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COMPLIMENTARY

Town faces dispute with Karyl Court Condo Association

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Contributing Writer

BRISTOL — Karyl Court, the former Beech Street Apartments, has a long history of complaints by the town, but at the end of 2014, with water and sewer bills remaining unpaid and the building's electricity having been shut off, Bristol decided it was time to take action and stopped its water supply.

Water and Sewer Superintendent Jeff Chartier said the Karyl Court Condo Association had ceased paying its bills in July 2014, and his department

sent a notice that water would be shut off after 30 days if the account was not paid. He delayed taking any action because there were children in the complex, but after they moved out, he shut off the water in December of that year.

Norm Hebert, who assumed leadership of the condominium association last year, admits that the association had "fallen apart" when some of the owner-investors found they were having a hard time renting the units and the renters they had were failing to pay.

"So the owners stopped paying as well," he said.

Hebert attempted

to get things back on track by paying off the association's \$11,013 in water and sewer liens

on March 2, 2017. He thought that would allow the town to turn the water back on, but

Chartier told him that, because of its history, the association would

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Search warrant leads to arrest of High Street resident

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BRISTOL — On Wednesday, Feb. 7, Bristol police took Robin Gillery of 40 High St., Apt. 1, into custody after a search warrant for her residence was obtained and a large amount of drugs were consequently found in her possession.

Police said once they received the warrant, Bristol Police Officer Nick Kelley and his K9 partner, Arro, were brought to the home to execute a search of the premises. In the course of their investigation, they discovered not only drugs but drug paraphernalia inside the home.

As a result, Gillery was arrested for two counts of possession of drugs with intent to distribute. She was arraigned in Grafton County Superior Court on Feb. 8 and held for \$10,000 cash or corporate assurance.

While executing the warrant, police also discovered two homeless people at the residence, Constance Lowell and

Theron Kennedy, who both had active warrants for parole violations.

Glassett hopes to continue progress as selectman

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BRISTOL — Robert "Rob" Glassett, the current chair of the Bristol Budget Committee, is vying with his vice-chair for a seat on the Bristol Board of Selectmen.

Selectman Paul Manganiello is not seeking another term, leaving the three-year seat up for grabs.

Glassett, who works in trade sales for Pella Windows and Doors and also serves as an on-call firefighter in

Bristol, said he wants to see the town continue the progress it has made over the last two years.

"I want the town to keep moving forward," Glassett said, "but there are some who want to handcuff that progress."

His opponent, Wayne Anderson, has suggested that the Bristol Police Department has too many full-time officers, but, in Glassett's view, the department is the right size for the town.



DONNA RHODES

"I'll tell you the story..."

WMUR television personality Fritz Wetherbee (shown with crew members Eric Williams and Chris Shepherd) paid a visit to downtown Bristol last Friday to film one of his much-loved segments on New Hampshire history. The topics he addressed that day were a "traversing" accident on the South Main Street hill, which occurred on Jan. 10, 1893, and the June 24, 1894 Post Office robbery at 30 South Main St. Want to learn more? Tune in to "Chronicle" at 7 p.m. on Channel 9 in two weeks, and Fritz will "tell you the story."

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Rob Glassett

"With an incoming chief, we don't want to limit what they can accomplish," he said. "Let the chief come up with a plan so they can succeed."

Glassett believes that comparisons with other towns do not take into account the transient population or the influx of people from surrounding towns who come to Bristol to shop or for services.

"Population alone doesn't accurately reflect the need," he said. "I don't feel they're looking at the right numbers. What counts is calls for service. You need to look at the in-custody arrests and felonies."

He also argues that the safety of officers is important.

"To be out there at 1 a.m., and the nearest backup is at least 15 minutes away, is putting that officer in danger," he said.

He concedes that Anderson's suggestion that the town use part-timers to fill the need is "a great idea, but recruiting part-timers is difficult. People are too busy, and you can't get part-timers to get certified and work for a department. Typically, part-timers are working for other departments, or are close to retirement."

As for the importance of building a new
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Local families step out on the town for Father-Daughter Dance

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BRISTOL — Each February, several generations of daddies have been sharing a special night out with some very special young ladies, and this year's Father-Daughter Dance at the Tappley-Thompson Community Center in Bristol proved once again why it has been such a success over the years.

"This is our fifth year of coming to the dance. It's a nice way to spend some time with my daughter," said Tom Edwards.

His daughter Jordan was excited to be back again this year

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Tom Edwards and his daughter Jordan were all smiles when they arrived at the annual Father-Daughter Dance at Tappley-Thompson Community Center last Friday night.



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Shown here as the Wonder Woman she is, Jessie and her mom Tina E. were the creative forces behind this year's Voice's Against Violence Winter Ball, celebrating superheroes, both real and fictional.



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Some comic book photo booths were a fun way that many enjoyed this year's Voice's Against Violence Winter Ball, held last Saturday at the Common Man in Plymouth.



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Meg Kennedy Dugan, Executive Director of Voices Against Violence (far right), was joined for a photo by Forrest Seavey (center) and two generations of his family, who attended last week-end's Winter Ball to present the Beverly B. Seavey Award, named in his late wife's honor.



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AmeriCorp volunteer Lisa Lamadriz and Voices Against Violence board member Deb McKinnon dressed as real life superheroes as they greeted ticket holders to the organization's annual Winter Ball, held this year at the Common Man in Plymouth.

Voices Against Violence celebrates heroes at annual Winter Ball

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PLYMOUTH — Everyone who took part in this year's Winter Ball for Voices Against Violence was a true hero, but as part of the fun, many dressed up as the superheroes they most admired, such as Wonder Woman and Superman, as well as real life heroes, like firefighters and nurs-

es. Dressed as her hero Jane Goodall, complete with a toy monkey clinging to her safari outfit, Voices' Executive Director Meg Kennedy Dugan was excited to see the crowd of people who gathered at the Common Man in Plymouth to support the organization. "Tina E. and her daughter are the queens

of the ball this year though. They came up with the theme and did all the incredible decorations. I can't thank them enough," Dugan said. The centerpiece for each table had a comic book superhero's name attached to it with cartoon-style accents like "Pow!" and "Zap!" adding an extra spark to the theme of the evening.

Whether in costume or not, many people lined up for some superhero face paint by Veggie Art Girl Stacey Lucas and a few comic book photo booths provided fun shots for social media sites. There was nothing comical about the roomful of silent raffle items though and as the ball got underway, handwritten bidding went back and

forth on items ranging from locally produced maple products to art, gift certificates, home décor and other donations from area businesses. After a dinner of Sliced New York Sirloin, Vegetarian Manicotti, and lots of side dishes and salads, a live auction then got underway. This year the auction was led by Chief David Suckling of the

Danbury Police Department; a superhero in his own right, Dugan said. The highlight of the night however was the presentation of the Beverly B. Seavey Community Service Award, given to a person or persons in recognition of their time, support and inspiration to Voices Against Violence and the families they serve. On hand this year to make the presentation were three generations of the Seavey family. "Mom died in October but it's great that we could all come together here tonight to celebrate her. Voices Against Violence meant a lot to her," said daughter Jenn Seavey. She said over the years her mother served as a volunteer, board member and president of the nonprofit organization and they were proud to help honor others who dedicate themselves to the community as she did. Winning the award this year were Michelle Dunn and Kevin Maass. "I was so surprised. I'm so honored they chose Kevin and I to receive this award and it was great to have it presented to us by the Seavey family," Dunn said afterward. Rounding out the evening was dancing to the musical selections of DJ Jim Tyrell. Voices Against Violence serves 18 communities and as many as 800 people a year who live in lower Grafton County. Besides providing assistance and support to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault, they also operate a 24-hour crisis hotline. For more information on them, or to make a donation, please visit their Web site at www.voicesagainstv violence.net.

Bristol resident named to Endicott College Dean's List

BEVERLY, Mass. — Matthew Pritchard, a senior majoring in Communications and son of James and April Pritchard of Bristol, has been named to the Dean's List at Endicott College for fall 2017. In order to qualify for the Dean's List, a student must obtain a minimum grade point average of 3.5, receive no withdrawal grades, and be enrolled in a minimum of 12 credits for the semester.

ed through internships and work experience. Studying at the Beverly campus, regionally, and internationally are approximately 2,850 undergraduate and more than 2,400 adult and graduate students. For more information, visit www.endicott.edu.

National Forest Artist-in-Residence program seeks applications for Summer/Fall 2018

ABOUT ENDICOTT COLLEGE Located in Beverly, Mass. on 235 acres of oceanfront property, Endicott College offers doctorate, master's and bachelor degree programs in the professional and liberal arts. Founded in 1939, Endicott provides an education built upon a combination of theory and practice, which is test-

CAMPTON — The White Mountain National Forest (WMNF) and Arts Alliance of Northern New Hampshire invite interested artists in all media to apply for the 2018 WMNF artist in residency program, a celebration of the connections between forest, landscape and culture. The deadline for applications is March 20. The program offers professional and emerging artists in all disciplines from around the country — visual and performing artists, craftspeople, writers, composers, eco artists and media artists — an opportunity to pursue their particular art form while being

inspired by the surrounding forest and, on several occasions, sharing their work and their artistic process with members of the public. The goal of the residency program is to use art and creative expression to explore the many ways in which people relate to forests — and to the White Mountain National Forest in particular. This year's artist in residence will be part of the 2018 celebration of the Forest's Centennial. One artist residency of at least three weeks will be offered between mid-July and September. The artist will be provided accommodations on or near the forest as well as limited reimbursement

of travel expenses and the cost of supplies and materials. Friends of Mead Base have provided housing to several artists in the past. Public programs may include demonstrations, talks, exploratory walks or hikes, or performances, based on the medium, interest and experience of the artist. "All of our selected artists so far have really connected with the forest — as well as with the local community and with Forest Service personnel," says Frumie Selchen, Executive Director of the Arts Alliance of Northern New Hampshire, a nonprofit working to promote, support and sustain cultural life throughout northern

New Hampshire. Clare Mendelsohn, WMNF Forest Supervisor commented, "There's a sense of expectation and excitement about each new artist, and the ways in which he or she will help us see and understand our landscape, and the incredible resources the forest offers. This year's Centennial celebration makes the opportunities even more exciting." Find more information and an application for the program at www.aannh.org, or contact the Arts Alliance at info@aannh.org, 323-7302. USDA is an equal opportunity provider, employer and lender.

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Eighth Annual Circle Trot kicks off April 29

PLYMOUTH — The eighth annual Circle Trot will be taking place on Sunday, April 29 at the AllWell North building. There will be a 10k/5k/2k race that will navigate throughout downtown Plymouth and the surrounding areas in support of the Circle Program. The Trot is community, family friendly event that encourages all ages and ability levels to participate.

The 2018 year as brought the approval of of the Trot as a Cluster Project at Plymouth State University. As a Cluster Project, the Trot will foster

cross-disciplinary collaboration between students and faculty member in Sports Management, Physical Education, Health Education and Promotion, Athletic training, Marketing and Athletics.

The Circle Program provides girls from low-income New Hampshire families with new opportunities to learn the skills, courage and confidence they need to handle the challenges in their lives. This is done this through a unique combination of adult and peer support that is delivered through our



year-round mentoring and residential summer camp programs. The Circle Program provides support to girls in 29 towns from

Concord to Plymouth, which makes the Circle Trot a wonderful community event.

Racers can register at www.CircleTrot.org

COURTESY (Left) The eighth annual Circle Trot will be taking place on Sunday, April 29 at the AllWell North building.

or call 536-4244. Same day registration will be available at Plymouth University's AllWell North Building until 8:30 a.m. the morning of the Trot. Not a runner? Come out to cheer on your friends and family and embrace the Circle Trot motto of 'Friends to the Finish.'

New priest and pastor at local Episcopal churches

REGION — The Church of the Holy Spirit (Plymouth) and St. Mark's Church (Ashland) have together called the Rev. Kelly Sundberg Seaman, an Episcopal priest, as their pastor. She is also serving as Episcopal Chaplain to Plymouth State University, joining the campus ministry team there. At the churches, she joins the Rev. Mary-An Davis, who has been serving Holy Spirit and St. Mark's as a Deacon.

The Rev. Sundberg Seaman (who goes by "Rev. Kelly") comes to Ashland and Plymouth after two years as Missioner of Sunapee, serving St Andrew's, New London, New Hampshire, and the Church of the Epiphany in Newport, New Hampshire, as the two churches grew together as partners in ministry. During her time there, the churches worked together to offer afterschool programs for Newport school kids, including the Epiphany Explorers 4H group, and the UpBeat Youth Choir.

Rev. Kelly grew up in Charlottesville, Va. A graduate of Davidson College and the University of Virginia, she studied for ordination at the Church Divinity School of the Pacific, the Episcopal seminary in Berkeley, California. She also trained as a hospital



COURTESY PHOTO Rev. Kelly Sundberg Seaman

chaplain at Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center. Rev. Kelly formerly worked as a writer and editor, most recently at Dartmouth College.

"I'm thrilled to be joining the people of Holy Spirit and St Mark's, who are 'the Episcopal branch of the Jesus movement' on both sides of the Pemi," she says.

All are welcome to Sunday worship, which takes place in Plymouth at 8 a.m. at Holy Spirit's Griswold Hall, the white building at 263 Highland St., Plymouth. "It's a simple, spoken service using the Book of Common Prayer," explains Rev. Kelly. At 9:30 a.m. at St Mark's, 18 Highland St., Ashland, members of both Holy Spirit and St Mark's gather for a vibrant, music-filled Communion service. A choir sings, and there is a dynamic children's education program as well. Coffee and friendly conversation follow in

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Clam chowder from Phat Fish comes out on top at Souper Bowl

BY DONNA RHODES

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PLYMOUTH — Participants in the 14th annual Artistic Roots Souper Bowl chose the clam chowder from Phat Fish restaurant in Plymouth as this year's champion, but there were no losers as everyone enjoyed more than 20 varieties of hot soups available last Saturday afternoon.

"We're all getting something different then going back for more so we can try as many as possible," said Trudy Woodward of Bristol, who attended with her daughter and granddaughter, Alisha and Autumn Langill.

Besides all the great soups, many people also took home one of the many beautiful, locally crafted pottery bowls and mugs that were offered in the \$25 ticket price, while others brought along a bowl of their own for a lesser price.

"Oh, I had to get another bowl this year. I have a whole collection now and just love them," one woman commented as she held her new bowl up for a refill.

Conversation was lively as each person compared the samplings of soup they selected. Mad River Tavern's Broccoli and Cheddar, which won second place, was a very popular recipe, as was third place winner, the Pumpkin Bisque from Café Lafayette Dinner Train.

"I can't get enough of this. It's delicious," said one gentleman as he went back for seconds on the bisque.

Other worthy contenders in this year's Souper Bowl were Annie's Overflow Restaurant, Baked, Biederman's Deli, Covered Bridge Farm to Table, George's Seafood Restaurant, Golden Pond Country Store, Main Street Station, M and M Scoops, Rumney Rocks Cafe, Six Burner Bistro, Sunset Grill, Thai Smiles, The Common Cafe, Walter's Basin, Chef du Cuisine, Norman Butterfield and Melanie DeRhone.

Common Man Inn provided rolls to go along with all the soups, chowders and chili, and there was a tempting variety of desserts to top off the



DONNA RHODES Trudy Woodward, Alisha and Autumn Langill of Bristol attended last weekend's Souper Bowl in Plymouth, calling it a "wonderful community event." Proceeds from the dinner and raffles all benefited Artistic Roots Coop.



DONNA RHODES Suzan Gannett, the Executive Director of Artistic Roots Co-op, shared some of her soup with her nine-month-old grandson Liam at their annual Souper Bowl in Plymouth last Saturday afternoon.



DONNA RHODES More than 20 varieties of hot soups, chowders, bisques and chili were available from local restaurants at last weekend's 14th tSouper Bowl, presented each year by the Artistic Roots Coop in downtown Plymouth.

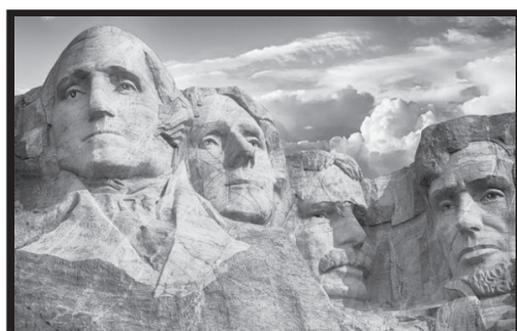
meal as well.

When people were done eating and had cast their vote for their favorite recipe, they browsed through the more than 40 raffle items donated by members of the Artistic Roots Cooperative. After looking over all the pottery, jewelry, photographs and paintings, handcrafted metal works, fiber arts and glassware, they then tucked their tickets into boxes for the items they most hoped to win. Gift baskets from Boomerang and Renaissance Florists also saw a lot of raffle tickets cast their way.

Suzan Gannett, Executive Director of Artistic Roots, was pleased with the turnout for this year's Souper Bowl and offered her gratitude to all who came out to sup-

port their cooperative.

"This is always a lot of fun. All of the soups are delicious, and as you



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Causes and dangers of distracted driving

BY DEB NARO
Contributor

Distracted driving goes beyond texting and driving. Did you know that the leading cause of distracted driving crashes happen when teens are interacting with other passengers? Other factors of distracted driving include cell phone use, looking at something inside or outside of the vehicle, moving to music, grooming, and reaching for an object.

It is more important than ever to educate teens and parents on the dangers of distracted driving.

The National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) has long been concerned with the issues of novice drivers and distracted driving. A recent study shows that drivers who were engaged in phone conversations were less aware of traffic movements around them. Using a hands-free unit does not eliminate the distraction of having a cell phone conversation while driving. Education should be a key component of any effort to reduce the risk of traffic collisions resulting from cell phone use; some believe education could prove to be more effective than sanctions. Young drivers do only 20 percent of their driving at night, but more than half of crash fatalities of teen drivers occur during nighttime hours. The risk of a crash involving a teen driver increases with each additional teen passenger in the vehicle. Distractions occur when drivers concentrate on something other than operating their vehicles, such as engaging in cell phone conversations (or even watching DVDs!). The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) estimates that 25 percent of all crashes involve some form of driver distraction.

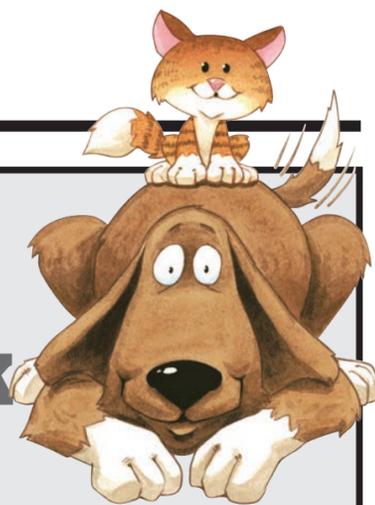
A recent NHTSA survey found that nearly 75 percent of drivers reported using their phone while driving and an estimated 60 percent of cell phone use takes place behind the wheel.

Driving safely can be challenging enough when full attention is given to the road and its potential hazards. Driving while operating a cell phone, adjusting the radio, or eating and drinking can be potentially dangerous. There are things you can do to avoid distractions while driving. Drive carefully and responsibly, and concentrate on the road, not on the conversations around you, the music that is playing, or the friend calling on your cell phone. Parents should consider limiting the number of people in their teen's car. Adjust vehicle controls, such as radios, air conditioning, or mirrors, before beginning to drive or after the car is no longer in motion. Don't reach down or behind the driver's seat, pick up items from the floor, open the glove compartment, clean the inside windows, or perform personal grooming while driving. Put your cell phone away while driving; let voice mail pick up your calls and answer text messages after you stop. Stop your vehicle to use your cell phone to report crime, emergencies, accidents, or dangerous driving situations. If you must use your phone while driving, pull off the road, stop, and then dial.

Paying attention while driving will save lives. For more information about ways to prevent distracted driving, visit SADD at www.sadd.org.

If you or anyone you know struggles with addiction or substance use, call the New Hampshire Statewide Addiction Crisis Line at 1-844-711-4357.

PET of the Week Trevor



Trevor is only just one year old and already has quite the story to tell.

Originating in South Carolina, Trevor is acclimating to our New England winter with not a bother at all.

He's got those big ears that make him look like he wants to take flight, but really are all the better to hear you with when you call his name and spend quality time with him.

We adopted him out but his new dotting owner realized after three months, that work time and "TrevorTime" were



not compatible.

Young Trevor has been enjoying canine enrichment and rehabilitation here at New

Hampshire Humane Society. He is anxious and really doesn't want to be alone. Although barely out of puppyhood, he

would blossom in some confidence building/socialization classes with other dogs where he can make canine friends appropriately. We offer such classes at NHHS.

Of course anyone would be smitten with his unusually marked coat, but look past that and see in those big brown eyes a dog that needs love and companionship, structured play and exercise in a home that will keep him engaged. Are you that someone?

Call 524-3252 – check www.nhhumane.org

Letters to the Editor

Amend to protect our future

To the Editor:

I recently testified before the New Hampshire House Municipal & County Government Committee in favor of the New Hampshire Community Rights Amendment, CACR19. Local people from the towns of New Hampshire do not find it difficult to understand how the structure of law and government work to deny us our individual rights enumerated within our state Bill of Rights.

There's been concern expressed over whether the proposed state constitutional amendment is proposing unlimited Home Rule for NH municipalities, after all, New Hampshire is a Dillon's Rule state! Dillon's Rule is a legal doctrine that says towns are only empowered to enact laws permitted by the State. The State is the parent, the Municipality is the child. Home Rule is a legal doctrine that empowers towns to pass laws that are not specifically prohibited by the State. The problem is that both doctrines allow preemption to override local law-making that affords greater protections than provided by state and federal laws.

I would describe CACR19 as a "limited home rule" amendment, offering a narrow portal of allowable municipal laws that are not subject to punitive preemption, thereby protecting municipalities from certain kinds of legal action.

And, clearly, we do not have to be a home rule state to empower municipalities with forms of home rule authority. As a matter of fact, we already do! During the Onasis Oil Refinery debacle in the mid-70's, the legislature saw fit to pass HB 18 leading to RSA 31:109 and 47:27, which reaffirmed the Town's home rule decision-making

authority over refinery siting in both towns and cities.

Government is supposed to protect the people and regulate corporations, not protect corporations and regulate the people. Yet the current structure of law and government renders the people within a community as abused children; corporations as the abuser; with the state as the enabler of the abuse through the issuance of land-use permits that legalize the abusive activity; then the courts are there to protect the abuser from the abused when they attempt to stop the abuse!

If I were truly speaking of an abused child, there would be outrage over such a system that would legalize child abuse, protect the abuser and punish the abused for trying to stop the abuse, and yet I am talking about children; their mothers, their fathers, and other family members too. We all make up our communities. We are the families that live, work and play amongst legalized harmful corporate activities that reduce our property values, kill our local economies, and contaminate our air, water and soil; leaving us sick, sometimes prematurely dead, and we just keep on keeping on.

CACR19 is the only way to stop the abuser because it empowers the abused with legal authority to stop the abuse and instructs the courts to protect the abused from the abuser and no longer the other way around. Learn more at www.nhcommunityrights.org.

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A legislative update

To the Editor:

This is the 36th of my regular reports on what is happening in the legislature in Concord. Over the last week or so, my time was devoted to committee hearings. The full House will not meet until the Standing Committees complete more of their work. Plus, today is a snow day... so I drove to and from Nashua for my wife's radio show. But then, we flat landers are a hardy lot.

The Criminal Justice Committee, on which I serve, voted Ought To Pass (OTP) the bill to prevent Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) 21:0. I was more than pleased. I expect the bill to pass the full floor vote, after which it proceeds to the Senate. I hope they concur. I reviewed the sign-up sheets for opinions and testimony. No one registered in opposition. This speaks highly of you, who took the time to clearly state that this barbarous practice should not be allowed in New Hampshire.

The committee also voted to end Driving Under the Influence check-points. When all the rules for notification and inspections are applied, these check-points they lose their effectiveness. Officers catch more by patrolling. Thus removing eight to 10 patrol cars from the road to conduct a check-point is not a productive use of resources. The bill was voted OTP 12:8. The bill now goes to the full House for an up or down vote. I was on board once I heard how ineffective check-points are.

The Committee voted against the reduction of penalties for first time drug offenders 18:1

(Inexpedient To Legislate [ITL]). It is all part of the move to treat a choice as an illness and ease the pain on the user. It made no sense to me, nor most of the Committee, when New Hampshire is in the middle of a drug crisis.

Then came the "feel good" bill addressing a pet left in the car. The bill authorizes a citizen to break your car window if they think a pet is in distress. Of course, the pet might not be in distress, might escape, might attack the "rescuer" or run into danger and be killed. Many people feel compelled to protect Fido or Fifi, but I wonder why there is not the same passion when the pre-born in the womb is the subject. The baby and it's wellbeing are not considered. Concerns are expressed about the stability of our underfunded Social Security and Medicare or the aging population. But 60 million persons, plus their offspring, who would be paying taxes to keep Social Security and Medicare solvent have been sacrificed. The individuals who provide the resources that support Social Security and Medicare and our workforce begin as babies. The Committee voted this bill ITL 18:2.

Several more bills were heard. I'll report on more next week. Please contact me by phone at 320-9524 or email at dave@sanbornhall.net with your concerns.

Cheers!

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State Representative
Franklin and Hill*

She lived 'way back in the day when snow was friend, not foe

It was late on an early February afternoon, and the sun's rays were downright warm, even at near Zero, as they came barreling across the snow and smacking into the front porch. The mountains known to the geologists as the Blue Mountain Pluton stood against the southeastern sky.

It was a scene I'd seen countless times before, except that this time a couple of things made it different. First, there was that certain angle and intensity of the light. Second, there was the handiwork of one Robert (a.k.a. "Baker Bob") Washaw.

Way back when, Bob helped my parents out with all kinds of stuff, things not made easier by time, and now he helps me, the kind of generational thing about the North Country we both love. In his real life he's the head baker at the Mountain View Grand in Whitefield, one of New Hampshire's few remaining (and vibrant) ties to the days of the grand hotels.

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Bob had been throwing snow around to make a little space in the scheme of things for Millie, who is a dog but doesn't know it. Her tiny form has to have some place to exist in a land of deep snow. She is, after all, as longtime cribbage partner Norma Lay used to say so protectively about any tiny creature, "just little."

Bob's shoveling gives Millie a runway of sorts for her outside patrols, which believe me on a 25-below night are

NORTH COUNTRY NOTEBOOK

By JOHN HARRIGAN



pretty damned brief. In summer, she lallaggs. In times of deep snow and 20 below, not so much.

There was something about the way the sunlight was catching the snow, and the bold outlines of the mountains, that made me run for my camera, the way I've been running for cameras ever since I got my first newspaper job at the Nashua Telegraph, back in 1968. I'd never worked at my parents' newspaper in Colebrook. It was all new to me.

The day before, on a whim built on bitter cold and snowmelt running down my neck as a yard hand at the Lorden Lumber Company in Milford, I'd bamboozled a job at the Telegraph, an afternoon daily with a circulation of 21,000--the second-largest daily paper in the state, behind the statewide Union Leader.

The Telegraph had hired me as a darkroom trainee, not as a reporter or photographer, and I knew utterly nothing about either. Nonetheless, City Editor Mike Shalhoup stuck an ancient four-by-five Speed Graphic into my hands a couple of mornings after I'd been hired, and growled "Go get me a front page picture." Which I did, totally by happenstance.

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Newspapering, which I've been at for nearly 50 years now,



JOHN HARRIGAN

The light was just right to send me running for the camera, this time not the old 4 by 5 Speed Graphic I'd trained on 50 years ago, but instead a newfangled digital.



COURTESY

A snow-roller and team ready to go, champing at the bit somewhere up in Maine.

surely has its rewards, or else I wouldn't have been here this long. One of them is bumping into some very unusual and interesting people, and you never know just where or when.

A while back, I wrote something about snow-rollers, those huge barrel-like rigs drawn by teams of horses or oxen and used to pack down snow so people could get out and about and get to town with their sleighs and pungs.

This brought a wonderful card, with songbirds all around it, from

Eunice Vittum of Bristol. In oh-so-neat handwriting, she told me of her girlhood days in nearby Plymouth, and what life was like in the days of snowrollers and sleds and sleighs.

"Thank you for your columns, which appear in the Bristol Enterprise," she wrote. "I remember the days of the two-horse team and wooden snow plow. In Plymouth ours was drawn by a beautiful team of chestnut-colored horses."

In downtown areas, kids, dogs and sheer



COURTESY

This is a 4 by 5 Speed Graphic camera like the one I trained on, so often seen in movies featuring the old-time press, which I'm not, it says here.

activity often packed snow down enough that sleighs and pungs--very light two-passenger affairs, like lightweight buggies--could get around. But in the countryside, the arrival of the snowroller, keenly anticipated almost before the snow stopped falling, was a much heralded event.

In a world far removed from today's fear-mongering, hunker-down, "Winter Storm Watch" TV news mentality, Eunice Vittum's society didn't just cope with winter, it embraced it. "Winter, though cold, was a fun time for us," Eunice (she gave me a pass on the informal) wrote. "Sliding, skiing on wooden skis held on with jar-rubbers, and of course riding on the old traverse with the older kids in control of the steering..

"...Plymouth had a

big toboggan slide, and several ice rinks around town. You were lucky to get a spot to skate if the big boys were playing hockey. There were 6 or 7 one-room schools around the town. Some people had to walk a few miles, no matter what the weather."

Eunice Vittum misses walking downtown, temporarily thwarted by a muscle problem. She plans to be out and about in time to battle the bugs. She is 92.

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The Speed Graphic was a great camera to learn on. It taught shutter discipline, for sure--no cranking off a dozen shots per second.

This huge camera had a wooden negative-holder that slid into place behind the frosted glass on the camera's back end. To get ready to make an exposure, you cocked the shutter aside the massive Zeiss-Ikon lens and pulled a protective shield out from in front of the negative. When you'd framed your shot (and, believe me, you thought a lot about it), you hit the trigger to make your exposure. Then you slid the protective cover back into place and flipped it and pushed it back in for your next (and probably last) shot, unless your subject stood still.

It was a hard camera to run, and it's hard to make some people believe that my training preceded the advent of the 35mm single-lens reflex, but it did, and with this old and cumbersome rig I did some of the very best photographic work of my half-century career.

(This column is syndicated in papers covering two-thirds of New Hampshire and parts of Maine and Vermont. Address letters, with town and telephone numbers in case of questions, to campguyhooligan@gmail.com or to Box 39, Colebrook, NH 03576.)

Strategies for Living

Situational ethics: right or wrong?

BY LARRY SCOTT

There are four foundational principles to which every thinking man should give careful attention: origin, meaning, morality and destiny. He can, obviously, ignore them as of little interest, but that will not change the facts. Each of these issues is critical to his perception of life and death, and where he comes out will have a profound influence on his journey through life. We have, in this column, given consideration to our origin and the meaning of our existence; today: morality, or more specifically, situational ethics. Does the situation, doing what is desirable, perhaps choosing the lesser of two evils, make right what is undeniably wrong?

In Chapter 1 of his book, *The Morality Gap*, Erwin Lutzer tells that in Los Angeles there is a group of businessmen and their wives who gather for a party every Friday evening. Before they leave, the names of the wives are placed in a hat and passed around the room. That evening,

each man goes home with the wife whose name he selected.

This would be quite justified if one accepts the position taken by Joseph Fletcher in his book, *Situation Ethics: The New Morality*. If you can do it in love and no one is hurt, he tells us, it just might be the proper thing to do. In one of his examples, a Mrs. Bergmeier, after being taken prisoner by the Russians during the second world war, learned that she could be released from prison only if she were ill or pregnant. Realizing that her family desperately needed her, she asked one of the camp guards to impregnate her, and, shortly, she was home again with her family! Justified?

I believe Philosopher Aldous Huxley hit the nail on the head when he wrote, "Those who detect no meaning in the world generally do so because for one reason or another, it suits their books that the world should be meaningless" (*Ends & Means*, p. 270). "For myself, as no doubt, for most

of my contemporaries, the philosophy of meaningfulness was essentially an instrument of liberation ... from a certain system of morality. We objected to the morality because it interfered with our sexual freedom" (p. 273).

We would agree with Fletcher and other situationists that love, genuine, caring, committed love, has a significant influence on the decisions we make and the principles we live by. But love is not license, and for the Christian, our directives come from God's Word. Jesus said, "If you love me, keep my commandments" (John 14:15). As per Erwin Lutzer, "Whereas the new moralists think that love

must be defined by human beings and tailored to meet each situation, biblical writers hold that love is served by keeping the commandments of God (*The Morality Gap*, Chapter 8).

We have seen in recent days what happens when individuals get off track, meandering through the dark days of life without any sense of direction. What do you do with a generation where every man is a god unto himself? As always, I seem to come back to where I started. There is a way out of the morass in which we find ourselves, and his name is Jesus Christ.

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



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Michael Alan Cote, 23

BIDDEFORD, Maine — Michael Alan Cote, 23, died suddenly at his home in Biddeford on Feb. 8, 2018.

He was born in Franklin on Jan. 18, 1995.

He attended school in the Newfound School District and had been a handyman and subcontractor. Michael lived in the Alexandria/Danbury area before moving to Biddeford a year ago.

He enjoyed snowboarding and skateboarding. He loved to make people laugh, had an infectious smile and a huge heart taking in strays much of the time. His daughter, Ayla, was his whole world and he was a loving and caring father.

He is survived by his daughter, Ayla Grace, and her mother, Amanda Bean both of Laconia; his mother and stepfather, Melissa and Guy Brouillard of Alexandria; his father and stepmother, Wayne and Melissa Cote of Northfield; his sister and her boyfriend, Samantha Cote and Matt Vassey of Biddeford, Maine; his maternal grandparents, Michael and Margaret (Ford) Barnett of Danbury; his step siblings, Greg Brouillard of Belmont, Bryan Brouillard of Northfield, Sara Rice



of Northfield, Alex Rice of Northfield, and Macaelyn Hamilton of Danbury; his step grandparents, Loretta and Bob Brouillard of Alexandria; aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins, including Aunt Jen and Uncle Simon Barnett and cousin, Hannah Barnett of Danbury and Aunt Lisa Jewell and cousin, Jake Jewell of Gilmanton.

A celebration of his life will be held on Feb. 24, 2018 at a time and place to be announced by the family. A graveside service will be held in Riverdale Cemetery, Danbury, in the spring.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Michael Cote Memorial Fund established for Ayla Cote's education fund at any TD Bank.

To sign an online guestbook please visit www.chadwickfuneralservice.com.

LACONIA — Brent M. Porter, 23, of Funspot Drive, died Friday, Feb. 2, 2018.

Brent was born on Feb. 6, 1994 in Laconia, the son of Matthew Porter of Laconia and Amy Thomson (Watts) of Belmont. Brent was a graduate of the Class of 2012 from Laconia High School. He worked as an HVAC technician alongside his father, for Porter Heating and Cooling. Brent loved his family as well as being outdoors. Some of his



favorite hobbies were skiing, watching and playing sports, fishing, golfing with his uncle

Pat and spending time with family and friends.

Brent is survived by his girlfriend, Katherine Ayn Scott of Claremont; father, Matthew Porter of Laconia; mother, Amy Thomson of Belmont; two brothers, Keaton Porter of Meredith and Cody Porter of Laconia; a sister, Jasmyn Murgatory of Laconia; grandparents Peter and Jewel LaPointe of Belmont, Geraldo Porter of Laconia and Donna Berry of Bristol; as well as many aunts, uncles and cousins.

He was predeceased by grandparents, Walter Berry and Roger and Gloria Watts.

Services will be at a later date.

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, please visit www.wilkinsonbeane.com.

Towns

Alexandria

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I am certainly glad to have warmer days, even if only a few. It seems just right for tapping trees for delicious maple syrup. Not an easy task, but the end result is well worth the work. One of my favorite "treats" was the boiled frosting my mother would make for cakes.

Town

Board of Selectmen Meeting Tuesday, Feb. 20 at 6 p.m. in the Municipal Building.

Planning Board Meeting Wednesday, Jan. 21 at 6 p.m. in the Municipal Building.

These meetings are open to the public unless otherwise noted.

The First Deliberative Session was held on Feb. 10, with approximately 36 folks in attendance. There was much discussion on the Warrant Articles and some changes to the dollar amounts on certain ones. The final copy of the Articles will be ready in the near future for review before the Second Deliberative Session, Voting Day, on March 13. Polls will be open from 11 a.m. until 7 p.m. at the Town Hall on Washburn Road.

The Alexandria Volunteer Firefighters Association will be holding their 27th Annual Ice Fishing Derby Feb. 24 and 25 from the Boat Launch at Wellington State Park. There will be a Grand Prize drawing of \$1,000 for the largest overall fish! Tickets are available for a donation of \$20 from Newfound Trading Post, Lake Street in Bristol or any AVFFA member. Hoodie sweatshirts are available for sale at Newfound Trading Post, Newfound Grocery on Route 3A in Bridgewater, at the Derby Headquarters, or any Fire Department member. The hoodies are \$25 each, with the exception of size 2XX which are \$28. You do not have to actively ice fish to win a prize, but you must have a ticket to win! The Cook Shack will be there, with good things to eat and drink.

Alexandria UMC

Reminder for those who signed up for the Lenten Study, will begin on Thursday, Feb. 15 at 7 p.m. at Tom and Anita Larson's home, 601 Washburn Rd.

Sunday, Feb. 18, Services begin at 9 a.m., with Sunday School Classes at 10:15 a.m.

Lenten Worship at AUMC on Wednesday,

Feb. 21 at noon, with a light luncheon following the service.

Time for me to head out on my next mission of the day. Hope you have a great week, and are able to take in the fresh air and sunshine! If you should have something you'd like see this column, or an event coming up please feel free to give me a call to let me know. One suggestion I've had is a "Remember When" section. Your thoughts?

Danbury

Donna Sprague
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COURTESY

Pictured here is Avery, who will be demonstrating how to grow sprouts at the Thrifty Yankee Ragbag at the Grange hall this Saturday, Feb. 17. Drop by between 10 a.m. and noon to get a free market tote in which to carry home one of Avery's jars to sprout and other samples of do it yourself items and instructions.

South Danbury Church

Sunday worship at the South Danbury Christian Church will be at 11 a.m. on Sunday, Jan. 28. Everyone is welcome for worship, and for conversation and refreshments afterward.

The Valentine's Day Happy Hour on Feb. 9 was a wonderful success – a happy gathering of friends, fun, food, and funds. Thanks to everyone who helped with organizing, Facebooking, making, baking, cooking, crafting, promoting, decorating, buying, and every other way! Pictures are posted on the Friends of the South Danbury Christian Church Facebook page. The next Happy Hour will be on Friday, March 23, just in time for Easter. Save the date!

Ice Cream for Breakfast Celebration

Thanks to the good cooking of Judith and Tom Brewer fantastic raised waffles were the feature of the second annual ice cream for breakfast celebration at the Feb. 3 Danbury Winter Market. Topped with ice cream, whipped cream, assorted sauces and sprinkles, the waffle sundae creations were limited only by the makers imagination. More thanks go out to the Danbury Country Store for donating the maple

syrup and Margaret the sock lady for whipped cream and topping donations. The cooking waffles filled the hall with "yumminess". Perhaps that isn't a word, but it sounds so tasty.

Thrifty Yankee Ragbag

At the Feb. 17 winter market pickup, drop by the hall between 10 a.m. and noon to view the do it yourself demonstrations. Pickup up your free Danbury Winter Market tote bag and fill it with samples and instructions on all things thrifty. Learn how to make your own laundry detergent from Donna Duquette from Ledge Hill Farm in Alexandria. Let Avery show you his project on growing sprouts. Have a little snack made from a homemade baking mix or bring your tools and knives to be sharpened by Mike from Wild Meadow Farms. Find out how to make toothpaste, dryer balls and discover the benefits of composting your food waste, both for the soil you can make and the dollars you save for the town's waste budget. It will be informal, informative and just fun! If you are making the trip, plan to order some local products for pickup while you are there. Order by Thursday, Feb. 15 at noon at harvesttomarket.com/farmers-market/Danbury-winter-market. Participating vendors are Warner River Organics, Huckins Farm, Pleasant View Arts, Huntoon Farm and Margaret Hoyle's socks knitted on an antique knitting machine.

Danbury Business Meet and Greet

The forms for the grange's business meet and greet are scattered about town. Local community members want to support local businesses. This informal two hour event will give Danbury businesses a chance to promote their business, meet community members and discuss what services your business provides. It's free and will give businesses the opportunity to promote themselves in their home town. The form can also be found at blazingstargrange.org.

Silent Movie

The annual silent movie with live musical accompaniment by Jeff Rapsis will be held on Saturday, March 17 at 7 p.m. at the grange hall. The first film will be "My Wife's Relations," a comedy from 1922, in

which film star Buster Keaton accidentally marries into an Irish family. The main film will be "Conductor 1492" - about a young man who leaves Ireland to make his fortune in 1920s America. The original music by Rapsis and the silent movie going audience reactions makes for a special evening you don't want to miss.

Groton

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The Budget Hearing was held on Feb. 6. Many residents were in attendance, and there was much discussion. At least 2 lines were changed due to this discussion. The Town Clerk/Tax Collector salary was changed from \$28,048 to \$28,848 to reflect a slightly less than 3 percent increase. The Police Chief salary was changed to reflect a 3 percent increase over last year. The Planning Board has an increase in their budget that reflects the purchase of a fire-proof filing cabinet for their paperwork/maps, and to also reflect the activities planned for the newly formed Citizens Planning Committee and contact with the Town residents. Some of these monies will be brought in through grants. There was discussion concerning decisions that the Select Board is facing in the coming year regarding the Highway Department and the new building planned to house that department across from the transfer station and also the idea of perhaps contracting out some of the highway services to reduce the need for heavy equipment, but these decisions will not be made before Town Meeting and will most likely come before the Town next year.

The total operating budget for 2018 will be approximately \$734,634, last year the Town Report had an operating budget of \$715,037. This year's budget reflects a modest increase over last year. There may be changes overall based on the results of Town Meeting and how the vote goes on the Warrant Articles that will come before the Townspeople. Please make an effort to come out to the meeting as this is where you may have your voice heard.

We are still looking for members for the Conservation Commission. There were few who came to sign up as

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Ashland Community Church is located at 55 Main St., on Route 3 in Ashland (across from Shurfine Market). Parking is available next to and behind the church.

Sundays

9 a.m. — Early Worship Service, followed by coffee/fellowship in the church dining room.

9:25 a.m. — KidZone for K-grade six

Special Needs Ministry-high school-adults

11 a.m. — Contemporary Worship Service

11:15 a.m. — KidZone for K-grade 6

11:15 a.m. — Youth Sunday School

“Toddler Zone” is available at both services for infants to age five. Before the contemporary service, please join us for coffee and healthy snacks.

KidZone

Debbie Madden leads the K-sixth grade class. Kids will love the great videos and games that teach someone age appropriate lessons in a loving atmosphere.

Axyon Youth Ministry, for grades six through 12

Frdiays from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Mill #3 (39 Winter St.), just around the corner from the church. This youth ministry will be meeting every week, and is led by our youth and worship pastor, Aaron Stout, along with our volunteer youth leader staff. This youth group ministry is open to youth not only from Ashland, but surrounding towns as well. Spread the word and bring your friends.

Mondays

8 p.m. — Alcoholics Anonymous Group meets in the Church dining room.

It is our desire to help you understand God's incredible grace and love. If you have any questions, please call Pastor Ernie Madden at (office phone number) 968-9463. You can also e-mail him at accernie@hotmail.com or visit the church Web site, ashlandcommunitychurch.com.

We believe that you will love it at Ashland Community Church. We are a friendly, loving

and caring church that studies and shares the word of our dear Lord and Savior. Our vision is to become a church that un-churched people will love to attend. Our mission is to lead people to live and love like Jesus, and to help others do the same.

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We look forward to seeing you on Sunday. And remember, just come as you are! No perfect people allowed!

Plymouth Episcopal (Church of the Holy Spirit)

Our new priest, the Rev. Kelly Sundberg Seaman, continues to settle into our area. Hope that you will attend a Sunday service to meet and get to know her. Our services are still the same: 8:00 at Griswold Hall, 263 Highland St., Plymouth (Griswold Hall is adjacent to the Christian Life Center—CLC), and 9:30 a.m. at St. Mark's, 18 Highland St., Ashland.

Season of Lent begins with Ash Wednesday on Feb. 14

There are two places that you can receive ashes.

9:30 a.m. Eucharist & ashes, St. Mark's

11:30 a.m. Eucharist & ashes, CLC chapel, 263 Highland St.

12:30 p.m. the traditional ECW chowder luncheon, following the service in

the CLC chapel (Ashes available individually with prayer in CLC chapel following lunch)

Weekly Worship & Formation Schedule for Lent

Lent brings with it new opportunities for spiritual formation. Listed below are services and events which you are cordially invited to attend.

Tuesdays*: 9 a.m. Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John, CLC meeting room

11 a.m. Holy Eucharist w Healing Prayer, CLC chapel

Wednesdays: 9:30 a.m. Morning Prayer, CLC chapel 10 a.m. Intercessory Prayer group, CLC meeting room

Thursday: 9:30 a.m. Morning Prayer, CLC

chapel

11 a.m. Holy Eucharist w Healing Prayer, St. Mark's

Fridays 9:30 a.m. Morning Prayer, St. Mark's

*Begins Tuesday, Feb. 20, the Tuesday after Ash Wednesday

Donate to the local Food Bank

Where did we see you hungry, Lord, and feed you?

Local Food banks are always in need of donated canned goods, and CHS has a collection basket at Griswold Hall for you to donate! Think of what one can of soup or fruit a week from each of us could do! You may bring items directly to the Food Bank (located at the Community Closet, across the street from Rite-Aid) on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9-11-or place items in the basket in Griswold Hall, and Kathy Lennox will collect all items and take them to the Food Bank weekly.

Restoration Church, Plymouth (Assemblies of God)

Happy New Year and greetings from Restoration Church Plymouth located at 319 Highland Street, Plymouth, NH 03264. If you do not have a home church we invite you to come and join our warm and friendly family here at Restoration Church. Please feel free to contact us at hello@restorationchurch.cc.. Our church phone number is still the same, 1-603-536-1966. Our schedule has changed to the following:

Sunday:

10:30 a.m. Morning Service

Monday: First and third Monday of the Month

Noon-2 p.m. Helping Hands Food Pantry

Friday: Second Friday of the month

6 p.m. Food, Fun, Fellowship

On Sunday, Nov. 5 we officially launched as Restoration Church Plymouth. More details about this service will be included in the next article. We also started a new series entitled, Stories. We will be continuing this series this week as well. We have our own worship team

during our services in our auditorium and then we watch as a Pastor Nate Gagne preaches via video during our service.

Our Mission Statement: Just One More!

Everyone is welcome to all of our services. The church is handicapped accessible on the east entrance.

Star King Unitarian Universalist Fellowship

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

Sunday – Feb. 18 Nursery and Religious Education – 9:30 a.m. –10:30 a.m. – Contact: Jane Clay, DRE Service 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. – Are You Adjustable? Wisdom from the Khasi Hills

Rev. Eva Cameron, Guest Worship Leader Sarah Dan Jones, Music Director and Choir

Rev. Eva Cameron, a friend of Rev. Linda's from Iowa, will preach about a phrase she learned during a recent stay with Unitarians in the Khasi Hills of India, that she had found to be a

life lesson.

Visit our Web site www.starrkingfellowship.org 536-8908

Awakening to Whiteness

Join us for a four week-study in what it means to be white, what is a white culture, and why it matters. Whether you feel enlightened or ignorant about race issues in our country you are welcome. Light homework required and improvisation with good humor mixed in. Our goal includes the opportunity for all of us to experience a shift in understanding culture, race, and what it means to be white. Because of the nature of our work we hope that you commit to all four sessions. If you know that you will miss one session and still wish to attend, we ask that agree to participate in the first session. Look for a sign-up sheet in the Foyer.

Dates: Feb. 4, 11, 18 and 25 (all Sundays)

Time: 2–4 p.m.

Place: Starr King UU Fellowship, Plymouth

Leaders: Rev. Dr. Linda Barnes and Cindy Spring

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lies have no other library! See Margaret Salt or Danni Simon with questions.

Did you know? You can now donate to our monthly outreach from our Web page, http://starrkingfellowship.org/ You can easily donate anytime. Just click the Donate button found on the webpage.

The Next Meeting of the Wise Women in Training is to be held on Wednesday, Feb. 28 from 10:30 a.m. to noon.

Interested in becoming a member of Starr King UU Fellowship?

You are invited to join our Path to Membership sessions, a three-week series to learn more about Unitarian Universalism and our Fellowship. The dates are March 11, 18 and 25 at 11 a.m. after the Sunday Service.

What's Happening Around the Starr King UU??

The Activities Committee would love to see you at one or all of their events. Whether it's a hike through the woods, meeting for breakfast, or an evening out at the theater, it's just one more way to come together as a community and enjoy each other's company. Please take a look at the Activities board outside the Fellowship Hall, pick up the latest copy of our monthly newsletter in the foyer, or visit the Events Page on our Web site: www.starrkingfellowship.org. Contact Mitch Manseau for further details.

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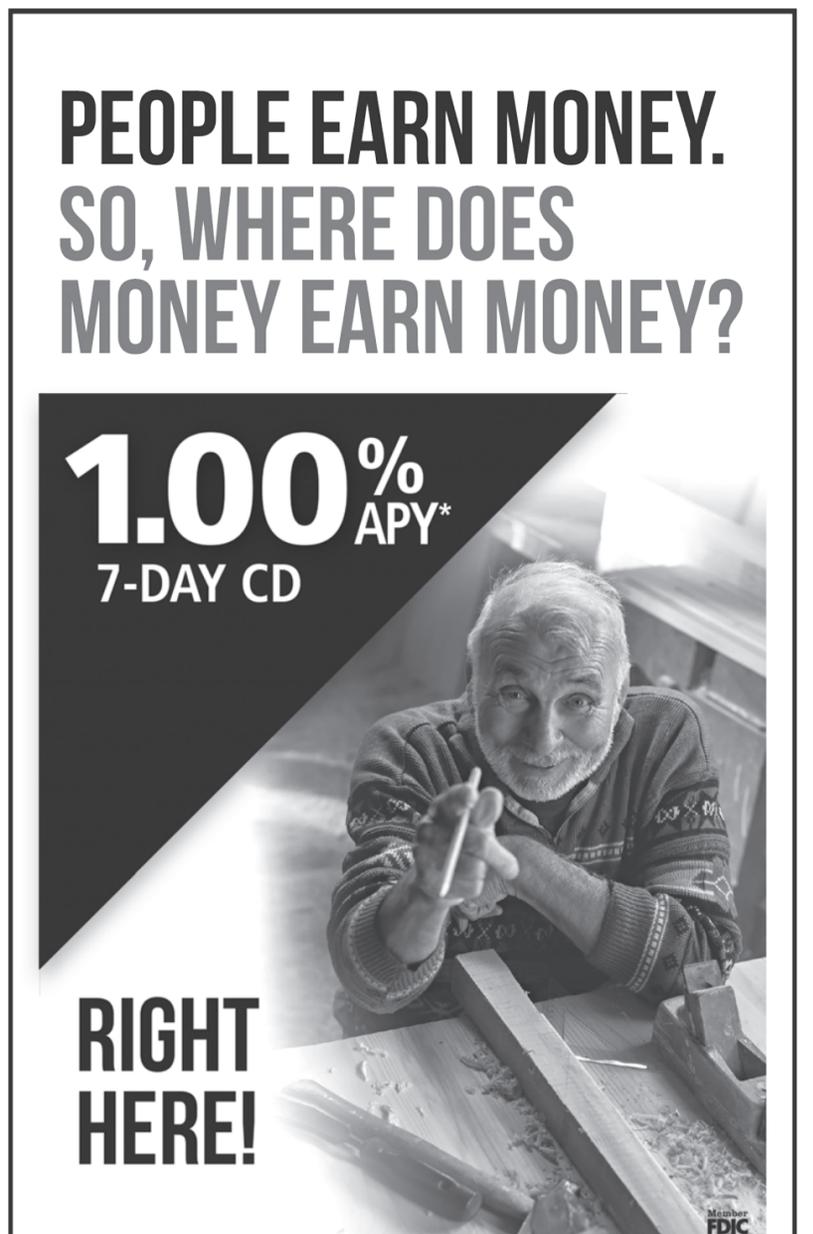
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Winter Blues Festival heats up the stage at the Flying Monkey

PLYMOUTH — The Flying Monkey Performance Center presents Winter Blues Festival on Friday, Feb. 23 at 7:30 p.m. The evening features “Big Bill” Morganfield, Sugar Ray Norcia, Jerry Portnoy, Jason Ricci, Paul Rishell and Annie Raines, and Mr. Nick and The Dirty Tricks. Tickets for this show start at \$29.

Many men try to fill their father's shoes when they join the family business. Few, however, must prove they are up to the task in front of an audience as large as the ones that watched Big Bill Morganfield come into his own and successfully pay homage to his famous father.

William Morganfield is the son of McKinley Morganfield (a.k.a. Muddy Waters), and has emerged in the past few years as one of the top young blues talents in America. Bill has played all over the world in the past 12 years, bringing pure joy to those who have had the pleasure of seeing his live performance.

“It’s been a long journey for me, man,” chuckles blues man William “Big Bill” Morganfield.

The Atlanta-based singer/guitarist is staying busy on the road in 2018 behind his



Big Bill Morganfield, son of the legendary Muddy Waters, will headline the Winter Blues Festival at the Flying Monkey in Plymouth on Feb. 23.

COURTESY

latest album, Bloodstains on The Wall. To him, it’s just one of many steps on a musical adventure.

While Big Bill succeeded in developing his own personal style and sound — without mimicking his father’s music — inevitably, there’s a hint of Muddy Waters’ voice in his singing.

“I think it’s in the genes,” says Bill. “I think I sound like my dad, but art is so hard

to duplicate. To create is a better thing. So you create your own style, with the influence of others. I learned from my daddy, but I wanted to create myself.”

Blues in the blood, indeed.

Also on the bill at The Flying Monkey is a who’s who of East Coast harmonica veterans including Jason Ricci, Annie Raines, and Sugar Ray Norcia. Jerry Portnoy, longtime harp player with

Muddy Waters’ band as well as Eric Clapton’s band, rounds out the special guests. Boston area fan favorites Mr. Nick and The Dirty Tricks will anchor the evening.

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

March classes at Artistic Roots

PLYMOUTH — On March 15, Lynn Haust will offer a Melted Glass Sun Catcher Class from 5-7 p.m. at Artistic Roots, an artists’ cooperative located at 73 Main St., Plymouth.

Participants will create beautiful glass designs to place in a window and catch the light. They can also make a nightlight. Students will learn to use stringers, frit and how to cut and place glass. Cost of the class is \$25 for members and \$35 for non-members.

Suzan Gannett will be teaching a series of Watercolor Classes in March featuring Mountains through the Seasons. The classes will be held on March 13, 20, and 27 from 10 a.m. until noon. Cost of a single class is \$25 for members and \$30 for non-members. Cost of the series is \$65 for members and \$85 for non-members.

On March 19 from 5-7 p.m., Suzan Gannett will offer a Zen Doodle Mandala Class. She will teach

students to incorporate Zen doodle designs into a beautiful mandala design. Cost of the class is \$20 for members and \$25 for non-members.

Each month, Artistic Roots also offers an open knitting class held weekly on Sundays from 2-4 p.m. sponsored by fiber artist, Polly Bartlett. This class is free and all are welcome to attend.

All classes are offered in our newly renovated studio. Come and see what a great space Artistic Roots has for offering art classes to our communities. Please note that until a class is paid for, you are not officially enrolled. All classes should be paid for at least by the day before the class.

Become a Supporting Member! The cost is \$25 annually and you receive a discount on all classes offered at the gallery. Artistic Roots is at 73 Main St. in Plymouth. You can register for classes by stopping by the gallery or phoning 536-2750.

Squam Lake Artisans need a new home

HOLDERNESS — Can you help? Squam Lake Artisans are looking for a new location to call home, so as a co-op, our thirty member-artisans, can continue to offer their fine art and crafts.

After more than 12 wonderful and mutually beneficial seasons with our hosts, the Squam Lake Natural Science Center, the time has come - as we “kinda” always knew it would - for the old inn to finally

find a new purpose in life and thereby be saved for generations to come. As our customers, visitors, and friends know, it has been a setting we have so much enjoyed. We have endeavored to make the gallery attractive and welcoming. It has been a great joy to have customers seek us out every season.

We are delighted that the building will be renovated, but rather unexpectedly we have learned our

signed lease for 2018 season would not be honored because of the pending sale.

The search is on and all suggestions or ideas would be welcomed. Ideally, we are seeking at least 1,000 square feet with good wall and floor space. The property could be seasonal or year-round. We are willing to spruce up any space. There will be a need to hang lighting to showcase the exhibited works. Access to restroom

would be needed also. We would entertain a partnership with maybe another non-profit organization or a simple lease arrangement with a property owner. It could be just for 2018, but hopefully longer. As for where, we will consider anything within the Lakes Region.

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Town of Hebron PUBLIC NOTICE

The Hebron Select Board will be holding a public hearing on an article to be added to the 2018 Warrant as follows: “To see if the town will vote pursuant to RSA 39:1-a to hold its annual town meeting on the second Tuesday of May for the selection of town officers and the transaction of all other town business. The town may move the annual town meeting to May provided it has adopted a fiscal year accounting period pursuant to RSA 31:94-a.”

The hearing will be held on Thursday, February 15, 2018 at 6:45 p.m. in the Selectmen’s Office Building located 7 School Street.

Hebron Select Board,
 Patrick Moriarty, Chair
 John Dunklee, Vice-Chair
 Eleanor Lonske, Member

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HEBRON HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
Notice of Hearing

You are hereby notified that the following Application for Certificate of Approval for 5 Braley Road, Map#17, Lot#34 will be heard at a Public Hearing to be held on Tuesday, February 27, 2018 at 7PM at the Academy Building, Select Board’s Office, 7 School Street, Hebron, NH 03241

William & Alison York of 5 Braley Road; Map #17, Lot#34 would like to construct a metal fence in the back yard for the dog. The fence will not be visible from the front of the house and will go from back left corner to the brook.

Hebron Historic District Commission
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All In Fitness celebrates new location, new programs

BY DONNA RHODES
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TILTON — Jamie Dolpies of All In Fitness has expanded her operations with a move to a new location at the Tanger Outlets, as well as the addition of a new partner, Bonnie Tisdale of Bristol, who brings new programs and fitness challenges to the center.

Dolpies said Tisdale is trained and certified in Piyo, Pilates and other strength and conditioning programs, while much of her own background is in fitness through dance and movement.

“We compliment each other very well. As soon as I met her last year, I knew she was the right fit for me as a partner,” Dolpies said.

Dolpies came to New Hampshire in 2008 after dancing salsa competitively in New York City for a number of years. When she



Jamie Dolpies and Bonnie Tisdale of All In Fitness in Tilton invite everyone to come experience their new location at the Tanger Outlets and also join them for a special March 3 Grand Opening Celebration.

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moved to the Winnisquam area, she began teaching dance at Creative Steps but also noticed there were no local dance fitness programs available for men and women. That inspired her to open All In Fitness with Zumba and other fun programs in 2013 and her business has grown from there.

In the meantime, Tisdale, a life long athlete, began teaching group fitness classes in 2009 and has been running Shape Up Newfound at the Tapley-Thompson Community Center in Bristol. Among some of the programs she loves to teach are P90X Live, Piyo Live, Turbo Kick, and CIZE Live, which is an energetic Hip

Hop-style cardio dance class.

“When I met Jamie, she said she liked my hip hop class and wanted to run some early morning classes, so I said sure, and became a partner with her last August,” Tisdale said.

Most of the classes offered by the pair and their other trainers run for 45 minutes and each instructor always keeps the proper conditioning of their clients in mind.

“All our trainers are in tune with their class. In our boot camp style classes, we modify everything to meet people’s individual needs, then keep building and building with them until they improve and get stron-

ger,” said Dolpies. “Even with the dance programs, I keep going back to the basics with a class until they’re all comfortable with them.”

Besides helping individuals grow in their fitness skills, the other important factor they encourage is for people to participate in other activities they offer and not just one class.

“No one else has the variety of programs we offer. People can take toning then move on to a more advanced class, or take interval training followed by a stretch and strength class,” Dolpies said.

The significance in that, the women explained, is to help break a plateau that

the body can reach when doing the same type of training over and over again. Keep the body guessing, they said.

Step Aerobics, Zumba, a fun and lively Pound Fit class, and Circuit Classes where participants move around the room to different workout stations are just a few of their other offerings. With a lot more room at the new location they are also looking to add children’s workout groups, jazzercise, yoga, special rentals for a group fitness party and much more.

The goal, Dolpies said is to help people become more active and therefore have more energy, grow

GCSCC Executive

Director to retire in 2018

REGION — Roberta Berner, Executive Director of Grafton County Senior Citizens Council, Inc. (GCSCC), has advised the Council’s Board of Directors that she plans to retire in September 2018. Berner joined GCSCC as Director of Marketing and Development in 1999, and has served as GCSCC’s highly successful and widely respected Executive Director for the last 15 years.

Berner is a native Floridian whose background includes man-

agement positions in a wide variety of non-profit organizations across the country before moving to New Hampshire in 1998. She is a graduate of the University of Florida and the University of Minnesota with a master’s degree in American Studies.

Under her leadership, GCSCC has served more than 8,000 individuals each year through eight senior centers, two ServiceLink aging and disability resource centers, and RSVP’s

Volunteer Center. Reflecting on her career at GCSCC, Berner noted, “I have never had a more meaningful job and I’ve never before worked in an organization that I so cherished.”

Patricia Brady, President of the GCSCC Board of Directors, acknowledged Berner’s retirement, noting “Roberta has guided and grown the organization effectively with a combination of passion, intelligence, and grace through challenging times. I be-

lieve her phenomenal work with us has been much more a calling than a job.”

The Board of Directors has appointed a Search Committee to identify and screen the most qualified candidates for the Executive Director position to ensure they embrace GCSCC’s mission to support the health, dignity, and independence of older adults and adults with disabilities living in communities throughout our region.

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Ashland	Main Street	N/A	\$100,000	Ronald St. Cyr (for St. Cyr RET)	Gerard Reigniger
Bristol	327 Wulamat Rd.	Single-Family Residence	\$255,000	Janis A. Shahr	Danielle M. and Robert Brown
Dorchester	6 Town House Rd.	Mobile Home	\$60,000	Samuel and Janice Faulkner	Greg Lemay and Jessica Curtis-Lemay
Groton	10 Patterson Lane	Single-Family Residence	\$85,000	Francis and Claudia McClain	John Gallines
Holderness	518 NH Route 175	Single-Family Residence	\$51,000	Alice A. Tower and Citizens Bank NA	Lawrence Chesley
Holderness	US Route 3	N/A	\$55,000	Kenneth J. and Rhonda L. Taylor	Kevin Shea
New Hampton	159 Dana Hill Rd.	Single-Family Residence	\$277,190	Robert G. Rice and US Bank NA	US Bank NA Trust
New Hampton	187 Old Bristol Rd.	Single-Family Residence	\$179,000	Martina Woodford	Brad J. Desjardins
New Hampton	899 Straits Rd.	Multi-Family Residence	\$162,533	Craig Longsderff	James S. and Amy L. Jones
Plymouth	1 Langdon St.	Single-Family Residence	\$189,000	William D. and Mary W. Kietzman	Tammy Levesque
Thornton	94 River Run Rd., Unit 6	Condominium	\$112,000	Jose A. and Fernanda R. Noja	Kevin L. Medeiros
Wentworth	N/A	N/A	\$219,933	William G. Allen (for William G. Allen RET)	Julye Fischer-Kinsvater and John W. Kinsvater

ABOUT THE REAL REPORT

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MARK ON THE MARKETS



BY MARK PATTERSON

Going back about eight years ago I recall very vividly that on the Friday morning when the job numbers were announced, market action was extremely predictable. At 8:30 a.m., the number of jobs created by our then economy was not good, which made the equity futures market go negative slightly, but typically by the open of trading the markets were heading up. During that period of time, bad news for the economy was good news for the equity mar-

kets. Doesn't make sense at first blush but it explains what is putting our equity markets into a corrective phase.

The Federal Reserve open market committee has stated that full employment and inflation that is reasonable are their mandates. So, when those job numbers came out poor going back about eight years ago, institutional traders and investors believed that the Fed would continue monetary easing which means lowering interest rates on the very short end of the yield curve. The Fed put us in a spot where you could no longer be a saver in low risk, fixed income instruments such as CDs or treasuries. It forced us into the equity markets to dividend paying stocks, master limited partnerships, real

estate investment trusts or even high-yield bonds a.k.a. junk.

When the Friday jobs number came out in early February, we are seeing a reversal of the past decade. The jobs number came out very strong, the market forces raised interest rates believing that the Fed would be raising to quell inflation which has been nonexistent in recent times. Then, the air started to come out of the equity markets. Unlike 2008, our economy is fundamentally sound. The last real market correction in 2009 was in response to some real underlying issues with mortgages and derivatives connected to them.

Black Swan events such as 9/11 will always disrupt the equity markets, but what we are

seeing now should not panic anyone that was involved with the quick ride up in equity values over the past year. If you had all your money in stocks and did not diversify your portfolio you should not be surprised to be leading this correction on the downside. If you are approaching retirement or in retire-

ment and you are relying totally on the equity markets for growth and did not diversify your portfolio, do not bury your head in the sand and wait for things to turn around. Call an advisor who works as a fiduciary and have them begin the process of structuring your investable assets for a more

normalized market.

I do believe after this correction we will return to growth in the equity markets, just not in the "melt up" fashion we experienced in January.

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

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National Forest trailhead stewards receive regional volunteer award

CAMPTON — The White Mountain National Forest Trailhead Stewards Program has been awarded the prestigious 2017 Eastern Region Honor Award for Volunteerism and Service.

This award recognizes “Forest Service individuals or units who have demonstrated major achievements in building internal capacity to support volunteerism and community service on Forest Service lands and accomplish priorities with a focus on partnerships, 21st Century Conservation Service Corps, community groups and individuals, and corporate engagement.” White Mountain NF Supervisor, Clare Mendelsohn, received the award on behalf of the Trailhead Stewards Program at



Trailhead volunteer stewards assisting hikers at busy trailhead in the White Mountain National Forest.

the Eastern Region Award Ceremony in Milwaukee, Wisc. Feb. 8.

The Trailhead Stewards Program was developed and is led by John Marunowski, Pemigewasset Ranger District Backcountry

and Wilderness Manager. There are currently 84 volunteer trailhead stewards that engage hikers at some of the busiest trailheads on the White Mountain NF to offer advice about current weather conditions and general hiker preparedness. Volunteers contacted more than 40,000 visitors in 2017, volunteering more than 3,500 hours. During a local ceremony following the Regional award presentation,

Pemigewasset District Ranger Brooke Brown presented awardees with an official certificate of recognition, and John Marunowski expressed his appreciation to trailhead steward volunteers for their “tireless and passionate work as the face of the forest.” He also thanked his fellow colleagues, the Waterman Fund, White Mountains Interpretative Association, and the New Hampshire Outdoor Council for their support of the



John Marunowski, Pemigewasset Ranger District Backcountry and Wilderness Manager and Brooke Brown, Pemigewasset District Ranger.

program. Since 2014, the White Mountain National Forest has hosted a program designed to equip forest visitors with information they need before they begin their hike. From late May through October, volunteer trailhead stewards encourage outdoor safety and con-

servation by interacting with hikers, backpackers and climbers at trailheads to promote responsible enjoyment and protection of public lands. NH Fish & Game Department. has stated that the efforts of Trailhead Stewards is helping to prevent costly search and rescue incidents.

Newfound Area School District Current Employment Opportunities

- **Long Term Substitute** – 2nd Grade Bridgewater Hebron Village School Elementary Certification Required
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Newfound Area School District
20 North Main Street
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NHEC sets deadline for candidates seeking nomination to the Board of Directors

PLYMOUTH — Members of the New Hampshire Electric Cooperative, Inc. (NHEC) interested in being considered for nomination to the Board of Directors should submit their material to the Nominating Committee by 4:30 p.m. on February 20, 2018. More information is available on NHEC’s Web site at www.nhec.com.

“The Co-op seeks highly qualified mem-

bers with diverse personal, professional and geographical backgrounds, as well as broad education and experience,” says Steve Camerino, President/CEO at the Co-op. “As a member-owned, non-profit organization, serving on the board of directors is one of the ways members have a direct impact on how this democratically controlled organization is run. It is an important

and rewarding job.” Board members are elected to three-year terms. Four of the 11 seats are up for election this year. Election ballots will be sent to all members in May. Those elected will be seated at the Annual Meeting of Members, Tuesday, June 19. The Nominating Committee meets numerous times to review the applications and interview candidates for

the Board of Directors. After completing the process, they nominate a slate of candidates to be included on the ballot. The candidates selected will be identified on the ballot as having been nominated by the Nominating Committee. If you, or someone you know, are interested in applying, contact Sharon Yeaton at 536-8801 or yeatons@nhec.com for a candidate packet.

Biologists warn against providing food for deer

BY DONNA RHODES
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REGION — Temperatures and wind chills have dipped below zero several days this winter and snow has been piling up, leading some residents to feel badly for the deer they enjoy seeing in their neighborhoods.

Many even set out corn, apples and other foods on their property with the good intention of helping the animals get through the winter months. Providing food for the deer, however, is not a good idea, says New Hampshire Deer Project Leader Dan Bergeron.



Deer in Belmont were recently seen grazing on shrubs in a backyard, and while some people try to be helpful by providing apples or corn products for them to eat, biologists say the animals are much better off finding food on their own.

“We certainly don’t recommend feeding the deer. There are a number of unintended consequences that come from that,” Bergeron said. Deer typically “yard up” in the winter, finding shelter under protective hemlock trees or other concealed spots in the woods. Rather than nighttime feedings, they will conserve their en-

ergy during the colder nights and hunt for food during the day. “Auto collisions are one consequence of feeding deer as they travel from their deer yard to a food source they know of,” he said. Motor vehicles aren’t the only danger the animals face, though. Natural predators such as

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have to install individual meters for each unit.

Chartier said Karyl Court is a unique situation, having a single master meter for the entire complex. Most condominium associations install individual meters so each owner is responsible for his own water usage. He noted that water rates are lower for individual meters, which are charged the residential rate, while a single master meter gets charged at the commercial rate.

The minimum unit charge for residential meters is \$31.19 per quarter, with an "overage charge" of \$5.03 per 100 cubic feet of water beyond the basic 500 cf. (3,740 gallons) allowed. The commercial rate is \$33.76 per quarter, plus \$5.60 per 100 cf. after

the first 500.

The town's minimum water and sewer charges continue to accrue, even when the water is turned off, Chartier said, because it is considered an availability charge for the distribution, collection and treatment systems that are in place.

"These charges support bond payments, staffing, a portion of system maintenance and repairs," he explained.

"The overage charge is the portion of the rate that represents what it costs to keep the water flowing, and the treatment of the wastewater, such as pumping cost, chemicals, electricity, a portion of system maintenance and repairs, and any other cost that may factor into moving the water and wastewater throughout the distribution, collec-

tion, and treatment system and processes. Overage charges are not charged to customers when their water is off," he said.

Two of the units already had installed separate meters by the time of the shut-off, and another put in a meter to restore its water supply after the complex was shut down. A fourth unit met its needs by carrying water and using a camp shower. All four were still liable for their portion of the common water supply, and they paid separately to remain up to date with their portion.

After Hebert purchased two units and took over as president of the condominium association, he reconnected the master meter and ran pipes through the hallway to his units, according to Chartier. When the town learned of it, they

called in the police department to investigate what they considered theft of services.

No charges were filed, since the water was being metered, but the town demanded that the remaining 12 unit owners without meters agree to install individual meters.

Hebert said the list price for the meters was \$800, which would make the total cost \$18,000, which he found to be exorbitant.

Hebert complained about the situation to the Bristol Board of Selectmen in a Jan. 2 email, saying that to expect the 12 remaining unit owners to agree to install individual meters was overly optimistic.

"The overwhelming majority of these owners were behind in their condo fees by many thousands of dollars; ...seven of these units were currently

in litigation and the remainder would likely soon be, such that obtaining written consent from all 12 of them so as to effect this conversion would be 'impossible,'" he wrote.

Hebert also asked that "all water and sewer fees billed from March 3, 2017, until whenever the existing common meter is 'properly connected' should be waived in full, and the re-connection of our water service should be undertaken immediately!"

The selectmen agreed to remove the requirement that all owners had to agree to individual meters before turning on the water, but individually, each owner would have to install a meter in order to have water service.

The selectmen also agreed to waive the portion of the water and sewer fees accruing between November 2017 and the end of March 2018, and waived the impact fees and labor costs associated with the installation of the meters, which lowered the per-meter charge from \$600 to \$485. They also agreed to hold the rates to the old level, rather than implementing the 5 percent increase that selectmen had approved at the end of 2017. The reduced rates will be offered through Jan. 1, 2019, after which regular rates would apply.

Hebert remained determined to fight the charges, claiming the town had inflicted the association with \$97,000 in gross damages.

"They left us with no water for 10 months, until mandating the new meters. They just gave me an ultimatum, and won't talk with me. They told me I was persona non grata and wouldn't even let me come into the building."

Town officials deny telling Hebert not to come into the Bristol Municipal Building.

Code violations

Land Use Manager Christina Goodwin said that problems with Karyl Court predated her employment with the town. She first got involved with the complex in 2013, after

learning of documented complaints about trash building up in the common areas and lack of hot water, and in one case, no working refrigerator. There also were complaints about broken steps, doors, and windows, failure to remove trash from the outside bin, and life-safety code violations.

By the time the town shut off the water, the association's failure to pay its electric bill had resulted in Eversource shutting off power to the building, so Goodwin said there was no heat in the common area, and the town had concerns about pipes freezing.

When the selectmen agreed to waive some of the fees to make it easier for the owners to install individual meters, Fire Chief Ben LaRoche also sent the association a letter, outlining the steps it would have to take to meet state fire codes. Among them: only owners, not tenants, are allowed to occupy the units until the fire and life-safety concerns are addressed; the non-operational fire alarm system needs to be updated and tested; emergency lighting must be installed; hallways and exits must be free of obstructions; and a rear door has to be replaced.

Goodwin informed Hebert that any construction with a cost of more than \$2,000 would require a land use permit from the town.

"I'm taking care of all the issues relating to fire safety," Hebert said, adding that alarm specialists will be installing a new system, along with emergency lighting, on Feb. 21, and LaRoche is scheduled to come and test the equipment that afternoon.

"I'll be all set with the fire department, and I never had a problem with them," Hebert said. "This is all about the water. I don't even have a problem with the individual meters; I would just like some kind of break on the cost."

The town maintains that the concessions the selectmen made have provided the break Hebert has been seeking.

Glassett

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town hall and converting the existing municipal building into a police station, Glassett sees it as "an absolute need; otherwise, we're kicking the can down the road."

Bristol has attempted to address space needs for two decades, but voters have rejected previous building plans. The current plan has been scaled back from the original proposal in face of public resistance to the cost.

"We need to make sure it's the right plan," Glassett said. "I want voters to be able to decide, and if it passes, we need to see it's done right. The biggest thing is that it have no further impact on the tax rate."

Glassett said this is the time build, while interest rates are still low. Delaying the project will increase the

cost of both building and bonding.

Yet Glassett does not support the selectmen's decision to lower the amount of borrowing by applying money that normally would go into some capital reserve accounts toward the building project.

"I believe we should stay with capital reserve accounts. They're there for a reason," he said.

Capital reserve accounts allow the town to set aside money for future capital needs, as outlined on the Capital Improvement Plan that prioritizes spending to avoid spikes in the tax rate. If enough money is not set aside, taxpayers in future years will have to make up the difference in higher taxes.

Detractors say the money set aside gets eaten away by inflation, and it forces taxpayers to pay ahead for equipment or improve-

ments they may not be around to see.

Glassett said that, by sticking to the capital improvement plan, the town saves for anticipated expenses, taking into account when current bonds will be paid off.

"Then it looks like little or no impact on the tax rate," he said.

"We have a reasonable tax rate," he said, "and for what we pay, we get excellent services."

He cited the town departments, as well as the library and downtown improvements, as examples of what the town has accomplished.

"The little amount that could be saved has little impact on the tax rate," Glassett said. "You don't jeopardize public safety to save a few dollars."

The biggest challenge, he said, is to accomplish all the town is trying to accomplish

in a reasonable amount of time and within a reasonable budget.

"I have a decent amount of leadership ability," Glassett said. "Every great leader needs great leaders below them, and to you need problem-solving ability and be able to look outside of the box."

He said it's good to have analytical ability, but one needs to put the human factor first.

"There are intangibles involved," he said. "There are needs of the community and town employees that you don't just cast aside and just look at the numbers."

He concluded, "I want to see us maintain the course we're on, but be prudent and reasonable when it comes to spending. I don't want to arbitrarily cut spending. The biggest reason I'm running is for our community."

bers and friends. The next breakfast is Saturday, Feb. 24, from 8-9 a.m., with St. Mark's famous French toast, fruit, juice, eggs any style, bacon, sausage, home fries, English muffins, coffee, and tea on the menu.

"All are welcome," says St. Mark's senior warden Deb Holland. "We invite you to join your neighbors and friends (old and new)

over a hot, delicious breakfast." Griswold Hall in Plymouth is well-known as a community meeting space, including being home to numerous 12-step groups.

In addition to Sunday services, the Episcopal churches in the Pemi-Baker Valley will be offering many opportunities to study and worship during the week during Lent, the 40-

day season of reflection and preparation that precedes Easter.

"The full schedule of Lenten services, which begin with Ash Wednesday services on Feb. 14 in both Ashland and Plymouth, is on our Holy Spirit website, at holyspiritplymouth.org," says Rev. Kelly. Easter service times for Sunday, April 1 are listed there, as well.

Pastor

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Sherrill Hall. (Holy Spirit's former home at 170 Main St. in Plymouth, now owned by PSU, has a new future in store as a spiritual space for the university community, Rev. Kelly notes.)

Sherrill Hall is also the home of a monthly community breakfast, hosted by church mem-

Towns

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candidates for the vacant Town offices. If you have an interest in running as a "write-in," please come out for Candidates' Night on March 6 at 7 p.m.

Meetings and closures coming up

Select Board Work Sessions - Tuesdays - Feb. 20 at 4:30 p.m., March 6 at 5 p.m., and March 13, 3 p.m. at the Town House

Select Board Meetings - Tuesdays - Feb. 20, March 6, and March 20.

The Planning Board will be meeting at the Town House on Wednesday, Feb. 28 at 7 p.m.

The Town Offices will be closed Feb. 19 all

day for President's Day Holiday.

Candidates Night - Tuesday - March 6 at 7 p.m.

The Town Clerk's Office will be closed March 21 for the Tax Collector Workshop at the DRA.

Dates to keep in mind

Town Elections - March 13 - The Town House is our polling place and the polls will be open from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Town Meeting - March 17 at the Town House beginning at 9 a.m.

Dog Licenses are due by April 30. We have the new tags in and you can license your dog anytime with a current rabies certificate.

Hebron

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hebronnnews@live.com

Hebron Area Women's Group

The Hebron Area Women's Group will meet on Thursday, Feb. 15. The meeting will take place at the Union Congregational Church Hall in Hebron, at noon. All area residents are welcome to attend. We welcome our guest speaker Edna Piehler, Army Reservist. She will speak about her military career. Our hostesses are Barbara Stevens, Muffie Sheehan and Sue Jackson. Please bring nonperishable items for the Bristol Community Services.

Seated Therapeutic Yoga Class

A Free "Seated Ther-

apeutic Yoga Class" is being offered Saturday, Feb. 24 at 10 a.m. Class is being held in the Hebron Community Center (basement of Congregational Church). The instructor is Barbara J. Kelly, BS, RN. Gentle Chair Yoga focuses on uniting mind, body and spirit. Practices include: breathing techniques, movements and meditative exercises which will decrease stress, increase your energy and slowly increase your mobility. Crafting your way to better health. Wear loose comfortable clothes and eat breakfast two hours before class. This class is beneficial for all ages and gender. Class is sponsored by the Friends of the Hebron Library.

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Dance

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and while she looked forward to dancing, she also hoped they would have the dance off competitions once again.

"My dad made it to the finals last year," she said with pride.

Some dads had their dance cards filled before the night even got started, like Xander of Alexandria, who brought two daughters and even his niece, whose dad couldn't attend.

Eric of Bristol was another proud parent who escorted his 11-year-old daughter to the event, and when asked how he felt about a night out with her, he said with a smile, "I just couldn't say no!"

The girls were all very excited as they walked into the community center, wearing their finest clothes and many wearing corsages that their dads bought for them. Some said they had even gone shopping for a special dress to wear to the dance.

All dressed in red Cora said she couldn't wait to dance and her friend Vanessa from New Hampton agreed. Attending for a second time Vanessa said she thought it was a great way for she and her dad to have fun togeth-



DONNA RHODES

(Left) All dressed up for the night, fifth graders Cora, Vanessa, Mikhaila, Abigail and young Emma were excited to have a special night of fun with their dads at the Father-Daughter Dance in Bristol last weekend.

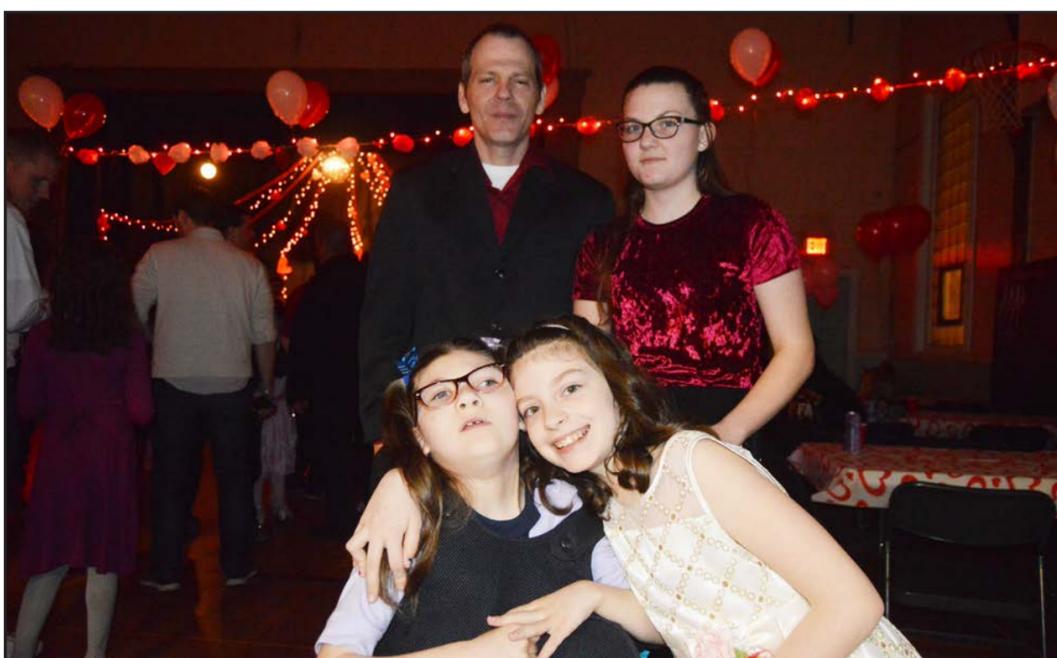
Besides music and dance, some dads challenged their daughters at pool and other fun activities in the game room or took a break to enjoy some of the snacks that were available. And while cell phones were always ready for a quick photo, there was also a professional photographer on hand to offer special daddy-daughter portraits as a keepsake of the night.

Gina Richford, who heads up the Teen Council at TTCC, said members of her group were active participants in the event, providing all the music, assisting with registration, announcing door prizes and selling food.

"I couldn't ask for a better group of kids. They're amazing," Richford said.

Hannaford's supplied more than 40 helium balloons for the gym and volunteer Nikki-Wooster-Goodwin used them all in her decorating scheme for the event.

Moms need not feel left out, though, because on March 23, the Minute to Win It Mother and Son competition will be returning to TTCC so they can have some fun with the young men in their lives as well.



DONNA RHODES

Louis and daughters Brooke, Bella and Haedyanne looked forward to a memorable night of dancing and fun at the Father-Daughter Dance last Friday night.

Deer

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coyote and bobcat also discover those domestic feeding areas and lie in wait for the deer's next visit.

"Usually, there's a well-worn path to a feeding site on someone's property and that makes it a lot easier for predators to find them," said Bergeron.

Numerous deer gathering at one location can also create a health crisis for them. As deer eat they are typically drooling, urinating and leaving fecal droppings behind that can transmit parasites,

bacteria and viruses to other nearby deer.

One other serious health issue also develops from well-meaning people who feed wild deer.

In winter months the White-Tailed Deer are generally "woody" browsers, feeding on shrubs and trees, like Hemlock and other late season buds. If conditions are right and snow isn't too deep or iced over, they will also dig for acorns until spring brings new plant growth and fresh fruits to their territory.

"Deer are ruminants (much like a cow) and their digestive systems

adjust through the seasons. Corn and apples introduced rapidly to their diet in the winter months can actually kill them because their stomach can't always adjust to that quick change," Bergeron said.

Sadly, he added, there were actually 12 deer found in South Hampton just a few years ago who died from being fed foods they weren't used to in the winter.

Last, but by no means least, the destruction of habitat can occur when deer become accustomed to leaving their winter yards to visit feeding sites provided by humans.

"This is really important. We monitor deer yards, but many of them are on private property. When landowners see deer aren't using those areas because they're searching for food elsewhere, they go ahead and log the trees that had once provided shelter for the deer. That destroys the habitat and that's a real concern to us," Bergeron said.

To learn more about wildlife activities, preservation and conservation efforts in New Hampshire, please visit the Fish and Game Web site at www.wildlife.state.nh.us.

er on one special night of the year.

"And I'm going to make him dance with me, too," she said.

All In Fitness

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stronger, healthier, and have a lot of fun while doing so.

All In Fitness is now located in Suite 222 at Tanger Outlets, between Champion and Hair Excitement, and as part of the outlet center, paid enrollment in any class will also be eligible for other TangerClub deals and savings.

On March 8, she and Tisdale will hold a grand opening for their business where people can see the new facility, meet some of the trainers and learn more about all they offer.

Details on classes, schedules and special rates can be found at www.allinfitnessnh.com, or people can visit them on their Facebook page for additional information.

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Bears head to final week with win up north

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING

Sports Editor

BRISTOL — The Newfound hoop girls took a long trip north to Berlin on Tuesday, Feb. 6, and returned home with a hard-fought 56-46 win over the Mountaineers.

The Bears jumped

out to a 10-2 lead in the first quarter but Berlin came charging back, draining three three-pointers in a row to take an 11-10 lead after one quarter. The hosts continued the hot long distance shooting to open the second quarter, draining three more three-pointers but the Bears were strong on the offensive end of the court as well, outscoring the Mountain-

eers by a 17-15 score to take a 27-26 lead at the halftime break. The Bears also had a solid quarter shooting from beyond the arc, as they hit five three-pointers in the quarter. Jasmine Peterson hit for 12 points in the first half.

The Bears held Berlin to just one three-pointer in the third quarter and Newfound outscored Berlin 14-9 in the frame, with

Ashlee Dukette hitting for eight of those points.

Dukette took over in the fourth quarter, scoring 11 points in the frame, but Berlin hit three more three-pointers in the quarter but the Bears won the quarter by a 15-11 score.

The Bears hit seven three-pointers and Berlin drained 10 from beyond the arc.

Dukette finished with 23 points, 19 of

which came in the second half, and added 13 rebounds, five steals and two blocks. Peterson finished with 19 points, nine rebounds, six assists, two blocks and two steals. Leah Bunnell got her first varsity start and scored six points and grabbed five rebounds.

"We had a tough time recognizing shooters in the first half, but did a better job in the

second," coach Karri Peterson noted. "Berlin definitely had a hot hand tonight from the outside."

The Bears entered the final week of the season at 14-2 and will finish the season on Friday, Feb. 16, at Somersworth at 6:30 p.m.

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What's On Tap

Both regular season and postseason action is on the schedule in the coming weeks for the local teams.

The Division III girls' basketball tournament begins on Thursday, Feb. 22, at the home of the higher seed.

The Plymouth ski jumping team will take part in the State Meet at Hanover today, Feb. 15, at 6 p.m.

The Bobcat wrestlers will look to defend their Division III title at Winnisquam in the Division III State Meet Saturday, Feb. 17.

The Newfound hoop boys will be hosting Somersworth at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 16, will be at Gilford at 6 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 19, and will be hosting Belmont at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 21.

The Newfound hoop girls will wrap up the regular season at home against Somersworth at 6 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 16.

The unified Bears will be at Belmont at 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 21.

The Plymouth hoop boys will be hosting Merrimack Valley on Friday, Feb. 16, at 6 p.m. and will be hosting Coe-Brown at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 19.

The Bobcat basketball girls will be at Merrimack Valley on Friday, Feb. 16, at 6:30 p.m. and will be hosting Laconia at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 21.

The Kearsarge-Plymouth hockey team is scheduled to be at Belmont-Gilford on Saturday, Feb. 17, at 3:50 p.m. and will be hosting Monadnock at Proctor Academy at 8:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 21.

The Bobcat Nordic skiers are scheduled to compete at White Mountains on Saturday, Feb. 17, at 10 a.m. and at Great Glen at 2:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 21.

The Plymouth unified hoop team will be hosting Inter-Lakes-Moultonborough on Thursday, Feb. 15, at 4 p.m.

Mountaineers too much for Newfound boys

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING

Sports Editor

BRISTOL — The Newfound hoop boys were unable to keep up with Division III power Berlin in a game on Tuesday, Feb. 6, dropping a 63-32 decision to the Mountaineers.

Berlin jumped out to a quick lead and never looked back, as the Mountaineers finished the first quarter with a 26-2 lead on the Bears. Newfound bounced back and outscored the Mountaineers 10-8 in the second quarter for a 34-12 score at the halftime break.

Berlin then came out strong in the third quarter and outscored Newfound again by a 21-4 score to lead 55-16. The Bears outscored the visitors 16-8 in the final quarter for the 63-32 final.

Mason Dalphonse led the way for the Bears with 20 points on the night, while also pulling down six rebounds. Ryan Lyford



RC GREENWOOD

Stine Williams drives to the basket in action Friday night against Inter-Lakes.

also pulled down six rebounds in the loss. The Bears shot just nine percent from the floor in the first half and im-

proved to 33 percent in the second half.

The Bears will be back in action on Friday, Feb. 16, hosting

Somersworth at 6:30 p.m. and on Wednesday, Feb. 21, the team will be hosting Belmont, also at 6:30 p.m.

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The trials and tribulations of travel

Whenever you take trips that involve flying, you know there's the possibility of a delay. An inevitably, it comes up at the most inconvenient and frustrating time.

Such was the case as I began my journey from Ossipee to PyeongChang, South Korea last Thursday morning. I left my apartment just after 3 a.m. without having slept at all. Part of that was my plan to get myself adjusted to the new sleep cycle faster, part of it was out of necessity, since I had to work at my other job on Wednesday night and also had to make an unexpected return trip to the office after I finished because I had forgotten something that I

SPORTING CHANCE



By JOSHUA SPAULDING

needed in South Korea. I did take a couple of breaks on the way to Boston, once to close my eyes for a few minutes and once to get out and walk and get some fresh air. I arrived at Logan in plenty of time and the Air Canada gate security was a breeze, as was checking my luggage.

I did have a moment of panic in the gate area, however, when I switched seats to charge my laptop and realized that my phone had disappeared. I assumed it had fallen out

of my pocket when I got up and moved, but it was nowhere to be found. Luckily, I could text on my iPad and asked my friend Jay if he could call my phone. He did and spoke to an Air Canada employee who had been given the phone assuming someone left it when they got on their flight. She brought me the phone and life continued.

However, the flight to Toronto was delayed by about 20 minutes, which made things interesting when I got there, because I only had a short window in which to get to my flight to Seoul. A quick pass through customs got me to the gate as they were calling my group number, so I walked

right on the plane. Soon enough, the plane was loaded but we were then informed that there were computer issues and we wouldn't be leaving on time.

All told, we sat on the tarmac for two hours before we took off. Adding two hours to a 14-hour flight is not my idea of fun by any stretch of the imagination. The flight itself was uneventful, once we got airborne. I listened to a bunch of podcasts, got some sleep and even ate a couple of meals. We landed in Seoul two hours later than we had planned.

Once I was in Seoul and found my luggage and passed through customs, I was guided to the train station and

I boarded the train to Gangneung, where my media housing is located. A short shuttle ride later and I was at the Gangneung Media Village checking in to my room.

My room was part of a three-bedroom, two-bathroom apartment. As of this writing on Sunday at 4 p.m. Korean Time, I have met one of the people in the other rooms, but not the other. There's been hot water and the cleaning crews supply us with two bottles of water every day, so things have been going well.

And knock on wood, I've even found plenty of food that I enjoy.

Finally, have a great day Cathy and David Allyn.

Newfound searching for JV softball coach

BRISTOL — Newfound Regional High School is looking for a JV softball coach for the 2018 season. Please send letter of interest, resume, two letters of recommendation and names and phone numbers of two other references. Please send to Supt. Stacy Buckley, SAU4, 20 North Main St., Bristol, NH.



JOSHUA SPAULDING

KINGSWOOD'S LIAM MORRISSEY puts up a shot as Plymouth's Jake Lamb defends in action last week in Wolfeboro.



JOSHUA SPAULDING

Mike Hogan led Plymouth against Kingswood last week, scoring 14 points.

Knights battle to win over Bobcats

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING
Sports Editor

WOLFEBORO — The Kingswood hoop boys were in need of a win and found it on Tuesday, Feb. 6, as the Knights knocked off Plymouth by a 63-45 score in Wolfeboro.

"To have that feeling in the locker room after a long stretch, it's nice," said Kingswood coach Dan Place, who's team had not won since the opening day of the season. "A bunch of kids played well, the starters played well and kids came off the bench and did some good things."

"We were terrible," said Plymouth coach Mike Sullivan. "But Kingswood had a lot to do with that."

"Kingswood out-rebounded us, out hustled us and out physicaled us," Sullivan continued. "They got every loose ball and made shots when they were open."

After swapping hoops in the opening minutes, the Knights finished the first quarter on a 11-3 run to take control of the game, control that they didn't really relinquish.

Mike Hogan got the

Bobcats on the board first but Josh Duntley answered with a hoop for the Knights. After Nick Duntley hit a hoop to give the Knights the lead, Wes Lambert answered with two free throws for the Bobcats to tie the game at four.

From there, the Knights went on the 11-3 run to close out the quarter. Liam Morrissey started the run with a hoop and then Josh Duntley hit a hoop and Bryton Clifford hit two free throws. Nick Qualey drilled a three-pointer for the Bobcats but Nick Duntley followed with a hoop and Matt Place drilled a three-pointer for the 15-7 Kingswood lead after one quarter.

Hogan hit the first hoop of the second quarter to get the Bobcats on the board but Josh Duntley answered with a three-pointer and a field goal to push the lead to 20-9. Owen Brickley got the Bobcats on the board with a free throw but Nick Duntley followed with a hoop, Morrissey hit a free throw and then Erik Madden sunk a basket for a 25-10 lead for the

Knights.

Hogan hit a hoop and two free throws to close out the quarter for the Bobcats, while Madden added a three-pointer for the Knights and Kingswood had a 28-14 lead at the halftime break.

For the third quarter in a row, Hogan hit the first basket of the frame, this time drilling a three-pointer. Clifford answered with two free throws for Kingswood but Colby Moore put back a rebound for the Bobcats. Josh Duntley sank two free throws and a hoop to make it 34-19.

Hogan drilled another three-pointer for Plymouth but Madden came back with a basket for Kingswood. Brickley and Robert Oliver hit baskets for Plymouth and then Nick Duntley hit consecutive hoops for the Knights for a 40-26 lead.

Charlie Carpenter drained a hoop at the buzzer for the Bobcats to make it 40-28 heading to the fourth quarter.

Plymouth made its best run of the game to open the fourth quarter, as Dan Carey converted a three-point play to open the quarter and Jake Lamb followed with a basket, cutting the Kingswood lead to 40-33.

However, the Knights did not panic and fol-

lowed up by scoring the next nine points to regain the momentum. Nick Duntley started the run for the Knights with a hoop and Clifford followed with his own hoop. Davis Ekstrom then drained a three-pointer and Morrissey hit two from the line to make it 49-33 for the Knights.

Jackson Polombo got Plymouth on the board with a hoop but Madden answered with two free throws. After Brickley hit from the line for Plymouth, Clifford hit two from the stripe for the Knights and Nick Duntley converted a three-point play.

Josh Duntley added another hoop for Kingswood before Samson Deruvo hit for the Bobcats. Richard Curran had a hoop for Kingswood and Qualey converted a three-point play for the Bobcats to make it 60-41.

Oliver hit two more hoops for Plymouth before Sam Cochrane drained a three-pointer to close out the scoring at 63-45.

Josh and Nick Duntley finished with 15 points apiece to lead the Knights, while Hogan scored 14 points to lead the Bobcats.

"Plymouth is a good team, any time we beat Plymouth, I'm really

happy," Place said, noting that Nick Duntley had what he called his best game, Morrissey worked hard in the paint and Clifford took a couple of nice charges.

Place also noted that the team not panicking when Plymouth cut the lead to seven was a big moment.

"We kept playing," Place said. "We had a lot of practices this week and we worked on a lot of stuff."

"You get a couple of open looks and the ball goes in, things start to go easily," the Knight coach added.

"One thing we've done all season is compete and be physical and have more energy than the other team," said Sullivan. "That's kept us in games where we weren't shooting as well."

"But tonight, we didn't do that," he added. "Kingswood was more the aggressive team, credit to them."

He also noted it would be key to see how the team responds.

"There's two ways to go," he said. "You get back on the court on Thursday and bounce back and have a good practice and get ready for Hanover. Or you don't."

"Hanover is not go-

ing to feel sorry for us," Sullivan added.

The Bobcats will be in action on Friday, Feb. 16, at home against Merrimack Valley at 6 p.m.

The Knights will be at Coe-Brown on Friday, Feb. 16, at 6:30 p.m. and on Tuesday, Feb. 20, they will be hosting Bow at 6 p.m.

JV action

Plymouth beat Kingswood 53-36 in the JV game. Oliver led Plymouth with 22 points and Deruvo added 14. Brogan Shannon led Kingswood with 11.

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Kingswood 63

Curran 1-0-2, Ekstrom 1-0-3, J. Duntley 6-2-15, Madden 3-2-9, Morrissey 1-3-5, Clifford 1-6-8, Place 1-0-3, Cochrane 1-0-3, N. Duntley 7-1-15, Totals 22-14-63

Plymouth 45

Qualey 2-1-6, Moore 1-0-2, Carpenter 1-0-2, Hogan 5-2-14, Carey 1-1-3, Lamb 1-0-2, Palumbo 1-0-2, Brickley 1-2-4, Lambert 1-0-2, Oliver 3-0-6, Deruvo 1-0-2, Totals 17-8-45

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Ross backstops Cats to win over Sanborn

Sprenger tallies twice in win for Kearsarge-Plymouth hockey

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING
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ANDOVER — The Kearsarge-Plymouth hockey team fought to a 5-4 win over Sanborn at the Proctor Academy arena on Saturday, Feb. 11.

"Sanborn is a well-coached team and they played hard right to the last buzzer," said K-P coach Dasve McKenney. "Our boys and girls had to buckle down in the third and play some hard-nosed defense."

Goaltender Zack Ross

got the start for the Cats and recorded his second win of the season, turning in a stellar performance, according to his coach.

"He made an outstanding, diving, Timmy Thomas-like game-preserving glove save with about three and a half minutes to go," McKenney stated.

The Cats took control from the get-go, scoring four goals in the first period, while holding the Indians to just one tally.

Garrett Sprenger got the first goal for the Cats on an assist from Bailey Nangle and then Ian Tryder followed that up with a goal on an assist from Brecken Bates. The period continued with the third goal and then Sprenger rounded out the first period scoring, giving Kearsarge-Plymouth the 4-1 lead after one period of play.

Sanborn kept the tables on the Cats in the second period, outscoring them 3-1 in the frame,

with the lone K-P goal coming from Josh Johnston on an assist from Jeremy Rineer.

The Cats will return to action on Saturday, Feb. 17, when they visit Laconia to take on Belmont-Gilford at 3:50 p.m. On Wednesday, Feb. 21, the team will be hosting Monadnock at Proctor at 8:30 p.m.

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Bobcats take second in final regular season meet

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NORTH CONWAY — If Friday's final regular season meet was any sort of indicator, the

State Meet between the Kennett and Plymouth alpine boys earlier this week was a barn-burner.

The two teams tied

in the morning giant slalom at Cranmore Mountain Resort before the Eagles claimed a five-point win in the afternoon slalom to close

out the day.

Lucas Johnstone skied to the win in the morning giant slalom with a time of 1:04.49.

Matt Clark was sec-

ond for Plymouth and fourth overall with a time of 1:07.29 and Connor Magowan skied to fifth place in 1:08.06.

Mike Ouellette

rounded out the scoring for Plymouth with an eighth place finish in 1:09.69.

Pete Winstead took 11th in 1:12.26, Jared King was 14th in 1:27.76, Ian Kim was 15th in 1:31.41 and Carter Wilcox was 16th in 1:37.43.

In the afternoon slalom, Magowan led the charge for Plymouth, finishing in second place overall in 1:15.86.

Ouellette was second for Plymouth and fifth overall in 1:22.47, followed closely by Clark in 1:22.91 for sixth place.

Wingstead rounded out the scoring with a time of 1:23.12 for seventh place.

Wilcox skied to 11th in 1:28.65, Kin was 12th in 1:30.17, Johnstone was 13th in 1:32.99 and Kim was 16th in 2:04.71.

For the Bobcat girls, Mariah Luscher led the way in the morning giant slalom with a time of 1:09.82 for fifth place overall.

Sumaj Billin was second for the Bobcats and eighth overall in 1:11.42 and Holly Hoyt finished in 1:11.63 for ninth place.

Taylor Shamberger finished out the scoring for the Bobcats with a time of 1:13.83 for 11th place.

Sam Meier was 12th in 1:14.82, Rebecca Peterson placed 14th in 1:18.48, Nikki Stout was 18th in 1:20.1 and Giulia Messere was 20th in 1:37.11.

Luscher again led the way in the afternoon slalom, skiing to seventh place in 1:29.29.

Meier was Plymouth's second scorer, finishing in 1:30.41 for ninth place and Peterson was the third scorer, finishing 10th in 1:31.85.

Shamberger rounded out the scoring with a time of 1:32.06 for 11th place overall.

Stout was 12th in 1:35.78, Billin was 13th in 1:36.18, Hoyt was 14th in 1:36.4 and Messere was 19th in 2:02.30.

Curling kicks off the Olympic experience in Korea

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING

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GANGNEUNG, South Korea — The first day of the Olympics for was Saturday, Feb. 9. After breakfast and getting my accreditation validated, I hopped on the bus to the curling center for my first official action of the games.

Interestingly enough, my first bus ride of the day, featured a television larger than in my apartment on which the curling action I was heading to was already playing.

The curling venue on Saturday was featuring mixed curling and the big match of the day, at least for the pretty full crowd inside the arena, was the Koreans taking on the Olympic Athletes of Russia. After each getting a point in the first two ends, Korea took a 2-1 lead only to see the Russians come back and score two on the next trip down the ice and one the following time and they led 4-2 after five ends. Russia appeared poised to take a big lead with three stones in



THE GANGNEUNG Curling Center was my first venue stop of the PyeongChang Olympics.

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close, but Korea's final stone knocked them all clear and they got the point in the sixth end. The Koreans appeared to be ready to tie things up, but the Russians were able to knock their stone out of the house and took a 5-3 lead after seven ends. The Korean fans had plenty to cheer about in the eighth end,

as their team put two stones in close to tie the match at five. The match came down to the ninth end when the Russians were able to knock the Koreans' stone out of the house to take the 6-5 win.

The American team of Becca and Matthew Hamilton were taking on the Chinese on the other side of the arena, with

the US getting the early lead with two points in the first end but China coming back to tie it after five ends. China got a point on the sixth end to take the 4-3 lead. The US team came back to tie it with their final stone of the seventh end, with Becca Hamilton throwing a strike. However, China got two points on

the eighth and final end to get the 6-4 win.

There were two other matches on the ice, with Canada taking a 7-2 win over Switzerland and Norway edging Finland 7-6.

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Dreissigacker leads US Biathlon contingent

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING

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PYEONGCHANG, South Korea — It was quite an Olympic biathlon debut for Emily Dreissigacker.

In the women's 7.5K sprint on Saturday night at the Alpensia Biathlon Center, Dreissigacker was the lone United States woman to qualify for the pursuit race. The top 60 in the sprint move on to the pursuit. Dreissigacker finished in 51st place overall with a time of 23:27.

Dreissigacker, who is married to former Gilford High School Nordic standout Alex Howe, a competitive biathlete in his own right, was happy to move on but disappointed that none of her teammates would be joining her in the pursuit.

"I'm excited to be in the pursuit," she said. "But I'm bummed for my teammates."

She noted that the snow conditions were



Emily Dreissigacker talks with the press after her 51st place finish in the 7.5K sprint at the PyeongChang Olympics on Saturday.

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fantastic but the biting wind on the shooting range didn't help a lot of athletes. The final US athlete to go through the course, Dreissigacker had just one penalty on the evening.

"The ski conditions were nice, hard and fast," she said. "It was a very windy for the shooting."

"In prone I got kind

of lucky, the wind was about what I had zeroed in," she continued. "Standing I could feel the wind pushing the barrel a little."

And while spectators and media members alike were doing their best to shake off the cold, Dreissigacker noted she didn't really feel it once the race got going.

"It was a good wake-

up race," she said. "I didn't notice the cold at all when I was racing."

"I was freezing in warm-ups," she added.

She also said that the Olympics were a bit of a calm situation compared to the normal biathlon World Cup events, as there are fewer fans at the Olympic events than the World Cup ones.

Dreissigacker also noted her husband really wanted to be in Korea, but she had to talk him out of it, knowing she'd be really busy and he'd likely be on his own.

But that being said, she thanked him and his family for their support.

"They've been so supportive," she said. "Alex really wanted to come over here, I kind of had to talk him out of it."

With her top 60 performance, Dreissigacker qualified for the 10K pursuit, which took place on Monday.

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Play for free with Laconia Lacrosse Club

LACONIA — If you register by Feb. 28, there is no cost to play with Laconia Lacrosse Club, an affiliate club with the NH Youth Lacrosse Association, the governing body of youth lacrosse in New Hampshire. Uniforms are provided by the league.

Players from Laconia and surrounding towns that do not host a NHYLA league are eligible including: Al-

ton, Canterbury, Center Harbor, Franklin, Gilmanton, Belmont, Meredith, Moultonborough, Northfield, Sanbornton and Tilton are all welcome to register with this regional club.

Laconia Lacrosse fields teams for players of all skill levels, both boys and girls, from grades 1-8. Practices start the week of March 18. Games are played on Sundays beginning April 8 and the season

wraps up with the annual NHYLA State festival the weekend of June 9-10.

Laconia Lacrosse plays at the Bank of NH turf stadium at Laconia High School, and is host to the state's North/South Games over Memorial Day weekend, which brings players from all over the state in friendly competition.

There will be a substantial late fee assessed March 1, so register now

while it's free. Your player must be a member of US Lacrosse (<https://www.uslacrosse.org/membership>) and should open an account on the Laconia Lacrosse Club web site in order to be placed on a roster (<https://leagueathletics.com/Registration/Default.asp?org=LA-CLAX>). Questions or issues can be directed to the club at LaconiaLacrosseClub@gmail.com.

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Gerard finishes strong, brings home first US medal

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PYEONGCHANG, South Korea — The American medal count officially got under way on Sunday morning in PyeongChang, in an event that the United States athletes know a thing or two about winning.

Seventeen-year-old Red Gerard captured first place in the snowboard slopestyle, rallying from a pair of falls in his first two runs to put together a monster third run, catapulting him into the lead and withstanding a late charge from a Canadian challenger to bring home the gold medal, America's first medal of these Winter Games.

"I really love to snowboard," Gerard said when asked what was going through his head before his run. "There was a little bit of pressure, but I came into this as a pretty big underdog. So whatever happens, happens."

"To land the run I wanted to here is huge to me," Gerard added.

With Gerard's win, the Americans have now won every snowboard slopestyle gold medal that has ever been awarded, with Sage Kostenburg and Jamie Anderson winning their respective races in the Sochi Games in 2014. The American women were looking to continue that streak after deadline on Monday.

"It was really weird to me that I got first," the youngster said about the moments after the event wrapped up. "I'm still having a really hard time believing it."

For his part, Gerard saved the best for last for the crowd gathered at the Phoenix SnowPark in the mountains outside of PyeongChang. He posted a score of 87.16 to put him into first place and watched as Canadian Max Parrot put together his own strong run, but Parrot earned an 86.0 to finish in second place, with fellow Canadian Mark McMorris winning bronze for the second consecutive Olympic



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(Left) RED GERARD rides the chairlift to the top of the slopestyle course prior to his gold-medal winning run on Sunday at Phoenix SnowPark.

Games. The crowd gathered included 17 of his family members, who traveled to Korea to watch the teenager compete. "It's crazy having a group of 17 people at the bottom," he said. "I know they're always going to be there for me, they've been there for me the whole time."

Gerard grew up watching the X Games, Dew Tour and US Open but had never really watched the Olympics, so performing on the biggest stage in the world was eye-opening.

"To finally be here and realize all this, I think I'm starting to get how big the Olympics is," Gerard noted.

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Mazdzer makes US sliding history

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PYEONGCHANG, South Korea — Traditionally, when stepping off a luge at the end of the run, athletes will go to the left, but Chris Mazdzer had different ideas after his historic fourth run on the Alpensia Sliding Center's course on Sunday night.

"I went right," the affable US athlete said with a smile in his press conference the next morning. "I just wanted to be with them."

Mazdzer was speaking of his friends and family who made the trip to Korea to support him and were on hand to watch him make history as the first American to win a medal of any kind in the sport of luge. Mazdzer's fourth run put him into second place overall

with one competitor to go, guaranteeing him a medal and when the final athlete made a slight mistake, his silver medal was secure.

"This was the best way I can say thank you for everything everyone has given me," Mazdzer said. "This is the best way I can give back."

"To break through in this capacity at this event is just huge," he added. "It takes a lot to come here in the capacity they do and support me and I just wanted to be with them."

Mazdzer admitted to not really sleeping much after his big win. He said he finished drug testing after 1:30 a.m. and then spent time with the aforementioned family and friends but the lack of sleep wasn't affecting him.

"I was at peace with



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CHRIS MAZDZER speaks at a press conference following his silver medal luge performance.

myself, but there was just so much energy from the day," he said, noting there were hundreds of messages of support and congratulations from across the United States and the world. He had read the all but had yet to have time to even respond.

"You don't get into luge for the money, you get into it for the passion," he said. "The or-

ganization has put a lot of money and resources and manpower, it's all about passion and heart."

As for the race itself, Mazdzer said that the training conditions that the US uses in Lake Placid made things easier on him, while maybe a bit harder on others. The cold that has plagued the PyeongChang Games played right into his

hands. "Really cold conditions, with luge, is the great equalizer," he said. "That's when it comes down to experience."

"That was one of the most exciting luge runs I've ever seen," he continued. "Everyone had to be on their game and that's where experience shows."

"I really was out of control on all four runs," Mazdzer continued. "It's cold in Lake Placid, so we're used to those hard ice conditions."

Mazdzer summed up the history of his medal performance nicely.

"In 60 years, to be that person who breaks through, that is special to me," he said.

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Cats take top honors in Littleton

LITTLETON — The Plymouth Cats seventh and eighth grade girls' travel team won the 2018 Pierre Lafitte Memorial Basketball Tournament in Littleton held on Saturday, Feb. 3.

Awarded a bye in the first round, the Cats faced a tough Lisbon team that beat Littleton in a Friday night opening round game by two. Although the Cats only had a four-point lead at the end of the first half,

they came out ready to play with a full court press in the second half, winning a decisive 44-21 victory over Lisbon.

The next game for the Cats in the winner's bracket was Haverhill, who had beaten both Lancaster and Camp-ton, going into the game undefeated. Once again, the Cats started the first half slow and only led by six points at halftime. Coming out hot in the second half, the Cats had

another strong win, with a 32-12 final, led by Grace Farley's (Thornton) 18-point performance.

Lancaster beat Littleton in the loser's bracket, knocking the home team out of the tournament in the double-elimination format and earning the right to face Haverhill again in the semifinals. Haverhill again had a solid win over Lancaster by over 20 points, setting the stage for a rematch with the Cats for the

championship.

In the final game, the Cats came out hot in the first quarter and by half time, had a commanding 18-point lead. Never letting up, the Cats continued to build on their lead in the second half, winning the championship 42-16 for the trophy.

In three games, the Cats scored 118 points and held their opponents to just 49 points, playing their best basketball of the season. The Cats are

now 10-9 on the season, with February tournaments scheduled for Enfield, Farmington and Laconia.

The Plymouth Cats are a club team with players selected from various schools within SAU 48. The team starts the travel season in early November and finishes in March, playing basketball throughout New Hampshire on a competitive level.

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What Should You Do With Your Tax Refund?

You may not get much of a thrill from filing your taxes, but the process becomes much more enjoyable if you're expecting a refund. So, if one is headed your way, what should you do with the money?

The answer depends somewhat on the size of the refund. For the 2017 tax year, the average refund was about \$2,760 – not a fortune, but big enough to make an impact in your life. Suppose, for example, that you invested this amount in a tax-deferred vehicle, such as a traditional IRA, and then did

not add another penny to it for 30 years. At the end of that time, assuming a hypothetical 7 percent annual rate of return, you'd have slightly more than \$21,000 – not enough, by itself, to allow you to move to a Caribbean island, but still a nice addition to your retirement income. (You will need to pay taxes on your withdrawals eventually, unless the money was invested in a Roth IRA, in which case withdrawals are tax-free, provided you meet certain conditions.)

Of course, you don't have to wait 30 years before

you see any benefits from your tax refund. If you did decide to put a \$2,760 tax refund toward your IRA for 2018, you'd already have reached just over half the allowable contribution limit of \$5,500. (If you're 50 or older, the limit is \$6,500.) By getting such a strong head start on funding your IRA for the year, you'll give your money more time to grow. Also, if you're going to "max out" on your IRA, your large initial payment will enable you to put in smaller monthly amounts than you might need to contribute otherwise.

While using your refund to help fund your IRA is a good move, it's not the only one you can make. Here are a few other possibilities:

Pay down some debt. At some time or another, most of us probably feel we're carrying too much debt. If you can use your tax refund to help reduce your monthly debt payments, you'll improve your cash flow and possibly have more money available to invest for the future.

Build an emergency fund. If you needed a new furnace or major car repair,

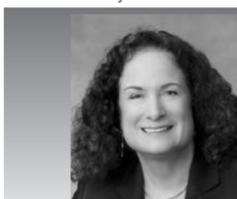
or faced any other large, unexpected expense, how would you pay for it? If you did not have the cash readily available, you might be forced to dip into your long-term investments. To help avoid this problem, you could create an emergency fund containing three to six months' worth of living expenses, with the money kept in a liquid, low-risk account. Your tax refund could help build your emergency fund.

Look for other investment opportunities. If you have some gaps in your portfolio, or some opportunities

to improve your overall diversification, you might want to use your tax refund to add some new investments. The more diversified your portfolio, the stronger your defense against market volatility that might primarily affect one particular asset class. (However, diversification, by itself, can't protect against all losses or guarantee profits.)

Clearly, a tax refund gives you a chance to improve your overall financial picture. So take your time, evaluate your options and use the money wisely.

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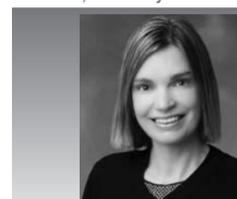
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Wind wreaks havoc on Doherty's Olympic opener

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING

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WOLFEBORO — Sean Doherty's second Olympics didn't exactly start as well as he would've liked.

The former Kennett High ski standout was the first American out of the gate in Sunday evening's biathlon 10K sprint but he struggled on his prone shooting, with a strong wind proving troublesome and he ended up finishing out of contention to move on to the pursuit one night later.

"I'm disappointed in the prone shooting," Doherty said. "Four penalties is tough to stomach."

Doherty missed four of his five shots from the prone position and as a result, had to do four penalty laps before moving on with his race. The Conway resident was able to hit all five of his targets in standing shooting.

When all was said and done, Doherty finished in 65th place in a time of 25:55.2, which was fourth among the American biathletes. Lowell Bailey led the team in 33rd place in 24:54.4, followed by Tim Burke in 47th place in



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SEAN DOHERTY makes his way through the mixed zone after completing the 10K pursuit on Sunday in PyeongChang.

25:26.3 and Leif Nordgren in 58th place in 25:49.0. All three of Doherty's teammates finished in the top 30 to earn bids to move on to the pursuit, which took place after deadline on Monday night. Arnd Peiffer of Germany was the overall winner with a time of 23:38.8.

The temperatures at the Alpensia Biathlon Center were quite chilly and the win came whipping through during the event's race, causing problems for some athletes.

"The win was highly variable and it got the

best of me," Doherty stated. I thought I had a handle on it, but that's biathlon."

The former Eagle noted that not only was the wind blowing, it was also inconsistent, which made zeroing in his rifle difficult.

"It's inconsistent and changes fast," Doherty stated. "It was not the same during the five shots, which is only like 15 seconds."

"It's nothing we can't deal with, but it's hard," he continued. "I'll be real fortunate if I can make pursuit."

With pursuit not on

the table, Doherty also had the 20K individual event coming up, scheduled for today, Thursday, Feb. 15, at 8 p.m. Korean Time, 6 a.m. Eastern Time. There's also a couple of different relays on the schedule in the coming week, the mixed relay on Tuesday, Feb. 20, and the men's relay on Friday, Feb. 23.

"I'm looking forward to the relays," Doherty said.

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FINS & FEATHERS

Mayfly discussion is Feb. 20 in Plymouth

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If you would like to know where to find mayflies come to the Pemigewasset Chapter of Trout Unlimited, Feb. 20, meeting, 7 p.m. at the Common Man Inn in Plymouth. Brigid O'Donnell, PhD, will speak about her research looking at the

ecology and distribution of mayflies in different streams across New Hampshire - a fly-fisher's dream.

O'Donnell is Associate Professor of Developmental Biology at Plymouth State University. She joined PSU's Biological Sciences department in 2009. Her current research focus-

es on the developmental biology of the large bodied and widespread mayfly, Hexagenia limbata.

Come early and meet O'Donnell and fellow fishermen. There will be a raffle with the proceeds going toward sending a lucky boy or girl to the Barry Fishing Camp.

Trout Unlimited is a non-profit organization with a mission dedicated to conserve, protect and restore North America's cold-water fisheries and their watersheds. Membership is open to all; meetings are free and open to the public. Visit www.pemigewasset.tu.org and like the group on Facebook.

BCSA hosting Italian dinner tonight

GILFORD — Belknap County Sportsmen's Association will be hosting its annual Italian night dinner on Thursday Feb. 15, at 6 p.m. at the BCSA club house on Lily Pond Road (Route 11C) Gilford. At the conclusion of the meal Lt. Brad Morse of New Hampshire Fish and Game will give a talk on "Wilderness Rescues."

Morse joined the N.H. Fish and Game Department, Law Enforcement Division, as a Conservation Officer Trainee in 2004. Upon successfully

completing his first year as a probationary Conservation Officer Trainee, he was promoted to Conservation Officer I and permanently assigned to the 26 Patrol Area, which encompasses the towns of Meredith, Center Harbor, Moultonborough, Sandwich and Holderness. Morse was promoted to Sergeant in 2008 and then to Lieutenant in December of 2016. He is currently the District Two Chief. Lieutenant Morse is the Law Enforcement Division Chief Firearms Instruc-

tor. He also serves on the Law Enforcement Division's Dive Team and is the Assistant Team Leader for the Specialized Search and Rescue Team. Before employment with N.H. Fish and Game, Brad served in the United States Army as a member of Special Forces for 21 years and was deployed to over 30 countries. Morse has extensive knowledge and experience dealing with search and rescue

including patient extraction and the use of helicopters. He received a Bachelor of Health and Science Degree from Campbell University.

Join in and gain insight into an under reported activity conducted by New Hampshire Fish and Game and the volunteers who assist them.

Admission is open to all club members and the community at large, water and soda provided.

Deadlines and the Olympics

MEREDITH — Sports Editor Joshua Spaulding will be covering the Winter Olympics in Pyeongchang, South Korea the next few weeks.

Because of the time difference and the Olympic schedule, this will require a few deadline changes for a couple of weeks while he is out of the country.

All sports items for the North Country papers (Littleton Courier, Coos County Democrat, Berlin Reporter) for the issue of Feb. 21 must be submitted by noon on the Sunday prior to publication.

All sports items for the Lakes Region papers for the issue of Feb. 22 must be received by 8 a.m. on the Monday prior to publication.

All items not received by these times may miss being included in that week's issue.

And a reminder, if you know of an Olympic athlete with local connections, send an e-mail to josh@salmonpress.news so we can hopefully catch up in Korea.

You can follow updates from Korea on the Salmon Press Sports - Wolfboro Facebook page, on Twitter or Instagram at [salmonsportsguy](https://www.instagram.com/salmonsportsguy) or at salmonsportsguy.blogspot.com.

Celebrate groomed XC ski trails at Castle in the Clouds

MOULTONBOROUGH — The Lakes Region Conservation Trust is excited to announce that groomed cross-country ski trails are now available at the Castle in the Clouds Conservation Area in Moultonborough. To celebrate, LRCT in partnership with the Castle in the Clouds, will offer a family friendly cross-country ski event on Saturday, Feb. 24, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Gather in the fields at Shannon Pond where a roaring campfire and hot cocoa will await you. Skiers of all ages are welcome to stop by and take a trip along the trails at their leisure. A guided trip lead by LRCT Land and Stewardship Director Dave Mallard will be offered starting at 10 a.m. and will return by 12 p.m. After your morning of skiing, stop by the Carriage House for lunch. Their new winter hours are Friday-Sunday 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Offering groomed trails has been a goal for LRCT since 2002 when the property was purchased. At that time, the Appalachian Mountain Club was engaged to conduct a comprehensive assessment of the property's trails and carriage roads. This winter, thanks to the availability of a groomer and snowmobile from the Squam Lakes Association, and the services of committed and experienced volunteers like Justin Chapman of the Red Hill Ski Club and Jeff Hussmann of the Nordic ski program at Moultonborough Academy, this goal has been achieved.

Parking will be available at the hiker parking lot at the top of Ossipee Park Road off Route 171 in Moultonborough. The groomed trails currently extend from this location to a loop along the field near Shannon Pond and follow the Settlement Trail. Additional parking will be available at the Castle in the Clouds lot past the gate.

This event is open and free to the public. Participation for the guided portion of this event is required and space is limited. Those interested in attending the guided trip can find trip details and can register at lrct.org.

Fishing derby March 4 in Gilford

GILFORD — Belknap County Sportsmen's Association will be holding its annual free kid's ice fishing derby on March 4, at Lily Pond, Gilford, 9 a.m. to noon. Bait, tip-ups, hot chocolate and hot coffee will be available at the pond. Club members will provide lessons for the first timers. No registration required, just show up and have fun. Bring your children or grandchildren and let them experience the joy of catching and pulling a fish through a hole on a frozen pond. At noon in the club house on Lily Pond Road, the BCSA will have awards and trophies for the largest fish caught as well as having hot dogs, chips, and milk for all the participants.

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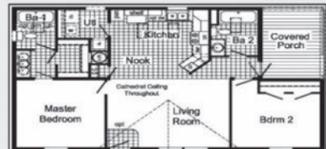
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JACK COOK (14) leads the modified qualifier comes down to the green at the Lakes Region Ice Racing Club in Moultonborough. The club runs weekly ice races on the lakes of central New Hampshire. See the Lakes Region Ice Racing Club's web site at www.LRIRC.com for details.

New drivers and first-time winners at the ice races

BY DAVID SUITOR

Lakes Region Ice Racing Club

MOULTONBOROUGH — The Lakes Region Ice Racing Club conducted the fourth race of its 2018 season on Feb. 4 on Lee Pond. Several new drivers were on the ice, many in the Junior division (13-15 year olds), and the day found four first-time winners. The club races six divisions of specially prepared cars on oval ice tracks. The ice on the fresh race track was great, offering good traction and good visibility for racers and fans and the mild weather made an enjoyable afternoon for everyone.

After the getting his sprint car off the track and on its side in the qualifier, Matt Burns of Moultonborough drove a great feature race winning his first race. Sandwich's Derek Jeason finished second followed by Mike Horsch of Moultonborough.

Mike Horsch Jr. of Moultonborough has been getting more competitive every week and on Sunday he grabbed the win in the V8 stock feature over points leader Tim Chase of North-

field. Cody Burns of Center Harbor picked up third place.

The 4 Cylinder FWD class was a battle between veteran ice racer Jack Cook of Moultonborough and newly registered racer Shane Labrany of Northfield, with Cook taking the win. Last week's feature

winner Jacob Brown of Franklin settled for third.

In the RWD 4 Cylinder class, it was Moultonborough's Kyle McDonald in his pickup taking the checkers ahead of last week's feature winner Roland Zeiller of Meredith. Points leader Chase finished

third in his MR2.

The Juniors (13-15 year olds) were next out with first-time racers Asa Grace of Tamworth and his friend Henry Moneypenny of South Tamworth finished first and second respectively. Junior division points leader Tess Poitras of Rumney took

third place.

After struggling with motor problems in the first three races, Fabian Smith dropped in a new engine and motored to his first feature win in the Modified division. Cook drove his big block to second place with Burns grabbing third.

The next race was planned for Feb. 11, ice conditions permitting. Bring the family out for a great day of racing. Check the club's web site at www.LRIRC.com or the Facebook page for the latest race/ice status, information about coming events.

Olympian takes top honors in White Mountain Dual Challenge

WATERVILLE VALLEY — Nolan Kasper, 28 of Warren, Vt., won Saturday's race on the World Pro Ski Tour at Waterville Valley, before he heads to South Korea for the Olympic Games to compete in the slalom competition on Feb. 22. He edged out Canadian skier Morgan Megarry, 24, of Collingwood, Ontario, for the win in the final round. Third and fourth place went to Michael Ankeny, 27, of Wayzata, Minn., and Robby Kelley, 27 of Starksboro, Vt.

"It was great to see such a big crowd of enthusiastic supporters today at Waterville Valley for this



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(LEFT) Nolan Kasper was the winner of the White Mountain Dual Challenge at Waterville Valley.

event. Like all the racers here today, I am thrilled to see that the World Pro Ski Tour has come back after being dormant for so long," said Kasper.

Dubbed the White Mountain Dual Challenge, the race was the first stop of the World Pro Ski Tour featuring 32 ski racers from around the

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