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Besides providing decoration for the Winnisquam Regional School District’s annual Holiday Dinner, members of the FFA had some of their wreaths, flowers and kissing balls for sale last week. From left to right are Stephanía Surowiec, Jonathan Beaulieu, Lea Dalton, Isabeau Palmer and Rebecca Bellerose.



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Serving their guests at the Winnisquam Regional School District’s Holiday dinner last week were Assistant Principal Matt Finch from the high school, Sanbornton Central School principal Kathleen Pope, Dr. Eric Keck, Principal of Southwick Elementary School and the district’s Superintendent, Rob Seaward.

Winnisquam students and staff serve up comfort and joy at annual Holiday Dinner

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TILTON – Last Fri-

day, the Winnisquam Regional School District invited the public to their annual Holiday Dinner, held at the high school each year as a thank you for the support they receive from residents in the district’s three com-

munities. Dr. Pamela Miller, Assistant Superintendent for WRSD, said the event just gets bigger every year thanks to volunteers and some great sponsors. “We’ve been doing this for eight years or more now, and people all look forward to it. It’s all about community,” she said. The menu for the night was turkey with all the fixings, their popular macaroni and cheese, soups, salad, bread, and a huge variety of desserts. District employees all pitched in to help set up, serve and clean up from the event while school children played a SEE **DINNER**, PAGE A12



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Taylor, Jaime and Addie were eager to show off the pretty ornaments and photo frames they made during a night of holiday fun in Belmont last Friday night.

From caroling to cookies, holiday spirit comes to Belmont

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BELMONT – Caroling, crafts and cookie decorating brought a festive atmosphere to Belmont Village last weekend as people celebrated the holidays

amidst the lights twinkling on the snowy town green. Hosted by the Parks and Recreation Committee, along with the Belmont Elementary School’s Parent/Teacher Organization, children, parents, grandparents and other family members gathered at the Belmont Bandstand at 6 p.m. to start the evening off with some caroling along Main Street. “This is the fifth

year we’ve done caroling in the village, and I’m so excited to see how many people came out tonight,” said Nikki Sturgeon, who headed the caroling group. “It seems no one does SEE **HOLIDAY SPIRIT**, PAGE A11

‘Tis the season... for early deadlines

The offices of the Winnisquam Echo will be closed Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 24 and 25, in observance of Christmas, and again Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 31 and Jan. 1, in observance of New Year’s Day.

To ensure that our Dec. 27 and Jan. 3 editions arrive in subscribers’ mail boxes on schedule despite these holiday closures, our usual submission deadline for those weeks is being moved up two business days.

Any press releases, letters to the editor, and obituaries intended for publication on Dec. 27 must be in our hands no later than 4 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 20, and any submissions for the Jan. 3 edition must reach us by Thursday the 27th at 4 p.m. to be considered for publication. As always, submissions can be dropped off in person at our offices, located at 5 Water St. in Meredith, or e-mailed to Editor Brendan Berube at brendan@salmonpress.news.

For information on the holiday deadlines for display advertising, please contact Beth Tobyne in Sales at 279-4516, ext. 110 or beth@salmonpress.news.

The staff of the Winnisquam Echo thanks our readers and advertisers for their cooperation with our holiday schedule, and wishes our community a safe and very happy holiday season.

Winnisquam Interact Club, Rotary join forces for Community Game Night

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TILTON – The Interact Club at Winnisquam Regional High School, a student affiliate of the Tilton-Northfield Rotary, held a Community Game Night recently where families were invited to a night of friendly competition where they could select from a wide array of board games available or bring a game of their own. “It was something fun and different. We’re doing it to help raise money for Every Child Is Ours to send clothing and school supplies to a few schools in Africa.”



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Members of the Tilton-Northfield Rotary joined the Interact Club of Winnisquam High School recently in hosting a Community Game Night that helped the students raise money to send clothing and school supplies to Africa through Every Child Is Ours.

explained Interact President Jessica Holt. Every Child is Ours locally helps provide weekend food and SEE **GAME NIGHT**, PAGE A12

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Community meeting on Belmont town buildings planned for Jan. 10

BELMONT — A Community Meeting on Belmont Town Buildings is scheduled for Jan. 10 from 6:30-8 p.m. at Belmont High School.

This meeting will focus on options to meet Belmont's future Town building needs. Belmont residents and landowners are being asked to help select the best option for future use of Town buildings considering space needs over the next 20 years. The meeting will include a Town Building Study update followed by a listening session and discussion to receive feedback on several options to meet future needs of the Police Department and Town Hall programs. Input from the community will help guide the next steps in the study. A post card was sent to Belmont residents to invite the community to participate in this meeting. A snow date of Jan. 24 has been identified to ensure that this key meeting has good participation.

This Community Meeting in January an essential step to develop a long-term strategy for Belmont Town buildings. Last March, Belmont voters approved funding to conduct a Town Space and Feasibility Study. This study focuses on the Police Department and Town Hall functions (Administration, Clerk's Office, Land Use, Parks & Recreation and General Assistance Department). Lavallee/Brensinger Architects (LBA) was selected to conduct this study. The Belmont Facility Strategy Committee, a citizen group authorized by the

Town Selectmen in 2017 requested the study to fill in key information gaps.

"We need solid space needs projections for the Police Department and Town Hall functions for 10-20 years and an assessment of Police Station and Bank Building condition to be able to develop options for the community to make informed decisions for the future. LBA has significant experience working with Town building issues like ours," said Donna Hepp, a Strategy Committee member.

Past studies and projects provide good

information about the Belmont Mill and other Town buildings.

Lavallee/Brensinger Architects developed space projections for Belmont's Town Hall and Police programs for the next 10-20 years working with input from Town staff and Facility Committee review. LBA and its sub-contractors conducted a structural, electrical and building systems of the Police Station and Bank Building. This information along with existing available studies for the Belmont Mill, Town Hall and Corner Meeting House will be used in develop-

ing options for meeting future Town building needs. This information is now available on the Town of Belmont Web site cover page <http://www.belmontnh.org/>. During the meeting, there will be a presentation on a series of options to consider for use of Town buildings based on space needs and estimate potential cost of these options. The Facility Strategy Committee is seeking feedback on which option for the Police Department and Town Hall functions to study further.

For those who have not had an opportuni-

ty to tour the Belmont Town Hall and Police Station, Lakes Region Public Access Television prepared a video from a 2017 public tour to provide a "virtual tour" of these buildings. The link to this video is <https://livestream.com/belmontnh/live/videos/184122032>.

A series of updates are planned to inform the community about the Belmont Space and Feasibility Study and the options being considered for meeting future needs of Town programs. Committee members are available to answer questions about the

study and next steps. When recommended options are refined with projected costs, the Community meeting will be used to draw input from the public on options to meet future Town facility needs that merit more in-depth study.

For more information on Belmont's Facility Study and the Community Meeting go to the Belmont Town website under Projects/Facility Strategy. Belmont Facility Committee members include: Tom Garfield, Donna Hepp, Carmen Lorentz, and Pret Tuthill.

HALL MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Tilton/Northfield Monday, Dec. 24 and Tuesday, Dec. 25
We Are Closed for the Christmas Holiday... see you on the 26th!

Wednesday, Dec. 26
No Story Time
YAH Book Group, 4 p.m.

"The Little Prince" by Antoine de Saint-Exupéry - Antoine de Saint-Exupéry first published "The Little Prince" in 1943, only a year before his Lockheed P-38 vanished over the Mediterranean during a reconnaissance mission. More than a half century later, this fable of love and loneliness has lost none of its power. The narrator is a downed pilot in the Sahara Desert, frantically trying to repair his wrecked plane. His efforts are interrupted one day by the

apparition of a little, well, prince, who asks him to draw a sheep. "In the face of an overpowering mystery, you don't dare disobey," the narrator recalls. "Absurd as it seemed, a thousand miles from all inhabited regions and in danger of death, I took a scrap of paper and a pen out of my pocket." And so begins their dialogue, which stretches the narrator's imagination in all sorts

of surprising, childlike directions. (Amazon)

Thursday, Dec. 27
Cribbage – Adults Only, 2 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 28
Sit and Knit, 2-5 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 29
Let's Go Lego, 10 a.m. Themed Make-n-Take – Welcome in the New Year with your Lego creation.

Head's Up... Monday, Dec. 31, we are open from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. for Patron Appreciation Day

Pop in for food and fun as we play games (as well as check out books and movies) and welcome in the New Year. Please Note that we will close at 2 p.m. today.

Tuesday – Jan. 1, 2019
We are closed... Happy

py New Year!
New Items
"The Mortal Word" by Genevieve Cogman
"Of Blood and Bone" by Nora Roberts
"Once Upon a River" by Diane Setterfield
"Tony's Wife" by Adriana Trigiani
"Hazards of Time Travel: A Novel" by Joyce Carol Oates
"Tom Clancy Oath of Office: A Jack Ryan Novel" by Marc Cameron

Dance your holiday stress away at The Pines!


NORTHFIELD — The Pines Community Center invites women from the surrounding community to let loose and shake off the stress of the holidays at a special ladies only dance night, Live Free and Dance, on Friday, Dec. 21 from 7-8 p.m.

Ladies, this night is for you! Leave the husband, the kids and the fancy clothes at home.

Come in your comfy clothes and be prepared to dance the night — and your cares — away.

Please note that no alcohol will be permitted at this event. Advance registration is not necessary, but please let us know you're coming if you can.

All proceeds from this event, which is sponsored by Kelly Lang and her Yoga class, go toward programs at The Pines.



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BELMONT POLICE LOG

BELMONT — The Belmont Police Department responded to 151 calls for service and made the following arrests during the week of Dec. 7-14. 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 from publication.

Robert Blais, age 20, of Belmont was arrested on Dec. 7 for Driving After Revocation or Suspension and a Suspended Registration (Operating-Misd.).

Joshua T. Gagne, age 36, of Laconia was arrested on Dec. 7 for Driving After Revocation or Suspension.

Bri-Anne Conley,

age 20, of Gilmanton Iron Works was arrested on Dec. 7 in connection with an outstanding bench warrant

SANBORTON — The Sanbornton Police Department responded to 19 calls for service during the week ending Dec. 15. The breakdown was as follows: one alarm activation, two animal

complaints, one attempted suicide, one report of criminal mischief, one report of harassment, two house checks, one involuntary emergency admission, one juvenile incident, two landlord/

issued by Franklin District Court.

Sheila Gardner, age 36, of New Durham was arrested on Dec. 8

SANBORTON — The Sanbornton Police Department responded to 375 calls for service and made the following arrests during the week of Dec. 10-16. Please note that the names of juveniles, and those of individuals taken into protec-

tive custody but not formally charged with a crime, have been withheld from publication.

Arrested during this time period were Joanna Munn (for Driving After Suspension, Felicia Haas (for Driving

in connection with an outstanding warrant issued by Rochester District Court.

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tenant disputes, one request for motorist assistance, one report of reckless operation, one service of a court summons, one violation of privacy complaint, and two welfare checks.

After Suspension, Disobeying an Officer, Possession of Drugs, and Carrying a Dangerous Weapon), Gigi Mouawad (in connection with an outstanding warrant), David Bradbury (for Driving After Suspension, SEE TILTON, PAGE A11

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Beloved veteran struck and killed by tractor trailer in Tilton

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TILTON – At approximately 2:35 p.m. on Dec. 11, Tilton Po-

lice received several 911 calls for a serious motor vehicle accident on East Main Street (Route 3) between Lowes Drive and Morrison Ave., and arriving officers found a man with a motorized wheel chair down in the roadway chair.

East Main Street was immediately shut down to all pedestrian and vehicle traffic along that stretch of the busy road.

Witnesses believed that the victim, later identified as 70-year-old Frank Houghton of Tilton, was attempting to cross East Main Street at the time the accident occurred. They reported to police that the truck in question, however, had left the scene and was last seen heading west on Main Street towards Franklin.

While some officers remained on scene with Tilton Northfield Fire and EMS, others raced toward the Franklin town line where they were able to locate the vehicle in question. The tractor-trailer was owned by AMA Transportation of Billerica, Mass. and the operator that day was identified as Michael McKallagat of Haverhill, Mass. McKallagat told police at that time that he had no idea his truck had hit anything.

Tilton Police Chief Robert Cormier said the Belknap County Traffic Accident Reconstruction Team was called upon to help with the investigation and New Hampshire State Police Troop G's Truck Team was also asked to assist with an investigation into the tractor-trailer that was involved. Houghton sustained extensive injuries as a result of the accident, and was transported by TNFD to Franklin Regional Hospital, where he was pronounced dead a short time later. "At this point, it appears to be a very tragic accident involving a beloved and decorated war veteran. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family," said Cormier. McKallagat has been cooperating with police, he added, and although there were no pending charges at that time, an investigation is still ongoing. Anyone who witnessed the accident or may have additional information on events either before and after it occurred is asked to contact the Tilton Police Department at 286-4442.

Belmont police break up brawl at Penguin Mart

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BELMONT – Four people were arrested following a brawl last Wednesday morning at the Penguin Mart on Route 106 in Belmont.

Police said their dispatch center began receiving calls at 7:42 a.m. that morning with reports that multiple people were fighting in the parking lot outside the busy store and


when the first officer arrived, he immediately called in a request for assistance. "We basically emptied the station," police said.

One person involved in the melee received a bloody nose as a result of the fight, while another was thrown into a wall and still one more was punched in the face several times.

Once the situation was brought under control, Belmont officers were able to review video from the store's surveillance system. The video showed that an argument between two adult females soon led to one of the women's adult son tackling the woman his mother had been arguing with. A bystander saw that man attack the other female and jumped into the mix, too.

The officers interviewed several witnesses and when they had completed their investigation as to who had been physical in the

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COURTESY

Winnisquam grad completes basic training

U.S. Air Force Airman Nathan Houghton graduated from basic military training at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, San Antonio, Texas. The airman completed an intensive, eight-week program that included training in military discipline and studies, Air Force core values, physical fitness, and basic warfare principles and skills. Airmen who complete basic training also earn four credits toward an associate in applied science degree through the Community College of the Air Force. He is a 2017 graduate of Winnisquam High School, Tilton.

Sanbornton Library reaches fundraising goal for restoration of Ingalls painting

SANBORNTON — Together, we did it! Sanbornton Library Trustee David Adams announced at Saturday's holiday open house that the fundraising campaign to "Save the Burleighs" has reached the goal of \$2,700. We have raised enough to have the family portrait painted by Walter Ingalls in 1862, cleaned and restored. People donated at the Bel Airs and chili event, at voting day bake sale at the bables sale at Lane Tavern, in the library and with donations from community members. We are very grateful for the enthusiastic community support of this project to preserve an important

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One of the special guests at this past weekend's open house at the Sanbornton Public Library.



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Put a little love in your heart

Alongside the bright red ribbons, boughs of holly, and countless images of Jolly old Saint Nick that seem to greet us everywhere we go during the holidays, those of you who have braved the malls or, better yet, stayed closer to home and browsed the shops in your own community this season have likely encountered another iconic holiday image in your travels — the dedicated volunteers who bundle up and brave the chilly air with jingling bells in hand to collect donations for the Salvation Army.

These hearty souls can be seen every- where, from their traditional outpost on Main Street in Laconia to the entrance of the recently re-modeled Wal-Mart supercenters in Gilford and Tilton. Always seeming to be ready with a cheerful greeting and a warm smile for the crowds of shoppers who file past them every day, their presence serves as an important re- minder to all of us that now, more than any other time of year, is the time to turn our thoughts toward the less fortunate among us ... and that sometimes, the greatest gift of all can be a helping hand in a time of need.

With the continuing cloud of economic uncertainty causing many of us to tighten our belts more than usual when it comes to our holiday shopping in recent years, and the stress of dealing with family dysfunction or traveling away from home for the holidays occupying our thoughts, it can be all too easy to forget that times are that much harder for those who have been victimized by the stagnant economy of the past few years. Right here in our own backyard, there are a great many families who have fallen on hard times, often through no fault of their own, and who have nowhere left to turn for help but the generosity of strangers.

Fortunately, there are no shortage of charitable organizations throughout the area that are prepared to meet the growing demand for assistance, but only with the support of their respective communities. So as they rush around this weekend grabbing those last-minute stocking stuffers or that much sought-after game system, we encourage our readers, as we do every year at this time, to think of their fellow man and put a little love in their hearts (as Jackie DeShannon once sang) and remind themselves of the true meaning of the season by offering a helping hand to those who need it. Whether it be through a donation of canned goods to the Lakes Region Food Pantry in Moultonborough; a monetary gift to the Tilton-Northfield-Sanbornton Christmas Fund; a donation of used clothing to the Goodwill or Salvation Army thrift stores in Laconia and Belmont; a shopping trip to fulfill the wish list at Bristol Community Services; a donation in support of the annual Keep The Heat On fundraiser in Plymouth; or simply by slipping a handful of bills into one of the bright red Salvation Army coffers manned by those spirited, bell ringing volunteers, remember that it may only take a small amount of effort to make the season bright for a neighbor in need.



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PET OF THE WEEK

COONEY

Cooney, a totally precious 14 year old tuxedoed lady will be a beautiful addition to anyone's family. This purr machine loves snuggles, plenty of sunshine to warm in and a comfortable bed to enjoy her senior years. She does have a thyroid condition, which is easily managed through her diet. She is good with other cats and enjoys a good long chin rub. Cooney has been with us since early October after being given up by her owner due to a living arrangements change. Visit with this curious, hypnotic green eyed beauty and experience the absolute joy of giving your heart and home to such a sweet and deserving cat.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Buying votes?

To the Editor:

This is the 50th of my reports on what goes on in the Legislature in Concord. "Organization Day" occurred on Dec. 5, where legislators-elect are sworn in and officers for the General Court are elected. As you can guess, with the Democrats in the majority their choice was elected for Speaker. Then came the issue of interest.

The Secretary of State (SOS) has been Bill Gardener for 40-plus years in what should be a non-partisan position. He is a Democrat, and has done a good job. However, this past term he stepped on some party toes. First, he participated in Trump's ill-fated review of irregularities in the 2016 presidential election. That is not allowed by Democrats because it was related to Trump. Since, by definition anybody from anywhere can vote in the place of their choosing. So how can there be any fraudulent voting. Then, the SOS had the temerity to tell the cities and towns that they had to vote on a day that it snowed. No snow days for timid New Hampshire voters! These actions so incensed the Dems that they invested over \$200,000 to unseat Secretary Gardener. Forget the fact that the SOS office spends next to nothing on the race (they did have cookies and punch available in their office... I admit, I ate some). Fortunately, the Dems couldn't buy enough

votes and Bill Gardener was re-elected. The Treasurer and House Clerk positions were also decided. Since they did nothing that irritated the Democrats, both were re-elected by acclamation. Word to the SOS: Don't irritate Democratic leadership or they will raise enough money to buy enough votes next time and leave you swinging from the "yard arm."

On a lighter note, a Pew survey reported in the New Hampshire Business Review said that politically conservative Americans are 30 percent more likely to cite religion as most meaningful in their life while liberals are 15-18 percent more likely to find great significance from arts and crafts or social and political causes. This tells me that with the liberals in charge in Concord we will have a lot of safe spaces and they will be well decorated (but Christians are not welcome).

Our first day of Session is Jan. 2. Shortly after I will start earning my \$100 per year. If you want to talk or send me a comment I am at dave@sanbornhall.net or 320-9524. I also will be at the TRIPP Center in Franklin at 10:30 every Monday morning for coffee and conversation.

Cheers!
Dave Testerman
State Representative
Hill and Franklin

Candle light sponsors keep the Belknap Mill shining bright

To the Editor:

Each year, the Belknap Mill is aglow with over 100 lights adorning its windows in celebration of the season. This year, the Belknap Mill wishes to thank the following generous donors for supporting programming through the inaugural Light-A-Light, where individuals and businesses donated to sponsor a candle light! Programming is sure to shine brightly in 2019!

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Tara Shore
Operations & Program Manager
Belknap Mill

STRATEGIES FOR LIVING

On unsung heroes and outstanding men

BY LARRY SCOTT

Talk of unsung heroes, outstanding men who were largely ignored and soon forgotten, and Joseph, Jesus'

stepfather, goes to the top of my list.

The last we hear of Joseph is in the Gospel of Luke, chapter 2, where we read that Je-

sus' "father" was present on a journey the family made to Jerusalem when Jesus was 12 years old. Even then, Joseph is not named. That's it! We never hear of him again, not even as to his death.

Much has been made of Mary, and rightly so. She was a special woman given a role second to no one else in the annals of history. We can only imagine what a moving experience it must have been the first time she realized she was holding God in her hands!

But she was not alone. For Joseph, also, it was an awesome responsibility. As head of the family, it fell to Joseph to give Jesus the sta-

bility and the security He needed as a child. During his teen years, he watched as Joseph managed the affairs of their home. Jesus' understanding of truth and honesty, self-discipline, morality, respect for authority, and godliness were all influenced by what he observed in the man he called, "Dad." He watched as Joseph responded to the frustrations and challenges of managing a business in first century Israel. It was, undoubtedly, a critical factor in His education.

Keep in mind that Joseph was a normal man. He, like each of us, SEE **STRATEGIES**, PAGE A11

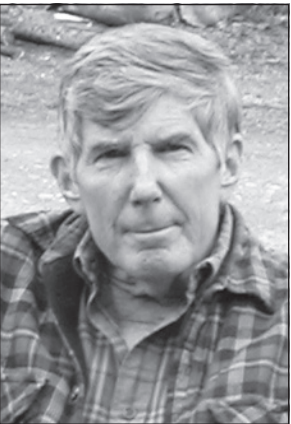
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NORTH COUNTRY NOTEBOOK

Nephews banished to Pluto, and a multi-cultural knife



By JOHN HARRIGAN
COLUMNIST

Most people will read this column on the 19th, plenty of time for that last-minute shopping, plenty of time for (you guessed it) my well-worn Christmas Gift List column, which contains wonderful ideas for your frantic tear-your-hair-out last-minute shopping.

“Well-worn” is perhaps an unfortunate choice of words, and doesn’t reflect the hours upon hours of

research I do each year to make sure the column is “relevant.” The foregoing is written on the assumption that readers won’t know that “relevant” is a code word in advertising, education, publishing houses, sitcoms, and all over society for “keep the newest generation’s attention span,” which is now down to a tenth of a second.

Before enraged readers bearing torches and pitchforks run me out of town (good luck on that, because I don’t live there), here it is, in an abbreviated version (not much space left here, on account of getting very close to going off on a rant up there), my not-so-famous Gift List.

---Does your shortlist of Family and Extremely Close Friends, Maybe Too Close, include a hiker, camper,



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fish-erpersion, which we’re all supposed to call “anglers” now, or even “fisher” (which to me is a furry little animal that sometimes actually runs around with a fish in its mouth, but we digress), or anyone else who likes to totally waste hour upon hour in the great outdoors, even by just sitting there whittling on the porch and once in a while sneaking a sip of Old Skunk from a jug hidden there in the woodpile, but guess what, Gramps, everyone knows (wink, nudge)?

Well, get ‘em a

multi-blade, multi-purpose, multi-faceted, multi-tasked, multi-cultural (getting into shoal waters here), multi everything else on the planet, a not-so-genuine Swiss Army Knife. This last qualifier is because most of these knives are cheap knockoffs, and never got closer to the Swiss Army than the Swiss embassy in Botswana-land. Anyway, these make a great gift---great for actually being useful, not so great for swaggering (sample line, from “Crocodile

Dundee”---WARNING: Not suggested---“That’s not a knife---THIS is a knife”).

---Telephone Call Card. Now here’s a radical gift idea. Don’t have a clue what to give your children (who are now collecting Social Security but still living in your cellar), grand-children (sometimes ditto), nieces and nephews who are actually the children of people you’ve never heard of, or the children of people who are distant cousins but not quite distant enough to your satisfaction, which would be, say, the non-planet Pluto?

than you are, to get their self-absorbed little beaks out of Game Boys and endless other “it’s all about me” devices and urge them to pick up the telephone and spend a few minutes actually thinking about you.

Imagine---someone actually thinking about you. It’s the perfect Christmas gift, the kind of gift that can truly go right on giving, not to them, but to you---all day, all week, and beyond.

(This column runs in newspapers from Concord to Quebec and parts of Maine and Vermont. Letters, with contact information for questions, welcome at: campguyhooligan@gmail.com or 386 South Hill Rd., Colebrook, NH 03576.)



BY MARK PATTERSON

Whether you use a financial planner, advisor or do it yourself, planning your financial future involves a plan, strategy and tactics to get you where you need to go. So let’s take a moment to think about the difference between these strategies and tactics to maybe reflect on what you have or have not done with your personal finances. To me a “plan” is the most macro or broad big idea regarding (in this example), your financial picture. But then we must create a strategy for your plan. The strategy represents a subjective time frame, for example, five years. The strategy identifies the objectives you want to

accomplish and attaches a loose timeframe to achieve your goal.

My strategy may read like this; Accumulate and grow my assets reducing the risk to the overall portfolio as I approach retirement at age 70. Using good Social Security planning, some “A” rated fixed indexed annuities for a small portion of income and a good fixed income bond ladder for most of the steady, sustainable income. I want to create a sustainable income that is not subject to market risks. Then with the remaining assets I want to continue to grow these assets with equities or stocks, managing some mitigated market risks to keep me ahead of inflation and grow my legacy. I also want to fund Long term care insurance (asset based), and life insurance.

Now that I have outlined a basic strategy, I need to make “tactical”

moves to get my strategy in motion. While I am still in the “accumulation” phase, a tactical move may be; with a portion of my assets, I will sell cash covered “puts” to create income or accumulate stock in companies I want to own. Once I own this stock, I may sell covered “calls” for income. This is a buy/write tactic that aids in the overall “accumulation” strategy.

The point is that your plan and strategy should be well defined. Not that changes should not be made, but a general idea of what you want to accomplish and how. The tactics that you or your advisor employ are more defined or maybe represent shorter periods of time. Tactics are just tools to help you reach your strategic goals which are a just a part of the overall plan.

Reading this may seem simplistic to you, but I know sometimes

very basic concepts can be a valuable tool for solving problems that may have seemed very complex. Buying mutual funds until you retire and taking the money out of them when you need it would be a strategy and plan. But that plan does not include enough detail to ensure that you won’t run out of money in retirement.

A very good exercise would be to write out your plan and objectives, then create a strategy to work towards your goals. If you are comfortable with the details or tactics to fulfill your plan, then write those down as well. If you are not comfortable with any or all of this then, call a planner or you can call my office.

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part of Sanbornton’s history. Thank you.

Art restorer Martha Cox of Great Works Painting Restoration will pick up the painting in late January 2019 to begin cleaning and repairing the canvas. The work will take several months. We look forward to displaying the restored painting next year.

Following this exciting news, we listened to Margaret Gillespie of the Squam Lakes Natural Science Center read excerpts from her book, “Nearer to Nature.” She brought out a screech owl to the delight of the more than 60 attendees. The children then created ornaments and tried the gumdrop challenge, while the adults shared refreshments and merriment.

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What’s Smarter – Paying Off Debts or Investing?

It probably doesn’t happen as much as you’d like, but you may occasionally have some extra disposable income. For example, perhaps you have recently received, or will soon receive, a year-end bonus. Or maybe you will get a sizable tax refund in just a few months. Wherever this money comes from, you will want to put it to good use. Should you use the cash to pay down debts or should you invest it instead?

There’s no simple answer, and everyone’s situation is different, but here are a few suggestions for helping you make a good choice:

Evaluate your cash flow. If you already have enough cash to meet your daily living expenses, you might lean toward investing the money, but if you are just getting by, possibly due to heavy debt payments, then you might be better off using your newfound funds to reduce your debt load. Another way of possibly reducing your debt load is to build an emergency fund containing three to six months’ worth of living expenses, with the money kept in a liquid, low-risk account. Once you have such a fund, you could use it, instead of going into debt, to

pay for unexpected costs, such as a new furnace or a major car repair.

Evaluate your debts. Some of your debts are actually more “expensive” to you than others. This expense level doesn’t necessarily refer to the size of the debt, however. You might have a large mortgage, for instance, but because your interest payments are typically tax deductible, your “after-tax” interest rate may be relatively modest. Therefore, you might consider using your excess cash for investments, rather than paying down your mortgage. But if you have consumer loans

or credit cards that carry a high interest rate and whose interest payments are not deductible, you might be better off paying down this debt.

Evaluate your investment opportunities. You may have heard that one season or another is a “better” time to invest – but there’s really no strong evidence to support this claim. However, now that we are nearing the end of the calendar year, and only a few months away from the tax-filing deadline on April 15, you may want to take advantage of at least one time-related investment opportunity.

Specifically, you could use whatever extra money you have to fully fund your IRA, if you haven’t done so already. For the 2018 tax year, you can contribute \$5,500 to a traditional or Roth IRA, or \$6,500 if you are 50 or older. (Depending on your income, you may not be able to contribute the full amount to a Roth IRA.) You’ve got until the April 15 deadline to fully fund your IRA, but if you have the money sooner, why wait? The quicker it’s in your account, the faster it can go to work for you.

One final suggestion: If

you have a company match as part of your 401(k) or similar retirement plan at work, consider contributing enough to get your employer’s full matching contribution before you pay down debts – don’t leave this “free money” on the table.

Your year-end bonus, tax refund or other source of beyond-the-paycheck money can help you make progress toward your financial goals – so evaluate your situation and options carefully before making any moves. It will be time well spent.

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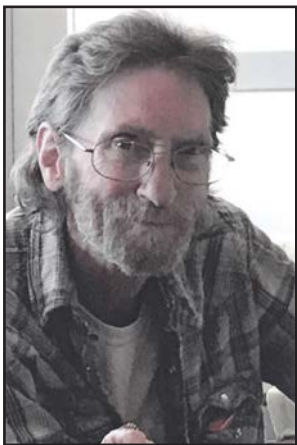
Brian Scott Adams, 61

NORTHFIELD — Brian S. Adams, 61, a longtime resident of Northfield, died on Tuesday, Dec. 11, 2018 at his home, after a short illness.

Brian was born on Oct. 1, 1957 in Heidelberg, Germany, the son of the late William H. and Clara (Weide) Adams. Brian was a graduate of the Tilton-Northfield High School with the class of 1975. He was employed as a manufacturer of aluminum extrusions for Vitex in Franklin for many years. He also worked as a carpenter, a mason with the Murphy's and at Arwoods for a short time.

Brian was a member of the VFW Auxiliary, an original charter member of American Legion Post #49 in Northfield where he served as the chaplain for many years and most recently was the legion historian. He also served as past commander of the Sons of the American Legion. He enjoyed playing pool and shuffleboard, loved to go fishing with his dad and being with family and friends.

He was predeceased by his mother in 1998; his father in 2016; two of his brothers, William T. Adams in 1983 and Matthew B. Adams in 1996; and a stepson, Patrick A.



Michael, in 1997.

His family includes his wife of 22 years, Nancy Lee (LaFlamme) Adams of Northfield; his son, Brian J. Huckins of Northfield; his daughters, Julie O'Brien of Pennsylvania and Samantha Kym Adams of Northfield; seven grandchildren; his stepdaughter, Melanie L. Michael of Franklin; his stepson, Jeremy D.

Michael of New Hampton; his sister, Brenda (Adams) Dubia of Northfield; his brother, Paul and his wife Terry Adams of Northfield; his mother in law, Barbara LaFlamme of Franklin; and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

Calling hours will be held on Saturday, Dec. 22, 2018 from 3 to 5 p.m. at the William F. Smart Sr. Memorial Home, 584 West Main St. (Franklin-Tilton Road) in Tilton. Burial will be held in the spring in St. John Cemetery in Tilton.

Memorial donations in memory of Brian, may be made to the New Hampshire Veterans Home, 139 Winter St., Tilton, NH 03276.

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

Thomas Leon Coletti, 83



TILTON — Thomas L. Coletti, 83, a longtime resident of Peabody, Mass., died on Friday, Dec. 14, 2018 at the New Hampshire Veterans Home in Tilton after a long illness.

Thomas was born on July 5, 1935 in Lynn, Mass., the son of the late Cesidio and Rose (Mailoux) Coletti. Mr. Coletti was a graduate of Fitchburg State with a degree in Electrical Engineering. He was employed by Raytheon (Bedford, Mass.) in 1967 and retired in 1997.

Thomas was a U.S. Army Veteran, serving during the Korean Conflict from Sept. 11, 1953 to Sept. 12, 1956, earning the rank of SP-3. He was a member of the VFW Post #2359 in Danvers, Mass., and of the Peabody Elks Lodge #1409.

Diego, Calif.; grandchildren Justin T. Coletti and Leigh Smith of Salisbury, Olivia R. Coletti and Drew Guilmain of Salisbury, and Victoria R. Coletti of Tilton; great grandchild Atticus T. Coletti of Salisbury; and a brother and sister of Massachusetts, along with several nieces, nephews and cousins.

A committal service with military honors will be held on Friday, Dec. 21, 2018 at 1 p.m. in the chapel at the New Hampshire State Veterans Cemetery in Boscawen. Burial will follow the service.

Arrangements are under the direction of the William F. Smart Sr. Memorial Home in Tilton.

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Bank of New Hampshire supports efforts to open a Gilda Club in Central NH

CEO for Bank of New Hampshire. "The effort being made by Gilda's Board of Directors and volunteers is fueled by passion. We look forward to the club house and the impact that it will have for so many here in Central New Hampshire."

A Gilda's Club in New Hampshire will create a welcoming community and a place to go for free support for everyone living with cancer along with their families and friends. An essential complement to medical care, their innovative program will provide networking and support groups, workshops, education and social activities.

"The Generous support from Bank of New Hampshire is getting this project off to a very exciting start," stated Pat Anderson, President for Gilda's Club New Hampshire. "I have seen the bank do a lot of good in our community. We will work hard to show that their confidence in us is well deserved."



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The Pines announces Christmas Vacation Camp schedule

NORTHFIELD — The Pines Community Center in Northfield will have a full schedule of events on tap for local youngsters during its Christmas Vacation Camp from Dec. 26-31.

Wednesday, Dec. 26 is PJ & Game Day. Chil-

dren can wear their PJ's and bring board games or video games (E-rated games only, please).

On Thursday, Dec. 27, we'll bake something sweet in the kitchen, then go sledding at the Tilton School and

settle down with some hot chocolate when we get back.

Friday, Dec. 28 is Movie Day. We'll go to see a movie and enjoy popcorn at Smitty's. Please send your child with a lunch; we'll eat before we go to the

move.

Finally, on Monday, Dec. 31, we'll do crafts in the art room and watch a movie to end the day.

To register for any of these day camps or for more information, please call 286-8653.

Retiring Water District commissioner honored by colleagues

TILTON — In honor of Commissioner Roland Seymour's resignation, the Tilton-Northfield Water District presented a plaque to him after his 14 years of service to the district.

Seymour's commission first began in 2005, when Ken and Barbara Money sold the Tilton-Northfield Aqueduct Company to the newly-created Tilton-Northfield Water District (TNWD), which at the time consisted of more than 1,000 customers. Seymour was acting Chairman of the district in the absence of Hebert Feener during the transition, and remembers the purchase as being the largest single loan made by the U. S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Development Agency in either Vermont or New Hampshire.



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John Chase, Roland Seymour, and Attorney Sean Chandler.

Originally, the TNWD hired Peter Russell, former Meredith town manager, as a consultant to work with them on the purchase. Because the district had no initial funding, the fees for Russell's service were paid by the Tilton-Northfield Economic Development Corporation.

TNWD is governed by three commission-

ers who are elected by the water district users. Commissioner Sean Chandler will now hold the position of Chairman of the board of commissioners, along with Commissioner Arthur Demass. Interim commissioner Scott Davis was recently appointed by the board and will be sworn in at the next commissioners' meeting

on Jan. 14. Glenn Brown will continue to serve as the districts treasurer, and John Chase, a long term employee of TNWD, will remain as the superintendent.

Seymour was honored a recent district holiday luncheon hosted by the Northfield Tavern Restaurant, attended by employees, his wife Dottie, and other community members. Chairman Sean Chandler presented the plaque and thanked Roland for his many years of hard work and dedicated service to the district. Chandler indicated that when he first joined the TNWD, he appreciated Seymour's knowledge of the district, while recognizing that the future success of the municipal entity will be forever impacted by his contribution and dedicated service.

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Chelsea Lemke, Ann Marie Moynihan, Todd Calder and Joleen Wellford.



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Social issues the focus for Leadership Group

LACONIA — The 26 member Leadership Lakes Region class held its annual Social Issues Day focusing on agencies that support social services in the Lakes Region. The day was

sponsored by Make-a-Wish New Hampshire and planned by Program Coordinator Jennifer McLean and Leadership graduates Chelsea Lemke of the Lakes Region Mental Health Center

and Joleen Wellford of Lakes Region Community Services. The day began at the Lakes Region Community Services office in downtown Laconia. Executive Director Rebecca Bryant and her staff highlighted the work of the organization and evolving trends that they are seeing. Scoop Welch, Regional VP for Granite United Way followed with an overview of the

United Way's mission. The group then split up into three-or-four-person teams, and each team was assigned a visit at other social service providers in the region. Visited were LRGHealth-

care, Belknap House, Isaiah 61 Café, Lakes Region Mental Health Center, Navigating Recovery, the Partnership for Public Health/ Service Link and Laconia School District Office of School Wellness.

The teams returned to have a working lunch at LRCS at which they debriefed the individual agency visits. Following lunch, the group went to the Belknap County Jail where Superintendent Keith Gray met them and gave an in-depth presentation about the jail and the recent improvements with the opening of the new Community Corrections Center a little over a year ago. A tour of the facility followed before former State Rep. Phil Spagnuolo told his life story of addictions and recovery. Spagnuolo is now a Recovery Coach and owner of a Sober House. Social Issues Day concluded with a class recap of their individual Police Ride-a-Longs with either the Gilford or the Laconia Police Department. All agreed it was a fascinating experience which they shared with their classmates as well as visiting officers Chief Tony Bean Burpee of Gilford and Lt. Rich Simmons of Laconia PD. The Leadership class members were especially impressed with how dedicated, compassionate and caring the police officers with whom they rode were about their respective town or city.

From Santa to gift wrapping to decorating, holiday spirit abounds at LRCS Family Resource Center

LACONIA — If you spend any time during the holiday season at Lakes Region Community Services' Family Resource Center of Central New Hampshire in Downtown Laconia it is easy to notice that something wonderful and almost a little magical is happening there.

So many supporters – businesses, residents, churches, volunteers, community partners, LRCS staff, etc., go above and beyond to make a difference in the lives of local children and families in need by coming together to give them a warm, wonderful, and plentiful holiday.

The annual Family Fun Night, held on Monday, Dec. 10, provided children their own personal shopping elf to guide them in choosing gifts for their family members at a 'penny' sale full of presents for all ages, before handing them off to wrapping and tagging elves that completed the job of getting gifts ready for the children to bring home. The event, which takes weeks to organize and grows every year, was attended by 165 children and 150 adults.

"So much goes into planning Family Fun Night, but in the end it is always worth it," said Family Resource Center Director Erin Pettengill. "This event succeeds every year thanks to a dedicated army of volunteers and very generous donations from businesses and others in the community. We would not be able to do this without them."

Families also enjoyed a sing-along with professional musician Don Bergeron and visits with Santa and his helpers. Since it's hard to have so much fun on an empty stomach, everyone enjoyed a meal together courtesy of Fratello's in Laconia.

The LRCS Giving Tree also provided pres-



Children and families enjoy holiday festivities at the LRCS Family Resource Center's annual 'Family Fund Night' in downtown Laconia made possible by community-wide generosity.

ents to over 200 area children this year. AFL Noyes in Belmont was a major supporter of the Giving Tree. And every child who received presents were also given a brand new pair of pajamas donated by Service Master Restore, as well as hats and mittens courtesy of Meredith Village Savings Bank.

A big thank you goes out to the Laconia Rotary Club, South Down Lawn and Garden Club, Stella Hair Boutique of Plymouth, Wood & Clay of Gilford, Mountain View Church of Sanbornton, Melcher & Prescott Insurance, Celebrate Laconia and LRCS Board members and staff for all their generosity this holiday season.

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30 ways to celebrate a merry month

The holiday season begins in late November and runs through New Year's Day. It is marked by various gatherings of friends and family, decadent foods, cocktails, traveling, and gift exchanges. The National Retail Federation says consumers will spend an average of \$967 during the holiday season. However, the joy of the holidays also is about all of the memorable experiences that tend to make the season

so beloved. With that in mind, here are 30 ways to make the holiday season that much more merry.

1. Visit with an elderly or housebound neighbor and share conversation.
2. Donate gently used toys to a children's hospital.
3. Research the history of the holiday and share it with people you care about.
4. Make handmade Christmas tree orna-



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5. Donate money to a charity or other good cause.
6. Encourage "pay it forward" movements in your community. Start by doing something simple like buying a coffee for a complete stranger.
7. Feed birds facing the cold, winter weather.
8. Take a ride or walk around the neighborhood to look at decorated houses.
9. Make a fire in a fire pit in the yard and toast marshmallows while sipping hot chocolate.
10. Binge watch holiday movies.
11. Attend the concert of a children's choir.
12. Help a friend decorate his or her home.
13. Host a tree-trimming party.
14. Schedule a day for baking cookies.
15. Sing Christmas carols at a nursing

- home.
16. Put together care packages of items and send them to troops overseas.
17. Share the holidays with a military family whose spouse is in service and can't make it home.
18. Offer to shop for someone who is homebound due to age, a chronic illness or injury.
19. Visit a large city to look at Christmas window displays.
20. Buy and hang real mistletoe ... and use it.
21. Make a new friend and invite him or her to a holiday party for the first time.
22. Babysit a newborn so his or her parents can get errands done or just catch up on rest.
23. Volunteer at a soup kitchen.
24. Share the religious traditions of your holiday with someone of a different faith.
25. If weather permits, go sledding, build a snowman or have a snowball fight.
26. Share favorite memories at family holiday dinners.
27. Remember a deceased loved one with a special tribute.
28. Construct a gingerbread house.
29. Teach someone how to make a cherished family recipe.
30. Surprise a distant relative with an impromptu visit.

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Holiday cookies the whole family will love

Many people enjoy baking come the holiday season, and perhaps no dish is more synonymous with holiday than cookies. Children leave cookies out for Santa Claus on Christmas Eve, while adults may indulge and enjoy an extra cookie or two at family gatherings or holiday office parties.

Cookies come in all shapes and sizes, so bakers have an array of options at their disposal when planning their holiday menus. Chocolate chip cookies may be among the most popular types of cookies, and

bakers who want to capitalize on that popularity while giving loved ones something a little different may want to try the following recipe for "Double Chocolate Chip Cookies" from Maxine Clark's "Chocolate: Deliciously Indulgent Recipes for Chocolate Lovers" (Ryland, Peters & Small).

Double Chocolate Chip Cookies

Makes about 12 large cookies

- 5 tablespoons unsalted butter, softened
- 5 tablespoons granulated sugar



- 5 tablespoons light brown sugar, sifted
- 1 large egg, beaten
- 1/2 teaspoon pure vanilla essence or chocolate extract (see note)
- 1 cup plus 2 tablespoons self-rising flour
- 3 tablespoons unsweetened cocoa

- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 2/3 cup (or more) dark and white (or milk) chocolate chips (or roughly chopped chocolate)

A heavy, nonstick baking sheet

Preheat the oven to 350 F.

Using an electric mixer, cream the butter and sugars together until pale and fluffy. Beat in the egg and vanilla essence.

Sift the flour with the cocoa and salt in a small bowl. Fold into the egg mixture with the chocolate chips.

Place 4 heaping tablespoonsful of the mixture

on the prepared baking sheet, spacing them well apart. Press down and spread out to about 1/4-inch thick with the back of a wet spoon or with dampened fingers (you may like to scatter some more chocolate chips over the top). Bake for 10 to 12 minutes. Let cool on the baking sheet for 1 minute, then transfer to a wire rack. When cool, store in an airtight container. Repeat with the remaining mixture.

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Sununu appoints Rick Wyman to the NH CDFA Board

CONCORD — New Hampshire Governor Christopher Sununu has appointed Richard (Rick) Wyman, President of Meredith Village Savings Bank (MVSb), to the board of directors for the NH Community Development Finance Authority (CDFA). The NH CDFA provides financial resources to nonprofits, community development organizations, counties, municipalities and for-profit businesses. These organizations, in partnership with the CDFA, create affordable housing, aid in the formation of new jobs and help retain existing employment for low and moderate income residents of New Hampshire.

Governed by an eleven-member board appointed by the governor for five year terms, the NH CDFA board consists of four representatives from community development organizations, two from small business, one from organized labor, one from employment and education, two from the private financial community and the Commissioner of the Department of Business and Economic Affairs or his/her designee. Founded in 1983, the NH CDFA administers near-

ly \$25 million in funding resources, which includes a combination of state tax credits and federal Community Development Block Grant and Energy Reduction Funds in support of the development of vibrant and resilient communities.

“I feel very privileged to have been selected to serve on the NH CDFA board,” said Wyman. “I look forward to assisting the CDFA in their efforts to support affordable housing and economic development activities lead to strong communities. LRCS has offices in Laconia and Plymouth which combine to serve families residing throughout Belknap and Southern Grafton Counties. To learn more about LRCS, contact Joanne Piper Lang at 524-8811.

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is a nonprofit, noncommercial public access TV station and community media center located on the Laconia High School campus in Laconia, NH. LRPA cablecasts locally on Atlantic Broadband Channel 24 (educational programming and public bulletin board),



Rick Wyman

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community banks, Meredith Village Savings Bank and Merrimack County Savings Bank, formally affiliated – the first relationship of its kind in New Hampshire. 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 their community banking standards and values. MillRiver Wealth Management joined as a third subsidiary of NHMB in 2015, combining the financial advisory divisions of MVSb and The Merrimack. In July 2018, Savings Bank of Walpole joined as a fourth subsidiary.

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Wyman also serves as Executive Vice President of New Hampshire Mutual Bancorp (NHMB). New Hampshire Mutual Bancorp, a mutual holding company, was formed in 2013 when two New Hampshire-based com-

statewide. I’ve been working in the banking industry for over 30 years, and during that time, I’ve been directly involved in decisions and activities that helped benefit the needs of our community members with low to moderate incomes, fostering the economic health and well-being of our local communities. I look forward to applying that experience to my work with the CDFA.”

Previously, he served as Treasurer and Chair of the Finance committee for the Lakes Region Mental Health Center (formerly Genesis Behavioral Health) as a member of its Finance Committee. Previously, he served as Treasurer and Chair of the Finance committee for the Lakes Region Mental Health Center. He was also a member of the Lakes Region Advisory Board of the New Hampshire

brawl, arrest warrants were obtained and the four primary participants were taken into custody.

Those persons, all residents of Belmont, were identified as 32-year-old Katie Lynn Beaupre, 22-year-old Peter M.

Lacharite, 48-year-old Kristine M. Lacharite and 52-year-old Carmen R. Cinseruli. They were each charged with violation level Disorderly Conduct and, upon their release, ordered to appear at 8:30 a.m. on Jan. 17 in the Laconia District Court.

“This incident took place at one of the busi-

est places in town, and attracted a lot of attention,” said Capt. Richard Mann of BPD. “While we are glad no one was seriously injured as a result of this event, we certainly do not condone grown adults acting in this manner and hope in the future they can seek a more civilized way to resolve their differences.”

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STRATEGIES

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needed to discover the strength of character that can be developed only through the give and take of life. There were surely times when he blew it, and perhaps occasions when he didn't respond well to the growing-up antics of his unique stepson. But he was a good man and God Himself chose him for the rearing of his beloved son.

Although history records little of Jesus' childhood, one can surmise that Jesus also saw Joseph smile and relax as together they spent many a quiet afternoon fishing and enjoying each other's company. What an impact the many conversations they had together must have made on Jesus' outlook on life! Joseph, as no other man on earth, helped make Jesus the man he was to become.

As we face the new year, it prompts a lesson we all need to take to

heart. If we are typical, we develop our self-respect, indeed, our very attitude toward life, by the things we own and the success we have experienced. We admire wealth, power, and fame. God, however, seems to have a very different agenda. He is far more interested in who we are than in what we do. Character is primary!

Our accomplishments may be limited. We may be unknown and unheralded. No one may ever squabble over our estate. But much like Joseph, that does not determine our personal worth. The quality of our life will be seen in the lives of the family for whom we have been responsible. As they follow in our footsteps, as they honor the God they have met through our living ... then will our personal worth and the impact of our lives become evident. Our living will not have been in vain!

For more thoughts like these, please follow me on indefenseoftruth.net.

BELMONT

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Jordan R. Vachon, age 26, of Belmont was arrested on Dec. 9 for Default or Breach of Bail Conditions. Emily R. Chase, age 24, of Belmont was arrested during the same incident for Domestic Violence-Assault.

Eric C. Smith, age 39, of Laconia was arrested on Dec. 9 for Driving After Revocation or Suspension. Tina Thurell, age 38, of Laconia was arrested during the same incident in connection with two outstanding warrants issued by Belknap County Superior Court.

Amanda N. Knauth, age 32, of Belmont was arrested on Dec. 10 for Criminal Mischief (Vandalism) and Default or Breach of Bail Conditions.

Evan R. Mercado, age 27, of Laconia was

arrested on Dec. 10 for Driving After Revocation or Suspension.

Katie Lynn Beaupre, age 32, of Belmont was arrested on Dec. 13 for Disorderly Conduct and Simple Assault.

Carmen R. Cinsuruli, age 52, of Belmont was arrested on Dec. 13 for Disorderly Conduct and Simple Assault.

Kristine Marie Lacharite, age 48, of Belmont was arrested on Dec. 13 for Disorderly Conduct and Simple Assault.

Peter Michael Lacharite, age 22, of Belmont was arrested on Dec. 13 for Disorderly Conduct and Simple Assault.

Shane J. Labroad, age 24, of Northwood was arrested on Dec. 13 for Driving After Revocation or Suspension and a Suspended Registration (Operating-Misd.).

TILTON

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sion), Jason MacLeod (in connection with an outstanding warrant), Kelani Castellez

(in connection with an outstanding warrant), Heather Ford (for Willful Concealment), and Brendan Paulsen (for Possession of Drugs).



DONNA RHODES

Boys and girls paused for a photo in front of the Belmont Bandstand last Friday night before heading off to go caroling in the village.

(Right) Brayden, Nicholas, Jazmine, Dalton and had fun creating some ornaments for their Christmas trees during a holiday event last weekend that was hosted by the Belmont Recreation Department and the Belmont Elementary School PTO.

HOLIDAY SPIRIT

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Christmas caroling anymore and it's so much fun."

Inside Belmont Mill, boys and girls of all ages enjoyed a number of fun holiday crafts, courtesy of the PTO. There were photo



frames they could create, beautiful Christmas ornaments to design and even some fun reindeer head pieces available.

"I'm really crafty so I'm going for the hard stuff to make," said

eight-year-old Jazmine.

"That's pretty neat," friend Brayden commented as he looked at what everyone was making from round tins, beads, pom pom balls and other materials.

Across the hall there were also cookies to decorate, take home, or eat right away, as many were tempted to do. The Recreation Department also had plenty of hot chocolate available to help wash it all down.



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DINNER

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part, too.

“I think one of the highlights is that every table has placemats that were decorated by the elementary school students,” said Dana Giampaolo, WRHS principal.

He pointed out that a large holiday mural hanging on the wall of the cafetorium was made by the boys and girls of Union-Sanborn Elementary School and groups of high school students volunteered to help all the youngsters with their decorating projects. The district’s Ag Center students also provided some of the beautiful poinsettias they grew to serve as centerpieces for all of the tables.

Students who attended the dinner enjoyed seeing their principals, assistant principals and even Superintendent Rob Seaward serving them for a change.

“The food’s good, too. This was fun,” said one



DONNA RHODES

A group of senior citizens were among the many people who attended Winnisquam Regional School District’s free Holiday Dinner last Friday evening.

group of middle school students.

Nearby a table of senior citizens were having a nice night out as well.

“We’re all pretty much by ourselves now so we came here to sit down and have a great meal together. It’s fellowship time,” said Sandy Davis of Franklin.

After the dinner, many stopped at the FFA table where members of the agricultural program were selling holiday wreaths, kissing balls and poinsettias. Anyone who would like to still

purchase any of their decorations and flowers has until Friday to do so by calling the Ag Center office at 286-4531, ext. 1400, to place their order.

GAME NIGHT

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snacks for disadvantaged students in the Winnisquam Regional School District, but on a national level it connects schools all over the U.S. and beyond for cultural learning, understanding and support.

When Interact heard about the Rotary club’s support for ECIO and the need for supplies in Africa, they jumped on board to help.

“They’ve just owned this project,” said Lisa Drew of both the Rotary and ECIO. “They’ve been helping with fundraisers and other ECIO projects and events. It’s been amazing!”

The game night was free to the public and included great classics like chess, Battleship, Twister, Monopoly, Clue and Yahtzi. Besides the competitions that went on, the local Rotary group donated supplies for crafts that little ones could enjoy, too. In between games or during a break in the action, Interact also had a table filled with baked goods and other treats that people could purchase, along with a donation jar for their ECIO school project.

Holt and her fellow Interact members said that shipping the supplies they gather overseas will be quite expensive and they appreciated all the donations they received that night.

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Riley, Syed, relay team pick up wins in Plymouth

By BOB MARTIN

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PLYMOUTH — The Belmont High School indoor track team kicked off its season at Plymouth State University for an 11-team meet on Saturday with the Red Raiders placing fourth for both boys and girls.

A highlight of the day was a big win in the 3,000 meters by senior Alice Riley, who had a time of 11:07.53. It was a tight race between Riley and Morgane Orcutt of Concord for most of the race, but in the final minutes Riley separated herself and came away victorious.

Sana Syed provided another other victory for Belmont, with a time of 9.80 to win the 55-meter hurdles.

The 4X200-meter relay also won with a time of 2:00.33, barely defeating the team from Concord that was 0.03 seconds behind. The team included Syed, Jada Edgren, Skylar Ruelke and Gabby Day.

Nick Miles was the fourth in the boys' 600-meter run with a time of 1:38.85, which was more than 10 seconds ahead of the pack in his heat.

In the long jump, Brandon Robichaud was fourth with a distance of 17 feet, three inches. Micah Edgren was fifth with a leap of 16 feet, 11.25 inches. Eddie Mann was ninth with a leap of 15 feet, 6.75 inches. Kyle Whitcomb jumped a



BOB MARTIN

Alice Riley won the 1,500 meters for Belmont High School on Saturday.

distance of 15 feet, 0.25 inches for 13th.

Zack Duclos was third in shot put with a toss of 36 feet, 6.75 inches. Brendan Kelley was fifth with a throw of 33 feet, 8.75 inches. Michael Marrone was 13th with a throw of 30 feet, one inch.

In the 55 meters, Kyle Whitcomb was 18th with a time of 7.74, Robichaud was 12th with a time of 7.33 and Tim VanHeflynn had a time of 8.86 for 29th.

In the 300 meters, Edgren was sixth with a time of 41.91. Mann was 14th with a time of 43.95. Gabriel Frasier was 14th with a time of 1:59.57.

In the boys' 1,000 meters, Ben Pare was 17th with a time of 3:50.63.

The boys' 4X200-meter relay team was fifth with a time of 1:40.02. It included

Robichaud, Mann, Edgren and Whitcomb. The 4X400-meter team was sixth with a time of 4:34.01. It included Whitcomb, Pare, Miles and Konnor Blake.

In the girls' 55-meter dash, Jada Edgren was sixth with a time of 8.09. Day was 11th with a time of 8.42 and Izabel Hunt was 29th with a time of 9.87.

In the girls' 300 meters, Hunt was 29th with a time of 1:00.06, Ella Irving was 30th with a time of 1:00.11 and Maelynn Proust was 31st with a time of 1:05.08.

In the girls' 1,000 meters, Hannah Leclair was 11th with a time of 4:17.57.

In the girls' 1,500 meters, Aurora Couto was



BOB MARTIN

Sana Syed won the 55-meter hurdles at the meet in Plymouth on Saturday.



BOB MARTIN

Brandon Robichaud placed fourth in the long jump for Belmont.

seventh with a time of 6:35.67.

Ruelke was fifth in the girls' high jump with a leap of four feet,

four inches. She was also 12th in the long jump with a distance of 12 feet, 4.75 inches.

The 4X400-meter re-

lay team placed sixth with a time of 5:13.91. It included Riley, Couto, Hannah Leclair and Becca Fleming.

Belmont girls best Prospect for first win

BY BOB MARTIN

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BELMONT — The Belmont girls' basketball team started the season off with three straight losses in the opening week of the season, but the Red Raiders bounced back with a nice 48-39 win over Prospect Mountain on Dec. 11 to get the first win of the season.

"It was a tight game throughout," said coach Mark Dawalga. "After losing at the buzzer against Newfound I was

very happy on how we came out and played tonight. The energy we had tonight on defense was outstanding lead by Lizzie Fleming and Katie Galambos. That is how we have to play every night. It starts on defense which leads to our offense."

Belmont led throughout the entire game and the defense was on point right out of the gate, holding Prospect Mountain to only three first quarter points. Prospect Mountain bat-

tled back in the second quarter and the half-time score was 23-16 in favor of Belmont. It was tight the rest of the way with Belmont leading 35-26 after three quarters, but the Red Raiders hung on for the win.

Julianna Estremera was a force on offense with 25 points. She was 7/11 from the free throw line and had a pair of three pointers in a game where she was responsible for more than half of the team's points. Elaina Hoey and

Katie Galambos had five points apiece while Alexis Donovan pitched in five points.

"I was glad to see them get rewarded for their hard work on defense," said Estremera. "It is something we really have been working on in practice. It was a nice team win."

Belmont played Franklin after deadline and the next regular season game is a home matchup against Monadnock at 6 p.m. on Jan. 2.

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Brady Logan rushes toward the net for the Bulldogs in the opening night game against Moultonborough/Inter-Lakes.



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Liam Lacey brings the puck up the ice for the Bulldogs.



BOB MARTIN
Dylan Flannery skates with the puck in the opening game for Belmont/Gilford.



BOB MARTIN
Cam Jarvi battles for a puck against the Renegades.

Bulldogs fall in first two games

BY BOB MARTIN
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LACONIA — The Belmont/Gilford hockey team started off the season 0-2 with a tight opening night loss to Moultonborough/Inter-Lakes and a blow-

out loss against Hollis Brookline-Derryfield. On Dec. 12, the Bulldogs played the Renegades at Merrill Fay Arena and lost 2-1 in a game where coach Jason Parent said the team just couldn't get the

puck past Hunter Sanders of M/I. Troy Gallagher had the lone goal with an assist by Hayden Parent. "The teams were very evenly matched and we outshot them 27-10," said Parent. "We just

couldn't solve the great goaltending of Hunter from M/I." On Dec. 15, it was a whole different story for the Bulldogs, as the team took a tough 8-2 loss to Hollis Brookline-Derryfield at Mer-

rill Fay Arena. The team was missing senior defenseman Liam Lacy and also came out of the gate slow. With Lacy out of the lineup, the Bulldogs had to rely heavily on two freshmen, who Parent said did a great job but just don't have the stamina yet to log the kinds of minutes needed. "Our offense is still trying to blend and we are very young playing five freshmen over three lines," said Parent. "The score was 8-2 but the

game wasn't even that close." Cam Jarvi had a goal assisted by Hayden Parent. Gallagher had the second goal, which was also assisted by Parent. "Hollis has a long bench with a lot of good players who just kept coming at us all night," said Parent. "We have plenty of things to work on this week in practice." Gilford travels to the always difficult Berlin on Dec. 19 for a 6 p.m. matchup.

PSU softball offering numerous clinics

PLYMOUTH — Plymouth State University head softball coach Bruce Addison announced the dates for the team's annual clinics on Wednesday. The first clinic is scheduled for Sunday, Jan. 27, with special guest coaches Dick Blood and Harold Sachs. Blood, a 1975 graduate of then Plymouth

State College, recorded 606 wins and five Ivy League titles during his tenure as head coach at Cornell University. He will lead a hitting clinic from 9 to 11 a.m. Sachs led Salem High School to a record 18 state championships and accumulated nearly 600 wins before moving into a role of pitching coach at Mer-

rimack College. He will direct a pitching clinic from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Additionally, Plymouth State softball coaches and players will lead four separate three hour-long clinics throughout February. Clinics will take place from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Feb. 3, 9, 17 and 23. All clinics take place in the Bank of

New Hampshire Field House at ALLWell North on the Plymouth State campus. For additional information, including individual costs, team discounts and preregistration instructions, please refer to the Plymouth State softball web page (<http://athletics.plymouth.edu/sports/sball/index>).

Amy Annis Tournament is Jan. 6

GILFORD — The annual Amy Annis Volleyball Tournament is scheduled for Sunday, Jan. 6, starting at 10 a.m. and will take place in both the Gilford Middle School and High School gymnasiums. This fundraising event is a recreational co-ed volleyball tournament for high school age students through adults. All proceeds go to the American Cancer Society and the Amy Annis Scholarship Fund.

This scholarship is given annually to a graduating senior. The entry fee is \$100. There is a 12-team limit and will be on a first registered basis. Twelve teams will be playing on three courts and each team will be guaranteed three matches in pool play and one match in the tournament round. To register a team or find out more information, please contact Joan Forge at forge@worldpath.net.

Kingswood Legends hockey game is Dec. 27

WOLFEBORO — On Dec. 27, Kingswood Athletics and the Kingswood Alumni Association will host "Kingswood Legends" at Pop Whalen Ice Arena for an ice hockey alumni game. The game is open to all ice hockey players who have grad-

uated from Kingswood Regional High School. Teams will be divided by "odd" year graduates vs. "even" year graduates. The Kingswood Department of Athletics along with the Kingswood Alumni Association is looking forward

to hosting the alumni and their families in what will surely be a fun event. The cost to participate is \$20 with checks being made payable to Kingswood boys' ice hockey. The puck will drop at 7 p.m. If you're interested

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Wolfpack doubled up by Kennett in opener

BY BOB MARTIN
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LACONIA — The Laconia/Winnisquam hockey team opened its season against Kennett last week, and while the team lost 6-3, coach Marc Joyal was pleased with the effort put forth by his squad.

The Wolfpack was down 1-0 after the first period, but with 11:14 remaining Hannah Max found the back of the net with a nice goal assisted by Cole Reid and Kam Young. Kennett scored four more times in the period to make it 5-1, but with 1:39 left in the second period, Reid scored on an unassisted goal. Each team scored in the third period, with the Wolfpack goal coming from Reid with an assist to Connor Johnson.

“They came out with a purpose,” said Joyal. “They are trying to get that monkey off their back from the past couple seasons. It is nice we have a freshman goalie who stood on his head tonight and kept us in the game when we had defensive lapses. Cole and Hannah Max stepped up tonight also. We have a lot to build on. With five freshmen in the team there will be a learning curve, but this is a talented group. Cole has some players he can really work with now. First game, first outing against a tough team. I am happy with how they played.”

Joyal said the team has a bounce in their steps starting the season after two seasons in a row where the Wolfpack found themselves in the cellar of Division 3. Laconia/Winnisquam returns a core of strong forwards in



Coley Reid had a pair of goals and an assist against Kennett.



Bear girls battle but come up short against Hillcats

BY BOB MARTIN
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TILTON — It has been a tough start for the Winnisquam girls' basketball team, who last week had a pair of losses to bring the team's record to 0-5 in the early stages of the season.

On Dec. 11, the Bears hosted Hillsboro-Deering and lost a tight battle 51-45.

“A back and forth game from the beginning,” said coach Brian Allard. “Both teams played very well. Hillsboro had three players in double figures and a more balanced offense, and that is what won in the end. Great effort tonight, just fell a little short.”

The team was tied 25-25 at the half but a big third quarter for Hillsboro-Deering made the difference with Winnisquam being outscored 18-10.

The Bears were led by Megan Cote, who had a huge night with 30 points. She was 7/9 from the foul line and had a great all-around offensive performance, adding a three pointer in the third quarter. Au-

brey St. Onge had seven points including a first quarter three-pointer.

On Dec. 14, Winnisquam traveled to Campbell and lost 60-41. The game was tied 21-21 at the half but once again the Bears had a difficult time getting things going in the second half with a poor third quarter where Winnisquam was outscored 22-5. Winnisquam had six fouls in the quarter.

“The third quarter was the difference in the game as a cold shooting and foul trouble caught up with Winnisquam,” Allard said.

The teams played evenly in the fourth quarter and Campbell cruised to the win. Cote had another great performance with a game high 24 points, and went 2/7 from three point land. Freshman Emma Griffin was solid with eight points filling in for starter Casey Lang who was out with an ankle injury.

Winnisquam played Mascoma after the deadline and the next regular season matchup for the Bears is St. Thomas Aquinas at home on Jan. 4 at 7 p.m.

Evan Rollins is a freshman goaltender for the Wolfpack that coach Marc Joyal was very happy with in the opening game against Kennett

Reid, and Max, as well as Johnson, Ryan Fields and Cole Champoux. Cam Young is a talented freshman that should provide great offense that the team lacked in the past.

Senior Dylan Daly, junior Nick DeCormier and freshman Andrew Riopel provide depth on offense, as well.

Returning defensemen include junior Jayson Shevlin, senior Christian Vaughan and junior Zach Holmes. Freshmen Breydon Perry and Patrick Goodwin provide strong defense, with freshman Evan Rollins in goal.

“The strong returning veterans and the additions of skilled freshman class will breathe new life and energy into a team that has struggled to be competitive for the past 3 seasons,” said Joyal.

The Wolfpack also fell to Monadnock-Fall Mountain on Dec. 15 by a score of 9-1. Next up for Laconia is a game at home against Sanborn on Dec. 22 starting at 5:15 p.m.

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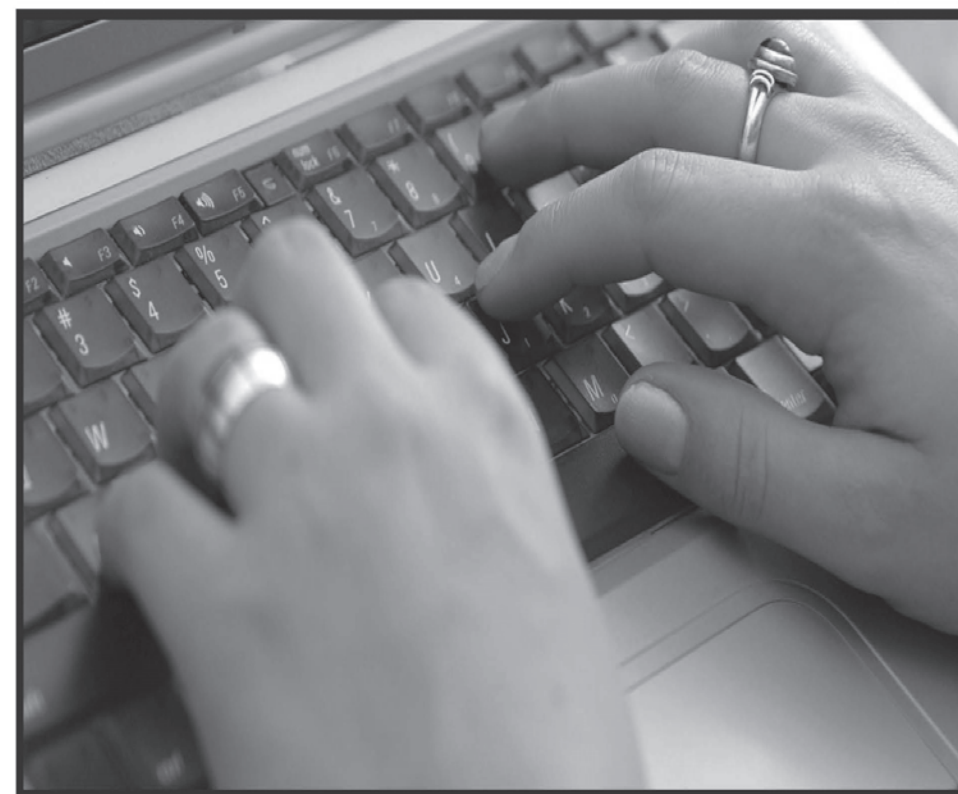
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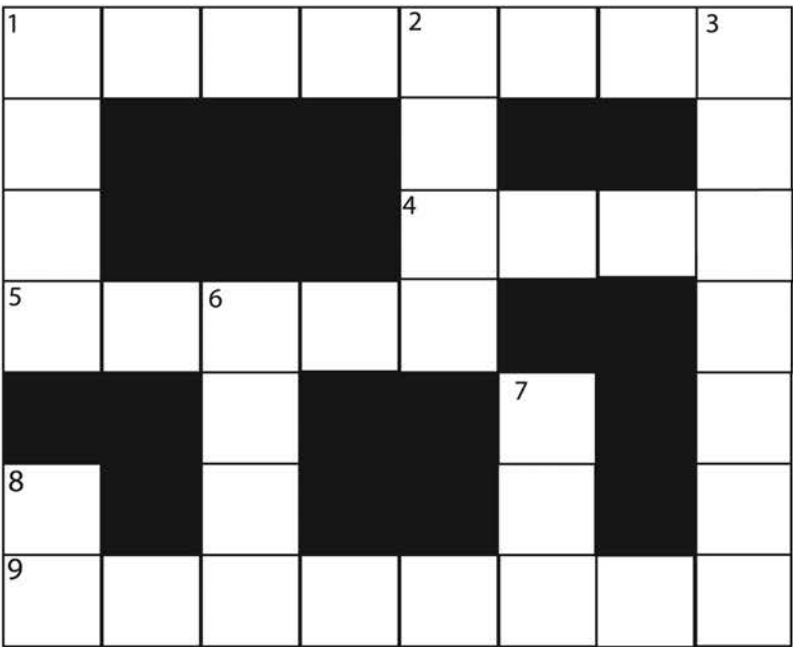
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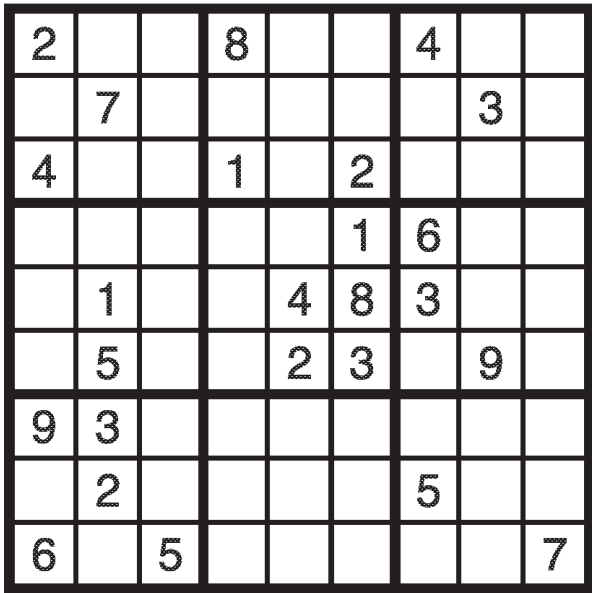
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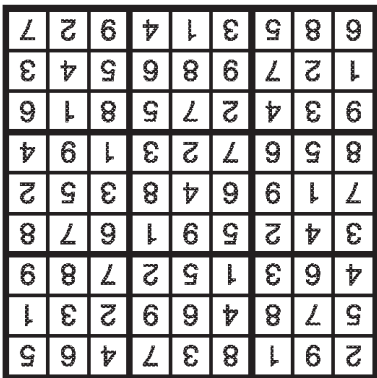
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Kyle Mann moves around a defender in a loss to Campbell.

Bear boys fall to Campbell

BY BOB MARTIN
Bob@Salmonpress.news

TILTON — The Winnisquam boys' basketball team had one game last week and it was a 64-46 loss to Campbell at home. It was fairly tight in the first half, with the Bears trailing 25-17 at halftime, but Campbell went on a couple huge runs in the third quarter and outscored the Bears 28-14.

Leading the scoring charge for Winnisquam was Kyle Mann, who put up 14 points. Angelo Glover pitched in with 13 and Phil Nichols had six points in the game. "It was really just two big spurts in the game," said coach Kevin Dame. "They seemed to get a little nervous in the second half against a good team, and Campbell


took advantage. You can play fast but you can't just throw the ball away or dribble into double coverage. If you want to beat a team like Campbell, you have to take care of the ball. They are the preseason number one team for a reason." Dame said the team needs to be more consistent, not turnover the ball and stop getting frustrated.



BOB MARTIN

Garret Mango moves the ball up the court for the Bears.

"I don't care what sport it is, but you have to move onto the next play," said Dame. "They couldn't shake off some things. Hopefully that is where practice comes in and their confidence improves." The next regular season game for Winnisquam is on Jan. 4 at 6 p.m. The team will also be participating in the Christmas basketball tournament next week.



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