpine ski meet on Dec. 21 at Bretton Woods Ski Area, with Belmont leading the way in the boys' giant slalom and slalom races.

Belmont Boys' giant slalom (first)

Nolan Gagnon placed second with a combined time of 1:09.61.

Lars Major placed third with a combined time of 1:10.95.

Mitchell Berry placed seventh with a combined time of 1:12.98.

Jake Deware placed 17th with a combined time of 1:16.99.

Boys' slalom (first)

Major took first place with a combined time of 34.81.

Gagnon placed third with a combined time of 37.07.

DeWare placed eighth with a combined time of 38.14.

Berry placed 16th with a combined time of 43.76.

Girls' giant slalom (fourth)

Katie Gagnon placed sixth with a combined time of 1:15.65.

Keagan Berry placed 20th with a combined time of 1:22.28.

Becca Camire placed 23rd with a combined time of 1:24.06.

Abby Camire placed 29th with a combined time of 1:26.35.

Girls' slalom (fourth)

Gagnon was second with a combined time of 37.50.

Abby Camire was 12th with a combined time of 43.10.

Becca Camire was 21st with a combined time of 48.02.

Berry was 41st with a combined time of 58.85.

Gilford Boys' giant slalom (second)

Christian Workman placed fourth with a combined time of 1:11.08.

Tyler Hanf placed sixth with a combined time of 1:12.54.

Colton Workman placed 11th with a combined time of 1:15.60.

Brandan Bergman placed 28th with a combined time of 1:23.57.

Boys' slalom (third)

Hanf placed fourth with a combined time of 37.22.

Christian Workman placed ninth with a combined time of 38.74.

Colton Workman placed 10th with a com-

combined time of 38.97.

Adam Donnelly placed 33rd with a combined time of 50.42.

Girls' giant slalom (second)

Bethany Tanner placed seventh with a combined time of 1:15.76.

Sydni Lehr placed eighth with a combined time of 1:15.88.

Bailey Hildreth placed 16th with a combined time of 1:19.18.

Hannah Lord placed 18th with a combined time of 1:20.66.

Girls' slalom (second)

Hildreth placed fourth with a combined time of 38.01.

Lehr placed sixth with a combined time of 41.16.

Kendall Jones placed 16th with a combined time of 46.64.

Lord placed 24th

with a combined time of 49.95.

Moultonborough Academy Boys' giant slalom (sixth place)

Jake Malatesta placed 14th with a combined time of 1:16.10.

Hayden Stewart placed 19th with a combined time of 1:18.74.

Andre Sturgeon placed 20th with a combined time of 1:20.37.

Logan Gunderson placed 31st with a combined time of 1:25.54.

Boys' slalom (fifth place)

Sturgeon placed 13th with a combined time of 42.56.

Malatesta placed 15th with a combined time of 43.70.

Stewart placed 24th with a combined time of 47.33.

Joey Marra placed

Girls' giant slalom (sixth place)

Abi Iverson placed 22nd with a combined time of 1:24.02.

Grace Blackadar placed 30th with a combined time of 1:26.48.

Cassidy Sturgeon placed 32nd with a combined time of 1:27.23.

Elise Stewart placed 33rd with a combined time of 1:27.26.

Girls' slalom (sixth)

Iverson placed 15th with a combined time of 46.08.

Blackadar placed 25th with a combined time of 50.97.

Sturgeon placed 26th with a combined time of 51.21.

Stewart placed 47th with a combined time of 1:06.26.

Laker girls roll past Belmont

BY BOB MARTIN

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MEREDITH — The Inter-Lakes girls' basketball team has had a hot start to the 2017-2018 season, and most recently the Lakers topped the Belmont Red Raiders in blowout fashion with a 70-43 win.

Inter-Lakes led from the start, with a 26-10 lead after one quarter. Belmont couldn't bounce back from the slow start, and the Red Raiders found themselves down 43-17 at the half.

"We came out slow," said Belmont coach

Mark Dawalga. "We have stuff that we need to work on and get better at, and we will. I give Inter-Lakes credit. They've done a nice job and they played hard."

Coach Elizabeth Pi-on-Burlison was unavailable for a comment.

The Lakers were led by sophomore Emma Wheeler's big night, where she was a monster on the boards with 20 rebounds to go along with her 14 points. Jessalyn Brown led Inter-Lakes in points with 18. Senior Jordan Durand provided veteran leadership and was the

second leading scorer with 16 points. Taylor Ambrose had a solid all-around game with 10 points and six rebounds.

Belmont was led by Julianna Estremera, who had a game high 21 points. Chloe Sottak added eight points in the loss.

Inter-Lakes went into the holiday break with a 4-1 record, and the impressive start has the team near the top of the standings in Division 3 in the early stages of the season. This is a major turnaround from last year, where Inter-Lakes went 8-10.

The Red Raiders have had a difficult start to the season, going 2-4 as Belmont entered the holiday break. Dawalga expected that the holiday tournament in Gilford would help the team try out some new things and try to break through the opening slump.

After the holiday break, Belmont travels to White Mountains for a 6 p.m. matchup on Jan. 5.

Inter-Lakes hosts Somersworth on Jan. 3 at 6 p.m. and then hosts Newfound on Jan. 5 at 6 p.m.

Free workshop on snowshoe hare hunting Jan. 20

HOLDERNESS — Learn about the exciting sport of snowshoe hare hunting at a free workshop being offered at the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department's Owl Brook Hunter Education Center in Holderness. The workshop will take place from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 20. Space is limited and pre-registration is required.

This year, registration for the workshop will be completed online. To register, visit www.huntnh.com/hunting/owl-brook.html. Under "View Classes at Owl Brook,"

select "Learn to Hunt" and select "Snowshoe Hare Hunting Workshop."

This workshop will introduce participants to one of New Hampshire's finest small-game hunting experiences — hare hunting with beagles. Presenters include Edward Vien, Vice President of the NH Beagle Club and Volunteer Hunter Education instructor, and John Fletcher, President of the NH Beagle Club. Also presenting are Volunteer Hunter Education instructors Adam Gauthier, Larry Williams, and Thomas

Williams.

The workshop will cover topics such as snowshoe hares and where to find them, equipment needs, dog care and training, safety considerations, resources about hare and rabbit hunting, and clubs in New Hampshire that focus on dogs and hare hunting. The instructors have many years of experience, a true passion for their sport, and are happy to answer participant questions.

Attendees should bring warm outdoor clothing and be prepared for some outdoor class time. The first

portion of the workshop takes place inside the classroom, and then the class moves outside, where the dogs will show their stuff.

Please note that this workshop does not include lunch.

For more information on Fish and Game's Owl Brook Hunter Education Center, visit www.huntnh.com/hunting/owl-brook.html.

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Ice fishing seminar is Jan. 10 in Concord

CONCORD — Mark your calendars and plan some new adventures for the upcoming ice fishing season. New Hampshire Fish and Game is hosting a free ice fishing seminar on Wednesday, Jan. 10, at the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department, 11 Hazen Drive in Concord. The talk begins at 7 p.m.

The featured presenter will be New Hampshire fishing guide Tim Moore. In his talk, Moore will explain the tools and techniques he uses to catch white perch and lake trout through the ice. You'll get the latest insights on equipment and gear, where to find these fish, and strategies for angling success. Both experienced ice anglers and those new to the sport are welcome.

"Step up your ice-fishing action this winter by learning how to target these exciting fish," said Moore. "Whether you prefer jigging or tip-up fishing, this seminar will have something for you."

Moore is a full-time New Hampshire fishing guide and outdoor writer, as well as a state and world record holder. He has fished the waters of New Hampshire for more than 30 years. He conducts fishing seminars from Maine to Minnesota and guides hundreds of ice anglers each year from around the world in search of lake trout and white perch.

Chris Martin to address Trout Unlimited on Jan. 16

PLYMOUTH — Seeing a Bald Eagle on local lakes or rivers still comes as a pleasant surprise to many. Some of the thanks go to Chris Martin, who has worked for New Hampshire Audubon for more than 26 years as a Conservation Biologist, specializing in birds of prey. Martin has climbed to bald eagle nests in Alaska's Katmai National Park, counted seabirds near the Aleutian Islands and will be the guest speaker at the Pemigewasset Chapter of Trout Unlimited's monthly meeting. He will speak about the remarkable recovery of the Bald Eagle in NH.

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Pemigewasset Chapter of Trout Unlimited, Jan. 16, meeting, 7 p.m. at the Common Man Inn, in Plymouth and meet Martin and fellow fishermen. There will be a raffle with the proceeds going toward sending a lucky boy or girl to the Barry Fishing Camp.

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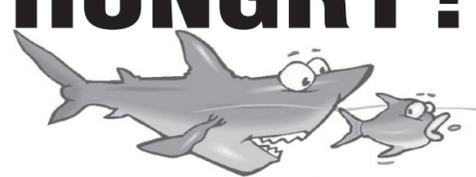
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Harrison Parent chases down the puck in action against Somersworth-Coe-Brown on Dec. 26.



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Troy Gallagher works behind the net in tournament action in Conway on Dec. 26.

Bulldogs play to tie with Bearcats in holiday tourney

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING
Sports Editor

CONWAY — The Belmont-Gilford Bulldogs traveled to the Ham Arena in Conway for the Peter Hall Christmas Classic, hosted by the Kennett Eagles. The tournament opened on Dec. 26, with the Bulldogs taking on Somersworth-Coe-Brown.

The Bearcats got the first two goals of the game, as they scored with less than four minutes gone in the first

period for a 1-0 lead and they upped that lead to 2-0 less than a minute later and they took that lead to the second period.

The second period belonged to the Bulldogs, as they scored a pair of goals in the middle frame. The first came with 4:28 to go in the period and the second came in the final seconds of the period to send the game to the third period with the score tied at two.

Belmont-Gilford got on the board with a 3-2 lead with five minutes to go in the game but they couldn't hold on to the lead, as the Bearcats scored in the final three minutes to send the game to overtime with the score tied at three.

In the four-on-four five-minute extra session, both teams had chances but neither team was able to put the puck in the net and the game finished with a 3-3 tie to open the tournament.

The Bulldogs returned to action the next day against Dover and dropped a 4-0 decision to the Green Wave.



JOSHUA SPAULDING

Coach Dave Saball talks things over with his team during a timeout in tournament action on Dec. 26.

Newfound searching for spring coaches

BRISTOL — Newfound Regional High School is looking for a varsity softball coach and a JV baseball coach for the 2018 season. Please send letter of interest, resume, two let-

ters of recommendation and names and phone numbers of two other references. Please send to Supt. Stacy Buckley, SAU4, 20 North Main St., Bristol, NH.

Largay lifts to top five finish in the world at Official Strongman Games

BY COREY MCKEAN
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RALEIGH, N.C. — Ryan Largay, of St. Johnsbury, Vt. traveled to Raleigh, N.C. on the weekend of Dec. 15 - 17 to represent the USA in the most prestigious strongman competition in the world, The Official Strongman Games. Only the best strongman athletes from all over the globe are invited to compete, and they compete in weight classes to determine who gets the title of World's Strongest Man.

Largay, fresh off of a second place finish at Strongman Corporation Nationals in Las Vegas, was one of only 10 under 90kg athletes in the entire world to receive a direct invite to this competition. All other athletes had to submit online qualifier videos in hopes that their lifts were enough to get them a qualification to this coveted event. Largay represented the United State and Vermont/New Hampshire well by

taking home fifth place overall in a class of 30 of the best strongman competitors in the world.

Highlights from day one of the competition for Largay were getting 11 reps on the car deadlift, completing the 800lb. yoke walk with a time of 12 seconds, and also flying through a tough medley, which was a 650lb frame carry, 325lb husefell stone, and a 265lb sandbag carry. Finishing in the top 10 on day one solidified Largay moving on to day two of the competition, which took place on Sunday, Dec., 17.

Day two events were the truck pull and Atlas stone series, and Largay completed these events well enough to solidify his fifth place overall finish.

Largay, originally from Bangor, Maine, has lived in St. Johnsbury for seven years and owns/operates ACE Fitness in Littleton, where he trains clients of all ages and abilities.



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Learn to curl

The Stone Chuckers became the first team to repeat as league champions following completion of the Lakes Region Curling Association's Fall 2017 season. From left are curlers Bill Connors, Mike Turner, Susan Weeks and Rick Weeks; absent was team member Bud Booth. The LRCA is currently registering curlers for the coming Winter 2018 season, which begins Jan. 14 and will coincide with curling events at the 2018 Winter Olympics in South Korea. Also planned is a learn-to-curl event for the public on Sunday, Jan. 7, at 5 p.m. at Pop Whalen Ice Arena in Wolfeboro. The two-hour event is free. For more information about the LRCA, as well as registration forms, visit lakescurlingnh.org.

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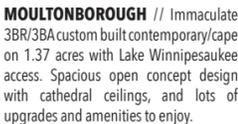
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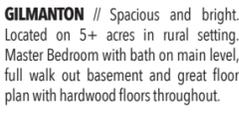
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