

Alton Parks and Recreation Connection

Alton Old Home Week booklets

Alton Old Home Week is Aug. 13-22 celebrating the theme- “To Gather Again”. Booklets featuring the list of events and Old Home Week sponsors are available at local businesses and online at alton.nh.gov under “News and Announcements”- Old Home Week Info. Call the Alton Parks and Recreation office at 875-0109 for more information on events.

Alton Old Home Week Virtual 5K Race

Alton Parks and Recreation and Meredith Village Savings Bank are co-sponsoring the Around the World “Alton Old Home Week Virtual 5K Race» from Aug. 1-15. Run/walk a 3.1 miles course from any location, and enter your running place on our interactive global map.

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Alton Bay Concerts at the Bandstand
Sponsored by Alton Parks and Recreation Department

Listen to the music at the Alton Bay Land Bandstand on Saturday nights in July and August from 7-9 p.m.

July 31- East Bay Jazz Ensemble- Elegant Swing, Jazz and Blues; Aug. 1- “Thursday Afternoon Band”. Classic and Modern Rock- Sunday performance-2-4 p.m.; Aug. 7- John Irish Duo- Guitar and Vocals; Aug. 14- Chippy and the Ya Ya’s- Cover Rock Band, ‘60’s to Now; Aug. 15- Blacklite Band- Classic Rock- Sunday performance- 4-6 p.m.; Aug. 21- Bittersweet- Classic Rock; August 28- Chris Bonoli- Soft Rock, Country and Classic Electric Blues. In the event of inclement weather updated information will be posted on the Town Web Site- “Recreation Calendar” and Parks and Recreation Facebook Page after 2 p.m.

Line Dancing Lessons
Line Dancing with Joan Lightfoot is held at the Alton Bay Community Center on Thursdays from 1:30-2:30 p.m. until Aug. 26. Adults of all ages and abilities are welcome, \$3/season. Register on site.

Adult Pickleball
Join in the fun with free organized play for

experienced adults (18 years and older). Experienced players meet Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, and Sundays at the Liberty Tree Park Courts from 8-11 a.m. Program is ongoing through the fall. Register in advance with the link on the Town of Alton website or at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0b4dae-a82ba0fd0-byinvitation>. Please park across the street from the Fire Station.

Yoga Classes with Sheila Marston

All Levels Yoga- with Sheila Marston at the Alton Bay Community Center on Thursdays, 6:30-7:30 p.m. \$10 drop in. Creative Flow Yoga with a focus on hip openers, arm strengtheners, chest openers and balance poses. Classes are ongoing. Register on site.

Yoga in the Park - Flow to Yin- Sundays, now-Aug. 29 at 10 a.m. in Railroad Square Park, Alton Bay. All levels welcome. \$10 drop in. No class Aug. 15.

Alton Bay Water Bandstand Summer Concerts

Watch from land or by boat as bands perform on the Alton Bay Water Bandstand- surrounded by Lake Winnepesaukee. 6-8 p.m. on Aug. 20- “Thursday Afternoon” Band.

Downing’s Landing Public Boat Launch- is closed

The Fish and Game Department public boat launch and property at Downing’s Landing in Alton Bay is expected to be closed for the remainder of the 2021 boating season. <https://nhfishgame.com/2021/06/29/downings-landing-to-close-july-22-for-continued-improvements/>

The Town of Alton provides a free public boat launch in Alton Bay in Railroad Square Park, Rte. 11 that will be open. Free boat trailer parking is available on the Letter S Road, across from the Alton Highway Department. For more information on the Town of Alton boat launch contact Alton Parks and Recreation at 875-0109 or parksrec@alton.nh.gov.

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JOSHUA SPAULDING

ODAIBA MARINE PARK is the site for the triathlon at the Tokyo Olympics.

SPORTING CHANCE

By JOSHUA SPAULDING



It’s very early on Monday morning in Tokyo. I am sitting in the press tribune at Odaiba Marine Park awaiting the start of the men’s triathlon. The view is stunning.

But, for a while late last week, I really wondered if I would get here.

After the multitude of paperwork checks and other tests going through the airport, I arrived in my room at 11 p.m. on Thursday night, knowing I’d have to be in a quarantine for three days and any plans I had for the first few days were not going to happen. That part I was prepared for.

However, it came to me as I sat there that I had to take COVID tests on my first days in Tokyo and I was stuck in my hotel room without access to said tests. It took me until late Friday before I was able to get ahold of someone who lined up delivery of the tests for me.

But those three days, sitting in my hotel, leaving for 15 minutes each day to go across the street to buy some food, were interminable. I probably slept more in those three

days than I did in the previous three months. While that may be an exaggeration, the problem with the quarantine was that I just didn’t have anything to do. Yes, I had my script for Laughing Stock (opening at the Village Players Theater in Wolfboro on Aug. 14) and my copy of Dan Egan’s new book 30 Years in a White Haze. Both of them got some time. There was also plenty of watching Olympic coverage from the Japanese, which while hard to understand, was still interesting to watch. There is a lot of badminton and softball on television in Japan.

But, I struggled to get through the days. My hotel room is pretty small and as such, there is no place to sit besides my hard desk chair and the bed. So as soon as I got tired of the desk chair, into the bed I’d go and it wouldn’t take long until I was out.

And, I will make it perfectly clear, there’s still a chance that things could go south. I know I am not free and clear yet and will count every minute and every hour that I am able to be here and do what I am doing as a blessing. With all that’s going wrong and still can go wrong here and around the world, there’s no telling what tomorrow will bring.

For the sake of the athletes who have worked hard to get here and deserve the chance to compete with the best in the world, I hope that things go smoothly. And hopefully, I have more to write about in the coming weeks.

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First Free Will Baptist hosting Vacation Bible School

NEW DURHAM — The First Free Will Baptist Church, at 20 Depot Rd., New Durham, invites your child to participate in Daily Vacation Bible School, Monday through Friday, Aug. 9 to Aug. 13. This is a free program. Pre-registration is required.

This year’s theme is Big Fish Bay – Hooked on God’s Mercy. The theme verse is Psalm 103:8: “The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy.”

The nautical theme follows the life of the Old Testament figure, Jonah. In the daily lessons students will be transported from their classrooms to “explore an exciting bay, fish off the pier, and venture out to sea, complete with a lighthouse, tall ships, and coastal animals.” As they encounter God’s grace and compassion — kids will be “Hooked on God’s Mercy.”

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Rafting for Wishes raises more than \$285,000



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The top fundraising teams.

BY ERIN PLUMMER
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MEREDITH – The rafts were back on Meredith Bay and teams from across the state returned for 24 hours on the lake or 10 hours in a virtual space for the 11th annual Rafting for Wishes, raising more than \$285,000 and counting.

After a year off as a physical event because of the pandemic, the annual fundraiser for Make-A-Wish New Hampshire returned to Hesky Park and Meredith Bay from Friday night through Saturday night.

As in years past a series of rafts were put in the water and different teams had representatives on the rafts for 24 hours. Some teams took part virtually as well for a 10-hour event starting on Saturday morning.

The floats returned to the water for the first time in two years after last year's event went entirely virtual because of the pandemic. Festivities kicked off around 6 p.m. on Friday with opening ceremonies.

"Because of you during the toughest year we were still able to bring over 80 wishes to life," said organizer Nikki Lyons Lahey during the opening ceremony. "Thank you for helping us bring hope to kids who need it most."

She also credited all

the volunteers and committee members who have helped so much.

"They have truly been the love and the glue that holds this together," she said.

This year's goal was set at \$250,000. By the beginning of the event, they had raised around \$200,000. By the day after the event, they raised more than \$285,000.

Last year Lyons Lahey said there was a point when they didn't know if they would have a Rafting for Wishes event. They decided to have a virtual event where teams would do the rafting from different locations. The event raised around \$225,000 and seven teams alone raised enough money to make one wish come true.

"We are thrilled to share that despite this being one of the hardest in years we've had in 35 years as a chapter we were still able to bring over 80 wishes to life," Lyons Lahey said after this year's Rafting. "Something we are truly proud of and an accomplishment that would not have been possible without all of our passionate and dedicated volunteers and supporters."

She said they had to delay some wishes that involved travel, but they've been able to start booking some travel

wishes recently.

"The dollars raised this weekend will bring hope and happiness to so many families throughout New Hampshire!" Lyons Lahey said.

Lyons Lahey said for this year's event they wanted to follow all the pandemic guidelines. She said they are grateful for the state that things are in right now.

"It feels really good; it feels good to see so many people," Lyons Lahey said.

This year they allowed teams to go virtual in a 10-hour event that started Saturday morning.

One of the special guests at the opening ceremonies was Madelyn, a 4-year-old from Greenland who had her wish granted. Maddie wished for a Princess Lake House and she her family got to stay in a house on Winnisquam and have a nice lakeside vacation.

"It's amazing how much Make-A-Wish does for their children," said Maddie's mom Amanda Patterson.

Her dad, Tyler Eidell, said he was overwhelmed by how much Make-A-Wish has done for Maddie, who is battling interstitial lung disease.

"She's had it so rough for so long," Eidell said. "To see what everybody's done for her is



Members of Team Unicorns and Cookies float out to the raft at the start of the 11th annual Rafting for Wishes.



Teams take to their rafts to raise money for Make-A-Wish New Hampshire.

Patterson said Make-A-Wish also takes care of siblings and has been great for Maddie's older sister Kayleigh.

As the teams floated on the rafts, many fun activities went on in Hesky Park including a cornhole tournament, movies in the park, fireworks, Saturday morning exercises, and many more.

Rafting for Wishes 2021 ended with closing ceremonies on Saturday night.

After the event Lyons Lahey said the event went amazing and the weather was ideal.

"We couldn't have done it without the incredible support of the Lakes Region and especially the town of Meredith!" Lyons Lahey said. "Our in person and remote teams rallied yesterday. We surpassed our best ever money raised of the \$260,000 from 2019 with 100 less participants. We've never seen more passionate participants."

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Moon madness

Is what ‘they’ say really true regarding the full moon? Do people actually turn into ‘lunatics?’ We’re not so sure, but science has much to offer on the topic, with the next full moon now literally on the horizon.

Some people claim that they become unexplainably moody for a few days or have trouble sleeping. Some say they experience breakouts or other aches and pains that affect the joints. Typically, when people are observed acting slightly less than normal, you will hear the phrase “it must be the full moon.”

Logically, it makes sense that because the tides are higher during the full moon phase due to the pull of gravity that our bodies which are made up of 80% water would experience some sort of side effect as well.

Studies show that tides in large lakes undergo minimal tide changes during the full moon. Tides take place twice a day in the ocean, which could mean that we would be ‘off center’ twice a day, however that isn’t the case from what we currently know according to science.

Some myths claim that the full moon can incite epileptic seizures in people, however a study in 2004 showed no such connection.

As far as bouts of psychiatric outbursts, one study in 2014 showed an increase of emergency room visits within 24 hours of the full moon however a study in 1996 showed no significant difference. The term ‘lunatic’ is derived from the word ‘Luna’ the name of the ancient Roman goddess. Aristotle and Hippocrates once implied they thought the moon was at fault for abnormal behavior.

Interesting was the study that took place in Colorado, where researchers found that the risk for pet injuries increased by 23 percent during the full moon phase. Proven is that wild animals behave differently during the full moon in that the light effects their hunting habits.

As for sleep deprivation, we all know that before modern times the moon provided light during the nighttime hours. During the full moon, the increased amount of light was said to have wreaked havoc on those with bipolar or seizure disorders. Many people say they have trouble sleeping during a full moon however no studies have indicated a scientific correlation as of yet.

As far as myths go, the claim that a full moon increases fertility and births is as old as time. The truth is that fertility methods based on moon phases have proved inconclusive, as did the effect on gravitational pull to induce labor.

February is the only month that may not experience a full moon because each full moon appears every 29.5 days. A super-moon takes place when a full moon coincides with the moon’s closest approach to earth. The last time we witnessed a super-moon was in 2015. The next one will occur in 2033. Some say that the full moon is an unlucky sign if it happens on a Sunday. Interesting to note is that the name ‘Monday’ is from the Old English word Monandæg, which means ‘moon day’. Another fact is that on March 28, the Royal Air force used the light from a full moon to attack Lubeck in Germany during WWII.

When there are two full moons in one month, the second one is called a ‘blue moon.’ This occurrence takes place every three years. A red moon happens when the full moon phase occurs during the same time as a lunar eclipse.

The man on the moon that we often see during a full moon, is nothing more than dark areas called basaltic plains and the lighter colored highlands of the moon’s surface. Making sense, and interesting is that between 1765 and 1813, the Lunar Society of Birmingham, England met during the full moon because the extra light made the walk home safer.

July is said to be the best month to get married because it falls between the planting and harvesting of crops. The term ‘honeymoon’ is named after the first full moon in June for this reason.

We can’t mention a full moon and not mention werewolves. Old folklore claimed that if you slept outside under a full moon on a Wednesday or a Friday you could turn into a werewolf. Perhaps the most entertaining spin on this myth, aside from the Universal Pictures’ influential 1941 classic “The Wolf Man” with Lon Chaney, Jr. is the 1985 film “Teen Wolf” starring Michael J. Fox. If you haven’t seen it, you might want to pull it from the dusty archives during the next full moon for a celebratory showing. For those with prefer straight-up horror, we also recommend “The Howling,” “Wolfen,” and of course, “An American Werewolf in London” (but make sure you’ve sent the little pups to bed first!).



Get the picture?

Join in an art competition as part of the 2021 Alton Old Home Week festivities and support the Alton Centennial Rotary Club at the same time. Pick up a plywood “canvas” at Profile Bank or TD Bank in Alton for a \$25 donation, and slather it with painted landmarks or scenes that fit the theme of “Paint Your Town.” Submit your entry to one of the banks by Aug. 17 at noon. The masterpieces will be on display at Alton Bay in an outdoor walkable exhibit, and judges from the club will select winners in student and adult divisions. For more information, go to www.altonrotary.org.

LETTERS FROM EDWIN Gaggle

I’m sitting here in a friend’s house that has a spectacular view of wide open fields, orchards and distant mountains. Almost every window you look out, there is a nice scene. What a place to wake up in. You see, I crashed here last night. They don’t know it, but they won’t mind. I’m sure. They’d probably not even consider to suggest that I do what I’m trying to do.

Oh, they’re on vacation, so their house is vacant for a week or so. I had some sound system work to do up the street at the local church, so I just slipped down the road last night and set up shop. You see, one of the things on my “to do” list here is to diminish the woodchuck population if I can. They do gardens and those two things don’t combine well. They’ll be happy that I took the time to house sit for them.

The critters den is under the screen porch, inaccessible for the placing of a smoke bomb. I know exactly where it is too, because years ago while replacing floor boards, my tape measure fell down into the opening

and I almost had to leave it down there. Now it’s all sealed up again.

One of the bedrooms here has a perfect view of the area behind the porch where I expect to see them critters as they come out for breakfast. Unfortunately, it has these vertical crank out windows that restrict a clear shot. Luckily, above those windows are small horizontal ones that work, but they’re up about six feet. So last night I set up my ladder and covered the window below with a sight barrier so I wouldn’t be seen climbing my ladder to get off a shot.

I’ve been sitting here watching and waiting, something all hunters and fishers know all too well, since before sunrise. I have another half hour to go before I have to take off to tend to another Saturday morning activity. All of a sudden, I’m invaded by a gaggle of turkeys. Two hens and 24 chicks swarming past my window and off into the field.

They tell me that there are still three woodchucks at large. I got one and they got one, but once they start getting

shot at, they’re less likely to be caught lounging around in the sun. I stop by every now and then but the chances of finding them out and about are pretty slim. That’s how I came up with this idea. I usually see them at my house early in the morning.

I stayed as long as I could, then took off for my breakfast meeting. No woodchucks showed themselves. It’s now ten hours later. My son showed up this afternoon and we cut, split and stacked another row of firewood so there isn’t a lot of woodwork remaining. It’ll be house maintenance and garden stuff for a while. Then after the harvest, it’ll be readying again for winter.

I really like the seasons. I grew up in New England and have basically lived here all my life. Would I like to see how other people live elsewhere? Sure I would. I’ll bet there’s lots of other nice places to live on this planet. God made a pretty nice place here for us. Oh I know that evolution theory says that all of this is just random happenstance. But sta-

tistically, given the rate of mutations, all the projected time span that this planet supposedly existed isn’t nearly enough to mutate anything as complex as a jelly fish let alone you and me, or even that tree.

Now that I’m sitting down, the day’s activities are catching up with me and I’m feeling tired. I should pack up my things, go home and make supper, but I’d also like to get a chance at diminishing the number of garden robbing rodents. And I’m set up so nicely for it. There’s the first yawn. I’ll soon be asleep in this chair. I’m crashing quickly. Time to get going.

When I headed to the front of the house, I was attracted to multiple creatures roaming around out there. It was that gaggle of turkeys that I had seen this morning. Turkey season isn’t till October so I wouldn’t, but today my chances were so much better going for a bird.

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STRATEGIES FOR LIVING

The family under fire

BY LARRY SCOTT

As I reflect on the influence of today’s culture on the society of tomorrow, I discover this truism: in thirty years, today’s infants will shape this nation’s character and moral convictions as they mature and set the tone for the next generation. The actions and influences of today’s parents will vanish quickly and survive only indirectly by the standards they have developed in the lives of their children.

There is, it seems to many of us, a common denominator between the great social conflicts of our time. The demand for unrestrained freedom, a disdain for law and order, sexual abuse, the transgender phenomenon, the challenge to traditional marriage, and the right to life all have one thing in common: the family is under fire. Indeed, the child’s very

life is under threat from the moment of conception. The influence of the family, molding concepts of right and wrong, moral convictions, and a drive for excellence, demonstrate that, as parents, we need to get our priorities right.

To maintain that the family is under attack is in no way over-dramatizing the crisis we face. The overtones are so monumental that many of us are convinced what we have here is not a social but a spiritual issue. When our children are no longer able to pray in school, when the Bible can no longer be displayed in public, when God is no longer acknowledged as our Creator, when our children are being openly taught that the family need not consist of both a mother and a father, when contraceptives and abortion are available to our children from the onset of pu-

berty ... it is little wonder that many of us are deeply concerned. This is not an over-reaction. What we have here is both a social as well as a spiritual battle, and our children and the world their children will inherit hang in the balance. What are we to do?

First, I suggest that every child deserves the benefit of a stable home life. Responsibility and integrity are not so much taught as they are caught, and that from parents who have become living models their children can emulate. Some parents want to be their children’s “best friend,” but our children don’t need a “pal,” they need a parent!

The home is meant to be a forum for growth. It is within the home that our children learn the meaning of love, self-discipline, patience, honesty, and responsibility. Growing up has never been easy and character

is often developed only under stress and the pressures of life. That, however, is what it takes to become a responsible adult and the home, more than any other factor in our children’s life, will determine who and what they ultimately become.

As parents, we must monitor those influences to which our children are being subjected. Powerful forces are at work. From their peers, from the classroom, from television, and the internet, they are being exposed to societal norms, a view of morality, and a standard of ethics that are totally unacceptable. Parents, it is time for responsible and aggressive action. Our children need you; it’s time to stand and be counted!

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

Thoughts from a mind in the middle of nowhere



By JOHN HARRIGAN
COLUMNIST

There are proper ways to approach a camp, especially when it might be occupied. I was taught to yell “Halloo the camp!” so inhabitants could make themselves presentable.

Today, this hallowing business seems as quaint (and rare) as boiling the tea, a custom of yesteryear whenever people met on the trail. Who knows what thereafter went into the tea? Some customs never change.

“Boiling the tea,” written about by Thoreau and many others, was the origin of one of

the main events at the legendary Pittsburg uides’ Show. Competitors vied to be fastest at starting a fire from scratch and getting a cup of water to boil.

At age 13 or so, I tagged along with Fish and Game biologist Karl Strong on the 44-mile Grouse Line Survey, which went by extremely jagged line from Second Lake dam to Dixville Notch.

Talking spooked the birds, so we went along quietly. For our third night, Karl said, we’d have a roof over our heads.

As we approached a camp where friends awaited, Karl, no stranger to custom, put a finger to his lips and picked up a stone and threw it down onto the tin roof, saying “That’ll get their attention,” and it did.

Supper was already on the stove. It was great to be warm and dry. The night was clear, and the

only thing hitting the roof was an occasional spruce-cone.

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There might be better places on a rainy day than the porch of a camp in the middle of nowhere, but I don’t know of any. Dog and book complete the scene.

Back in the planning stages, when I sketched and re-sketched the camp many times over, I always came back to a metal roof. It was all for the sound of the rain.

In town, miles away by map and mind, the same prevails. All of the farm’s buildings have metal roofs. The shop always smells of cedar, and there’s usually some there to split.

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Most camps have their best sides, most often the front. The back is reserved for the flotsam and jetsam it takes to run a camp. One side



COURTESY

The camp porch, in mind at least, is the best place for man (and dog) to be. (Courtesy West Milan Sporting Tours)

is apt to feature propane tanks. The other looks out onto a pathetic little clearing in the ever-advancing fecundity of the temperate zone rain forest.

In our case, the trail approaches the camp

from the front, so at the first “Halloo” anyone inside can look out the front window and see who’s coming.

“Oh sure,” the joke goes, “just in time so anybody guilty of anything can flee,” which leads to the riposte, “The

door’s only wide enough for one.”

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NOTES FROM WINDY HOLLOW

Echoes of laughter

By VIVIAN LEE DION
Contributing Writer

It’s been a great year for flower and vegetable gardens, lots of rain and sunshine. I love puttering around my yard, weeding near the “big boy” tomatoes plants, and admiring the colorful daylilies. Several years ago, Les Turner of Merrymeeting Daylilies asked me, “What color daylilies do you want?” We walked in his beautiful flower garden, and a brilliant burgundy daylily with a white center caught my eye. I said, “That’s a pretty one.” Les agreed, “It’s specular and quite abundant.” He made sure that my clump of flowers contained many blossoms and would easily transplant in my garden. So, this summer and past summers his daylilies have flourished around my grandfather’s antique, one-wheel garden plow. It is quite a garden combination the wooden handled garden plow and the daylilies. This display pays tribute to two hardworking gentlemen who loved flowers and were happiest in their gardens.

Recently, a summer sound piqued my attention. It was the sound of children laughing and splashing their paddles while maneuvering their paddleboards. I stood up to see about nine paddleboards and two sail boats in middle of the pond. How nice to hear summer laughter, and the murmur of voices. Every now and then the loons would join in the summer chorus. Birch Hill Camp has opened after the hiatus caused by Covid-19 and their sounds are once again filled with gleeful laughter, and fun. As Audrey Monke explains on

the Sunshine Parenting website, “Children feel happier after being at camp. The combination of positive emotions, deep friendship, being disconnected from technology, and just plain fun makes kids feel happier at and after camp.”

I remember when my son, Eric, went off to summer camp. His little duffle bag was packed with clothes, toothbrush and toothpaste, and stuff that a teen needs. I even included preaddressed stamped post cards so he could write about his activities and then put the card in the outgoing mail box. Guess what, not one post card was sent! But that was okay

because he loved being at Barry Conservation Camp in the White Mountain National Forest. As described in their brochure, “Barry Camp is operated by the Fish and Game in partnership with 4-H through UNH Cooperative Extension Programs that include education in shooting sports, hunting, fishing, camping and other outdoor skills.” Eric talked about participating in archery, trekking to vernal pools and learning about ph balance and acid rain. I remember the smile on his face when he said, “I made lots of friends and there was a fish hatchery. Sorry for not writ-

ing, but I was just having so much fun.” (In a May 13 news release, “UNH Cooperative Extension has made the extremely difficult decision this year no to open Barry Camp due to a lack of available staffing to safely and efficiently operate the facility.”)

On a brighter note, the other day while writing in my little cabin, Eric knocked on the door and said, “Mom look across

the pond near the rock!” A beautiful doe in her summer reddish color was standing in the water cooling off. Nature continues to amaze us with her specular show, while the laughter of children on their paddleboards gives us hope for the future.

“Earth and sky, woods and fields, lakes and rivers, the mountain and the sea, are excellent schoolmasters,

and teach of us more than we can ever learn from books.” – Sir John Lubbock (1834-1913), English biologist, anthropologist, and popular writer on science.

Vivian Lee Dion of New Durham is a writer and speaker and can be reached at windyhollow@metrocast.net

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Monday: “Discovery Group” discussion at 7:00. Call for details.
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Wednesday: Night Prayers any time after 7:00 at stkdxrel.org.
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McDowell gets best-ever Olympic triathlon finish for American man

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING
Sports Editor

TOKYO, Japan — While the men’s triathlon didn’t get off to an auspicious start on Monday, July 26, the end result was a good one for the United States.

In his first Olympics, Kevin McDowell recorded the highest finish ever for an American man in the triathlon, finishing in sixth place overall with a time of 1:45:54 at Odaiba Marine Harbor.

“The support system around me has been incredible,” McDowell said. “I got an overwhelming amount of messages and letters sent from home, and I’ve been reading them this week. I read my last three today from both my parents, my sister and my grandparents. It meant the world to me to read those last ones and remember where I came from.

“Ten years ago, I was so sick. I didn’t know what would happen, but I was so passionate about this sport,” he continued. “To be up here being in contention at the Olympic Games, I’m living the dream right now. I have to thank my coach, Nate Wilson. He took me on this year and

really helped shape me as a person and put belief in what I could do.”

McDowell, who is a cancer survivor, came out of the water following the swim portion of the race way out of contention, in 47th place, just five places from the back. He started the eight-lap bike course in the second chase pack, more than 35 seconds down, but by the halfway point, the lead group and both chase groups had merged to form a large pack of 30 riders. McDowell pushed hard in the final stretch and was able to get a good position going into the transition.

He exited the transition in third place behind Andrea Salvisberg of Austria and Alex Yee of Great Britain. McDowell hung with Yee, considered the best runner in the field, and even took the lead briefly midway through the 10K run, but Yee, Kristian Blummenfelt of Norway and Hayden Wilde of New Zealand eventually pulled away and formed a three-man pack at the front. Blummenfelt had the most left in his gas tank and put it in another gear, winning by more than 10 seconds

over Yee, with Wilde in third.

After winning the bronze medal at the 2011 World Championships, McDowell was diagnosed with Hodgkin’s Lymphoma and took six months off to complete chemotherapy. He returned to elite competition a year later and is now a seven-time World Triathlon Cup medalist and recently celebrated 10 years cancer-free.

“I wanted to race like that little Kevin who has always had this fire and grit,” McDowell said. “I wanted to race with no regrets and just be proud out there. Everyone has been saying how proud they were, so I was thinking, ‘Let me give back to what everyone has given to me through this journey.’ I just want to go and put on a show and make everyone proud. I went out and gave it all I had.”



JOSHUA SPAULDING

Monday dawned beautifully for the men’s triathlon at the Tokyo Olympics.

The other American in the field, Morgan Pearson, finished in 42nd place in 1:52:05.

The race got off to a rocky start when the starter gave the command to race while

there was still a camera boat in front of half the field. While half the field jumped in, the other half stood there with their hands on their heads. Eventually the rest of the field was brought

back to the start and the race started again.

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Belmont 10-Mile Road Race is Aug. 14

BELMONT — This past year gave a lot of people extra time to find a new hobby or to focus more on a healthier lifestyle. For some, that allowed people to take up running for the first time or to get back into an activity they enjoyed in their younger years. In just a few short weeks, runners will have a chance to challenge themselves at the Belmont 10-Mile Road Race on Saturday, Aug. 14. The course starts and ends in the village area and winds its way through the back roads of Belmont. With a start time of 8:30 a.m., registrations open at 7:30 a.m. at Belmont Middle School on School Street. The cost is low at \$18 per participant and includes a t-shirt. Awards are distributed during a brief ceremony following the end of the race, which allows runners a chance to enjoy refreshments and take time to wind down with friends and family.

The Belmont 10-Mile Road Race is sanctioned by USA Track and Field and is professionally timed by Yankee Timing. It’s a great race to do as an individual or bring running buddies from a club to enjoy together. The race is part of Old Home Day activities that will be offered throughout the day on Saturday, Aug. 14, so plan to bring the family and enjoy the day in this small Lakes Region town. If you have questions about the race, please contact Jeff Roberts at 491-0979 or Gretta Olson-Wilder at 998-7998.

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Alton	N/A	N/A	\$1,260,000	Ronald L. and Margaret M. Knapik	MJG LT and Michael Gambino
Barnstead	Colony Drive (Lot)	Residential Open Land	\$10,000	Donald F. and Carol R. Ekwall	Yuliya Malinkovich
Barnstead	Colony Drive (Lot)	Residential Open Land	\$35,000	Anna M. RicoY	uliya Malinkovich
Barnstead	16 Douglas Dr.	Single-Family Residence	\$282,000	Susan G. Hennessey Trust	Kevin C. and Kelly A. Walters
Barnstead	N. Barnstead Road (Lot)	Residential Open Land	\$16,000	Ethel McConaghy	Jenn and Joel Dunham
Barnstead	373 Narrows Rd.	Single-Family Residence	\$432,533	Bernard R. and Lorraine M. Young	Ronald P. Ouellette and Debra A. Williams
Barnstead	11 Shelburne Lane	Single-Family Residence	\$271,000	Michael W. and Gail F. Crowley	Daniel Dubois
Barnstead	N/A	N/A	\$27,533	Russell G. Gringeri	Pamela J. Benson RET
New Durham	26 Franconia Dr.	Single-Family Residence	\$230,000	Christopher R. Elliott and Sophia L. Coffey	Louis A. and Deborah A. Angeli
New Durham	24 Main St.	Multi-Family Residence	\$220,000	Peterson Fiscal Trust 2018 and Linda B. Myers	Brittany L. and Kaden Mykal A.

ABOUT THE REAL REPORT

Here are recent real estate transactions in Alton and the surrounding areas. These sales summaries are informational only, not a legal record. Names shown are usually the first listed in the deed. Sales might involve

additional parties or locations. Prices are usually based on tax stamps and might be inaccurate for public agency sales. Refer to actual public documents before forming opinions or relying on this information. Additional publicly recorded information on these sales, prior sales and data from Department of Revenue Administration forms is available at www.real-data.com

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Southern Rail returns to Cate Park on Saturday night



KEN TIBERT — COURTESY

SOUTHERN RAIL will return to the Wolfeboro Community Bandstand on July 31.

WOLFEBORO — The final concert in Cate Park for the month of July will bring a nationally-known bluegrass band to the Wolfeboro Community Bandstand on Saturday, July 31.

Southern Rail has performed in the bandstand in the past and is returning to bring their high-energy, fun show to the bandstand for local concertgoers to enjoy again.

Southern Rail brings riveting harmonies, irrepressible humor and sparkling banjo and mandolin solo work. The group's reverence for the traditional shines throughout their con-

certs and is reflected in their prolific songwriting.

The band includes Jim Muller on guitar and lead vocals, Sharon Horovitch on acoustic bass and harmony vocals, Richard Stillman on banjo and harmony vocals and John Tibert on mandolin and lead and harmony vocals.

Muller's rich, distinctive lead vocals and offbeat humor have become one of the band's trademarks over the years, but he is also known for his polished flat-picking and rock solid rhythm and has been playing guitar for more than four decades.

Horovitch is known for her limber bass work and her tireless energy on stage and off. She has worked with Muller on many recording projects and offers her tenor and high-baritone harmonies to the band's sound.

Stillman has been playing bluegrass banjo for more than three decades and has been

involved in a number of influential bluegrass bands over the years. He also has numerous studio recording credits with many New England folk artists and is a past New England banjo champion.

Tibert started playing guitar at age 14, but once he heard Dave Grisman on Old and in the Way, his life was never the same, as he's been addicted to bluegrass ever since. He brings fluid, lyrical mandolin playing and superb bass vocals to the band's sound.

Southern Rail will take to the bandstand on Saturday, July 31, for

a 7 p.m. concert in Cate Park. The Friends of the Wolfeboro Community Bandstand concert series is presented free of charge each Saturday night in the bandstand in Cate Park, with each concert lasting two hours with a short intermission. At intermission, there will be a pass-the-bucket offering collected to help support the free concert series.

In the event of bad weather, check the Friends of the Wolfeboro Community Bandstand Facebook page and signs will also be posted at the entrance to the park.

UMF announces Dean's List for Spring 2021 semester

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OBITUARIES

Edmond Arthur “Ed” Roberts, 79

New Durham, NH- Edmond Arthur “Ed” Roberts, age 79, of Grove Road in New Durham, went to his eternal rest, July 15, 2021 at Brigham and Women’s Hospital in Boston, MA.

Born July 27, 1941 and raised in Haverhill, MA, a son of Joseph and Theresa (Comeau) Roberts, he resided in New Durham, NH for 44 years.

Ed proudly served in the United States Marine Corps with tours of duty in Vietnam, Hawaii, Puerto Rico and other overseas locations.

He was retired, a salesman with the former Brentwood Machine Sales.

Ed was active with his church St. Katharine Drexel Parish, a Eucharistic Minister. A talent-



ed Interior Decorator, he did landscaping and gardening, the “all around handyman”.

Survived by his loving wife Virginia “Ginger” (Sullivan) Roberts, son Jeffrey S. and wife Lisa Roberts, grandson Tyler J. Roberts, 2 sisters: Sandra Ainsley and Catherine Arseneault, 9 step siblings, also many nieces and nephews.

There are no calling hours, family and

friends are welcome to a Mass of Christian Burial on Saturday, August 7, 2021 at 11am at St. Katharine Drexel Church, 40 Hidden Springs Road (Route 28N), Alton, NH 03809 with Fr. Robert F. Cole, pastor, as celebrant, followed by a reception in the church hall. If desired, memorial donations may be made in his memory to St. Katharine Drexel Church, PO Box 180, Wolfeboro, NH 03894, or American Parkinson Disease Association (APDA). Interment with military honors will be at John C. Shirley Cemetery in New Durham at a later date. To express condolences, please visit: www.peasleefuneralhome.com

Alton Bay, NH- John Leo Meehan, Jr., beloved husband, father, grandfather and friend to many, died on Saturday July 17, 2021 after battling a lengthy illness. Known as Jay to his friends and colleagues, he was born on October 22, 1936 in Winthrop, MA, the son of John Leo Meehan and Margaret C. Lane. Jay grew up in Revere, MA and graduated from Cathedral High School in Boston. He then went on to study at Saint Anselm College in Manchester, NH, graduating in 1958 with a degree in business.

Professionally, Jay was driven by a competitive, entrepreneurial spirit. He began his career working for the Continental Insurance Company, earning promotions and eventually covering Western MA as a special agent. He later became a sales manager of the Fire Protection Division for Holyoke Valve and Hydrant Company. In 1978, Jay purchased Kimball & Brown Moving and Storage in Manchester, NH, where he served as President & CEO until his retirement in 2003.

Jay married his college sweetheart Brenda Reid, Saint Anslem College class of 1961, in June 1961. They moved to South Hadley, MA where they lived for 18 years, raised their young family and made many dear life-long friends. They later moved to Alton Bay, NH on Lake Winnepesaukee, where they have resided for 43 years.

Jay was the loving father of 5 children including Catherine O’Rourke (Daniel O’Rourke) of Durham, NH, Maureen



Kramer (Luke Kramer) of Norwell, MA, Carolyn Nolan (Timothy Nolan) of Barrington, RI, John L. Meehan III (fiancée Tonda Creteau) of Alton, NH and William Meehan (Elizabeth Baker) of Hopkinton, MA. He was the proud Papa of thirteen grandchildren, including: Brogan, Sean, Liam and Patrick O’Rourke, Ryan and Molly Kramer, Caitlyn, Taylor and Reid Nolan, Jack and Kiley Meehan, and Patrick and Thomas Meehan. His grandchildren were the driving forces in his life that brought him the most joy, and Jay loved nothing more than gathering with family at his home on the lake.

Jay led his life in service – to his family, friends, community and church. A life-long proud Saint Anselm College alum, Jay served as President of the Alumni Association of Western, MA and received the John E. Barry ’40 Sprit of Saint Anselm College Award in 2004. He volunteered on many Boards over the years including the Serra Club in Springfield MA, the South Hadley, MA Fire Department, NH Catholic Charities, Easter Seals and Alton Community Services. He most recently served on the Board of Pine Haven Boys Home and was a member of the Finance

Committee of St. Katharine Drexel Parish in Alton, NH where he was active in the Men’s Club and volunteered as a eucharistic minister.

In addition to his entrepreneurial spirit, love of family and service to others, Jay was known by all to be an insightful, curious man of deep faith. “At this point here” was the famous Jay / Papa intro to any one-on-one discussion where he’d explore questions on any range of topics from work to family to politics to world affairs. Dialogs with Jay were always spirited and full of laughs. A man with a big heart and boundless energy, Jay was quietly generous – with his time, his compassion, and with his love for others – always lending a hand or a home to those in need throughout his life.

To know Jay Meehan was a true honor – his love was shared and cherished by everyone who crossed his path during his life.

Funeral services took place on Tuesday 7/27/2021. Visitation will be from 9- 11 AM at St. Katharine Drexel Parish, 40 Hidden Springs Rd, Alton, NH. A Funeral Mass was celebrated at 11 AM, also at St. Katherine Drexel.

In lieu of flowers, contributions to the Saint Katherine Drexel Charity Fund, the Dr. Joyce C. Clifford Annual Scholarship Program at Saint Anselm College or to Captain Ann Darby Reynold Scholarship Fund at Saint Anselm College would be greatly appreciated.

To express condolences, please visit: www.peasleefuneralhome.com

Vicki Carder, 68

Rochester- Vicki Carder, 68, died Sat. July 17, 2021 at her home following a period of declining health. She was born in Portsmouth, NH June 17, 1953, the daughter of Richard and Nancy (Beede) Huston.

She had been employed at General Electric in Somersworth, NH for many years, also worked at Cramer Fabrics in Dover, NH.

Survivors include her husband Lewis (Bud)



Carder of Rochester, siblings: Eben Houston and wife Diane, Susan Lovell and husband

Ron, Donna Larochelle and husband Armand all of Rochester, Pamela Bowden and husband Brad of Farmington, and Laura Ruths-Smith and husband Walter of Midlothian, VA. Granddaughters Ashley Benet of Rochester and Julia Gardner of Strafford. Many great-grandchildren and cousins.

She is pre-deceased by her parents and stepfather Donald Ruths, and son Christopher Gardner.

No funeral services are planned per her request.

Special thanks to the Rochester Fire Department, Rochester Police Department, and Frisbie Ambulance Service.

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Catherine Ladnier presents “Dear Sis” at Wright Museum

WOLFEBORO — On Tuesday, Aug. 10, Catherine Ladnier will perform her one woman play, “Dear Sis,” as part of the Wright Museum’s 2021 Lecture Series, presented by Ron Goodgame and Donna Canney.

“ ‘Dear Sis’ is based on the letters my Uncle Bill sent to my mother, Eva Lee, his beloved older sister, during World War II,” according to Ladnier

In deciding to turn the letters into a play, she said, “I am a theatre junkie—I see a play in so many stories.”

Ladnier’s mother, Eva Lee Brown, kept things running on their family farm in South Carolina while her brother Bill Brown served in the China Burma India Theater of the war. In their letters to each other, (Eva Lee)

Brown told of the day-to-day life in their small town, while her brother (Bill) wrote of his duties abroad and his longing to return home.

According to Wright Museum Executive Director Mike Culver, Dear Sis is the type of story “that makes WWII come alive.”

“It really brings to life the horror of war, the family connections kept and broken, the unfathomable contrasts between the battlefield and the home front, and the longing for what had been a peaceful life lived in a familiar environment,” he said. “This is a tale of one family, but it stands accurately for all the American families who were caught in the web of world war.”

“Dear Sis” begins at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 10 at the Wright Museum,

77 Center St. in Wolfeboro on the first floor of the new DuQuoin Education Center. Admission is \$3 for members and \$8 for non-members.

Masks are optional for all fully vaccinated audience members. Reservations are strongly encouraged and can be made by calling 569-1212. The region’s leading resource for educators and

learners of all ages on World War II, the Wright Museum features more than 14,000 items in its collection that are representative of both the homefront and battlefield.

For more information about the 2021 Lecture Series, or museum, visit wrightmuseum.org.

Register now for Lancer football and cheering

WOLFEBORO — The Kingswood Lancers Youth Football and Cheer program, which competes as part of the Rochester Youth Football League, is accepting registrations for the new season.

Any youth who resides in the Governor Wentworth Regional School District can suit up as a Lancer. Registration is available at rochesteryouthfootball.com.

Youth football is available for ages seven through 11 (grades two through six) and youth cheer is available for ages five through 11 (grades K through six), with an age cutoff date of Sept. 30. Practices for both cheer and football are held in Wolfeboro, though if there are not enough athletes signed up for cheer, they will cheer for the Wakefield team.

All registrations must be paid in full by Aug. 22 to participate in the season, payment plans can be made online, though there is an online transaction fee charged by the league’s online vendor.

There will also be a Lancer conditioning camp held at Crescent Lake Elementary School in Wolfeboro on Aug. 2, 4, and 6 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. each day, with a mandatory parent meeting Aug. 6 during the conditioning camp.

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Author Jane Healey to present at Wright Museum

WOLFEBORO — On Tuesday, Aug. 3, the Wright Museum will welcome Jane Healey, who will discuss her novel, *The Beantown Girls*. Set in Europe in the final months of World War II, *The Beantown Girls* is about a young woman and her two best friends who volunteered as Red Cross Clubmobile girls.

According to Healey, whose grandfather was a firefighter on the Navy ships off the coast of Europe and North Africa, she was always “fascinated” by World War II, a fascination stoked by her discovery of Red Cross Clubmobile Girls. Clubmobile Girls operated mobile service clubs overseas during the war to provide servicemen with food, entertainment, and a connection to home.

“The more I learned about the women who were part of the program, the more I knew there was a story there,” said Healey. “The book is very much based on

the true stories of the women who worked in the Red Cross Clubmobile program in World War II. It’s an honor to share their history and their contributions to the war effort.”

Noting she left a career in high tech to become a freelance writer, Healey said her passion for historical fiction began with her first novel, *The Saturday Evening Girls Club*.

“With the release of *The Beantown Girls*, I continue to fulfill my dream of writing about lesser-known stories of women in American history,” she said.

The Wright Executive Director Mike Culver said he looks forward to the presentation, which is part of their 2021 Lecture Series, presented by Ron Goodgame and Donna Canney.

“It is one of those true stories of the war that remains largely unknown until now,” he said.

The Beantown Girls lecture begins at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 3 followed by a book signing at the Wright Museum, 77 Center Street in Wolfeboro on the first floor of the new DuQuoin Education Center. Admission is \$3 for members and \$8 for non-members.

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COURTESY

NBT to host ballet classes for beginners

Do you have a preschooler who loves to dance around the house? Does he or she try to twirl and jump like famous ballet dancers? If so, Northeastern Ballet Theatre’s Ballet Beginning class is where they need to be! Boys and Girls ages 3 - 5 are invited to attend on Tuesdays at 4 p.m. in Northeastern Ballet Theatre’s Dover studio (Suite 239 in The McConnell Center) or on Thursdays at 9 a.m. in the Wolfeboro studio (26 Glendon Street). Young dancers are taught the fundamentals of classical ballet in a creative way that engages their imagination. The summer session has begun and continues through August 19. You can join at any time. For more information please call 834-8834 or email info@northeasternballet.org. Visit www.northeasternballet.org for more information about Northeastern Ballet Theatre. Nurture your child’s inner dancer now and see what journey it takes them on!

Allison Hart joins New Hampshire Boat Museum (NHBM) board

WOLFEBORO — The New Hampshire Boat Museum’s (NHBM) Board of Trustees recently added Allison Hart, Executive VP, who also serves on the Board of Directors of The Energy Coalition, an environmental non-profit based in Irvine, CA.

Hart brings decades’ worth of non-profit experience to NHBM’s board of trustees. Prior to working with the Coalition, Hart was City Manager (and Assistant City Manager) for the City of Irvine.

“I have served on the boards of numerous non-profit organizations, and I hope to bring this experience to add value to NHBM,” she said.

Hart has a Ph.D. in public administration from USC and more than 30 years’ experience in public sector and non-profit sector management. Her interest in NHBM is rooted in more than professional or academic interests, as Hart and her husband Wilson recently relocated to Center Tufton-

boro from California.

“My family has deep roots in the Lakes Region,” she said. “We have been coming to Lake Wentworth since early childhood. Our family cottage has been in the family since 1876... We have four children and six grandchildren who love to visit the center of the universe.”

In late May, NHBM opened its doors for the start of the 2021 season with the return of the Millie B on Lake Winnepesaukee and numerous public programs and events.

“We are excited for our season and to have Allison with us, as all of us look to a brighter future,” said NHBM Executive Director Martha Cummings.

Founded in 1992 by antique and classic boating enthusiasts, NHBM is committed to inspire people of all ages with an understanding of, and appreciation for, the boating heritage of New Hampshire’s fresh waterways.

To learn more about NHBM, or its calendar of events, visit nhbm.org.

Children’s Story Time coming to the New Hampshire Boat Museum

WOLFEBORO — On Fridays from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., August 20, Wolfeboro Public Library will visit New Hampshire Boat Museum (NHBM) for Children’s Story Time.

For children ages two to six years old, Story Time is approximately an hour and spent with Children’s Librarian Jeanne Snowdon, who reads a selection of age appropriate books.

Admission for children and one accompanying adult is free.

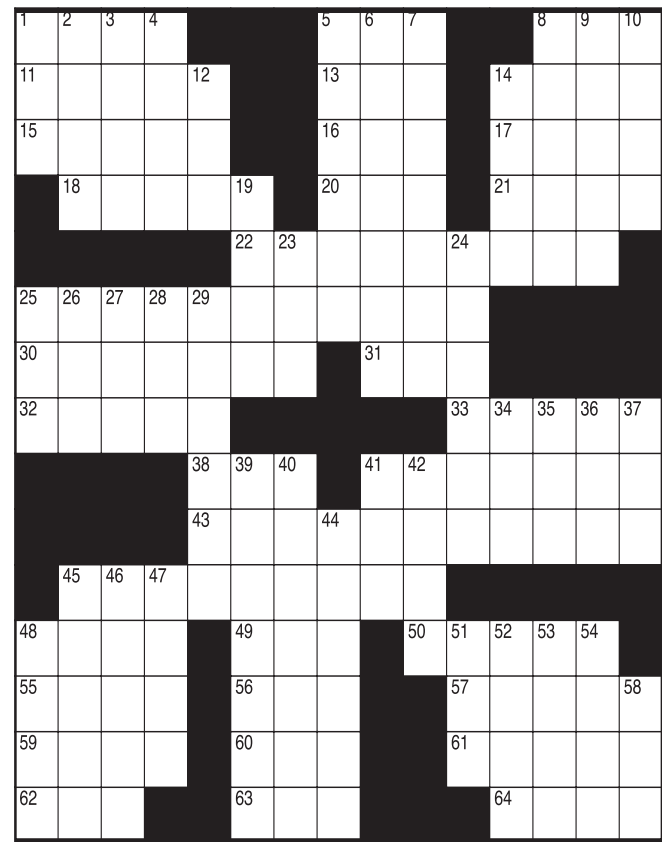
“It’s a wonderful hour that can be followed up by a tour of the museum and our exhibits, including locally produced artwork,” said NHBM Executive Director Martha Cummings.

Pre-registration for Children’s Story Hour is not required. NHBM is located at 399 Cen-

ter St., Wolfeboro.

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TAKE A BREAK



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 - No seats available
 - Health insurance organization
 - Having a strong sharp smell or taste
 - Defunct European economic organization
 - Dutch word for “language”
 - Hard to penetrate
 - When you’ll get there
 - Iranian city
 - Small fishes
 - Dry white wine drink
 - Turkish city
 - U.S.-born people

- Synthetic resin
- Major nerve in human body
- Type of recording
- Small drum
- Alters
- General’s assistant (abbr.)
- Venezuelan capital
- Free of deceit
- Member of Ancient Hebrew nation
- Competition
- Launch an attack on
- Cavalry sword
- Spiritual leader
- One point east of due south
- Afflicted
- Database management system

- Snake-like fish
- Spiritual leader of a Jewish congregation
- Small drink
- Not wet
- Impudence

- DOWN**
- Father
 - Performed perfectly
 - Ribosomal ribonucleic acid
 - Thin, compact object
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 - No longer working
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 - Book of Genesis character
 - Volcanic craters
 - Brand of American automobile (slang)
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 - Bangladeshi monetary unit
 - Self-immolation by fire ritual
 - Family of genes
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 - Pacific Standard Time
 - S. American wood sorrel
 - Women’s ____ movement
 - Chinese hoopster Ming
 - Layers of rock
 - Patriotic women’s group
 - Solid water
 - Shade of brown
 - Very fast airplane
 - Put clothes on
 - Quality of one’s character
 - Time zone
 - Primates
 - Pleasantly
 - Metrical feet
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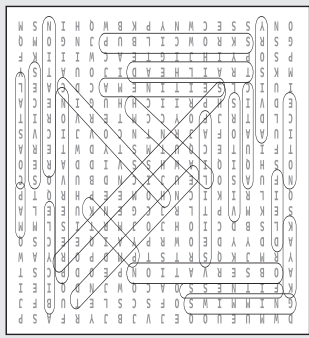
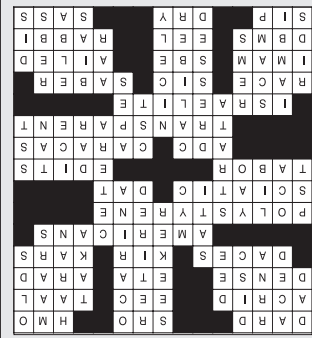
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This Week’s Answers



Village Players hosting auditions for “Nunsense”

TOWN OF NEW DURHAM ZONING BOARD

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

TUESDAY, AUGUST 10, 2021
7:00 PM @ NEW DURHAM TOWN HALL
Joseph and Donna Reiss

You are hereby notified that a Public Hearing will be held by the New Durham Zoning Board on Tuesday, August 10, 2021 at 7:00 pm for case #2021-017. The hearing is regarding an application submitted by Varney Engineering LLC, on behalf of Joseph and Donna Reiss. The applicants are requesting variances to **Article XIV Section C.1.e:** Dimensional Requirements. Development with Waterfront Access. **Article XXI Section C.1, C.2:** Non-conforming Buildings, Lands or Uses. New buildings and Structures. **Article XXI Section G.2.d:** Non-Conforming Setbacks. The full application is on file at the New Durham Town Offices for review during normal business hours. If you have any questions on the application, please contact Robin McClain at ndlanduse@newdurhamnh.us or the Zoning Board.

The property is located at 29 Cedergren Road, Map 105 Lot 005.

WOLFEBORO — The Village Players announce auditions for “Nunsense” Sunday, Aug. 1 at 2 p.m. and Tuesday, Aug. 3 at 7 p.m. at their theater at 51 Glendon St. in Wolfboro. Show dates will be Thursday, Nov. 11-Saturday, Nov. 13 in the evening, closing with a Sunday matinee, Nov. 14.

Thrilled to return to their regularly scheduled programming, The Village Players chose the show for its hilarious plot and small cast. Having grappled with COVID-19, a building fire, and necessary upgrades to their historic building’s infrastructure, “Nunsense” will close 2021 on a happy note.

Seeking to raise funds to give proper burial to the last four victims of botulism-tainted vichyssoise prepared by Sister

Julia, Child of God, the surviving five members of the Little Sisters of Hoboken put on a talent show. The nuns face hurdles, make confession, and sing and dance their way into the aisles and the audience’s hearts.

Directed by veteran Rosemary Lounsbury with musical direction by Julie Carbone, “Nunsense” by Daniel Goggin was first produced in 1985, going on to stages across the world, the silver screen with Whoopi Goldberg, and laugh-producing sequels.

“ ‘Nunsense’ feels ready-made for The Village Players to ease back into the world of musical theater,” comments Lounsbury. “It’s a very small cast, there’s only one set, and one costume per actor so there won’t need to be lots of people backstage.”

Catherine Collins of Brookfield is Assistant

Director, and Jennifer Schaffner of Laconia will choreograph.

Actors are requested to bring their own sheet music, a pair of dance shoes, and a face mask. Actors can prepare a song from “Nunsense” or another piece from musical theater. When not actively on stage, everyone in the theater will be asked to wear a mask.

The Village Players is a non-profit community theater located at 51 Glendon St. in Wolfboro. Membership is not required to audition. For direct questions about auditions, email Rosemary Lounsbury at rosemarynunsense@gmail.com. For more information about the show and The Village Players, visit www.village-players.com.

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By authority granted under RSA 227-G:3, 227-H:2 and 212:10 the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department in cooperation with the New Hampshire Division of Forests and Lands is planning a wildlife habitat improvement project that includes the commercial harvest of timber on 115 acres of the Marks Wildlife Management Area in the town of Alton, New Hampshire. This is a public notice to solicit comments or questions as part of the planning process. **THIS IS NOT A REQUEST FOR BIDS.** The Division carries out timber harvests as part of a multiple use forest and wildlife management program on State owned woodlands. Please address written comments or request for information by August 9, 2021 to Director, Division of Forests and Lands, 172 Pembroke Road, Concord, New Hampshire 03301, ATTN: Forest Management Bureau **P2-480**.

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TOWN OF NEW DURHAM ZONING BOARD

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

TUESDAY, AUGUST 10, 2021
7:00 PM @ NEW DURHAM TOWN HALL
Michael and Tracey Fillion

You are hereby notified that a Public Hearing will be held by the New Durham Zoning Board on Tuesday, August 10, 2021 at 7:00 pm for case #2021-019. The hearing is regarding an application submitted by Varney Engineering LLC, on behalf of The Fillion Family Revocable Trust, Michael and Tracey Fillion, representatives. The applicants are requesting variances to **Article V Section E:** Flood Hazard Area and Water Body Setbacks. **Article VI Section C.3.a:** General Provisions/Use Regulations for Town of New Durham. General Requirements **Article VI Section C.3.b:** General Provisions/Use Regulations for Town of New Durham. General Requirements. **Article XIV Section C.1.b:** Dimensional Requirements. Development with Waterfront Access. **Article XIV Section C.1.c:** Shorefront Conservation Overlay District **Article XXI Section C.1, C.2:** Non-conforming Buildings, Lands or Uses. New buildings and Structures. **Article XXI Section G.1.a:** Non-Conforming Buildings, Land or Uses. **Article XXI Section G.1.b:** Non-Conforming Buildings, Land or Uses. Non-Conforming Setbacks **Article XXI Section G.2.b:** Non-Conforming Setbacks. The full application is on file at the New Durham Town Offices for review during normal business hours. If you have any questions on the application please contact Robin McClain at ndlanduse@newdurhamnh.us or the Zoning Board.

The property is located at 128 South Shore Road, Map 122 Lot 019.

TOWN OF NEW DURHAM ZONING BOARD PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

TUESDAY, August 10, 2021
7:00 PM @ NEW DURHAM TOWN HALL
Kevin and Keesha Dube

You are hereby notified that a Public Hearing will be held by the New Durham Zoning Board on Tuesday August 10, 2021 at 7:00 pm for case #2021-018. The hearing is regarding an application submitted by Varney Engineering, on behalf of Kevin and Keesha Dube for property located at Pine Point Road Map 103 Lot 014. The applicants are requesting a variance to **Article V Section E:** Dimension Requirements for Town of New Durham. The full application is on file at the New Durham Town Offices for review during normal business hours. If you have any questions on the application, please contact Robin McClain at ndlanduse@newdurhamnh.us or the Zoning Board.

The property is located at Pine Point Road, Map 103 Lot 014

Activist, award-winning author Arshay Cooper to speak at NHBM’s online lecture series

WOLFEBORO — In partnership with NH Humanities, the New Hampshire Boat Museum (NHBM) will welcome Benjamin Franklin award-winning author Arshay Cooper to its 2021 Virtual Lecture Series on Thursday, Aug. 12 at 7 p.m.

Motivational speaker, activist, and Golden Oar recipient for his contributions to the sport of rowing, Cooper became captain of the nation’s first All-Black high school rowing team at Manley High School in Chicago in the late ‘90’s.

“Joining Manley’s rowing team was by far one of the most life altering choices I have made,” he said. “Rowing activated my resilience, ambition, and work ethic.”

In rowing, he said rowers work toward personal growth to achieve a mutual goal.

“The whole team has to be invested in you and you have to be invested in the whole team,” he said.

The lessons he gleaned in the boathouse translated to everyday life.

“I turned my grades around, invested in professional relationships, and started pursuing new opportunities, because rowing taught me to set goals, invest in process, and work hard for results,” Cooper said. “Rowing changed my worldview, approach to life, and introduced me to some of my best friends.”

The friendships he made

during his time at Manley exist to this day, as he noted they “get together every few months.”

“The guys and I are still close friends, and we support each other unconditionally,” he said. “Professionally, they’re all entrepreneurs, and each of us do our best to empower each other’s professional goals.”

One of these goals is to help promote Cooper’s book, ‘A Most Beautiful Thing,’ which tells their story as the nation’s first all-black high school rowing team, one Cooper will share at the lecture.

“I always hope my audience is empowered by my story to work hard, try something new, and contribute to their communities,” he said. “It’s important that each day we all wake up and make the conscious choice to do our work well, get uncomfortable, and leave every institution better than we found it.”

A Most Beautiful Thing: The True Story of American’s First All-Black High School Rowing Team takes place on Thursday, Aug. 12 at 7 p.m. Access to the free virtual lecture will be available at nhbm.org.

This project was made possible with support from New Hampshire Humanities, in partnership with the National Endowment for the Humanities. Learn more at nhhumanities.org.

Founded in 1992 by vintage boating enthusiasts, NHBM is sponsored this year in part by Goodhue Boat Company, Eastern Propane & Oil, Meredith Village Savings Bank, FL Putnam, Stark Creative, Bank of New Hampshire, and NH Humanities. To learn more about NHBM, visit nhbm.org.

Wright Museum receives grant from New Hampshire Charitable Foundation

WOLFEBORO — A grant from the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation’s Arthur and Esther Nighswander Fund, John J. and Priscilla L. Griffin Family Fund, and Walter A. Brooks Fund will substantially improve the Wright Museum’s technology infrastructure.

“This is a grant that will enable us to improve all aspects of our back-office operations, including internal and external communications,” said Executive Director Mike Culver.

In addition to computers, a printer, and subscription to a cloud-based server, the grant provides for technical support.

“So much of our office equipment was outdated, which became more obvious with the pandemic last year when we tried to work from home,” added Culver. “This grant does not just help us secure technology, but it also provides us with the ability to work with a consultant who can offer training and support during this transition to better technology.”

The grant from the Charitable Foundation builds off a prior grant earlier in 2021 from the McIninch Foundation, which invested in an upgrade to the museum’s collection software and several curatorial items.

“Financial support like this is crucial to our

operation, as it will increase our efficiency and effectiveness as a staff,” said Culver. “We are thrilled with these capacity-building investments, because they directly impact what we do on a day-to-day basis.”

The region’s leading resource for educators and learners of all ages on World War II, The Wright features more than 14,000 items in its collection that are representative of both the homefront and battlefield.

To learn more about the museum, or support The Wright’s Project25, visit wrightmuseum.org.

Local student inducted into National Scholastic Honor Society

MANCHESTER — Nichole Bourque of Center Barnstead has been accepted into the Tau chapter of the Delta Epsilon Sigma National Scholastic Honor Society at Saint Anselm College for the 2020-2021 academic year.


Students are considered for membership if they have completed at least 50 percent of the credit requirements for their degree and are ranked in the top 20% of their class. Candidates also must have demonstrated dedication to intellectual activity and service to their community.

Founded in 1939, Delta Epsilon Sigma (DES) is the national scholastic honor society for students, faculty, and alumni of colleges and universities with a Catholic tradition. Their purpose is to recognize academic accomplishments, foster scholarly activities, and encourage a sense of intellectual community among its members. The Tau chapter at Saint Anselm College is one of 119 DES chapters nationwide and has inducted 768 members to date.

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