

Bristol voters table building project, trim budget

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BRISTOL — The two-year effort to find a solution to space and safety concerns at the Bristol Municipal Building may end up with a different outcome than anyone expected if the town is able to come to an agreement with LRG-Healthcare on the purchase of the Newfound Family Practice building.

Edward “Ned” Gordon, who has led the space needs committee for the last two years, stepped down from his duties as moderator of the Bristol Town Meeting on March 17 to bring voters up to date

on how the committee arrived at the current plan to build a new town hall and renovate the Bristol Municipal Building into a police station. He then mentioned the possibility of buying the professional building from LRGHealthcare, which is closing Newfound Family Practice as part of its cost-cutting efforts.

Committee members had toured the building and concluded that, with some minor alterations, it could serve the administrative offices, eliminating the need to build a new town hall. The purchase might save enough money com-

plete the police department renovations as well, and come in closer to the committee’s original target of \$1.25 million.

As proposed on the warrant, the project would cost \$2,650,000, but Selectman Don Milbrand moved to table the article until

the town has a chance to look further into the new option. If viable, the selectmen may call a special town meeting to take care of the matter.

Budget
Voters trimmed the proposed operating budget to \$5,974,211,

a \$370,450 reduction from that proposed by the budget committee.

It took John Sellers two attempts to get an amendment passed, first proposing a figure of \$5,888,262, which he said represented a 2.2 percent increase, matching the consumer price index.

Other residents questioned the impact of such a cut and said it would be irresponsible to make a cut based purely on a percentage.

Milbrand said, “The budget committee has been working all year, looking at every line. Blanking out all

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Bristol selectmen name McIntire next Police Chief

BRISTOL — The Town of Bristol is pleased to announce that James “Jim” McIntire has been appointed the new Chief of the Bristol Police Department. The incoming Police Chief will be responsible for continuing the community’s high level of policing services, growing successful public safety outreach programs, and at the same time, providing an important perspective on the Town’s management team.

Chief McIntire’s appointment will begin March 26, and there will be a ceremonial swearing in at the April 5 Select Board meeting starting at 6 p.m. at the Town Office.

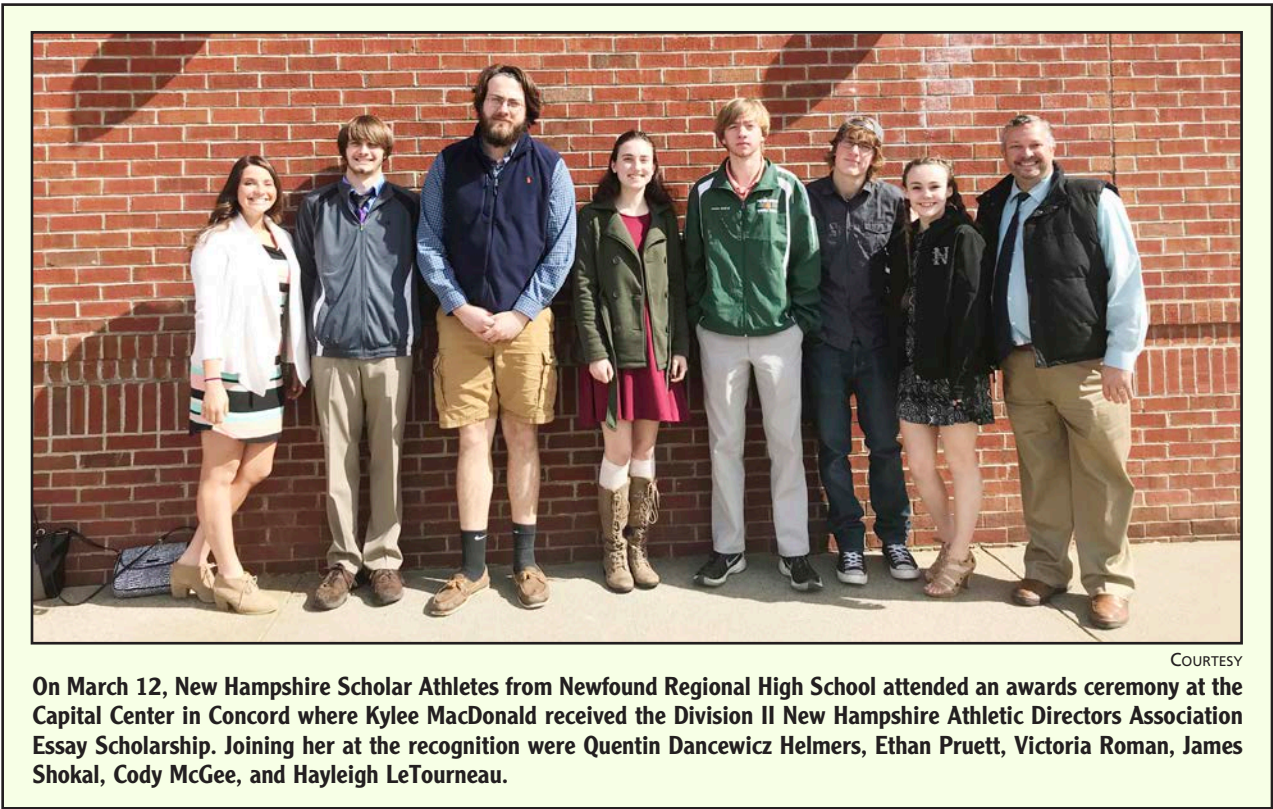
Chief McIntire’s Law Enforcement career spans nearly 30 years. Prior to joining Bristol, he served the communities of Northfield, Laconia, Belmont, Bow and the Belknap County Sheriff’s Department. During his career, he has held numerous assign-

ments to include, Firearms Instructor, Field Training Officer, Bike Patrol, SWAT Operator, Detective/Investigator and Prosecutor. While at the Northfield PD, he supervised patrol operations.

Chief McIntire also served four years with the New Hampshire Army National Guard and has owned and operated a construction company.

Chief McIntire’s specialty is in firearms training. He is a certified firearms instructor and he was responsible

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On March 12, New Hampshire Scholar Athletes from Newfound Regional High School attended an awards ceremony at the Capital Center in Concord where Kylee MacDonald received the Division II New Hampshire Athletic Directors Association Essay Scholarship. Joining her at the recognition were Quentin Dancewicz Helmers, Ethan Pruett, Victoria Roman, James Shokal, Cody McGee, and Hayleigh LeTourneau.

Join the Minot-Sleeper Library for an important community discussion

BRISTOL — The Minot-Sleeper Library welcomes the community to read the book “What Made Maddy Run” and join us for an event on Saturday, April 7 at 2 p.m. at the library.

“What Made Maddy Run” is a true story about a young woman who died by suicide at

the age of 19. The story by Kate Fagan, a former college basketball player and current

ESPN writer, deals with mental health, social media pressures, and more.

In partnership with the library, the Newfound High School ju-

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Local election results at a glance

REGION — For the second year in a row, a large snowstorm moved

into the state, just in time for town elections and while last year some communities postponed their voting, this year they were instructed by the state that voting must legally take place on March 13, so voters in most towns headed out early before the heavy snow accumulations began to mount.

Here are the local results from that day.

Alexandria: For elected officials in Alexandria, George Tuthill ran unopposed for another term on the Board of Selectmen and Fran Skiffington retained her position as Town Clerk/Tax Collector. Janet Towse and Merry Ruggierello were re-elected to the Planning Board while Ken Braley and Ed Skroback won three-year terms on the Budget Committee. A coin toss was scheduled for this week to determine the winner of a tie for a two-year seat on the Budget Committee. All warrant articles on the 2018 ballot passed except for three. One was a request to adopt a building permit ordinance in the town, another proposed a

limited property exemption for new commercial businesses under RSA 72:76, and the third was a petitioned article that asked for the town to provide seasonal road maintenance on Newfound Hills Road.

Ashland: In a race for a three-year term on the Board of Selectmen Kathleen DeWolfe defeated Frances Newton by a vote of 211-190 while Lorna Leigh Sharps ran uncontested for the two-year term on the board. Patricia Tucker was re-elected as Town Clerk/Tax Collector, Thomas Peters defeated Katie Maher for Trustee of the Trust Funds, and Beverly Ober won a term as Supervisor of the Checklist by a vote of 239-56 over Patricia Reitsma. All other positions were uncontested, with openings remaining for Water and Sewer Commissioner, Budget Committee and Cemetery Trustee.

Other than some back and forth voting on petitioned warrant articles, all articles presented by the town were approved with the exception of

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Spring sunset

Tuesday was the first day of Spring for 2018 and sunset on the shores of Newfound Lake in Bristol was a beautiful sight to behold, as seen in this photo captured by local resident Garlyn Manganiello.

New brewery opens its doors in Plymouth this weekend

BY DONNA RHODES
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PLYMOUTH — There'll be a bit of history in the making this weekend when the 1766 Brewing Company becomes the first official brewery in Plymouth, offering great locally made beer and ales while raising a proverbial glass in a salute to the town's history and folklore.

A few years ago, a lakeside conversation turned to new ventures for Greg Aprilliano and his friend Dave Sanborn. Aprilliano had an interest in brewing beer while Sanborn decided his dream was to open a wood-fired pizza restaurant. Sanborn and his eventual partner Matt Trotter went on to build The Last Chair Restaurant in Plymouth, serving wood-fired pizza, burgers and other comfort foods.



COURTESY
Greg Aprilliano (left) and Dave Sanborn (right) of the 1766 Brewing Company look forward to meeting new friends and sharing their love for the history of Plymouth as they officially open their new brew company this weekend, situated behind Last Chair Restaurant on Tenney Mountain Highway between Plymouth and Rumney.

Aprilliano delved into his interest for brewing beer and soon he and Sanborn became partners in a joint venture, the Sublime

Brewing Company. "We started brewing in just a 200-square-foot space behind the restaurant to supply it with beer. People really loved it though and wanted more than just what we served at Last Chair," said Aprilliano.

Last September, the two moved their operations into larger storage areas behind the restaurant so they could provide more product for customers and outlets that reached from the Lakes Region to Lincoln. It wasn't long though before they decided to actually expand their entire operations and rebrand their business as "1766 Brewing Company."

Aprilliano explained that the new name has historic significance to the Town of Plymouth

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Newfound Drama Club hosting Vendor Bingo fundraiser

BRISTOL — The International Thespian Society (Drama Club) of Newfound Regional High School will be hosting Vendor Bingo this week to help the group raise money for an upcoming trip to New York City.

Vendor Bingo is a fun opportunity for people of all ages to not only enjoy a night out, but at the end of each round of Bingo, the lucky game winners will also take home some great prizes provided by local businesses.

The evening begins at 6 p.m. when participants are invited to shop the vendor tables before the Bingo games get underway at 7 p.m. There will also be a concession stand with dinner, dessert and snack items available for purchase.

Vendor Bingo will take place on Friday, March 23, in the Newfound Regional High School Cafeteria and the public is invited to join the students for this community-minded fundraising event.

Officer elections, Executive Councilor Volinsky will headline Plymouth Area Democrats' monthly meeting

PLYMOUTH — On Wednesday, March 28, the Plymouth Area Democrats will meet from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Plymouth Regional Senior Center. Please note the change from the usual start time of the meeting, which will start with a social hour and potluck dinner. Yes, the potluck is back! Last month, we tried a new format with just light refreshments, but many folks felt that something was missing. So come, bring a friend, and bring a dish to share. If you aren't able to bring a dish, come anyway.

At 6:30 p.m., PAD members will vote for new officers for the Executive Committee. The nominating committee has identified candidates to fill two-year terms for Chair and Secretary, as well as one-year terms for Vice-Chair and Treasurer. Nominations are not closed and can be

made from the floor at the time of the election.

Following the elections, the featured speaker will be Executive Councilor Andru Volinsky, one of the five members of the body that serves as the state's board of directors. An award-winning attorney in the fields of education law, commercial litigation, employment law, and criminal law, Volinsky has been in the news in the context of education funding. More recently, he gained attention with respect to certain potentially illegal financial practices of the the State Liquor Commission that are sometimes referred to as "bootlegging." Councilor Volinsky raised questions about the legality of these practices. The Governor and the Liquor Commission have now, in turn, called for Mr. Volinsky to be investigated.

Councilor Volinsky will update us about the State Liquor Commission investigation and explain how this relates to the work of the Executive Councilor. He will also provide a brief explanation of NH's school funding system.

All are welcome to attend the meeting, though only registered Democrats are eligible to vote in the election of PAD officers. For more information, call Joyce Weston at 536-2856.

SLA to host special guided hike in the Squam Range

HOLDERNESS — Join the Squam Lakes Association (SLA) on Tuesday, March 27, for a special guided hike on a new trail in the Squam Range! Lakes Region Conservation Corps (LRCC) member, Meghan Christie, will be your guide along the trail, and show you the work she has done throughout the last few months helping the SLA establish this trail. This is a fabulous opportunity to get involved with the Squam Lakes Association, meet an LRCC member, and continue to check off trails for the Squam Ranger Challenge (hiking all 50-plus miles of trails maintained by the SLA). Meghan is excited to serve as a resource to connect you to the Squam watershed and hopefully answer any questions you may have about the work of the organization.



COURTESY

Join the Squam Lakes Association (SLA) on Tuesday, March 27, for a special guided hike on a new trail in the Squam Range!

Meet Christie at the SLA Headquarters, located at 534 US Route 3 in Holderness, at 1 p.m. From there, participants will carpool/caravan to the trail head. The hike will be three miles

round trip, and will feature a gradual elevation change. Snow conditions, especially at this time of year, are very variable. Either microspikes or snowshoes are recommended. The SLA has up to six snowshoes available to lend to participants. All levels of experience are welcome. Participants should be dressed properly and prepared for any type of inclement weather. For more information, or to sign up for this Adventure Ecology Program, please visit the SLA Web site (www.squam lakes.org) or contact the SLA directly at 968-7336.

The SLA is currently offering Adventure Ecology Programs on Tuesdays and Saturdays.

These programs are free of charge, open to the public, and cover a wide range of conservation and nature related topics. Adventure Ecology programs are planned and hosted by the Lakes Region Conservation Corps AmeriCorps members in order to further the overall mission of the Association. The Squam Lakes Association is dedicated to conserving for public benefit the natural beauty, peaceful character and resources of the watershed. In collaboration with local and state partners the SLA promotes the protection, careful use and shared enjoyment of the lakes, mountains, forests, open spaces and wildlife of the Squam Lakes region.



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Towns

Alexandria

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Well blow ye winds hi ho! Hope you were all able to hold onto your shamrocks for St. Patrick's Day! Hope the little men in green suits treated you well with their mischief!

Town
Congratulations to all the winners in the Town Election races. Voter turnout was good, despite the weather. A job well done by all in the voting process, and kudos to the counters at the end! Election results can be found elsewhere in this paper, or on the Town of Alexandria Web site.
Conservation Commission meeting Wednesday, March 28 at 6:30 p.m. in the Municipal Building.

Alexandria UMC
Sunday, March 25, services at 9 a.m., with Sunday School following at 10:15 a.m. There will be a special breakfast for children, parents, and teachers during this time. I hear there is also going to be an egg hunt as well! Oh what fun it will be!
Trustees will meet in the Vestry on March 25, at 6:30 p.m.
Thursday, March 29 at 6:30 p.m. is the Passover Experience.
Friday, March 30, Good Friday Service at 7 p.m.
Sunday, April 1, Sunrise Service at Wellington Boat Launch at 6:15 a.m., with breakfast following at AUMC Vestry. Easter Worship will begin at 9 a.m.

Before I take off until next week, I would like to wish my granddaughter, Emily, a Happy Birthday! May your day be filled with much love, laughter and many blessings! For the rest of you, may your Holy Week be all that it is meant to be, no matter how, or where you worship.

Danbury

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South Danbury Church
This week is the Easter theme happy hour at the South Danbury Church. Friday, March 23, from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. The snow date is Saturday, March 24. Stop by for free fresh donuts and cider. Purchase

baked goods, Easter breads, hot cross buns, pies, doggie treats, quilt raffle tickets, and delicious homemade, ready-to-eat-or-freeze soups and meals. Enjoy live flute music from 4:30 to 5:15 p.m., featuring Mary Boyle and Kathy Wright. Proceeds benefit the preservation fund.
On Thursday, March 29, the traditional candlelight Maundy Thursday service will be at the church at 7 p.m. Everyone is invited to it, and to the Easter sunrise service (time to be announced) at the Ragged/Kearsarge viewing area on Walker Brook Road, followed by breakfast at the church. Easter Sunday worship will be at 11 a.m.

Grange Local Business Day
On March 17, the grange offered local businesses an opportunity to promote their businesses. Jessica Gamboa brought a collection of her books from Usborne Books and More. Offabit Farm from South Danbury brought samples of their products from their farm on Jack Wells Road. They raise Kinder Goats, meat rabbits, chickens and vegetables. Goat milk will be available for sale as well as soap, cheese, lip balms and lotions. Jake Moran has opened Moran Repair, LLC on Tommy Higgins Road for automotive repair and maintenance. Sharon Klapyk brought a display of Younique products, a plant based skin care and makeup business. Jeremy and Kris Martin came to represent Gungewam Outfitters, a store in South Danbury that will offer sporting goods and outdoor power equipment sales. Darlene Ligon displayed an assortment of the items she sells from Young Living Essential Oils. Artelia Lyn Ellis gave free editing services at the meet & greet. As a copy editor / writer, she is available to edit and give advice on resumes or other copy that you might need someone to just look over for you. Nancy Parker, chocolate maker brought chocolate samples and pictures of her all occasion cakes. Huntoon Farm was also on hand to pass out mini loaves of bread and to talk about the benefits of buying their hormone and antibiotic free meats. Contact in-

formation for the businesses may be found at Blazingstargrange.org.

Rabies Clinic
The annual rabies clinic will be held Saturday, March 24 from 1-2 p.m. The cost is \$15 / animal. Bring your last rabies certificate for proof that the vaccination is a booster and extends the validity for three years. The town clerk will be present to license dogs.

Final Farmers' Market
The last farmers market of the season will be held on April 7 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. There will be hot breakfast and lunch served. There are two floors of locally made items offered by business within 35 miles of the grange hall.

Groton

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Tuesday's elections were well attended though we had plenty of snow. I'm not sure it was quite as bad as last year. The month has been full already, but much more to go with Town Meeting this week and then a couple of different trainings and delinquent tax notices the office will be hoppin'.
The winners of the 2018 Town Elections: Select Board 3 years - John Rescigno, Town Clerk/ Tax Collector 3 years - Ruth Millett, Trustee of the Trust Fund 3 years - Gina Rescigno, Town Auditor 1 year - Otto Jespersen, Planning Board 3 years - Forrest Blake and David Labar, Cemetery Trustee 3 years

- Elizabeth Jespersen, Library Trustee 3 years - Elizabeth Jespersen. There were write-ins for some of the offices without candidates on the ballot and these will be announced as soon as we have all the information in the next few days.
I'm not sure if winter will ever come to an end, but it would be nice to see an end of all the white stuff. Please remember

that dog licenses are due by the end of April.

Meetings and Closures Coming Up
Select Board Work Sessions - Tuesdays - April 3 6 p.m. and April 17, 5 p.m. at the Town House
Road Committee Meeting - Monday, March 26, 6 p.m. at the Town House - if you are interested in joining the

Road Committee, please attend this meeting.
Select Board Meetings - Tuesdays - April 3, and April 17, 7 p.m. at the Town House.
The Planning Board will be meeting at the Town House on Wednesday, March 28 at 7 p.m.
The Town Clerk's Office will be closed March 21 and 28 for the Tax Collector Workshop at the DRA.

Churches

Ashland Community Church
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
Fridays 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
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Teach medicine safety during National Poison Prevention Week

BY DEB TOBINE
Contributor

Poisoning is the leading cause of injury death in the United States. Drugs, both pharmaceutical and illicit, cause the vast majority of poisoning deaths. Since 1962, the President of the United States has proclaimed the third week of March as National Poison Prevention Week to raise awareness about the dangers of poisonings and how to prevent them.

Opioid analgesic pain relievers are involved in a substantial proportion of drug poisoning deaths. Opioid analgesics include natural and semi-synthetic opioid analgesics such as hydrocodone, morphine, and oxycodone; and other synthetic opioid analgesics such as fentanyl and methadone. With so many adults abusing these substances today, the potential access to these drugs by children is even greater. It takes only seconds for a child to get hold of something poisonous.

While poisoning is the leading cause of injury death in the United States, many poisonings are preventable—follow these tips to help prevent poisonings: 1) Only take prescription medications that are prescribed to you by a healthcare professional. Misusing or abusing prescription or over-the-counter medications is not a “safe” alternative to illicit substance abuse; 2) Never take larger or more frequent doses of your medications, particularly prescription pain medications, to try to get faster or more powerful effects; 3) Never share or sell your prescription drugs; 4) Keep all prescription medicines (especially prescription painkillers, such as those containing methadone, hydrocodone, or

oxycodone), over-the-counter medicines (including pain or fever relievers and cough and cold medicines), vitamins and herbals in a safe place that can only be reached by adults; 5) Follow directions on the label when you give or take medicines. Read all warning labels for potential interactions with other medications or alcohol; 6) Turn on a light when you give or take medicines at night so you know you have the correct amount of the right medicine; 7) Keep medicines in their original bottles or containers; 8) Monitor the use of medicines prescribed for children and teenagers, such as medicines for attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD); and 9) Dispose of unused, unneeded, or expired prescription drugs. You can easily dispose of expired and unused medications in the Plymouth or Bristol Police Medication Return Box. It is free and anonymous access available 24/7 in the lobby of the Plymouth and Bristol Police Departments.

It is important to remember that poisonings can happen to anyone, anywhere, and at any time. The good news is that many poisonings are preventable, and if you need help, it is readily available by calling Poison Help at 1-800-222-1222. For free publications and information on prescription drug issues such as tracking your medications, safe disposal of medications, and facts about prescription drug abuse, visit the CADY Web site at www.cadyinc.org or www.facebook.com/cadyinc.

If you or someone you know struggles with addiction or substance use, call the NH Statewide Addiction Crisis Line at 1-844-711-4357 (HELP).

PET of the Week Jazmin



Lost and lonely in a foreign land describes Jazmin, a petite Labrador mix who will be 1yr old in July. She's been calling New Hampshire Humane Society home since December -and has been horribly overlooked by the adopting public for months. We hope and pray this young dog will not celebrate her first birthday in our shelter!

Jazmin was abandoned outside the gates of a rescue in Puer to Rico. Whomever dumped her did so, with no regard for her health and well-being. She was seen to literally staggering and



falling over in the dirt almost succumbing to dehydration. This little dog has weathered the

storms of human indifference and disregard for the basics – food, water, shelter, love.

We've provided all that and more, but who can blame her for not trusting people. Jazmin is by degrees shy then bold. Timid but so incredibly clever, she's learned many new tricks. She doesn't 'show well' in her kennel, but outside, she her special Obsidian gem qualities shine. Her pensive look and those mournful eyes truly speak volumes.

Please give this young dog a chance, she surely deserves it.

Ask to speak with our Adoption Team to learn more.

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Missing the furnace, and its smoke. And who starts the day at 9 a.m.?

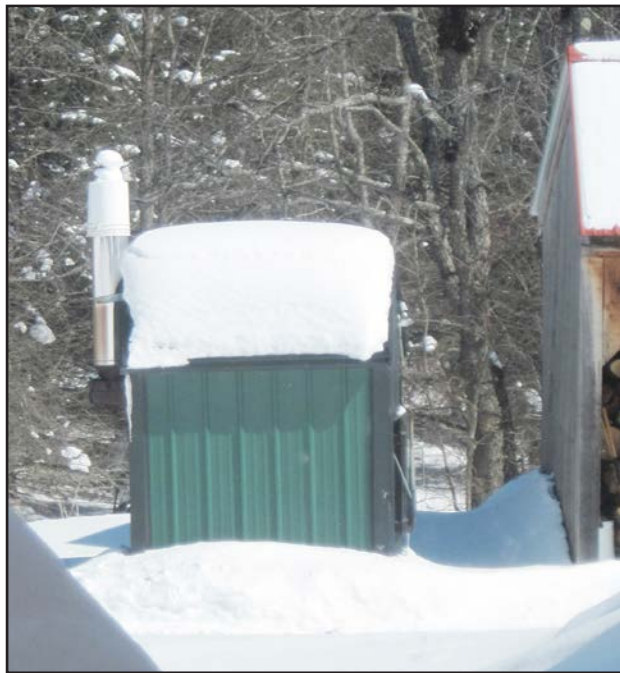
NORTH COUNTRY NOTEBOOK

By JOHN HARRIGAN



Doing dishes is something I don't mind at all, because it can be done by rote and gives me time to think. This chore is made all the more pleasant by the scene out the window, which takes in back lawn, bird feeders, apple trees and an alder swamp.

I miss something, however, and I didn't realize how keenly until now. Back in Octo-



(Left) The furnace has a five-gallon bucket turned over on its stack and a crown of snow to boot—no smoke to help gauge the weather.

ber, with medical issues looming, I had to make a decision on whether to run the outdoor wood-fired boiler, which easily heats the entire house and annex and provides domestic hot water, or shut it down. And because what circulates is water, not antifreeze, shutting it down meant draining the whole system, buried pipes and

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Letters to the Editor

The Day Away program needs you

To the Editor:

For readers who don't know 'Day Away,' it is a social program for men and women with early stages of Alzheimer's and related dementias. This program also provides the participant's caregiver several hours, a short respite, to 'catch a breath,' 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. every Thursday. A Registered Nurse and an experienced staff are always on site. The program itself is a social program involving the whole person, mind and body. Inter-active games, creative crafts, challenging quizzes, delightful poems, and old-time sing-a-longs are just a small part of the program. Guest speakers, entertainers, musicians, and a friendly therapy Golden Retriever stop by on Thursdays. A wholesome lunch, cooked on the premises, and even snacks are part of Thursdays. Dietary needs of the participant are always considered.

Day Away is a non-denominational program meeting every Thursday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Our Lady of Grace Chapel in Bristol.

As you read this letter, you can appreciate how

important are the volunteers we have in this program. They are the 'backbone' of Day Away. They bring knowledge, wisdom, life experiences, and all sorts of talent to enhance, not only the lives of the participants, but staff as well. With more participants, there is a greater need for more volunteers. The program needs you now, today! If you can come 'on board' we will help with insight into the disease. The satisfaction you receive will be unlimited. The heart of a volunteer is not measured by size but by the depth of the commitment to make a difference. Together we can make a person's yoke a little easier, a burden a little lighter.

I personally want to say "Thank You" to every volunteer in our program for their commitment to the Day Away Program and welcome all those who wish to be part of our program.

Sandra Coleman RN, BSN
Director
Day Away

Save the date, Bristol!

To the Editor:

I had the privilege of attending yet another well-run meeting by Moderator Ned Gordon at Bristol's Town Meeting on St. Patrick's Day. Whatever your feeling about the outcome, the 180 or so who came out for the bulk of the meeting discussed both sides of many issues and voted, and actually effected some change vs. what was proposed by officials. Democracy in action!

As a point of fact, they ultimately got into some pretty good detail about a Town Budget for Bristol in excess of \$5 million --- that discussion was so refreshing to hear.

My question is, why is there such low turnout at the School District's equivalent meeting, held the

first Saturday in February, from not just all the seven towns (it seems to me) but especially Bristol, who pays almost a third of the roughly \$24 million budget? That's (again, roughly) about \$8 million you simply bequeath us with virtually no such equivalent interest in participation. Puzzling to me, indeed. Please accept this invitation to attend -- and with equivalent enthusiasm and cordiality -- whenever it finally gets scheduled, but be advised it's been the first Saturday in February the past several years, and with only 4 articles this year, didn't take long at all.

Save the date! Top o' the season to ya!

Vincent Paul Migliore
School Board Representative
Bridgewater

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THE REAL REPORT

RECENT REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS

Town	Address	Type	Price	Seller	Buyer
Alexandria	80 Foster Pond Rd.	Single-Family Residence	\$138,000	Brenda F. Sharp	David R. and Tracy A. Boland
Alexandria	N/A	N/A	\$295,000	Paul R. Kendall (for Paul & Cathy Kendall Fiscal Trust)	R. Anthony Diehl (for R. Anthony Diehl LT)
Bristol	41 Lancelot Lane	Single-Family Residence	\$254,000	Richard Haddad	Robert M. and Christine M. Monk
Bristol	323 Summer St.	Single-Family Residence	\$160,000	Phillip M. King	John M. Bauer
Campton	22 Deacon Wiley Rd.	Single-Family Residence	\$299,000	Scott D. McGuffin (for Spencer Ganzell RET)	Pamela P. Anneser
Campton	7 Overlook Rd., Unit 1	Condominium	\$65,000	Richard and Paula Lavin	Nancy C. Alrich (for Nancy C. Aldrich RET)
Campton	195 Pulsifer Rd.	Single-Family Residence	\$62,800	Chester M. and Kathleen J. Wigley	George S. Lougee
Holderness	91 Butternut Lane	Single-Family Residence	\$252,000	Joseph V. and Amanda C. Curran	Jeanne Fontaine
New Hampton	N/A	N/A	\$79,533	Steven D. Baker	Michael R. Porter (for Porter RET)
New Hampton	N/A	N/A	\$239,000	Kevin S. and Cheryl A. Drake	Kristopher J. and Nicole E. Kloetz
Plymouth	Chaddarin Lane (Lot)	Residential Developed Land	\$52,000	Albert E. and Marion A. Felice	Richard R. Lewis and Lynne S. Mitchell
Rumney	Buffalo Road	N/A	\$80,000	Karen A. Young	Derrick K. Kelley
Thornton	79 Mountain River East Rd., Unit 47	Condominium	\$125,333	Steven and Janet Federico	Lisa Alder and Valerie K. Moore
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Wentworth	573 Atwell Hill Rd.	Single-Family Residence	\$150,000	Teresa A. Muzzey	Hannah Andritsakis

ABOUT THE REAL REPORT

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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

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Churches

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Plymouth Episcopal (Church of the Holy Spirit)

It is hard to believe that next week is Holy Week. Rev. Kelly Sundberg Seaman has planned many events to mark this important time in our yearly calendar. Hope you will find a service that you can attend.

Worship for Holy Week
Wednesday of Holy Week, March 28
9:30 a.m. Lenten Study Group, followed by Morning Prayer CLC chapel

Maundy Thursday, March 29
St. Mark's Ashland: 10 a.m.
Holy Eucharist with foot washing

Good Friday, March 30
Morning Prayer, St. Mark's, 9:30 a.m.
Griswold Hall, noon
CLC chapel or Ashland, evening service TBD

Holy Saturday, March 31
The Great Vigil of Easter
Holderness School Chapel 5 p.m.

Easter Day, April 1
Griswold Hall, 8 a.m.
St. Mark's, 10 a.m.

Lenten Studies
Wednesday, March 28 will be the last session of our Lenten Studies, an offering of prayer and reflection called Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John. Please join Deacon Maryan, Pastor Kelly, and members of our churches for a illuminating and discerning discussion.

ECW Meeting
The next meeting will be a potluck luncheon on Thursday, April 5. It will take place in Griswold Hall at noon. All are welcome to join the group for a pleasant lunch and discussion.

Book Sales
The next Book, CD, and Record Sale will be Thursday, March 29, from 2-5 p.m. at Griswold Hall, 263 Highland St., Plymouth. This is a great opportunity to find a new reading book.

Holy Trinity (Roman Catholic)

Holy Week Schedule:
Day of Reconciliation: Monday, March 26, Noon - 1 p.m. St. Matthew Church 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. St. Matthew Church Holy Thursday, March 29 Solemn Morning Prayer 8 a.m. St. Agnes Church Mass of the Lord's Supper 7 p.m. Our Lady of Grace Chapel Good Friday: March 30th Solemn Morning Prayer 8 a.m. St. Matthew Church Stations of the Cross 3 p.m. St. Agnes Church Good

Friday Services The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ 5 p.m. Our Lady of Grace Chapel 7 p.m. St. Matthew Church Easter Vigil, Saturday, March 31st Solemn Morning Prayer 9 a.m. St. Matthew Church Easter Vigil Mass 8 p.m. St. Matthew Church Easter Sunday 7:30 a.m. St. Matthew Church 9:30 a.m. Our Lady of Grace Chapel 11:30 a.m.

Support for Separated & Divorced Divorce and separation can be painful experiences. Support groups are available to those who are seeking healing, comfort, and empowerment. Visit www.catholicnh.org/support for a listing of groups. Do you know someone who is going through a separation or divorce? Please consider passing this information along to them.

Day Away Program needs volunteers. Day Away is a weekly senior day care program for those diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease or related dementia. When we volunteer, the participant's caregiver can "catch a breath" for several hours, 9:00am to 3:00pm every Thursday. For the participant it is good food, great challenges, nice games, and great company. The heart of a volunteer is not measured by size but by the depth of the commitment to make a difference. Each morning and afternoon we need nine volunteers and one R.N. Will you join us? Together we can make a person joke a little easier, chuckle a little lighter. - Sandra Coleman BSN, RN sjrhatt@roadrunner.com Phone: 536-6304
Lenten Stations of the

Cross Fridays during Lent
Noon: St. Matthew Church, Plymouth
3:30 p.m. St. Agnes Church, Ashland, 6 p.m. Our Lady of Grace, Bristol

Campus Ministry
Enjoy Spring Break this week! Whether you're staying on campus, going home, taking a vacation, or doing a service project, have a good time, and be safe.

Way of the Cross and Resurrection: Lynn Durham will offer a series of thought-provoking reflections she has created for the Stations of the Cross on Tuesday, March 27, 7:30-8:30 p.m., at St. Matthew Church. Sponsored by PSU's Catholic Campus Ministry, we invite all parishioners to join us. And bring your journal - you'll want to capture your own insights throughout this journey!

Weekly Meetings: Thursday, March 22
Day Away Program, Simard Hall, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Men's Group, North American Martyrs Oratory, 10 a.m.

Boy Scouts, St. Matthew Hall, 6 p.m.

Friday, March 23
RCIA, St. Matthew Rectory, 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, March 25
Faith Formation: Ashland: St. Agnes Hall, 9:15 - 10:45 a.m. (to include Stations of the Cross) Bristol: Simard Hall, 10:30 a.m. - noon Confirmation: Bristol: Marian Center, 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. (Mass Included) Plymouth, St. Matthew Meeting Room, 10:15 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. (Mass Included)

AA meeting Monday-Saturday St. Matthew Hall 11 a.m.

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:
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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 multi-generational, 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, March 25
Nursery and Religious Education - 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. - Contact: Jane Clay, DRE
Service 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. - The Point From Which We Pivot

Dr. Rev. Linda Barnes, Worship Leader
Sarah Dan Jones, Music Director


Poised briefly between winter and spring the vernal equinox reminds us that we are always at that pivot point balance, between the past and the future, between what is and what could be. Join us as we explore how the longer view of balance might offer us perspective on navigating our own lives.

Visit our Web site www.starrkingfellowship.org

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The Outreach Program for March is the
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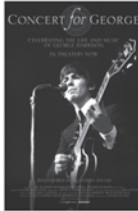
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Harold C. Hanaford, 89

BRIDGEWATER — Harold C. “Hard Luck” Hanaford, 89, died at his home with his family by his side on March 17, 2018.

Born in Plymouth on March 2, 1929, he was the son of George and Eva A. [Brooks] Murphy. Harold was raised in Lower Intervale by Frank and Maude Hanaford. He attended the one room school in Lower Intervale and graduated from Plymouth High School.

Harold served his country in the U.S. Army in Korea. After serving his country Harold returned home and went to work as a mechanic and later on owned his own excavation business. He was member of the American Legion Post #26 in Bristol and the North Eastern Speedway in Vermont.

Harold was an avid stock car racer he



raced during the winter at the Plymouth Fairgrounds, he also raced his flathead coup at short-tracks all over New Hampshire and Vermont, he won the Thunder Road Track Championship in 1964 he raced in Daytona in 1966 and was inducted into the New England Antique Racers hall of fame in 2009.

Harold is survived by his wife, Florence [McLoud] Hanaford of Bridgewater; his daughter, Lynn Co-meau; sons Brian

Hanaford and Robert Hanaford; his grandchildren, Samuel Harold Comeau, Sabrena Florence McPhail, and Chelsie Burland; great-grandchildren David Comeau, Stacy Comeau, Nicholas Comeau, and Jamie Comeau; his sisters, Pearl O’Brien of Meredith, Edna Bowley of North Haverhill; and his brother, Calvin Batch-alder of Alton.

He was predeceased by his sister, June Gural, and his brother, George Murphy.

Services will be at the convenience of the family. Donations may be made to the American Cancer Society, or the Newfound Area Nursing Association, 214 Lake St., Bristol, NH. 03222. Dupuis funeral Home in Ashland is assisting the family; for more information, go to dupuisfuneral-home.com.

Schoolchildren join New Hampshire Music Festival Orchestra on Silver Center stage

Carnegie Hall “Link Up” concert held at Plymouth State University

PLYMOUTH — On Thursday, March 15, 800 children in grades three through five and their teachers shared the stage at the Silver Center for the Arts with the world-class performers of the New Hampshire Music Festival. The special Carnegie Hall Link Up student concert, an important focus of the Festival’s education initiative, was first piloted at Plymouth State University in 2017 and this year engaged students from 13 area schools.

Link Up, a program of Carnegie Hall’s Weill Music Institute, pairs orchestras with students in grades three through five. Through a hands-on music curriculum, the students are encouraged to explore

fundamental music skills including performance and composition. The semester-long program culminated with a concert where the students sang and played the recorder or violin with the orchestra from their seats in the concert hall. The Festival and Plymouth State University are actively partnering to bring more hands-on music education and live classical music experiences to students and youth in our communities.

“We are so happy to be able to bring this program back to New Hampshire’s elementary schools for a second year,” said Deb Kosits, executive director of the New Hampshire Music Festival. “It’s exciting to see the growth

from last year—we’re set to exceed our goal of 2,000 student participants by 2020. The Link Up program is a great opportunity to introduce children to live classical music and nurture their creativity.”

The New Hampshire Music Festival is a summer music festival presenting performances in the greater New Hampshire Lakes Region of symphonic, choral, and chamber music that honor the traditions of classical music while also exploring new artistic paths. Strong collaborations with community partners are a hallmark of this important cultural institution, including educational programs for students of all ages.

Osborne Roberts III, 81

ORMOND BEACH, Fla. — Osborne (Ozzie) Roberts III, 81, of Ormond Beach, died Wednesday, March 14, 2018, at Florida Hospital Memorial Medical Center in Daytona Beach.

He was born in Laconia, the son of Osborne and Anna (Petroskey) Roberts, and was raised in Bristol. He joined the U.S. Army, and after his discharge, he lived in Franklin, and later in Ormond Beach, Fla.

Ozzie began work at Acme Staple in Franklin and later retired from the Sisters of the Holy Cross, where he took pride in maintaining all of the convent’s buildings. As a young man, Ozzie enjoyed



hunting, fishing, restoring antique automobiles and going on family camping trips. Later in his life, he enjoyed surf fishing and time with his pet dogs, Muffin and Muffy. He also enjoyed his daily coffee with friends at McDonald’s.

Family members include his daughter, Shelly Roberts of Ding-

mans Ferry, Pa.; his son, Dean Roberts, of Daytona Beach, Fla.; his daughter, Sheila Wickey, and her husband Thomas, of Manchester; and his daughter, Sandra Kelley, and her husband, Kevin, of Newton, Mass.; ten grandchildren; one great grandchild; and a sister, Ida Lyford, of New Hampton.

He was predeceased by his sister, Joan Lai-weneek, and his brother, Chester “Tiger” Roberts.

A Memorial Service was held on Wednesday, March 21, at 2 p.m. at Haigh-Black Funeral Home, Ormond Beach, Fla. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to your local animal shelter or ASPCA.

Notebook

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all, not an easy thing, but so it went.

It’s not that I begrudge Chip Bean and crew at C. Bean Transport the money I’ve had to spend on fuel oil, not one red cent. I’m fortunate to have an oil-fired backup system and a dependable supplier, which as is typical with dealers in this often-wild territory will deliver the product no matter the weather.

But what’s missing from my window picture is the gentle wafting of white smoke when the boiler is idling, and the blast of equally white smoke when it’s firing up. It is a comforting scene, and the smoke tells me the direction of the wind, which gives me a pretty good guess on the weather.

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Smoke from outdoor wood furnaces is a big issue, which is why they never should have been

allowed or installed in closely built neighborhoods. But they were, back when oil became outrageously expensive and people turned to wood. It was allowing these things to be set up too close to neighbors, plus people doing really dumb things like burning tires and garbage, that got us into all the regulations.

My unit, a Central Boiler made in Minnesota and built to last, was one of the first in the territory, and people came from all over to see it. It is a pretty straightforward apparatus, sort of like a Model A Ford—pretty hard to improve on except for comfort and gadgets. It burns wood right down to a fine powder, like flour, and there is no need for an ash-pit. Cleanout (which for me, if I burn carefully, is twice a heating season) involves using a long-handle flat-bottom shovel to transfer the ashes into the bucket-loader, to be spread uphill of the apple orchard.

Alert readers will

have noted that I was careful to say “white smoke.” Properly dried firewood emits white smoke; unseasoned, (i.e. “green” wood) emits a pale blue. If any blue smoke came out of my furnace all my neighbors would see it, and I’d be some embarrassed and would maybe even have to move.

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Speaking of smoke, the story that was big news one day and gone the next concerned the government’s plan to cut nicotine content in cigarettes in not-so-subtle increments, to the tune of something like 90 percent.

This, one might predict, will create a brisk black market and all sorts of cross-border shenanigans, virtually overnight, to provide desperate smokers with good old (or not so good) nicotine-loaded smokes. Not that any smuggling whatsoever goes on anywhere in northern New England, nosiree Bub.

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My laugh of the week came from a PBS story on the Pennsylvania primary, in which a news crew visited a wood-working factory.

“Even at 9 a.m.,” an evidently amazed reporter said, “this factory is already humming.” Yes, you heard it, “Even at 9 a.m.” (emphasis mine).

Well, yup, hello, and welcome to the real world. How about factories that start the day at 7, or the loggers, truckers, road crews and tradesmen grabbing coffee and a bit of breakfast at (gulp) 4:30? It might cause one to faint.

(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.)

April classes at Artistic Roots

PLYMOUTH — Artistic Roots is thrilled to welcome Jayden Gaulocher-Bergmann as an artisan and teacher to the gallery. He will be teaching needle felting. His students will learn the techniques to make their own felted gnome. All materials for the class are included. The Needle Felting Class will be held on April 7 from noon to 2 p.m.

Suzan Gannett will be teaching a series of Watercolor Classes in April featuring Flowers. The classes will be held on April 9, 16, and 23 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 April 17 from 5-7 p.m., Suzan Gannett will offer a Zen Doodle Chicken Class. She will teach students to incorporate Zen doodle designs into a rooster or hen. Cost of the class is \$20 for members and \$25 for non-members.

On April 26, Lynn Haust will offer a Melted Glass Sun Catcher Class from 5-7 p.m. Participants will create beautiful glass designs to place in a window and catch the light. They can also make a nightlight. Students



COURTESY

Design and make your own felted gnome with Jayden Gaulocher-Bergmann on April 7 from noon to 2 p.m. Cost of the class is \$25 for members and \$30 for non-members. Class is held at Artistic Roots, 73 Main St., Plymouth. Sign up for the class by visiting the gallery or on our Web site, www.artisticroots.com.

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.

Annette Mitchell will be offering a Landscape/Drawing Class from April 3 to May 15. This class continues into May 1, 8, and 15. Please note this class is already full. By week she will cover the following topic: Media for the Subject, Getting started, Practicing how to approach the subject- general to specific, Drawing on location, weather permitting, and Using soft pastels.

Each month, Artis-

tic 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.

Building the creative economy: What can towns do?

March 23 Meeting in Plymouth

PLYMOUTH — The New Hampshire Creative Communities Network is hosting a March 23

meeting focused on the roles of local government and its cultural, economic and community development partners in planning and supporting Creative Economy and Creative Placemaking initiatives.

Representatives of several local Creative Economy efforts around the state will speak about their experiences, and questions and discussion will follow.

"We're inviting town managers and elected and appointed officials, representatives of planning commissions, arts or-

ganization staff and volunteers, artists, and all those interested in hearing about what other towns have done and talking about what they are doing or might like to do," says Frumie Selchen, director of the Arts Alliance of Northern New Hampshire and a steering committee member of the Creative Communities Network. "We hope to learn from one another and encourage and spark creative placemaking efforts — including public art projects — all around the region."

The meeting takes place from 9:30 a.m. to noon Friday, March 23 in the Community Room of Pease Public Library, 1 Russell

St., Plymouth. Preregistration is encouraged; RSVP to Frumie Selchen at frumie@aannh.org or 323-7302.

The NH Creative Communities Network is a statewide consortium of local and regional arts councils, municipally associated arts commissions, arts presenters, arts service organizations, and community building organizations (chambers of commerce, main street programs, municipal economic development departments) that work to strengthen and promote economic and community development across New Hampshire through the arts, artists and creative industries.

"Forever My Girl" playing at the Flying Monkey

PLYMOUTH — "Forever My Girl" is coming to the Flying Monkey March 25-28.

This romantic drama tells the story of country music super-star Liam Page (Alex Roe) who left his bride, Josie (Jessica Rothe), at the altar choosing fame and fortune instead. However, Liam never got over Josie, his one true love. When he unexpectedly returns to his hometown, Liam is suddenly faced with the consequences of all that he left behind.

Also on deck for the Monkey film series is the 1920 silent film "The Last of the Mohicans" on March 22 with live accompaniment with Jeff Rapsis. Also playing March 30 and April 1 & 2 is "Concert for George," the legendary tribute concert for George Harrison which took place on Nov. 29, 2002. The concert features performances by Paul McCartney, Ringo Starr, Eric Clapton, Tom Petty, Jeff Lynne, the Monty Python cast and more remastered in 5.1 Stereo Sound!

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Bristol

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they’ve done does a disservice to the whole process.

The amendment failed on a close voice vote, after which Sellers doubled the percentage increase to 4.4 percent, and it passed on a hand count, 79-71.

Police Department

The town’s newly hired police chief, James McIntire, had not yet been sworn in, but he attended the meeting to get a sense of the community he was joining, especially with two petitioned articles that would drastically change the police department.

The first sought to switch from an appointed police chief to an elected chief. Among those supporting the article was Doug Voelbel, a police officer in Franklin who had applied for the chief’s job but was not called in for an interview.

Voters did not buy his arguments, and the article failed on a ballot vote, 28-153.

“Thank you for the warm welcome,” McIntire said upon taking the microphone to address the next article. “I feel as if I was elected.”

The article he was addressing was one to reduce the size of the police force by one officer.

Saying he plans to be a working chief, McIntire quoted statistics showing that, while there were 30 fewer arrests in Bristol last year when the department was short-handed, “crimes are still taking place. But I won’t be asking for a new officer today.”

After a pause, he said, “I do have a sense of humor.”

Newly elected selectman Wayne Anderson asked, “How many police officers are enough to provide the security we want? I will vote in the affirmative on this and stick a fork into how many officers will be needed.”

Boake Morrison commented, “This new chief is going to be pretty good, but the selectmen need to show him our area. If we need 20 cops, just make sure they’re in our area. It isn’t our job to take care of the surrounding towns. If we stay within our 17-mile area, we’ll be well-protected and well taken care of.”

That article also failed to pass.

Health Insurance

A petitioned article to increase the health insurance contribution by employees from 10 to 17 percent passed on a close vote of 88-80.

Although the article is advisory only — the authority to set wage and compensation levels lies with the selectmen — voters sent the message that requiring public employees to pay a little more is justified when those in the private sector have to pay much more.

Kathleen Firth said, “I believe everybody should be entitled to health insurance,” be-

cause the current system is unfair, requiring the self-employed to pay exorbitant amounts. She and her husband pay \$1,600 per month for their insurance, she said. “There needs to be a conversation because this doesn’t make a lot of sense.”

The change would increase the amount town employees pay from \$30.49 to \$56.14 biweekly for single-person coverage, from \$60.93 to \$100.99 biweekly for those on a two-person plan, and from \$82.38 to \$136.54 for those on a family plan.

Shawn Lagueux said that is a big hit for employees, but Paul Simard said it’s negligible compared to what those like Firth are paying.

Transfer Station

An article seeking permission to complete what the town refers to as Phase I of improvements to the solid waste transfer station took people by surprise for two reasons. Many were unaware that the town was even considering changes at the transfer station, and those who were aware did not expect the selectmen to amend the appropriation up from \$250,000 to \$287,210.

The town started looking to address safety and traffic flow issues after receiving a refund from Wheelabrator when that company abandoned its waste-to-energy operation in 2013. The money was placed in a revolving fund which allowed the town to draft plans and do preliminary engineering work for the project. Phase 1 addressed the location and setup of the transfer station, while Phase 2 involves purchasing scales to more accurately charge those bringing large loads to the facility.

Over the past year, the plans came together under the supervision of engineer Mike Vignale of KV Partners, who last December said Phase 1 was ready to go out to bid. In January, he provided an update that placed the cost at \$227,359, but he noted that the figure did not include the new shed, containers, or the Phase 2 scales.

When the six con-

struction bids came in on Feb. 14, all were higher than planned. Morrison Construction LLC was the low bidder, at \$213,950, while the other bids ranged from \$246,937 from United Construction Corporation to \$293,800 from R.D. Edmunds & Sons. Besides the construction work, the project budget included \$10,300 for engineering, \$28,850 for a new compactor, and \$8,000 for electrical, bringing the total project cost to \$261,100.

At town meeting, selectmen bumped the figure up to \$287,210, but noted that they could apply \$178,000 from the revolving

fund to offset the cost to taxpayers.

Several people questioned the need for an upgrade, but the majority supported the article.

Other Articles

Voters approved a five-year, \$182,000 expenditure to connect municipal buildings with a new fiber optic system that also would make faster and more efficient internet services available to businesses in the area. In addition to improving service, it also reduces ongoing costs and provides the basis for increasing cellular phone reception downtown.

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Voters agreed to reduce the size of the budget committee from 13 to seven members; to pay \$25,000 for a design and engineering study for the fire department; to use \$53,000 from the unexpended fund balance to complete drainage, roadway, and sidewalk improvements on Central Street; to spend \$14,000 for Fourth of July fireworks; and to place \$50,000 into the police vehicle capital reserve fund.

They rejected the fire chief’s request for a deputy chief; a requirement directing selectmen to appoint a new space needs committee; a residency requirement for anyone

serving on any town committee making a recommendation on spending; and designation of seven parking spaces on Spring Street to winter parking.

In light of the possibility that the town would be pursuing a new building plan later this year, outgoing selectman Paul Manganiello proposed reducing or eliminating some of the requested appropriations for capital reserve funds. Voters agreed to spend \$75,000, with \$35,000 going toward accrued wages; \$35,000 going toward a future revaluation of the town; and \$5,000 going into town building maintenance.

McIntire

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for Northfield’s training program and is experienced in developing and implementing firearms and use of force policies and procedures. Chief McIntire is equally adept at public relations. During his time at Northfield PD and Bow PD, he worked closely with news agencies and was tasked with speaking at community outreach program and advising el-

derly and youth groups.

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torship. I am confident that Jim McIntire is a great fit for the community.”

Chief McIntire was born in Bethesda, Md., and was raised in the Gilmanton and Gilford area. His community involvement includes serving as an Assistant ScoutMaster for the Boy Scouts of America, a swim team assistant coach, and on the board of directors for the Lakes Region Boys and Girls Club.

Over the course of the next couple of months, the Town Administrator and Chief McIntire will be working with community groups to introduce the Chief to community members and organizations. Details will be made available on the Town’s website and social media pages.

Please feel free to stop by the Police Department and congratulate Chief McIntire. He may also be reached by phone at 744-6320.

Discussion

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niors and seniors are currently reading the book and discussing it in their classrooms. In addition, there are programs being planned at the high school related to the book.

The community event at the library will be a speaker and panel discussion with representatives from Mid-State Health Center, the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI), the New Hampshire Department of Education and more. There will be a moderator who will pose several questions to the panel. In addition, there will be an


opportunity for the audience to ask the panel questions. Community members will be able to talk to the panelists after the event and look at the local resources available in regards to mental health and other related issues. This is a chance for those who want to learn more about how they can help lessen the stigma of mental illness and raise awareness about suicide prevention.

There will be light refreshments provided by the friends of the library. This event is free and there is no RSVP required in order to attend. Community members are encouraged to come early in order to grab a seat.


There are copies of the book available at the library, but community members are not required to read the book in order to attend the event.

The library is grateful for this opportu-

nity to connect with the community and discuss mental health. Any questions can be directed to the Assistant Director/Youth Services Librarian Azra Karabegovic by calling 744-3352.



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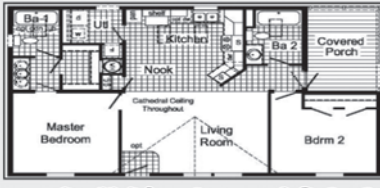
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Perhaps that's why one of the last vestiges of the classic summer vacation escape — summer camp — remains such a viable option for parents who want their children to get outdoors once the school year

ends. Although kids needn't be in camp all summer long, a week or two can benefit campers of all ages. The following are five reasons why summer camp might be the right fit this year.

1. Explore talents. Summer camps help young people explore their unique interests and talents. Under an organized, yet often easygoing, camp schedule, kids can dabble in sports, arts and crafts, leadership, community support, and so many other activities that may not be fully available to them elsewhere.

2. Physical activity: Lots of camps build their itineraries around



physical activities that takes place outdoors. Campers may spend their time swimming, running, hiking, playing sports, climbing, and so much more. This can be a welcome change for kids accustomed to living sedentary lifestyles. Regular physical activity has many health

benefits and can set a foundation for healthy habits as an adult.

3. Gain confidence. Day and sleepaway camps offer campers the opportunity to get comfortable in their own skin. Camps can foster activities in self-esteem by removing the academic measures of

success and fill in with noncompetitive opportunities to succeed. Campers learn independence, decision-making skills and the ability to thrive outside of the shadow of their parents, siblings or other students.

4. Try new things. Camp gives children

the chance to try new things, whether that's learning to cook, exploring new environments or embracing a new sport or leisure activity. Opening oneself up to new opportunities can build character and prove enlightening for children.

5. Make new friends. Camp is a great place to meet new people and make lifelong friends. Campers flood in from areas near and far. This provides kids with a chance to expand their social circles beyond their immediate neighborhoods and schools.

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Get prepared for summer camp season

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Summer camps in North America were first established in the 1880s and were attended by children without their parents for overnight stays. By the 20th century, summer camps had become an international phenomenon,

and various organizations hosted traditional summer camps or camps geared toward religion, sports, music and other subjects and activities. According to the American Camp Association, each year more than 14 million children and adults in the United States attend camp. America is home to more than 14,000 day and resident camps (8,400 are overnight camps and 5,600 are day camps). Nonprofit groups are



the largest sponsors of summer camps.

Many people put off summer camp planning until it is too late. Parents should keep in mind that camps begin registration early in the year and have specific cut-off dates for enrollment. Parents

who want to beat the crowds this year can use this guide to help plan a summer camp agenda.

• Attend an orientation seminar. Take the time to visit prospective camps for a tour, and use this open house as an opportunity

to learn more about the programs offered. If available, find a camp employee to discuss your child's eligibility for enrollment. Some camps may offer webinars for convenience.

• Fill out the enrollment package completely. Each camp has their own requirements for registration. Expect to submit some personal information, including a medical background and proof of insurance, names and numbers of emergency contacts, and any other pertinent information as it applies to the camper. This may include allergies, fears, physical or mental disabilities, or even preferences in camp courses.

• Establish payment schedules. Summer camps vary in price. The ACA says camp costs range from \$100 to more than \$1,500 per week. However, many accredited camps offer some sort of financial assistance for children from families with limited financial means. If cost is a factor, be sure to broach the subject.

• Prepare children for the physical challenges a camp may present. Summer camp activities may be rigorous, and campers may need to be cleared by a physician before starting. Be sure to schedule your child a physical and bring along any pertinent forms. Children also can increase their levels of physical activity compared to the often sedentary nature of winter. Such preparation can prevent injuries when engaging in outdoor and physical activities.

• Shop for supplies. Camps are likely to provide a list of requirements with regard to clothing and other equipment campers will need. Make sure kids have enough shorts, T-shirts, socks, athletic shoes, swimsuits, toiletries, and other camp necessities before they leave.

• Keep children in the loop. Engage children in the planning process to help alleviate their fears and get them excited about summer camp.

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Election

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Art. 23, which asked to eliminate the Budget Committee. That request failed with 99 Yes votes and 232 No votes. Voters did approve a request to reduce the number of elected members of the committee from seven to five however.

Among the petitioned articles the first, Art. 25, called for a return to Town Meeting, rather than the current SB2 deliberative format. That article required a three-fifths majority and failed by a vote of 135 Yes, 194 No. It would have required 197 Yes votes to pass.

Voters also said No to a proposal to have the budget committee determine the default budget each year, No to electing the Planning Board and Zoning Board members, and by a vote of 192 to 150, they also nixed the proposal to adopt a Community Rights-Based Ordinance in the town.

Bridgewater: With no contested races, it will be Terry Murphy on the Board of Selectmen once again, Michael Capsalis serving as Moderator and Peggy Petrazewski as Town Treasurer. Virginia Merrill was selected for Supervisor of the Checklist and Helen Hemphill as a Library Trustee. In the only article on their 2018 warrant, voters said no to reducing the lot coverage in the General Residential District by a vote of 64-100.

Bristol: For the Board of Selectmen Wayne Anderson won by a vote of 208-193 over Robert Glassett, Ned Gordon was re-elected as Town Moderator and Betty Seeler won a term as Trustee of the Trust Funds. For the Budget Committee, John Sellers, Bob Emerson and Shaun Lagueux took all three openings. In the contest for Library

Trustees the winners this time were Nancy Dowe, Wayne Evans and Martha Hulsman.

A petitioned request for the town to adopt the provisions if RSA 40:13, otherwise known as SB2, was narrowly defeated. While the vote was 227-184, it required a 3/5 majority to pass and fell short by 19 votes. Voters also said No to Keno in Bristol.

Campton: Voters in Campton re-elected Sharon Davis to the Board of Selectmen with 193 votes over challengers were Jon Homer (126), Craig Keeney (158) and Robert Pulsifer (146). With no other contested races, Charles Wheeler won the Town Moderator position, John Timson Jr. was elected Superintendent and Sexton of Cemeteries, Shelley Thompson was named a Library Trustee and Nancy Donahue took the opening as a Supervisor of the Checklist.

Danbury: It was a tight race for Selectmen in Danbury with incumbent Lyn England receiving 140 to challenger Melissa Suckling's 130 votes, prompting a recount that was set to take place this past Wednesday evening. In the only other contested race, Dennis Phelps had 13 votes for Auditor, followed by five votes for Lynn England and three votes for Audrey Phelps. All articles on this year's warrant passed easily except for a petitioned article to have the Road Agent changed from an elected position to an appointed role. That article failed by a vote of 108 Yes, 143 No.

Dorchester: Margaret Currier-Lemay was this year's winner of a three-year term as Selectman in Dorchester, Sherman Hallock won the two-year term, and Craig Veasey will serve on the board for a one-year term. Josh Trought was elected Moderator, Eleanor Myles

was chosen as Treasurer and Shawn Russell won his seat on the Planning Board. Cheryl Legg, Virginia Carroll and Elizabeth Trought were elected as Supervisor of the Checklist and John Franz took the three-year term as Trustee of the Trust Fund. Other openings were subject to write-in votes with no clear winners at this time.

Groton: With no contested races in the Town of Groton, John Rescigno was re-elected as a Selectman and Ruth Millett will serve another term as Town Clerk/Tax Collector. Gina Rescigno was elected to Trustee of the Trust Funds for three-years, with several write-ins submitted for the one-year opening. For the Planning Board Forrest Blake and David Labar were elected for two of the positions while D. Madden received the most write-in votes for a third opening. Elizabeth Jespersen received the Cemetery Trustee votes for a three-year term and also won a three-year opening as a Library Trustee. All other positions were done through write-in votes with no confirmed winners available.

Hebron: Hebron also had no contested races and the winners in this year's elections were Paul Hazelton (Selectman), Roger Larochelle (Moderator), Madeline MacDougall (Tax Collector), Tracey Steenbergen (Town Clerk), Marion Weber (Trustee of the Trust Funds), William

Powers (Library Trustee), Donald Franklin (Auditor) and Judy Dodge (Supervisor of the Checklist).

Hill: Voters in Hill approved all three zoning amendments on their ballot last week and had no contested races for town offices. Winners in this year's elections were Robert Dupuis for Selectman; Patrick McDonough, Charles Henry and Eric Harr were elected to the Budget Committee for three years; Kristen Cunningham and Charles Estes won two-year terms on the Budget Committee and George Wilson took the one-year opening. Gerard Desrochers was elected as Moderator, Judith Braley as Treasurer, Stephen Rosen was named a Cemetery Trustee and Lucy Natkiel a Library Trustee. For Supervisor of the Checklist it was Elizabeth Meyerhoefer and for Trustee of the Trust Funds the winners were Shaun Bresnahan Jr. (three years) and Brenda Dupuis (one year).

Holderness: Winners in Holderness for the 2018 elections were Woodie Lavarack as Selectman, Bonnie Hunt for Trustee of the Trust Funds, Alicia Abbott as a Supervisor of the Checklist. Randall Eastman will serve a three-year term as Fire Ward, and Library Trustee winners were Victor Currier and Ted Vansant. None of the races were contested. Voters in the town also said No to Keno games with a vote of 52-112 but all three zon-

ing amendments on the ballot were approved.

New Hampton: Kenneth Mertz defeated Wayne Roswell in a race for a Selectman's seat by a vote of 181-85 in the only contested race on this year's ballot. Ken Kettering won re-election as Moderator, Regina Schofield Adams won a full term as Town Clerk/Tax Collector, Michel LeDuc, Jr. was elected to a term as Trustee of the Trust Funds and Christine Hunewell will help oversee the Sarah MacGregor Scholarship Fund. There were no candidates for Supervisor of the Checklist.

On their warrant, voters were presented with 13 other articles pertaining to a variety of topics such as zoning amendments, the operating budget, municipal projects and additional funding requests, and this year every article was approved.

Plymouth: It was a quick stop at the polls in Plymouth this year with only five openings for municipal offices. John Randlett ran uncontested for Selectman, William Bolton won a term as Cemetery Trustee, and for Library Trustees Winnie Holt won her candidacy and Bridget Powers took the second opening as a write-in candidate. There were several one-vote write-ins for Supervisor of the Checklist and Trustee of the Trust Fund but no confirmed winners had been announced.

Rumney: In the 2018

Town Elections, Edward Haskell was elected to Rumney's Board of Selectmen, Janet Sherburne retained the role of Treasurer and James Buttolph won the two-year term as Moderator. None of them were challenged for the positions. For Fire Commissioner it was Timothy Lewis, Deborah Maes took the opening for Trustee of the Trust Funds and for one of two openings for Planning Board Brian Flynn was the only declared candidate. There were also no candidates for Supervisor of the Checklist, Cemetery Trustee and Library Trustee.

Thornton: With two openings and three candidates for seats on the Thornton Board of Selectmen, it was Marianne Peabody and John Gaite taking the win with votes of 118 and 94 respectively, while Todd Kent received 51 votes. Steven Babin and Frank Freeman won the openings on the Planning Board, Robert MacLeod won his quest for Moderator and Susan Dumont was elected Town Treasurer. Overseer of Public Welfare will be Marianne Peabody, Phyllis Holbrook won the opening for Cemetery Trustee and in the only other contested race it was Anita Ross taking the opening for Library Trustee by a vote of 85 to 58 over Brook White. For Trustee of the Trust Funds there were several write-in candidates but no winner was declared by this paper's publishing date.

Brewery

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and that set the theme for the brews and ales they now create.

"1766 was the year of the first official Town Meeting in Plymouth when it was turned over to its inhabitants," he said.

With that in place, they met with the Plymouth Historical Society and began adding other bits of history and local folklore into their business.

Aprilliano said one of his favorite brews right now is their "Hog Reeve Porter." A Hog Reeve, he explained, was a Colonial New England name for a person in the town who was chartered to appraise property damage done by hogs.

"I thought that was a fun bit about the history of the town. What a job that must have been," he said.

As for Sanborn, his favorite brew at the moment is their "11th Regiment IPA." When Grafton County was still under the rule of the King of England, Sanborn said the 11th Reg-

iment was formed here in New Hampshire and, records show that it later went on to fight in the Civil War.

"I think it's pretty cool to take a lot of stuff we've learned from the historical society then name all of our beers," he said.

Their history lesson for the public goes beyond the name of their brewery and its products however. On the walls of the Tasting Room, visitors will also find historic photographs of Plymouth's storied past. The pair have borrowed old photos from the Plymouth Historical Society, enlarged and then framed them. As they rotate them out for other historic photos from the past, each framed piece will be presented to the historical society as a thank you for all their help.

"When people come in they'll see the photos and be able to learn a little bit more about Plymouth's history. We hope they'll enjoy them as much as we do," said Aprilliano.

While visiting the Tasting Room, patrons will be not only able to enjoy a "Flight" of beer,

which is a paddle with four 4-ounce samples of the latest brews, but they can purchase cans or growlers to take home, too. Special brews will rotate through the Tasting Room as they are available but Sanborn said there will always be a selection of their regular beers available as well.

This summer they look forward to expanding the Tasting Room with an outside seating area. That area will be situated beside a huge boulder, dubbed "Plymouth Rock," and the two also plan to build a scenic upper deck above the Tasting Room itself.

"The deck will give people a really nice view of Stinson Mountain while they're trying our brews," Aprilliano said.

Churches

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Pemi Youth Center. The collection will be on March 25 when The Fellowship will meet the new director of the Center.

Piano Dedication, Sunday April 15, 4 p.m. Join us for a celebration of gratitude. The service will feature congregational singing, as well as piano and voice music by musicians who have contributed to Starr King's music ministry. Led by Director of Music, Sarah Dan Jones, other artists include Laura Belanger, Abigail Charbeneau, Will Gunn, Emily Jaworski, Betty Nicholson, and Liddy Marunowski.

"An Evening in Good Company" Join us for our annual Silent Auction and musical con-

Kicking it all off this weekend, 1766 Brewing Company will be hosting three days of history, great beer and entertainment. The brewery will be open on Friday, March 23, from 6-8 p.m. with live music then continue in that vein with more bands and more brews from 1-8 p.m. on Saturday and 1-6 p.m. on Sunday. From there, the 1766 Brewing Company will be open weekends throughout the spring, then offer the same hours as The Last Chair Restaurant throughout the summer months.

Both Last Chair Restaurant and 1766 Brewing Company are located just past the traffic circle on the Tenney Mountain Highway between Plymouth and Rumney.

cert with composer Will Ogmundson Saturday, April 7 at 5:30 p.m. Auction items include fine items and great experiences.

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

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 eater, it's just one more way to come together as a community and enjoy each other's company. Please take a look at the latest copy of our monthly newsletter, or visit the Events Page on our Web site: www.starrkingfellowship.org.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION FOR 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR

The Newfound Area School District will hold its annual Kindergarten Connection for all children who will be entering kindergarten in August 2018 as follows:

- Tuesday, May 8 for children residing in **New Hampton (744-3221)**
- Wednesday, May 9 for children residing in **Danbury (768-3434)**
- Thursday, May 10 for children residing in **Bristol & Alexandria (744-2761)**
- Friday, May 11 for children residing in **Bridgewater/Groton/Hebron (744-6969)**

If you have a child who will be five years old on or before September 30, 2018, please call the school in the town you reside: Bristol Elementary School (744-2761), Bridgewater-Hebron Village School (744-6969), New Hampton Community School (744-3221) or the Danbury Elementary School (768-3434) as soon as possible. Appointment times and registration packets will be mailed to all parents with kindergarten eligible students.

Note: Children residing in Alexandria will attend either the Bristol Elementary School or the Bridgewater-Hebron Village School. Determination is made according to physical address. You may contact either school for more information.



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From New Hampton to PyeongChang

New Hampton coach thrilled to see former player compete for Team USA

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING
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NEW HAMPTON — New Hampton girls' hockey coach Craig Churchill had a pretty good reason to keep an eye on the US women's hockey team during the recent Olympics in PyeongChang, South Korea.

Former Husky Cayla Barnes, who graduated last year, earned a spot on the Olympic team and was part of Team USA's gold medal winning effort in mid-February.

"A year ago, she was here," Churchill said of his four-year player. "You could recognize that she was special from the beginning.

"I don't think anyone was truly surprised," the Husky coach said. "We thought she'd be at the Olympics, but maybe not so soon.

"So much of life is all about timing," Churchill continued. "She was in the right place at the right time and made good decisions."

While she didn't record a point in her five Olympic games, the Eastvale, Calif. native was certainly a presence for the US squad. And Churchill notes that the key to Barnes' success is her drive, something he says she has more of than anyone he's seen.

"She had this amazing drive and insatiable taste for victory," he said. "Whatever it took, she was going to do it to win."

Because her drive was so strong and she was obviously talented and wanted to win,

Churchill said it was a matter of corralling all the emotions and getting them working in the right direction together.

"Early on, it was a matter of honing in on that drive and ultra-strong competitiveness and dealing with it in a way that could benefit her," Churchill said. "Helping her to learn from losses helped her learn better."

And despite the fact that she was often the best player on the ice, Barnes was always looking to get better, something her New Hampton coach said impressed him as her time at the school went on.

"She always had that growth mindset," Churchill stated. "She was always wanting to do what it takes to get better."

"Not many people that talented have that, but she never accepted who she was and wanted to get better," he continued.

However, Churchill pointed out that the drive she had was not really oriented toward herself, but she instead wanted to make her team better.

"Her drive comes not from herself, per se, but about what's best for the team," the Husky coach stated. "It's all about the team, what can she do to make the team better."

Barnes committed to Boston College after her sophomore year but took time off from the college to play in the Olympics. And



USA HOCKEY — COURTESY PHOTO

New Hampton School graduate Cayla Barnes won gold with Team USA in PyeongChang in February.

Churchill expects her to have an impact on Chestnut Hill as well.

"Cayla Barnes is the X factor," Churchill stated. "Everywhere she goes, she wins.

"She's the Sidney Crosby of girls' hockey," he continued. "She will do whatever it takes to win games.

Boston College has always been good, but she'll help Boston College win a national championship.

Churchill pointed out that only twice in his career has he seen a player that was as special as Barnes is and he pointed that out to the admissions people

when he was working on trying to bring her to New Hampton.

"I said, 'this kid is a future Olympian,'" he remembers telling the admissions officer. "We have to take her, she's going to be in the Olympics."

During Barnes' time in New Hampton, the school won four Lakes Region League championships, two Watkins Tournament championships (and likely would've won a third if not for a weather postponement) and the team also won the 2017

NEPSAC Division I championship, a significant accomplishment given the schools they were up against.

"Some of those schools have large enrollments and large endowments and we beat them," Churchill stated. "It says a lot about what she can do and how she can change the whole dynamic of a team."

Barnes got her start in the sport playing roller hockey in California and Churchill found her competing at prospect tournaments and he still sat in amazement as he watched the Olympics and saw his former charge on the ice in PyeongChang.

"While I'm watching, I'm thinking, a year ago she was playing for me," he said. "But she's the same person. The Olympics has not changed her at all.

"They checked in with me," he said. "That talks to the type of people they are and the type of daughter they raised."

He noted that he was receiving text message from both Barnes and her family during Olympics, showing how well they are grounded. He also pointed out that her parents bought a house in New Hampshire during their daughter's senior year because they enjoyed their time in the state so much.

And while her hockey skills are certainly admirable, Churchill noted it was great just to work with such a good kid.

"Hockey is great, but I get more excited about the kids I get to work with," he said.

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Newfound wraps up winter sports season

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING
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BRISTOL — It took a bit longer than expected, but the winter sports season finally wrapped up at Newfound Regional High School on Monday, March 19. The awards were postponed by the storm that came through the area the previous Tuesday.

For the boys' basketball team, Mason Dalphonse was presented with the Most Valuable Player Award, while the Best Defensive Player Award went to Justin Shokal and Stine Williams received the Coaches Award. The Bears Booster Club Student Athlete Award was presented to James Shokal.

Ashlee Dukette was presented the Most Valuable Player Award for the girls' basketball team, while Jasmine Peterson was presented the Outstanding Player of

the Year Award and Savannah Bony was named Offensive Player of the Year. Madi Dalphonse received the Coaches Award and Tiffany Doan was presented the Defensive Player of the Year Award. The Bears Booster Club Student Athlete Award went to Peterson.

Matt Karkheck was presented the Boys' Slalom Skier of the Year, Jacob Blouin was named boys' Giant Slalom Skier of the Year, Reid Wilkins was presented the Outstanding Skier of the Year Award and Jason Liang was presented the Alpine Skier of the Year Award. The Bears Booster Club Student Athlete Award was given to Trevor Robie.

For the girls' ski team, Stephanie Norton was presented the Girls' Slalom Skier of the Year Award, Shanley Camara was given the Girls' Giant Slalom Skier of the Year Award, Hannah

Owen was named Outstanding Skier of the Year and Victoria Roman was presented the Bears Booster Club Student Athlete Award.

Kasey Basford was presented the Coaches Award for the spirit team, while Lilly Wright received the Captains Award and Bethany Basford received the Total Commitment Award. Gracelynn Huntoon was given the Cheer Choice Award and the Bears Booster Club Student Athlete Award was presented to Cheyenne Reilly.

For the unified basketball team, Faith Smith was presented the Most Dependable Award, Jordan Joyce was given the Best Defense Award, Cole Frye was presented with the Biggest Improvement Award and the Bears Booster Club Student Athlete Award was given to Kylee MacDonald.

Athletic Director Peter Cofran presented the Cathy Leaver Athletic Director's Award to Autumn Doan.

The NHIAA Sportsmanship Award was presented to one athlete from each of the teams. Justin Shokal was the varsity boys' basketball winner, Tyler MacLean was the JV boys' basketball winner, Lexi Douville was the winner for the varsity girls' hoop team, Shyann Seymour was the winner for the JV girls' basketball team, Jacob Pfister was the boys' skiing winner, Norton was the winner for the girls' ski team, Devon Anderson was the winner for the unified basketball team and Hayleigh LeTourneau was the spirit team winner.

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HEBRON ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT MEETING AND HEARING AGENDA

March 27, 2018 7:00 P.M.
HEBRON TOWN OFFICE

You are hereby notified that the Hebron Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) will meet in the Hebron Town Office, at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 27, 2018, to address the following:

1. Election of ZBA Chair, Vice Chair, and Board Clerk
2. Minutes and other administrative matters
3. Hearing of the application of Peter E. Davies for variances with respect to Article IV, Sections H.1 and P, of the Hebron Zoning Ordinance to permit the construction of a modest addition to a one-bedroom cabin, which is situated entirely within lake setback area and partially within boundary setback area, on his property at 264 Mayhew Turnpike (Route 3-A)(Tax Map 6, Lot 5) (Case #274)
4. Any other business that may come before the Board

Peter N. Carey, Chairman

US Freestyle Championships at Waterville Valley this week

WATERVILLE VALLEY — This week, 48 years after the first National Freestyle Championships debuted on the slopes of Mt. Tecumseh, Waterville Valley Resort will welcome the nation’s best mogul skiers for the 2018 U.S. Freestyle Championships, March 20-24.

Waterville Valley Resort, the “Birthplace of Freestyle Skiing,” is hosting athletes from around the country, including 18 members of the 2018 U.S. Olympic Team, as they compete for national titles in ladies’ and men’s mogul and dual mogul events. Competition returns to the East Coast for the first time since 2012, following aerial events at the Utah Olympic Park.

Of the U.S. Ski Team athletes competing, seven hail from New England including New Hampshire native Nessa Dziemian of East Hampstead. Troy Murphy of Bethel, Maine and Emerson Smith of Dover, Vt. will compete against fellow Olympic Team members including Casey Andringa, who placed fifth in the Pyeongchang Games, claiming the best U.S. men’s Olympic finish since 2010. Olympic bronze medalist Bryon Wilson will also compete alongside younger brother, Bradley Wilson.

Founded by Olympian, Tom Corcoran, Waterville Valley Resort is no stranger to world-class skiers and events. Waterville Valley Resort became the birthplace of freestyle skiing in 1969 when it began the first organized freestyle skiing program and introduced the sport to the world stage while hosting the World Cup Finals that year. In 1970, alongside Skiing Magazine editor, Doug Pfeiffer, Corcoran organized and hosted the first National Championships of Freestyle Skiing at the Waterville Valley ski area. In recent years, Waterville Valley’s ski club, WVBTS, has continued to produce world-class athletes including Olympic moguls gold medalist Hannah Kearney and saw six alumni named to the 2018 U.S. Olympic team.

Ladies’ and men’s mogul finals will take place on Friday, March 23. Ladies’ and men’s dual moguls will take place on Saturday, March 24. All events will be held on Lower Bobby’s Run, accessible by skiers with a valid lift ticket or pass, and free for spectators on foot who will receive one free round-trip ride on the Valley Run chairlift to access the event.

Walker wins pair of Paralympic silver medals

PYEONGCHANG, South Korea — Tyler Walker of Franconia, who has competed in every Paralympic Winter Games since 2006, earned the first medal of his storied career with silver in last Wednesday’s giant slalom to lead Team USA.

Walker was born with lumbar sacral agenesis, a condition that resulted in his spine missing after the first vertebra; he had both legs amputated at the knee at age four

He grew up skiing in adaptive programs at Waterville Valley and Loon Mountain, eventually joining the New England Disabled Ski Team.

At just 19, he was the world cup overall runner-up for giant slalom.

A year later, he earned his first trip to the Paralympic Winter Games and captured the giant slalom overall World Cup title.

After a horrific crash in Sochi four years ago in the men’s sitting downhill, Walker found redemption with a historic giant slalom that saw him land a spot on the podium. He put up the top time in the first giant slalom run with a mark of 1:06.30, besting the field by 1.18 seconds. His time of 1:07.49 in the second run secured silver for Team USA, the fourth alpine skiing medal of the Games.

"It took so much work to get back to skiing fast again," Walker said. "It was a lot of years of trying to push past the mental boundaries that that experience put on me. I had to make my body strong again and then had to figure out how I work best as an athlete. It was a very difficult thing to do, but today it all worked out.

"I often wondered if it was worth it after that experience," he continued, speaking about the Sochi crash. "But this whole sport, and the places we go, the people we meet, make it such an awesome job. I love that part. That's what kept me going."

Walker also reflected on earning his first medal over four Paralympics.

"I don't know how to describe four Paralympics. Fifteen seasons. A whole lifetime of dreaming of this," he said. "It's hard to put that down into a single statement.



US SKI TEAM – COURTESY PHOTO
Tyler Walker of Franconia won the silver medal in the giant slalom at the 2018 Paralympics in South Korea.

It's unreal. A lot of hard work has been put into this. I've got amazing coaches and teammates that have gotten me through this whole process and have made it an amazing career.

"An athletic career has so many ups and downs, and I've been to the very bottom and to the very top," Walker continued. "It can be such a wild ride. If you want it badly enough, it will happen. It may take a really long time, but if you hang onto the right goals it can happen."

Walker continued his fine performance on Saturday, as he picked up a silver in the slalom.

"This week has been unreal for me. In the giant slalom, I got all my years of frustration and emotion out and this was a completely different experience. I just went and skied today and had fun, worried a whole lot less and just got to ski some slalom, which is a ton of fun to me. It still

feels unreal, it's amazing. I can't believe this has happened again. I'm out of words – sorry," Walker said.

He also spoke to what he learned from his time in PyeongChang.

"Work really, really hard for a long time and have the right goals and surround yourself with the right people. You can accomplish whatever you want and you can come back from a horrible place. And when it finally works out, I've felt such a sense of pride and accomplishment that I didn't know I could feel," he said. "I'm sure when you finish homework assignments in school or when you finish college it's great, but 15 years of hard work, a whole lifetime of skiing finally paying off at the highest level, that sense of accomplishment? I had no idea what that felt like. It was unreal.

"You know you hear people, athletes having huge setbacks and com-

ing back and it seems amazing on TV, or reading about it. But actually experiencing it for myself, I have a whole new realization of what that means. It's so much more than reading about it and thinking, 'Wow that's amazing.' Having over a decade of emotion rush back into you is so incredibly powerful and I'm a bit more collected today, but the other day was quite intense," Walker added.

He also addressed his future moving forward.

"Oh, that question. There's other stuff that I want to do in my life that isn't skiing-related and I have some ideas and those ideas are still mine for now, but I'll be working on them. I think I might need a break from ski racing for a while. I want to use my brain in different ways and just explore life outside of ski racing. That in a nutshell are my plans," he said.

She-Wolves hosting annual tournament this weekend

WOLFEBORO — The Wolfeboro She-Wolves will be hosting their 20th annual women's

hockey tournament the weekend of Friday, March 23, at the Pop Whalen Arena in

Wolfeboro.

The tournament will kick off on Friday, March 23, at 6 p.m. with the Crashers vs. Coon Cats at 6 p.m., the Breakaways and Nighthawks at 7:10 p.m., the Nor'Easters and Ice Cats at 8:20 p.m. and Bay State Blues and Wild Women at 9:30 p.m.

On Saturday, March 24, the She-Wolves will be playing the Crashers at 9 a.m., followed by the Ice Cats and Breakaways at 10:10 a.m., Coon Cats vs. Bay State Blues at 11:20 a.m., the She-Wolves and Wild Women at 12:30 p.m., the Night-

hawks and Breakaways at 1:40 p.m., Ice Cats vs. Nor'Easters at 2:50 p.m., Bay State Blues and Crashers at 4 p.m., the Wild Women and Coon Cats at 5:10 p.m. and Nor'Easters and Nighthawks at 6:20 p.m. to close out the day.

The tournament wraps up on Sunday, March 25, with She-Wolves and Bay State Blues at 8:30 a.m., Nighthawks and Ice Cats at 9:40 a.m., the Crashers and Wild Women at 10:50 a.m., She-Wolves and Coon Cats at 12 p.m. and Breakaways and Nor'Easters at 1:10 p.m.

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Basketball All-State teams announced

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING
Sports Editor

WOLFEBORO — A few local athletes were among those named to the New Hampshire Basketball Coaches Organization All-State lists, which were released last week.

For Division III girls, Newfound junior Ashlee Dukette, who

reached the 1,000-point mark earlier in the season, earned First Team honors.

Newfound senior Savannah Bony and Prospect Mountain senior Ali Brown both earned Honorable Mention for Division III.

Joining Dukette on First Team were Hopkinton's Abby Houston,

Conant's Mariah Chamberlain and Elizabeth Gonyea and Gilford's Brooke Beaudet while Hopkinton's Taylor Signor was named Division III Player of the Year.

Second Team honors went to Monadnock's Caitlyn Boucher, Newport's Alexis Hurd, Fall Mountain's Zoey Luopa,

Gilford's Shelby Cole, Belmont's Julianna Estremera and Conant's Taylor Banish.

Joining Bony and Brown with Honorable Mention were Monadnock's Abigail May, Inter-Lakes' Julia Gintof and Emma Wheeler, Sanborn's Brianna Center, St. Thomas' Maggie Marsh, Franklin's

Lauren Marsh, White Mountains' Kaitlyn Nelson, Berlin's Emily Picard, Stevens' Sydney Miller, Fall Mountain's Allie Stoddart, Hopkinton's Amelia Thomas and Conant's Silas Bernier.

Pat Roy and Amy Ober of Hopkinton were named the Coach of the Year and JV Coach of

the Year respectively.

For Division II boys, Plymouth senior Dan Carey earned Honorable Mention as the lone local boy to earn All-State honors.

First Team honors went to Mt. Simon of Hollis-Brookline, Tommy Johnson of Kearsarge, Noah Cummings of Pembroke, Chris Nulty of Lebanon and Scott Spenard of Coe-Brown. Tayler Matos of Kearsarge was named Player of the Year.

Second Team honors in Division II went to Bryce Johnson of Bishop Brady, Anderson Greffard of Pembroke, Jonathan Brackett of Hollis-Brookline, Ryan Defina of Merrimack Valley and Matt Eylander of Lebanon.

Joining Carey with Honorable Mention were Drew Brown of Pelham, Kyle Landrigan and Max Lewis of Oyster River, Ryan Andrews of Bow, Bob Horgan of Timberlane, Jake Hebert of Merrimack Valley, Jamie Pare of Milford, Parker McQuarrie of John Stark, Matthew s Dowling of Hollis-Brookline and Luke McCuster of Coe-Brown.

Alton's Tim Mucher, head coach at Merrimack Valley was named Coach of the Year and Ryan Cowette of Goffstown was named JV Coach of the Year for Division II.

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Locals at Easterns

Four local Nordic skiers competed in the Eastern High School Championships in Rumford, Maine over the weekend. Left to right, Sam Ebner, senior at Plymouth High School, Charlotte Mae Whitcomb, freshman at Holderness School, Amanda Vansant, sophomore at Holderness School and Gus Whitcomb, sophomore at Holderness School. Black Mountain received plenty of snow to make for great racing conditions for the three days of racing.

Former Huskies in NCAA tournament

NEW HAMPTON — New Hampton School has celebrated a strong and unique basketball tradition over the years. Each year, March brings pride and excitement as they cheer on a number of alumni in post-season tournaments including NCAA March Madness. Regardless of the level of each tournament, they watch players and coaches represent New Hampton Huskies in the highest regard, modeling the leadership and sportsmanship that the school continues to instill in its

student-athletes today.

In this year's NCAA tournament, eight former Huskies represented the school. Head coach Wes Miller '01, associate head coach Mike Roberts '00, and athlete Malik Massey '16 led University of North Carolina Greensboro in their first-round matchup as the 13th seed against fifth-seeded Gonzaga University.

Ed Cooley '89, head coach at Providence College, opened his tournament as the 10th seed against the seventh

seed Texas A+M Aggies. Cuonzo Martin '91 is in his first year as the head coach at the University of Missouri and has led the Tigers to an eighth seed playing ninth seed Florida State.

Recent graduates, Walker Miller '17, a freshman at the University of North Carolina, played Lipscomb University as the second seed, and Kimani Lawrence '17 and the Arizona State University Sun Devils opened up the tournament as the 11th seed in a play in game versus fel-

low 11th seed, Syracuse University.

Max Rothschild '16 represented the University of Pennsylvania and New Hampton School in this year's tournament.

Last but certainly not least, 2015 graduate Maxwell Rothschild led the Penn Quakers in an upset bid against first-seeded Kansas.

Led by coach Nick Whitmore, a graduate of Concord High School, this year's Huskies advanced to the final round of their NEPSAC AAA league championship.

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The days are longer and the temperatures are warmer – so it must be spring. For many of us, that means it's time for some spring cleaning. But why stop with sprucing up your living space? This year, consider extending the “spring cleaning” concept to your financial environment, too.

How can you tidy your finances? Here are some suggestions:

“De-clutter” your portfolio. As you go through your home during your spring cleaning rounds, you may notice that you’ve acquired a lot of duplicate objects – do you really need five mops? – or at least some things you can no longer use, like a computer that hasn't worked since 2010. You can create some valuable space by getting rid of these items. And the same principle can apply to your investment portfolio, because over the years you may well have acquired duplicate investments that aren't really helping you move toward your goals. You may also own some investments, which, while initially fitting in to your overall strategy, no longer do so. You could be better off by selling your “redundant” investments and using the proceeds to purchase new ones that will provide more value.

Get organized. During your spring cleaning, one of your key goals may be to get organized. So you might want to rearrange the tools in your garage or establish a new filing system in your home office. Proper organization is also important to investors – and it goes beyond having your brokerage and 401(k) statements in nice neat piles. For example, you may have established IRAs with different financial services companies. By moving them to one provider, you may save some fees and reduce your paperwork, but, more important, you may find that such a move actually helps you better manage your investments. You'll know exactly where your money is going, and it could be easier to follow a single investment strategy. Also, with all your IRAs in one place, it will be much easier for you to manage the required minimum distributions you must start taking when you turn 70-1/2. (These distributions are not required for Roth IRAs.)

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Consider putting these spring cleaning suggestions to work. They may help you keep your financial house in good shape for all the seasons yet to arrive.

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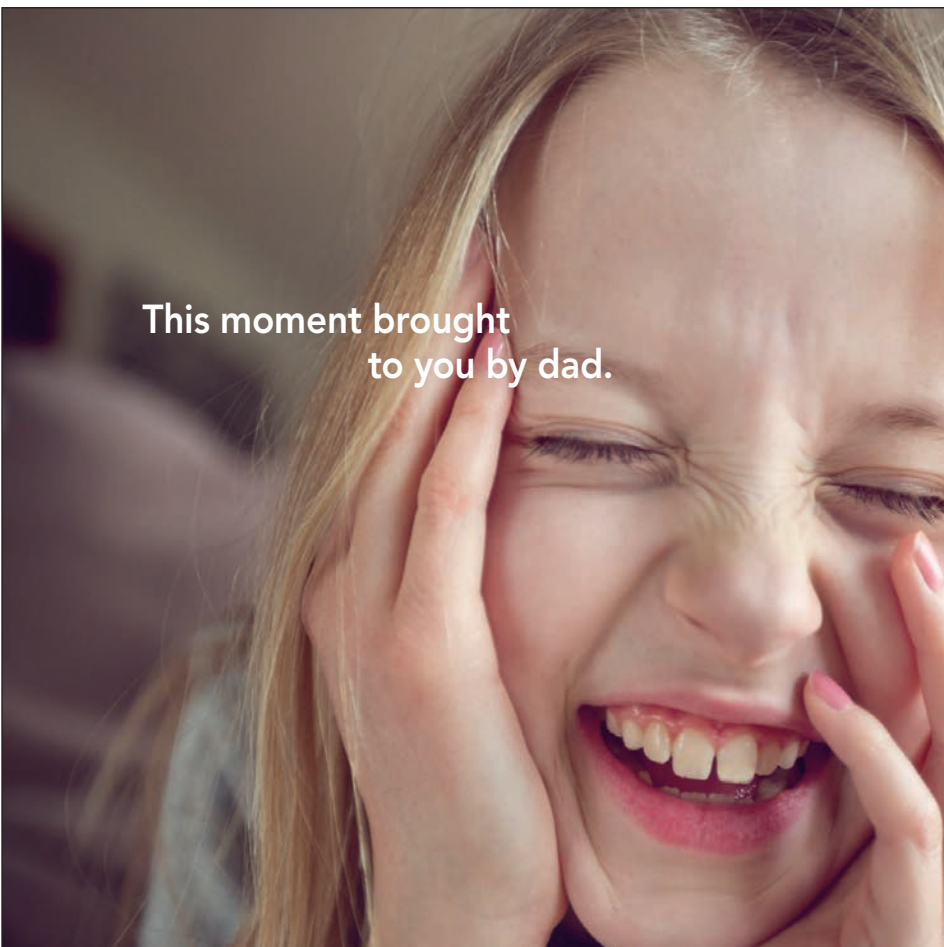
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Just one guy's opinion

SPORTING CHANCE



By JOSHUA SPAULDING

There are a lot of good hockey players in the state of New Hampshire. There are a lot of good hockey players in Division III high school hockey. And for the most part, those players were recognized when the All-State lists were announced at the end of the season.

However, I have to question one of the awards that was presented in Division III. I know the All-State teams are chosen by the coaches, but looking at the list I had to wonder about the Division III Player of the Year.

Obviously, I am partial to the teams I cover, so I am going to support anyone who plays for one of the schools that I see on a regular basis. And in this case, I truly believe a Kennett Eagle was robbed of the Player of the Year honors.

Now, don't get me wrong, I saw Belmont-Gilford's Harrison Parent play a couple of times this season and he is a pretty good player. He certainly deserves to be a First Team All-State selection after leading the Bulldogs to the Division III semifinals with an upset of Berlin in

the quarterfinal round. And he should have been given a little consideration for Player of the Year.

But in my mind, Kennett senior defenseman Mackenzie Murphy is the best player in the division. In fact, he is one of the best players I've seen play in any division throughout the last few years. Mackenzie is the backbone of the Kennett defense but also quarterbacks the offense from behind the net as the Eagles prepare to head up the ice. I am convinced there is nobody in high school hockey in New Hampshire who sees the ice better than Mackenzie does. If you watch his eyes when he circles behind the net, you can see him scanning the ice, looking for his teammates and preparing to send the puck forward. If he doesn't see an opening, he can skate the puck up the ice with the best of them and the fact that he joined the 100-point club for his career this

season shows that he is no slouch on the offensive end of the ice as well.

I also happen to think Mackenzie Murphy is one of the nicest kids you're going to meet and one of the most humble kids you could ask for. He comes from a hockey family, with two older brothers who have played for Kennett, a younger brother on the team and a younger sister and brother who will eventually be on the team. The Murphy family is synonymous with hockey in the Mount Washington Valley and his hockey knowledge is obvious every time he laces up his skates and takes the ice.

Harrison Parent is a fine player and deserves the honors he

receives. However, my humble opinion is that Mackenzie Murphy was the Division III Player of the Year.

But that's just my two cents.

Finally, have a great day Mike and Kristen Lane.

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