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Iron Furnace recognized by USA Today

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FRANCONIA — Every year, USA Today announces the top ten best aprés-ski bars in the country, a list typically dominated by Rocky Mountain venues. However. Iron Furnace Brewery in Franconia, broke through the ranks this year to take the number two slot for 2020, marking it the best in the East.

Founded by four Lisbon natives, the one-barrel brewery first opened its doors to the public in 2018. Co-owners Tim Clough, Jason and Jeremy Livingston and Josh Superchi were childhood best friends who eventually returned home with a dream.

Superchi's brother Greg, a high school math teacher at Lisbon Regional School, also serves as Iron Furnace's head brewer.

Clough said, "He's the glue that holds us together."

While Iron Furnace is a weekend-only venue, it quickly fostered a loyal following among locals and second homeowners that enjoy the slopes at



Franconia's Iron Furnace Brewery won second place on the annual USA Today Best Aprés-Ski Bar list, making it the best scene in New England.

nearby Cannon Moun-

According to Clough, the USA Today list was both the first nomination and award for the young brewery.

"It was driven by our customers. We have a very loyal base in the immediate Franconia area," he noted.

Clough continued, "A lot of the same faces come through the doors each weekend, and it makes us proud because they want to call the place their own. There's nothing better than when somebody has family in town and the Iron Furnace is the first place they bring their guests. There's an intimacy here."

While three ski industry panelists chose nominees, it was left to patrons to finalize the top ten list through online votes. Only two East Coast venues made the final cut; Iron Furnace and Killington, Vt.'s Wobbly Barn. Double Diamonds Bar in Steamboat Springs, Colo., took top awards for the third year running.

At this time, the brewery only offers takeout and online ordering op-IRON FURNACE, PAGE A13

executive-level position, Mike has demon-

strated a high level of

leadership and man-

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as a keen understand-

ing of those engaged in

firefighting and emer-

gency medical service

David Houghton said

he would continue

working with the de-

partment for at least

two weeks to ensure seamless leader-

ship transition and

remain available for

McQuillen as needed.

McQuillen met with

department employ-

ees earlier this month

and said he plans to be

on-site for a handful of

transition days before

stepping into the role

Interim Fire Chief

delivery."

Littleton officials seek developers for Eaton property

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LITTLETON — Littleton officials initiated a request for proposals on Nov. 24 for a 103-acre parcel known as the Eaton Property. Located north of Apthorp Commons on Union Street, the lot was purchased by voter approval in 1995 for \$113,000 to develop a community recreation area.

No such development was successfully executed and the Eaton property remained vacant. Although the parcel was considered for a new elementary school site on and off over the years, the landscape was far from ideal.

PROPERTY, PAGE A15

New fire chief hired in Littleton

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LITTLETON — According to town offi-Londonderry Battalion Chief Michael McQuillen will become Littleton's new fire chief at month's end. The fire department veteran brings more than thirty years of experience to the area, 27 of which were spent in the southern

New Hampshire town. Twenty-seven can-



Littleton officials hired Londonderry Battalion Chief Michael McQuillen to become the Town's new fire chief, with an expected start date

of Dec. 28. didates applied for the position, with ten moving to the second round. The hiring committee further narrowed that number to six possibilities, and McQuillen was one of two final contenders for the post.

In a letter addressed to department heads late last month, Town Manager Andrew Dorsett said, "Michael McQuillen is a well-educated and highly experienced leader in the fire service that has routinely demonstrated excellence. He has demonstrated a steady history with the Londonderry Fire Department, where he has advanced professionally to his present position as Battalion Chief of Operations. In this

full-time. McQuillen is no stranger to fire-based systems and was an instrumental part of Londonderry's startup team, serving as one of the department's first paramedics in 1995.

When asked about his initial goals for the department, McQuillen said he wants to ensure that paramedic services are available to Littleton residents 24 hours a day.

He added, "I believe that level of service is the gold standard. It's very rare, but Littleton should be very ca-

McQuillen, PAGE A13

Local bakery supports Mount Eustis

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LITTLETON — Littleton Main Street's Crumb Bum Bakery launched a philanthropic venture dubbed "Slice of Justice" to raise funds for a different cause every month. Through this program, approximately went to support the Mount Eustis Ski Hill.

Each week, founding co-owner Kaylee Klein bakes a unique cake and sells individual slices to the public. The proceeds are banked and delivered to a non-profit at month's end.

According to Crumb Bar's newest co-owner





The Crumb Bum Bakery raised \$1,000 for Mount Eustis Skill Hill last month through its "Slice of Justice" program.

Sarah Bryan, Slice of Justice is a relatively fresh concept that began in April.

She explained, "Given the lockdowns and the realities of the pandem-

ic, a lot of us felt isolated and a bit helpless. Looking at the state of our world, the protests happening across the country and the folks that have been distinctively

marginalized, we felt like it was our prerogative and our mandate to give back by doing what we could by doing what we know how to do. In

JUSTICE, PAGE A13

Smoke alarms yield swift response at Opera House

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LITTLETON — Fire crews responded swiftly to a fire alarm at the Opera House last Wed afternoon. Smoke triggered the automatic alarm system, but no active fire was found in the historic building, said Littleton Fire

'Authorized members were in the building when the automatic fire alarm

Captain Chad Miller.



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(Left) Firefighters responded quickly to an automatic alarm system and reports of smoke at the Littleton Opera House last Wed afternoon.

third floor and called 911. It took a while to track it down and make sure we were 100 percent right about the location," stated

A newly installed heating system was the culprit, and Miller said the smoke came from a malfunctioning white smoke on the electrical motor. Eight

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firefighters at the Opera House shortly after 1 pm and spent more than two hours on-site, working carefully to isolate the problem and prevent further damage.

Retiring House Manager Sue Pilotte was on-site that day, training the facility's new hire, Adam Reczek.

She said, "We haven't been in the building much lately because of COVID. Less than a minute after I turned on the heat in the office, we heard alarms and an evacuation announcement. It was only Adam's second day on the job."

Pilotte, who plans to retire at the end of the year, explained that two new heating coils were installed last year to deliver sufficient heat to the building's office area. Although she knew the building's automatic alarm system went straight to the fire station, Pilotte said she called 911 when she saw smoke.

"The firetrucks were already en route. It was amazing how quickly they answered the call, and it was the first time I'd ever seen a command unit work like that. I was so impressed with their professionalism," stated Pilotte.

The manager continued, "Luckily, I was there to pull up information about who did the installation work. They contacted the company directly to find out where the new units were located in the building."



The Holiday Season will feel different to all of us this year.

As we reflect on the positives, we want to express our appreciation, wishing you and your family a wonderful holiday season.

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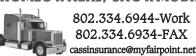
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- 2. The bark of what tree is used to produce aspirin?
- 3. On what planet would you experience the longest day?
- 4. How many taste buds can be
- found on the human tongue? 5. What is the only species of bird that can fly backwards?

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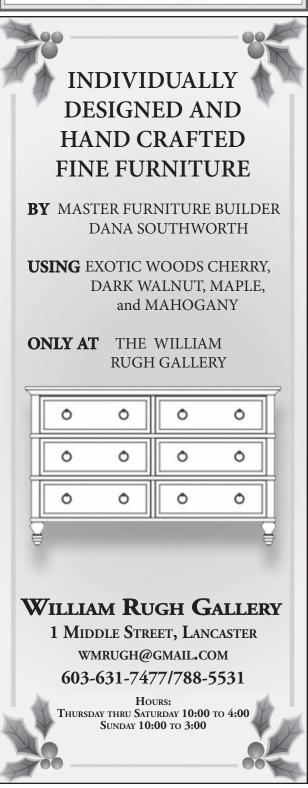
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EDITORIAL

The struggle against Old Man Winter

The first big nor' easter of the season has come and gone, leaving us with anywhere from three to nine inches of snow (or more in some cases), depending on where you live. As with most things, we like to think about how our ancestors handled certain situations. It was during a snowy drive last winter that we became more grateful for studded snow tires and heat, after thinking about how those before us dealt with travel during snow-

During the winter of 1717, a storm dumped four feet of snow, creating snowdrifts of up to 25 feet. Passing through the snow covered roads was too much for a postman who traded his horse for a pair of snowshoes. Objects similar to skis were attached to carriages as a means of winter transportation.

Streets had to be passable for wood and food deliveries. When the roads were not passable townspeople would gather together in large groups and dig out a path. The snow was placed into the back of a horse-drawn cart by gangs of men and driven to the closest river to be dumped. Salt was also used on streets, but many people complained because it ruined their shoes and clothes.

Fast forward to 1840 ,when the first snow plow patent came to be. It wasn't until 1862 that the first snowplow was put into use. The plow was attached to a cart and pulled by a team of horses. Soon after, many cities began to use the horsedrawn snowplow.

Typically the use of the horse-drawn plow was only used to clear main streets, leaving side streets and sidewalks snowed in by large piles often blocking entrances to businesses. Many business owners actually brought lawsuits against the plowing companies as a result because their customers could not gain access to the storefronts.

The solution to that conundrum, was the hiring of snow shovelers to accompany the plow. The blizzard of 1888, however, was too much for the "modernized" plow, leaving many people trapped inside their homes. This emergency was the catalyst cities needed to begin coming up with a better plan for snow removal. One idea was to stay on top of the storm as it started, instead of waiting for it to end. Different men driving the plows were assigned to certain neighborhoods as well.

The invention of the automobile brought with it a crutch and a new possibility as far as snow removal went. The crutch being that an entirely new method needed to be engineered and put into use. In New York in 1913, a dump truck could be seen on city streets. Seven years later the first snow loader, came on to the scene. It had a big scoop with a conveyor belt. The snow would go into the scoop via the belt, then dumped into the back of the truck. From there, off to the river it went.

It wasn't until 1959 when the weather was able to be predicted more accurately, allowing towns and cities to better prepare for any incoming storms.

Reading old diaries of our New England ancestors gives the perfect window as to what it was like to experience a bitter cold winter, prior to modern practices.

As literary critic Van Wyck Brooks wrote in "The Flowering of New England, 1815-1865," "All praise to winter, then, was Henry's feeling. Let others have their sultry luxuries. How full of creative genius was the air in which these snow-crystals were generated. He could hardly have marveled more if real stars had fallen and lodged on his coat. What a world to live in, where myriads of these little discs, so beautiful to the most prying eye, were whirled down on every traveler's coat, on the restless squirrel's fur and on the far-stretching fields and forests, the wooded dells and mountain-tops,--these glorious spangles, the sweepings of heaven's floor."



Littleton Public Library teamed up with the Conservation Commission to bring a socially distanced Dinosaur Safari to the Dells to wrap up the month of Dinovember. Library families have been enjoying dinosaur activities all month long, and were able to spy more than 50 dinosaurs along the nature trails last week.

LETTERS

Littleton's achievements in landfill diversion

To the Editor:

The North Country is fortunate to have one of the best solid waste management communities in New Hampshire in the town of Littleton. At a time when recycling markets have been under assault and the Covid-19 pandemic has put a strain on town budgets, Littleton maintains a leadership role in recycling and solid waste reduction. A lot of the credit goes to the operator of its Transfer Station, Mr. Brian Patnoe, widely recognized as a regional expert on environmentally sound, cost-efficient, solid waste management.

Although I am a member of Bethlehem's advisory Transfer Station Committee, the comments herein are solely in my individual capacity. However, in my good fortune of working with the Committee, I have had occasion to look at the recycling and solid waste practices of a number of New Hampshire and Vermont towns. I have also attended many recycling webinars and conferences, and obtained much valuable information from regional organizations, such as the Northeast Regional Resources Association, the North Country Council, and the Pemi-Baker Solid Waste District. Mr. Patnoe has affiliations with, and the respect of, these regional organizations.

There are a number of practices that have helped Littleton achieve a high level of landfill diversion. In order to encourage the reduction of solid waste, the town uses a pay-as-you-throw {PAYT} bag system. A study of 34 PAYT programs across the State by the University of New Hampshire "...found that they significantly reduced trash disposal rates - in some cases, by more than 50 percent." See Study Finds Pay-As-You-Throw Programs Are Reducing Waste In New Hampshire (greenmatters.com) The Littleton Transfer Station also has sufficient storage space to allow it to take advantage of price variations in the recycling markets, in order to offset and limit costs. As

opposed to pursing single stream recycling, the Littleton Transfer Station also separates its recyclables by source, such as cardboard, certain cans, glass, certain plastics, and mixed paper. Single stream recycling is often the most expensive way to dispose of solid waste, with charges in the range of \$140 per ton to cover tipping fees and transportation costs. Moreover, because of restrictions placed on recycling contamination and other factors, much of the items collected from single stream recycling still end up in landfills.

With the currently depressed state of recycling markets, the Littleton Transfer Station has provided a lifeline to a number of towns which otherwise would be hard pressed to maintain recycling. The last time I inquired, approximately 15 towns have been allowed to use Littleton's recycling operations, providing some cost benefits to Littleton, as well as substantial opportunities to reduce the waste that unnecessarily goes into landfills. During a portion of the 2009-2012 timeframe, when Bethlehem was assuming full responsibility for its waste management, it also utilized some of Littleton's recycling operations.

When Bethlehem once again assumes responsibility for solid waste management, upon the closing of the landfill owned by North Country Environmental Services, Inc., I hope it will become a pioneer in pursuing zero waste options. Most of what goes into landfills today could be diverted through reduction, reuse, and recycling. For example, food waste may take up a quarter of landfill space; yet our region and State lacks comprehensive programs for food waste diversion. We owe it to our children, and the good earth we have inherited, to be responsible custodians in avoiding the despoilment of our environment.

> Barry Zitser **Bethlehem**

Conspiracy theory, tin hat or Kool-Aid?

To the Editor:

In last week's paper, Russ Cumbee accused Democrats of trying to stage a coup. With no proof or evidence, he cites widespread voter fraud and a high-tech attempt to steal our election and our country, whatever that means.

Perhaps Mr. Cumbee doesn't read the papers, look at the Internet or watch the news. If he did, he would have seen that even Trump appointed Attorney General William Barr said the Department of Justice has found nothing that would lead him to believe the election was rigged or stolen.

Christopher Krebs, the former Trump appointed director of the Homeland Security's Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency, has said there is no evidence that the election was rigged. Trump fired him for having the courage to say so. The Georgia Secretary of State Republican Brad Raffensburger and Governor Brian Kemp have attested to the integrity of their elections.

There have been three recounts in Georgia. The Arizona Democratic Secretary of State and the Republican Governor, Steve Ducey have found no reason or evidence to mistrust their election results. A three udge panel, in an opinion written by a Trump appointee, has said that there was neither evidence nor proof that would lead them to overturn Pennsylvania's election. Governor Mike DeWine of Ohio has called Biden the President-Elect. Many lawyers who have taken Trump's cases to court to have results overturned or investigated have seen their cases thrown out for lack of evidence. Over 30 of them. In states where there have been presidential recounts, none of the results have been overturned. In New Hampshire our Secretary of State's office and the Attorney General's office investigate charges of voter fraud, so I'm assuming that other states do it as well. They seek the truth.

Mr. Cumbee has worked within the election system for many years, so he should be well acquainted with provisions put in place to ensure properly run and clean elections. By keeping the lie alive that there is a coup afoot he is undermining trust in our elections and contributing to the destruction of the GOP from within. He offers no proof or evidence to back up his charges. I'm sticking with facts that come with proof and evidence from credible sources, regardless of party.

I'll wait to see what he has to offer.

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Opinion



By John Harrigan Columnist

Hunters---I'm ing for the stories you

brought back to camp. Well, maybe not camp--maybe the kitchen, and not just about birds, ducks, or deer. If you bumped into anything truly unusual during hunting season, I'd like to know about it.

For instance, I have seen some pretty amazing things (to me, at least) out there, but everyone's sick and tired of hearing about mine, so I want for hunting season. Oh, yours. But I'm thinking about the infamous Stone Wall to Nowhere, a story that has been worth a lot of words over the years, or the huge oval-shaped pile of rocks down near Derry, which I found out years later was for a

Every fall, the biggest evidence-finding force in the nation sallies forth they're hunting, for sure---but they stumble into all kinds of stuff. Year in and year out, hunting season results in crimes solved

Hunters, your stories, please; and further words on weasels

Even with leaves on the ground, hunters often miss what others have passed right by. I've participated in line-searches, and even they can miss key elements. Because many hunters do not take stands but instead move slowly and quietly, they see and hear what most others don't.

One year, when we were muzzle-loading in upstate New York, one of the guys who was part of a long line of guys moving down a ridge spotted a leaf---a single leaf, mind you---that looked somehow out of place. He picked it up, and on the

underside was the name of one of our own party who has a habit of doing such things (we are a strange bunch).

Hunters can also be just like the rest of us. oblivious to the obvious. A reader once told me about encountering a locked safe, with prying and bashing marks betraying furious efforts

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about Casella's landfill"

(Dec. 2) urges, or help-

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"Are you ready to make

a difference in the life

Letters Continued

Lighting a candle

To the Editor:

This letter is in response to several recent letters to the editor, and to the darkness of December.

In his letter "The saeculum beckons us forward" (Nov. 25, 2021) Chris Nicodemus writes that society changes in a circular and repeti-

tive pattern, and that, in short, ours has reached the end point in the cycle, a crisis, and that we are polarized to a potentially violent breaking point. The letter "HighTech coup d'état?" (Dec. 2) also suggests that our current political division might end in violence.

What to believe? Histo-

ry teaches that the future can bring anything: a civilization destroyed by human folly and pretension or a society reinvented by creativity and vision.

It is the darkest time of year for those of us who live in the northern hemisphere, and now during the pandemic, one might lift up the saving, "It is better to light one candle than to curse the darkness.

Humanly, it's easier to curse and more difficult to find a candle to light: but if we follow the easier way we may end up where we don't want to be: in civil disintegration as the two letters suggest.

Finding a candle to light might be simply turning off the television for a minute and lightning a candle in the house on a dark afternoon. Lighting a candle in the darkness might be writing a letter to help protect the Ammonoosuc River such as the letter "Tell the DES how you feel

of a child" (Dec. 2) asks. Or maybe even having a civil conversation with someone with whom you disagree politically.

> Paula Wolcott Sugar Hill

Russell Cumbee and Donald Trump's alternate reality

To the Editor:

I was dumb-founded by Russell Cumbee's letter in last week's Courier in which he infers that the Democrat "left wing stooges in the media and on social media platforms seem to believe that if they repeat often enough that there was no significant voter fraud and that Joe Biden is the legitimate President Elect that it will somehow all

become true." He thinks "that Americans who are not left-wing loons. are mad as hell and not about to let their country be compromised by what appears to be wide-spread voter fraud."

Cumbee seems to be living in Trump's alternate reality, where lies are promulgated and accepted as truth; where the coronavirus pandemic is dismissed as being nothing more than a passing cold; where "real men" don't wear face masks because face masks are not "manly."

The truth is just the opposite of what Cumbee claims. There is absolutely no evidence of widespread voter fraud in this year's presidential election. Trump lost both the popular vote and the electoral college vote fair-andsquare. This has been es-

tablished definitively by the FBI, by Christopher Krebs, the first director of the Department of Homeland Security's Cybersecurity Infrastructure Security Agency, appointed by Trump (and then fired by him for speaking the truth), and most recently, by Trump's "own" At-

torney General William

Even though it is abundantly clear that Trump lost the presidential election, he still widely asserts wide-spread fraud in the vote counting, and that he's the winner of the election. Trump has sent his personal attorney Rudy Giuliani to assert these fraudulent claims before the supreme court of each of the battleground states. However, in no case has he submitted verifiable

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proof of these alleged frauds, and his lawsuits have been thrown out in every case.

Trump continues to make these wild and unsubstantiated claims of massive election fraud to this day. This is an affront to the hardworking election workers who risk becoming infected by the coronavirus and personal injury because of the anger stirred up by Trump and his supporters with their misguided claims. As someone who personally has assisted in vote counting in several presidential elections, I know first-hand that people who do this work are highly principled individuals who do it because they believe that fair elections are the backbone of our democracy, and the

participate in any voter fraud is inconceivable.

Contrary to what Mr. Cumbee asserts, it is Trump, and not the Democrats who are making the wild and unsubstantiated claims of voter fraud. Trump has taken a play from playbook of World War II German Nazi Minister of Propaganda Joseph Goebbels, who said that if you tell a monstrous lie loud enough and long enough, the people will believe it. I have faith in the innate intelligence of the American people. I know that they will not allow Trump's Big Lie to prevail in this election, and that Joe Biden rightfully will be inaugurated as our next president!

> Bob Craven Easton

Where's the evidence?

To the Editor:

In a recent Letter to the Editor regarding our 2020 presidential election, Mr. Russell Cumbee says that Democrats and the media are trying to get away with "what appears to be a high-tech attempt to steal the election..." and cover up and mislead Americans about "... wide spread voter fraud."

I must question just reasonable Mr. Cumbee's assertions and of those of the White House are.

I was a Democratic ballot clerk in Littleton for a decade, working alongside my Republican neighbors and friends during numerous elections. My observation is that every ballot clerk, local election official, our Town Clerk, our Moderator, Supervisors of the Checklist, and others on "duty" were adamant about protecting Littleton's elections to make sure they were fair and accurate. There are too many eyes everywhere

for elections not to be fair. All of us were in effect hands-on poll watchers.

I am sure this same dedication to fair and accurate elections is true for what I estimate are 250,000 election workers across the country. That is an army of Republicans and an army of Democrats. However, not one person out of 50,000, during the process, screamed "bloody murder", "Stop the Show, there's fraud." When something questionable did happened during election process, evidence shows it was addressed. There is no evidence election fraud happened. Opinions, hearsay, wishful thinking, secondhand stories, conspiracy theories, distrust, contempt, disdain, "some people say" are all not evidence. Facts are evidence.

More than 30 courts across the nation have dismissed cases or ruled against lawsuits claiming fraud, voting irregularities, etc. because of no evidence. Many of Trump's lawyers have removed themselves from cases because of no evidence. The US Dept of Justice and other government organizations have also said there is no evidence. Republican Secretaries of States, Republican state election officials, Republican lawmakers and others have stated and certified there is no evidence of fraud.

Question: How much evidence or lack thereof will convince Trump supporters that there was no voting fraud, the elections were fair, and Mr. Trump is in fact the loser?

Answer: There is no amount of evidence to the contrary that will change their opinions. Why? I learned decades ago; you cannot reasonably argue someone out of a position they have taken unreasonably.

Sincerely,

Mell Brooks Littleton







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Locals earn girls' soccer All-State recognition

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING

Sports Editor

REGION — Local female soccer players were among those honored when the girls' soccer All-State teams were released in late November.

In Division II, First Team honors went to defender Emily Kenny of Kennett and midfielder Sam Meier of Plymouth.

Plymouth defender Sumaj Billin and Kennett forward Aida Wheat both earned Second Team honors.

Honorable Mention went to Kennett midfielder Marissa Caputo and Plymouth forward Megan Metivier.

Also earning First Team honors were goalies Sally Rainey of Lebanon and Hunt-Stonebraker Souhegan, defenders Chloe Binder of Bow. Elizabeth Philbrook of Merrimack Valley, Calla Tucker of Oyster River, Madison Mc-Manus of Sanborn and Zahna Rice of Stevens, midfielders Kristina Pizzi of Bow, Morgan Burnap of Coe-Brown, Arden Ulmer of John Stark, Hayley Kenney Merrimack Valley, Linsdey Butler of Pelham and Cierra Hill and Britney Hill of Pembroke and forwards Rachell Brackett of Hollis-Brookline and Rachel Gizzonio and Brooke Gizzonio of Milford.

Second Team hon-

ors also went to defend- Braley of Newfound, of Coe-Brown, Olivia Coakley of Pelham and Adreinne Dorr of Pembroke, midfielders Madison Roberge of Bow, Bella Roy of John Stark, Rachel Harrington of Lebanon, Mikayla Thompson of Milford, Greta Caulton of Souhegan and Stella Lavertue of Stevens and forwards Renee LeBlanc of Hollis-Brookline, Kaylee Magoon of Merrimack Valley, Charlotte Cousins of Oyster River and Sydney O'Toole of Sanborn.

Also earning Honorable Mention were keeper Emaly Roy of John Stark, defender Brynn Murphy of Stevens, midfielders Isabella LaPerle of Bow. Corinna Fernald of Coe-Brown, Sofia Walle of Hollis-Brookline, Mary Rainey of Lebanon, Marissa Sage of Milford, Anna Harlow of Pembroke and Luce Colcord of Sanborn and forwards Rhiley Tanguay of Merrimack Valley, Nathalie Pare of Oyster River, Maddison Curran of Pelham and Jacqueline Hayden of Souhe-

In Division III, First Team honors went to defenders Julia Pendergast of Inter-Lakes, Jaiden McKenna of Gilford, Grace Bradley of Berlin and Deanna Bourque of Belmont, midfielder Autumn

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ers Amelia Brackett forwards Lily Kenison of White Mountains, Piper Flood of Prospect Mountain and Rebecca Fleming of Bel-

Second Team honorees include defenders Payton Everett of Prospect Mountain, Sara Harris of Inter-Lakes and Courtney Burke of Belmont, midfield-Lexi Demming of White Mountains, MollyLu McKellar of Newfound and Allie Kenyon of Gilford and forward Jill Hallee of

Earning Honorable Mention were goalie Alexia Bassett of Newfound, defenders Morgan Doolan of White Mountains, Kassidy Kelley of Prospect Mountain and Ruby Preisendorfer of Inter-Lakes, midfielder Darci Stone of Belmont and forwards Geena Cookinham of Gilford and Ava Bartoli of Berlin.

Also earning First Team honors were keepers Grace Atkins Hillsboro-Deering and Emily Senko of Bishop Brady, fenders Sarah Bradley of Trinity, Brynna Hone of Raymond,

Mountain and Morgan Wagner of Campbell, midfielders Ella Pottle of St. Thomas, Rebecca Pincince of Somersworth, Caroline Camp of Kearsarge, Caitlin Clark and Annie Higginbotham of Hopkinton, Leah Hoey of Derryfield, Megan Graff of Conant and Karleigh Schultz of Campbell and forwards Kathryn LaCasse of Raymond, Trista Faulkner of Monadnock and Isabella Daly of Laconia.

Second Team honors also went to Molly Lewis of Somersworth. Macavla Dutile of Laconia and Sam Meadows of Kearsarge, defenders Kally Murdough of Hopkinton, Avery Stewart of Fall Mountain, Charlotte Sckaal of Derryfieldk Harvey Jenna Conant and Alex Wallenmaier of Campbell, midfielders Skyler DePetrillo of Trinity, Madilyn Robertson of Raymond, Bre Lawrence of Monadnock and Emily Howell of Hillsboro-Deering and forwards Chelsea Cooper of St. Thomas and Lauren Beitler of Bishop Brady.

Also earning Honorable Mention for Nora Dunnigan of Fall Division III were defenders Ava Houde Trinity, Grace Bronkma of Somersworth, Ellie Camp of Kearsarge, Madeline Follansbee of Hopkinton, Alexis McClure Hillsboro-Deering and Madison Rhvnhart of Bishop Brady, midfielders Amanda Behre of St. Thoams, Bailey Pollock of Raymond, Sierra Shaw of Laconia, Makeena Grillone of Fall Mountain, Lilly Losey of Derryfield and Hanna Keane of Campbell and forwards Emma Onduso of Monadnock and Heather Gonyea of

Conant. In Division IV, First Team honors went to goalie Gracev Boucher of Moultonborough. defender Morgan Wagstaff of Woodsville, midfielders Kiara Evelyth of Moultonborough, Hannah Brown of Littleton, Aiden Jesseman of Lisbon, Alyvia Drapeau of Lin-Wood, Madison Ash of Groveton and Madi Buteau of Gorham and forwards Madison Mc-Laren of Profile and Olivia Corrigan of Littleton.

Second Team honors went to defenders Shaela Sturgeon of Moultonborough, Sydney Pickering of Lin-Wood, Emmalee Deblois of Groveton and Isobel Micucci of Gorham, midfielder Lauren McKee of Littleton and forwards Olivia Sarkis of Woodsville, Sophie Bell of Profile and Katelyn Clark of Lisbon.

Earning Division IV Honorable Mention were keeper Seven Fitzgerald of Lin-Wood, midfielders Liz Lawton of Profile and Kat Gleeson of Moultonborough and forwards Leah Krull of Woodsville, Bre Lemay of Littleton and Julie Glover of Groveton.

Also earning First Team honors were keeper Angelina Narolilo of Hinsdale, defenders Jewel Young of Portsmouth Christian and Nona Dowsett of Mount Royal, midfielders Elizabeth Tschudin of Sunapee, Madison St. George of Pittsfield, Sophie Grondin of Pittsburg-Canaan, Maggie Moore of Newmarket, Jenna Needham of Epping, Hannah Risteen of Concord Christian and Samantha Howe of Colebrook and forwards Elizabeth Jacobs of Wilton-Lyn-ALL-STATE, PAGE A13

"Feed the Need" online auction coming Dec. 9

LITTLETON — The Littleton Rotary Club has spent the last few months helping the communities it serves with donations, support of food drives and is now gearing up to include a fundraiser to further assist its community service efforts.

Littleton is announcing a speclub fundraising event, "Feed the Need," an online auction, scheduled from Dec. 9 through the 20th. This auction of gift cards/gift certificates and special gift packages to a multitude of Littleton-area dining establishments will raise funds for the Club's community outreach work.

Event chair Kathy Jablonski of Sugar Hill characterizes the auction as a "win-winwin" situation.

"Rotarians and other community members derive satisfaction from donating gift cards/gift certificates to populate the auction. The funds raised help provide funds to vital community organizations and the aucbusiness and income book page. for local restaurants and other eateries dramatically impacted by COVID-19," Jablonski

said. She added, "The goal of this auction is to raise needed funds to give away to local charitable organizations while supporting our local business who have supported the club for years with donations to our fundraisers."

She went on to ex-"Our robust plain, auction in the spring

funds our Club's scholarships program."

Bidding will commence at Noon on Wednesday, December 9 and will close on Dec. 20 at 5 p.m. The bidding website may be accessed at https://rotary7850forums.com/ FeedTheNeed/ and tion will help generate from the club's Face-

> Community members can support the event by buying from the auction, donating gift cards/certificates or making cash donations. Cards or donations may be mailed to P.O. Box 785, Littleton, NH 03561. Checks should be made payable to "Littleton Rotary Club."

For 45 years, the club's very popular, but currently paused, LobsterFest event generated over \$10,000 for Littleton Rotary to grant to a wide range of non-profits and social service agencies in the Club's twelve town service area. Past fund recipients included: Adaptive Sports Partners of the North Country; Boys & Girls Club of the North Country; Youth Movement 360; Am-Commumonoosuc nity Health Services; Burch House; Bancroft House; Copper Cannon Camp & more.

In March, when the coronavirus pandemic began, the Littleton Rotary Club donated \$5,000 to the Grafton County Senior Citizens Council, for the benefit of the Littleton Area Senior Center, to help meet dramatically expanded demand home-delivered meals and supplemental food resources for seniors.

For additional information, contact Kathy (823-7022; Jablonski kathyjinsugarhill@ gmail.com) or club vice president Bob Muh (444-5228; muhfamily@ roadrunner.com).



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Dalton resident arrested on major drug charges

BY TARA GILES

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LUNENBURG, Twenty year old Makavla Walter of Dalton was arrested on Nov. 30, and now faces major drug charges.

The story began on Sept. 22, when Littleton Police responded to a residence after receiving a report of a female slumped over in a vehicle. That individual was identified as Walter. While there, officers observed several bags containing what appeared to be methamphetamine and fentanyl. Fentanyl is a narcotic that is similar to morphine, but 50 to 100 times more potent.

A search warrant was executed. As a result, 452 grams of fentanyl, 31 grams of methamphetamine and other drug paraphernalia was located and seized.

Detective for the Littleton Police Department, Jill Myers presented the case to the Federal Grand Jury in Concord on Nov. 16 where a federal arrest warrant was issued.

In a team effort, Grafton County Sheriff's Office, DEA, New Hampshire State Police Mobile Enforcement Team (MET) along with the Littleton Police Department formed a task force to find Walter.

On Nov. 30, she was located at a residence in Lunenburg, Vt. and arrested. Walter is currently being held at the



Makavla Walter, 20, of Dalton was recently arrested in Lunenburg, Vt. on Federal drug charges.



On Nov. 30, police arrested Makayla Walter of Dalton. As a result, a large quantity of drugs were found along with a substantial amount of cash.

where she awaits trial. She is being charged controlled

Merrimack County Jail with possession with the intent to distribute substanc-



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BETHLEHEM Town officials voted unanimously to reduce the 2020 tax rate at the Nov 30 Select Board meeting. The new rate will be \$25.50 for every thousand dollars of assessed property value - a \$1.53 decrease from last year's \$26.73.

Bethlehem dents can expect to see the reduction on their next two tax bills, slated to arrive in December and June. Properties valued at \$300,000 would see a tax savings of approximately \$300, said Select Board

\$14.38 of the total

Bethlehem. An additional \$1.77 goes to Grafton County and \$1.90 goes to the State of New Hampshire. Anyone living within the Village District pays an additional \$0.99.

School budget decreases at the Profile and Bethlehem Elementary Schools spurned the decision, said town officials. Select Board members opted not to further reduce the tax rate by tapping into the town's existing unassigned balance fund of \$940,701. Approximately \$425,00 of that fund came from the recent sale of the Bethlehem Country Club.

Bethlehem Select goes to the Town of Board Chair Gabe

(Left) Officials seized a very large sum of drugs and drug paraphernalia during the arrest of 20 year old Makayla Walter of Dalton on Nov. 30.

es and will answer to those charges in the U.S. District Court for the District of New Hampshire.

Of the arrest, Littleton Police Chief Paul Smith said, "I believe this arrest exemplifies the need for teamwork and cooperation at all levels of law enforcement. It also shows how complex and integrated the drug distribution network has become in the North

Bethlehem officials approve tax rate decrease

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member Chris Jensen.

amount goes to school budgets, while \$7.15 Boisseau said, ""We are going to continue to see implications because of COVID-19 in the upcoming year, with possible reduced funding for the state. There are also possible financial implications for the school and town budgets. My first inclination is not to use any money from

> Vice-Chair Moore agreed, stating, "I think we may need a substantial amount next year and tap into that fund. We are in good shape, and I think we need to play it safe."

> the unassigned bal-

ance fund."

member Board Bruce Caplain added, "We wanted to see the TAX RATE, PAGE A13

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Ice artisans growing and harvesting icicles to build frozen wonderland

N. WOODSTOCK — Construction is underway at a popular icy attraction in the White Mountains. Over the next few weeks Ice Castles in North Woodstock, New Hampshire will officially begin to take shape, a sure sign of winter in New England. Over the weekend, ice artisans began

the acre-sized frozen fortress just outside of Lincoln, New Hampshire. It will take artisans roughly 4 weeks of hand-placing up to 10,000 icicles each day to create the life-size winter playground, which includes slides, fountains, caves, tun-

growing and harvest- nels, and crawl spaces due to the COVID-19 ter experience in sev- location is expected to ing icicles to build built entirely from ice.

This is Ice Castles' eighth season in New Hampshire. year, tens of thousands of people visit Ice Castles. However. the attraction, which historically sells out each weekend, will be operating at a reduced capacity this season

pandemic.

There will also be a quarter-mile light walk and a snow sledding hill to enhance the experience and further encourage social distancing.

Ice Castles founded 2010 and has built its award-winning

eral cities across the United States. Canada, and New Zealand. This winter, the Utahbased company will have four locations. In addition to New Hampshire, Ice Castles has locations in Utah, Colorado, and Wisconsin this season.

The New Hampshire

open in early January, weather permitting. A limited number of pre-sale tickets for Ice Castles went on sale today on the attraction's website, https:// icecastles.com/ new-hampshire. The pre-sale ends Sunday or when all presale vouchers sell out.

Littleton police log

Richard Green, 72, of Littleton was arrested on Union Street for an outstanding warrant from the Franklin Police Department for criminal mischief.

Tyge Searl, 36, of Lyndon Center, Vt. was arrested on Meadow Street on Nov. 3 for driving after revocation or suspension of a driver's license.

Kathleen Lines, 53, of Littleton was arrested on Kittridge Lane on Nov. 3 for contempt of court.

Brooke Spencer, 24, of Woodsville was arrested on West Main Street on Nov. 4 on an outstanding warrant from the Lincoln Police Department for criminal mischief.

Kara Bergman, 37, of Littleton was arrested on Meadow Street on Nov. 7 for DUI with impairment.

Deborah Sweeney, 46, of Gilman, Vt. was arrested on North Littleton Road on Nov. 8 for operating a vehicle without a valid driver's license.

Jillian Curran, 35, of Littleton was arrested on Meadow Street on Nov. 10 for DUI with impairment.

Jamil Armstrong, 42, of Norwood, Mass. was arrested on Main Street on Nov. 11 for outstanding bench warrants.

Alek Bryant, 23, of Lisbon was arrested on Union Street on Nov. 12 on outstanding bench warrants.

Shawn McKenna, 54, of Littleton was arrested on Crane Street on Nov. 13 for violation of a protective order.

Nathaniel Kinne, 28,

on Nov. 13 for domestic violence, simple assault with bodily contact and criminal mischief.

A 15-year-old male juvenile from Littleton was taken into protective custody on Main Street on Nov. 15 for an alcohol-related incident.

A 16-year-old male juvenile from Lyman was arrested on Meadow Street on Nov. 15 for unlawful alcohol possession and intoxication and possession and use of tobacco products by a minor.

A 16-year-old male juvenile from Littleton was arrested on Meadow Street on Nov. 15 for illegal transportation of alcohol by a minor.

A 17-year-old female juvenile from Littleton of Bethlehem was ar- was arrested on Mead-

rested on Union Street ow Street on Nov. 19 for driving after the revocation or suspension of a driver's license.

> Jesse Parker, 35, of Littleton was arrested on Riverside Drive on Nov. 20 for contempt of

> Under investigation: criminal mischief on Park Ave, occurring between Nov. 4 and 5. No arrest made.

> Under investigation: criminal mischief on Main Street on Nov. 5. No arrest made.

> Under investigation: theft by unauthorized taking of an amount between \$0 and \$1,000 on Cottage Street on Nov. 6. No arrest made.

Under investigation: unattended death on High Street on Nov. 8. No arrest made.

Under investigation: theft by unauthorized taking of an amount between \$0 and \$1,000 on North Littleton Road on Nov. 9. No arrest made.

Under investigation: three counts of theft by unauthorized taking of an amount between \$1,001 and \$1,500 on Riverside Drive. The event occurred between Nov. 6 and 9. No arrest made.

Under investigation:

theft by unauthorized taking of an amount between \$0 and \$1,000 on Riverside Drive. The event occurred between Nov. 6 and 9. No arrest made.

Under investigation: stolen firearm and theft by unauthorized taking of an amount over \$1,501 on Beacon Street. The event occurred between Nov. 13 and 14. No arrest made.

Under investigation: credit card fraud between \$0 and \$1,000 on Beacon Street on Nov. 14. No arrest made.

Under investigation: second-degree assault with a deadly weapon, bodily injury on West Main Street on Nov. 15. No arrest made.

Under investigation: criminal trespass and criminal mischief on Beacon Street on Nov. 15. No arrest made.

Under investigation: criminal trespass and theft by unauthorized taking of an amount between \$0 and \$1,000. The event occurred on Pleasant Street between Nov. 14 and 16. No arrest made.

Under investigation: criminal trespass and theft by unauthorized taking of an amount between \$0 and \$1,000

Pleasant Street on Nov. 16. No arrest made.

Under investigation: criminal mischief, criminal trespass and theft by unauthorized taking of an amount between \$0 and \$1,000 on Cross Street on Nov. 16. No arrest made.

Under investigation: criminal mischief on High Street. The event occurred between Nov. 15 and 16. No arrest made.

Under investigation: criminal trespass, criminal mischief and theft by unauthorized taking of an amount between \$0 and \$1,000 on Pleasant Street on Nov. 16. No arrest made.

Under investigation: stolen firearm and theft by unauthorized taking of an amount between \$0 and \$1,000. The event occurred on Highland Ave. between Nov. 13 and 16. No arrest made.

Under investigation: theft by unauthorized taking of an amount between \$0 and \$1,000. The event occurred at Deer Court between Nov. 13 and 14. No arrest made.

Under investigation: burglary on South Street on Nov. 20. No arrest made.

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New violinist joins North Country Chamber Players

major fixture of northern New Hampshire's cultural life for more than four decades, the North Country Chamber Players, following their highly successful and unprecedented, socially-distanced summer festival in Franconia, proudly announce the addition of award-winning violinist Gabriela Diaz to their roster of internationally recognized artist members.

Critics have acclaimed Gabriela as "a young violin master," "one of Boston's most valuable players," and praised her "indefatigably expressive," "vivid and elegant" playing, and her "polished technique."

A member of the violin faculty at Wellesley

FRANCONIA — A College, Diaz serves as co-artistic director of the celebrated Boston-based chamber music and outreach organization Winsor Music. A childhood cancer survivor, Gabriela has committed a significant part of her musical career to support cancer research and treatment and, in 2004, was awarded a grant from the Albert Schweitzer Foundation to create the Boston Hope Ensemble, which she directs. A firm believer in the healing properties of music, she and her colleagues in that ensemble have performed in cancer units in Boston hospitals and presented benefit concerts for cancer research organizations in numerous venues throughout the



Gabriela Diaz

United States.

of contemporary mu-A fierce champion sic, Diaz has worked

closely with many of the most significant composers of the times, and her recording of the Suite for Violin and American Gamelan, by the American master Lou Harrison, was highlighted in the New York Times article "5 Minutes That Will Make You Love Classical Music."

"I am beyond excited to become a member of the Chamber Players," Diaz noted upon her nomination. "I admire each and every musician in the group so much, as players and people, and can't wait to be and play together, as soon as possible, in gorgeous northern New Hampshire!"

Now in their 43rd season. the North Country Chamber Players have been described by the New

Hampshire State Council on the Arts as "one of the outstanding cultural resources in the state of New Hampshire," and a critic from the Boston Musical Intelligencer lauded them as "a sophisticated group of experienced, passionate, focused, and obviously talented musicians." The Chamber Players were one of only a few professional musical ensembles in the entire country to present successful live events this summer, including eight free concerts at Franconia's Dow Pavilion and outreach programs at several local venues. For notices of upcoming activities, visit them at www. northcountrychamberplayers.org.

Littleton Eye Care welcomes Dr. Ryan K. Watari

LITTLETON — Littleton Eye Care is proud to announce the addition of Dr. Ryan K. Watari to its highly trained team of doctors. Dr. Watari received his Doctor of Optometry Degree from the New England College of Optometry in May 2020.

Dr. Watari earned the prestigious Beta Sigma Kappa International Optometric Honor Society membership upon graduation. He also received several accolades including the Beider Moral Obligation Scholarship and the Ned S. Witkin Low Vi-

sion Award. In addition to his interests in primary eye care for the entire family, Dr. Watari also has special interests in medical eye care including the management of diabetic retinopathy, glaucoma and macular degeneration as well as specialtv contact lens fittings and low vision rehabilitation.

A former Army combat medic, Dr. Watari served for our country in two tours of duty Operation Iraqi Freedom. His training included Air Assault





Dr. Ryan Watari

Master course.

He currently resides in Littleton, enjoying our great community, the outdoors and beautv of the White Mountains. Outside the office, Dr. Watari also

plines of target sports, hiking and playing

guitar and banjo. Dr. Watari joins Dr. Kevin Stratton, Dr. Winnie Tseng, Dr. Erica Griffin, Dr. Alyssa Flanagan and Dr. Kyle



Eye Care. The practice has other locations in Woodsville and Lincoln and is accepting new patients. To schedule an appoint-

- In Littleton, please call 444-2592 or visit littletoneyecare.net to schedule an appointment
- In Woodsville, please call 747-3190 or woodsvilleeyecare.net to schedule an appointment
- In Lincoln, please call 745-4882 or visit lincolneyecare.net to schedule an appoint-





Forest Society protects 1.8 miles along Ammonoosuc in Bethlehem

Landowners Dick and Gould have generously sold 273 acres along 1.8 miles the Ammonoosuc River to the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests (Forest Society) at a price of only onethird of the land's full value, enabling the permanent conservation of the property. The Ammonoosuc ("small narrow fishing place" in Abenaki) is one of the largest rivers in the northern White Mountains, originating in Lakes of the Clouds on Mt. Washington's western slope and flowing westward to meet the Connecticut River

scenic vistas and kev cold-water fisheries in its upper reaches, the Ammonoosuc River is home to wild brook trout, as well as rainbows and browns.

Dick Gould, an avid fly fisherman, is keen about conserving the land to protect wildlife habitat, ensure clean water, and provide more angler access to the river. What he and his wife are doing also reflect some deeper motivations.

"The land, the fishing, my family, they're all interwoven in the fabric of who we are; it's why Nancy and I decided to conserve this land. We hope oth-

in Woodsville. With ers will breathe in the air and land around them and enjoy fishing, hiking, or just sitting along the river and in the woods," said Dick Gould.

The new reservation, called the Ammonoosuc River Forest, consists of two sections: 80 acres on the north side of the river, abutting Route 302, and 193 acres on the south side of the River, abutting the White Mountain National Forest. The upstream end of this forested property starts at the Carroll/Bethlehem town line, just upstream of the NH Fish and Game angler access parking area on Route 302, about two

miles west of Twin Mountain. The property runs downstream from there for 1.8 miles. with frontage on both sides of the river for 1.1 miles of that distance.

The recreational value of the property is significant above and beyond its well-known trout fishery. land includes an established snowmobile trail ("Twin Mountain Connector") running through the property's southern section and then into the White Mountain National Forest. Many kayakers and whitewater canoeists delight in this stretch of fast water each spring. Great views of the Presidential and Franconia Ranges are visible from trails within the property, and also from Route 302, where over a mile of undeveloped frontage provides a scenic buffer along this designated "New Hampshire Scenic Byway." This project also protects local drinking water supplies due to the significant sand and gravel aquifer underlying the property and supplying water for nearby homeowners with on-site wells. It also protects historic features of the old Boston & Maine Railroad bed, whose culverts are made of massive, hand-

cut, granite beams. "This is such a beautiful part of the state, just down the road from our Rocks Forest Reservation," said Jack Savage, president of the Forest Society. "This project protects a clean flowing river, wildlife and opportunities for visitors and local residents to enjoy the outdoors-it's about

life for those of us who love New Hampshire, and we're proud to help make it possible. We're grateful to LCHIP and all those who supported the project."

To enhance fishing access to the Ammonoosuc River, the Forest Society plans to construct an additional parking area off Route 302, with a short trail down to an old railbed that closely parallels the river. The southerly portion of the property is accessible via town roads off of Route 3, and will have three-season parking and opportunity to get onto extensive wood roads and trails. This section of the property also borders good fishing water, and in addition provides superb habitat for upland game, deer and moose for the enjoyment of hunters and hikers

alike. Haystack Brook, which flows northerly through the property and into the Ammonoosuc River, provides high-quality habitat for eastern brook trout, both as a refuge from high main stem temperatures in the summer and also as spawning ground in the fall.

"Trout are great indicators of the health of our rivers, lakes and ponds," states Art Greene, Ammonoosuc Chapter representative for Trout Unlimited (TU) New Hampshire. "The conservation of this river frontage is significant for the protection of wildlife and water quality. TU is honored to have played a part in conserving this valuable land, not only for our anglers,

ensuring a quality of but for all outdoor enthusiasts."

> "In addition to the Goulds' generous sale price, many organizations and individuals came together to complete the fundraising effort," said Tom Howe, senior director of land conservation at the Forest Society and manager of the \$565,000 fundraising campaign. Funding for the project included \$300,000 from the NH Land & Community Heritage Program Investment (LCHIP),\$130,000 from the NH Fish & Game Department's Fisheries Habitat Account, \$46,200 from the NH Charitable Foundation's Upper Connecticut River Mitigation & Enhancement Fund, \$24,000 "Moose Plate" funds provided by the NH State Conservation Committee.

Trout Unlimited and its members also played a key role by providing more than \$60,000 in direct support. A strong, early commitment from TU's Ammonoosuc Chapter set an example for other Chapters, and its local volunteers helped raise other funds for the project. Elsewhere in New Hampshire, the Pemigewasset, Valley, Great Bay, and Basil Woods (Concord) Chapters also made generous contributions, revealing the statewide significance of the project. In Massachusetts, the Boston and Nor'East Chapters added further support, reinforcing portance of this fishand recreational ery resource beyond our

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Manchester man arrested on connection with Aubuchon Hardware burglary

LINCOLN — On Nov. 24, an employee of Aubuchon Hardware contacted the Lincoln Police Department to report a burglary that had just taken place. Investigating officers reviewed surveillance videos from Aubuchon, as well as surrounding businesses. Access to the business made through forcing open the front door. A suspect was seen on the video at approximately 10 minutes after midnight, but not immediately identified. A vehicle was also observed in video; however, the registration was obscured.

The suspect's vehicle was unique enough that police were able to identify the make, model, and color. Officers searched the surrounding area and located the vehicle parked at a local hotel. Information was obtained from the vehicle registration that was confirmed by hotel staff after reviewing their registration

A search warrant was obtained to search leased on Personal Rethe suspect's vehicle and hotel room on the evening of Nov. 24. The search resulted in the discovery of tools used during the burglary and possibly

stolen from the Aubuchon Hardware store, which led to the arrest of Luke St. Pierre of Manchester. St. Pierre was initially charged with Receiving Stolen Property, which was categorized as a felony due to the value of the property taken. Further charges may be pending, and will be filed at the discretion of the Grafton County Attorney's Office.

St. Pierre was recognizance Bail, and is expected to appear for arraignment at the Grafton County Superior Courthouse on Jan. 11.

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Out of the Box Theatrics, Weathervane anthology premieres Dec. 14

WHITEFIELD New Hampshire's award-winning Weathervane Theatre and acclaimed Off-Broadway theatre company Out of the Box Theatrics (OOTB)'s virtual co-production of "A New York Holiday Minute" premieres Monday. This 90-minute original holiday anthology will livestream Dec. 14 - 18 and Dec. 20 at 5:30 and 7:30 p.m.

In a series of six short plays commissioned by Out of Box Theatrics, New Yorkers of all walks of life navigate their way through the highs and lows of living in the city during the holidays. From cynical Christmas elves to awkward family gatherings to heartwarming holiday magic, New York City during the holidays offers a fresh start unlike anywhere else. Representing BI-POC and LGBTQIA+ communities, featured playwrights include Anthony Anello, Harron Atkins, Elise Forier Edie, Lauren Jennings, Kevin Renn, and Marcus Scott.

The idea behind the piece came to OOTB Producing Artistic Director Liz Flemming as a response to COVID-19.

"There's something magical about NYC during the holidays," said Flemming. "There's a stillness and the hope of a fresh start that I've never encountered anywhere else in the world. In what has been a crazy year I want audiences to feel rejuvenated after viewing our production."

For this project, Flemming enlisted six playwrights from very different backgrounds, but all share the common ground of promoting equality in the theatrical community with their writing.

Flemming continues, "There is no one



for any situation. For this project I wanted a variety of perspectives on the universal experience of the holidays. I am so thrilled to collaborate with Anthony, Harron, Elise, Lauren, Kevin, and Marcus on this project as well as Ethan and everyone at Weathervane."

"A New York Holiday Minute" was filmed at Weathervane Theatre in mid-October at the conclusion of Weathervane's 55th season. All involved quarantined parties and followed local, state, federal, and Greenberg, AEA COVID-19 protocol for the duration of this project. The piece is edited by DimlyWit Productions (Chris Wilson, Primary Edi-

Additional creative team: Rien Schlecht (Production agement/Costume Michaela Design), Pietrinferno (Sound Design), Kay Cates (Properties Design), Scout Hough (Lighting Design), Meghan

Pearson (Video Direction), Lew Whitener (Photography) Egypt Dixon (Production Stage Manager). Production Staff: Briana Abbot and Kelly Bernard (Carpentry), Rojo Pandero (Scenic Charge), Hillary Jeffers (Costume First Hand) and Marisa Kirby (Assistant Stage Manager).

"A New York Holiday Minute" is directed by Jorge Donoso, Liz Flemming, Ira Kramer, and Ethan Paulini. The cast features Jorge Donoso, Liz Flemming, Robert H. Fowler, Carrie ston Kramer, and Jewell Noel.

Livestream and On Demand tickets for "A New York Holiday Minute" are currently on sale at www.ootbtheatrics.com/a-newyork-holiday-minute and at https://www. weathervanenh.org/anew-york-holidayminute. Tickets range \$24-\$34. Tickets can also be ordered via phone at 837-9322.

Finding ways to "Be Glad to Be Home for the Holidays"

LITTLETON — Decorate your home and win prizes in the "Glad to Be Home for the Holidays" decorating contest. Sponsored by GoLittleton.com and its partners, the contest is open to Littleton residents. Entries must be received by Dec. 15.

"Health experts are encouraging all of us to stay close to home during this unusual holiday season," said nounced on Dec. 19. Veronica Francis of GoLittleton.com, we decided to add some fun to the next couple of weeks by encouraging Littleton residents to decorate the outside of their homes, both for people to enjoy and with the possibility of winning a prize for their creative dis-

plays." Prizes include a Napoleon Propane Tabletop Heater from Ash Supply (value \$189), a \$100 Gift Certificate to the Littleton Freehouse, a \$50 gift certificate to the Littleton Coop and a Pollyanna Glad Bag of Gifts.

Cheerful judges (this is the "Glad Town" after all) will drive around town from Dec. 16 to 18 to view the decorations. Winners will be an-

To participate, fill out the entry form on GoLittleton.com Web site. You'll find the entry information on the website, along with several ideas for making this a safe and healthy holiday season right here at home.

"Many people decorate their homes for the holidays, so we're hoping that a lot of them

will participate in the contest," said Francis. "It's easy to enter and you just might win a prize. Even if you don't you'll be bringing a lot of pleasure to the countless families who make it a favorite holiday tradition to take a ride around town to look at the Christmas lights, sparking joy and lots of oohs and aahs as they view the festive displays."

"Glad to Be Home for the Holidays" sponsors include Ash Supply Company, Peabody & Smith Realty, Littleton Regional Healthcare, Pollyanna of Littleton, GoLittleton. com and DiscoverLittleton.com.

Anyone needing additional information may contact GoLittleton.com at 444-0700 or info@golittleton.com.

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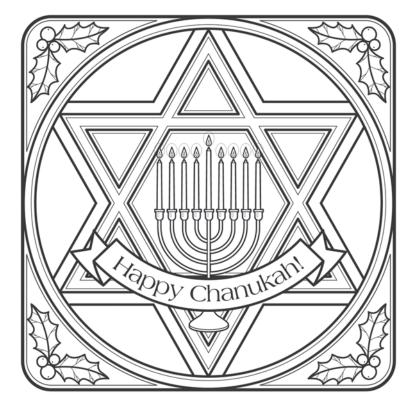


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(CONTINUED FROM PAGE A1) this case, it's through baking."

Bryan continued, "For us, it's really about giving back to our community with the tools at our disposal. For the most part, those tools are flour and sugar. You can do something lovely for yourself while doing something lovely for someone else. Ethical capitalism is a real possibility and it's something that we believe in. Sugar can't save the world, but it does make it a bit sweeter."

Like countless other non-profits, Mount Eustis has felt the financial impact of social distancing mandates in 2020. Unable to fundraise through its usual social channels, the Board of Directors faced operational challenges for the upcoming season.

Mount Eustis Co-President Dave Harkless said a successful sponsorship program for the annual Gathering of the Jack O'Lanterns event helped offset a portion of the ski hill's operational costs. However, the organiza-

tion still had a long way to go. The Halloween activity typically costs \$4,500 to execute, and event sponsors agreed in advance that any surplus would go directly to the local slope.

Escalating case numbers led event organizers to cancel the Halloween activity and all of the funds went directly to the ski hill. Harkless said liability insurance was the largest expenditure at Mount Eustis, and the non-profit needed additional funds to cover costs.

"We still need support, but I think we will be okay. We're able to spread the insurance payments out over time, and we have enough to get started," stated Harkless.

December, the Crumb Bum Bakery chose two-armed а fundraising initiative. A canned food drive runs throughout the month, and people are encouraged to drop off donations at the bakery during regular business hours. All of the collected items will be delivered to the NH Food Bank, stated Bryan.

The Tyler House, a homeless shelter in Lancaster, was chosen as this month's Slice of Justice recipi-

"We feel quite strongly that the holidays can be challenging. We are still living through the economic challenges this year has brought, and scarcity is something we all feel. Any efforts that we can make as a community to help smooth out the injustice and imbalance that we're living through is 100 percent worth it," stated Bryan.

Anyone interested in supporting the Mount Eustis Ski Area can make donations online www.mteustis.org. Those wishing to support the NH Food Bank can drop shelf-stable items at the Crumb Bum Bakery on 97 Main St. in Littleton between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Thursday through Sunday.

Proceeds from all cake slice purchases will automatically go to the Tyler Blain House.

Nadine "Deanie", "Mom", "Grammie", *"Meme" Boyle – 85*

Born on August 1, 1935 in Littleton NH, she passed on December 3rd, 2020, at the Genesis Lafayette Center in Franconia NH.

While these are the "stats" for the beginning and end of her life, there was much in the years between that signify who she was to many.

Hazel J. and Francis Patrick O'Keefe were her parents and she grew up and attended schools in Littleton graduating from Littleton High School.

"Mom" gave life and breath to four children to who she was the world: Kathleen. Barbara, Kevin and Richard. A legacy of 10 grandchildren, and, 1 with another soon to arrive great grandchildren had a place in her life. Her love partner, Percy Lennon, Twin Mountain, held a special place in her heart, and will forever be a special part of our family.

Early in her life as a working mother, she

spent many years as a telephone operator at the New England Telephone center in Littleton NH. After her time at NET, she was employed for 31 years at the Littleton Coin Company retiring from there in 2000. Outside of her professional life, as a mom, sister, daughter and friend, she had the special ability of laughing at her own spectacles, one of which was going to work in the morning, parking her car and getting out of work at the end of the day to find she left the car running all day. She had great fun being a part of pranks

ten involving water or shaving cream. Halloween was a special time for her and she often dressed up as a scarecrow, a bag lady or a witch for work. Crafts also played a big part in her life with a particular interest in scrapbooking, creating scrapbooks for many outlining their lives through pictures. She also had a particular love of taking pictures of flowers and wildlife which frequently embellished her beautiful scrapbooks. Deanie was known and loved by many; as Percy has said, "many places we went, she was known and people would come up to say hello". She will be missed in life but the memory of her, her smile, her laugh, will forever be etched on our hearts.

with her children, of-

At mom's request, there will be no formal funeral service. A Celebration of Life with family will be held in the spring.

IRON FURNACE

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE A1) tions. Clough said adaptability was tantamount this year as the business was forced to ebb and flow with COVID-19 spikes and restrictions.

He had no definite answer about when the brewery would re-open for dine-in services.

"Our staff is composed mainly of college students. For our staff and

our customers' safety, we feel more comfortable offering only takeout for the short term. We will definitely open again; we just don't know when," stated Clough.

MCQUILLEN -

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE A1) pable of doing so with the personnel they have in the department. The success rate of any fire-based EMS organization depends on the personnel, and Littleton has incredibly dedicated people."

The incoming department head also said that being approachable was a crit- the good things about they need anything."

think the biggest chal-

McQuillen contin-

a fire department, but I also need to know where people might feel the organization could improve. Unfortunately, with COVID, it will be a bit more difficult and take more time to make those connections. I don't want anyone to be afraid to reach out to ued. "It's nice to know the fire department if

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explained,

lenge will be getting my name out there and letting people know who I am. I want people to feel comfortable in coming to speak to

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to get in. Because it was near a road, and tracks in the snow showed that many others had walked right by, he figured it had already been reported. It had not.

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What's in a name department: last week, I had fun writing about weasels, which mandates more to tell.

New Hampshire has two kinds of weasels, the short-tailed, which lives from northern New England to Canada and Alaska, and the longtailed weasel, which lives from southern New England to the tropics.

The two species overlap, naturally, but shorttailed weasels seem to be predominant in the northern third of New Hampshire, and the opposite is true. For more on this, I called Pat Tate, who is in charge of furbearers for Fish and Game. I started looking for him at around 11 a.m., and he called me back at 2 p.m. or so, from his deer stand, no less.

"I really have no idea where the weasel line is," Pat said half-jokingly from his carefully chosen spot somewhere east of Nashua. He got the message that I was looking for him, and called me from his stand.

Talk about dedica-

tion. But it was all right, Pat said, because he'd just had lunch, and was re-fluffing his feathers to settle down for when the deer would start moving.

Both species of weasel turn white in winter (and both are called ermine) except for the tips of their tails, which are black. People steeped in woods lore speculate that the black tip is there for a reason, perhaps to momentarily distract a predator, and gain the weasel that extra split-second it needs to get away from a fox or a hawk.

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The literature and reporting are equally fuzzy on the most obscure member of the weasel family, the once-rare marten.

This amazingly fast little predator is a bit bigger than the long-tailed weasel but smaller than the fisher (cat). The old-timers I was lucky to know always said that a marten was the only creature that could catch a red squirrel in a tree (please note those qualifiers, "red," and "in a tree").

(I know, I know---the fisher is not a cat, so please, no finger-wagging notes. Most of the time I put "cat" in there for tradition. Sometimes I do it just to irk the bookbound. Ditto the vaunted "partridge," as in the

handed-down and even cherished saying, "cartridges for partridges," which is two misnomers in one phrase, because it's not a cartridge, it's a shell.)

The marten has been expanding in its old habitat, generally perceived as from the southern foothills of the White Mountains northward, although some of its old territory in the high country of the state's southwest may remain yet longer bereft. (For years now, I've been waiting for a chance to use "bereft.")

For a few years, New Hampshire was obtaining live-trapped martens from Maine, a pretty nice thing for one state to do for another in my book, but this is no longer deemed necessary. They are still fully protected (the martens, not the people in Maine). Still, I have to wonder about those people in Maine, don't you know? Look at what they do to their hotdogs. (For the culturally deprived, they dye them red.)

Let's not let this hotdog thing just sail on by, as if it weren't significant, whereas it is something really worth noting, in an anthropological sense. The thing is, the hotdogs don't taste any different, because I've had plenty, with the usual condi-

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deborough, Abigail Pollari of Sunapee, Elisa Gillis of Portsmouth Christian and Riley Skarin of Newport.

Second Team honors also went to defenders Ashley Bolton Pittsburg-Canaan and Paige Greenhalgh of Newport, midfielders Morgan Hock of Newmarket, Jade Gagnon of Epping, Victoria Ritchie of Christian and Delaney Wilcox of Hinsdale and forwards Sophia Sistachs of Wilton-Lyndeborough, Brynn Smith of Sunapee, Lula Wamberg of Portsmouth Christian, Arie Prentice of Pittsfield, Annemarie Sweet of Mount Royal and Sage Smith of Colebrook.

Also earning Honorable Mention were keepers Ella Walsh of Portsmouth Christian and Trinity Johnson of Pittsburg-Canaan, defenders Vanessa Pollair of Sunapee, Aura Parker of Newport

and Allison Herres of Colebrook, midfielders Brooke Lane of Wilton-Lyndeborough, Abigail Smith of Pittsfield, Emma Treece of Mount Royal, Olivia Gosselin of Epping and Grace Rose of Concord Christian and forwards Abby Henry of Newmarket and Kleay Steever of Hinsdale.

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tax rate go down, particularly in light of the school coming down. But we need to be conservative with what we keep aside for future years."

Mary Moritz added to the board's consensus and suggested the "rainy day funds" be held for future largescale capital investments such as new facilities and large-scale

purchases.

She stated, 'That money shouldn't be used towards reducing the tax rate. I think it's important to reduce costs in the future."

FOREST -

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE A10) state's borders. And at the national scale, this project was one of the first recipients of a grant from TU's recently created Coldwater Land Conservancy Fund, designed

to foster partnerships with land trusts in conservation of key cold-water fishery habitat. To qualify for the \$5,000 grant, the Ammonoosuc Chapter had to match it dollar-for-dollar with contributions from its own members. An anonymous donor further elevated the incentive for local TU members to give by offering an additional \$5,000 if they could reach their goal, which they did.



Obituaries

Loretta M. Gregoire, 97

Loretta M. Gregoire, age 97, who often reassured her family that she had lived a good life and was ready to die, took the next step on her life journey on Tuesday, Nov. 17, 2020 at Coos County Nursing Home in Berlin, N.H.

Loretta was born on May 16, 1923 in Lewiston, Maine to Marianne and Edmund Poulin. The family moved back to Canada for a while, but soon settled in Berlin, N.H., where Loretta and her eight siblings grew up. Supported by the wages that Edmund made at the paper mill, the family was poor, but there was always adequate housing, plenty of homemade food and handmade clothing, and more than enough love to go around.

Loretta attended St. Regis School for three years, and then, when the family moved to the East Side, Angel Guardian School through the eighth grade. After three months at Berlin High School, she left because her family needed her at home. She started working at a young age, eventually becoming the maid to the Clare and Eva (Twitchell) Curtis family. It was there that she learned to speak English. Mrs. Curtis purchased a French/English dictionary for her, and Loretta put it to good

Loretta married Maurice Gregoire in the fall of 1947. They resided in the Gregoire block on Berlin's upper Main Street until moving to the West Main Street neighborhood of Conway, N.H. in 1950. Although this 40 mile relocation presented a significant culture change for them, Loretta and Maurice settled in, and Conway became the home where they raised their family. When Maurice died at the young age of 48, Loretta's life was turned upside down. With the help of family friends, George and Ginny Small, she met this challenge with amazing grace and courage.



Eventually, Loretta sold the big house on West Main Street, and moved "uptown" to an apartment on Washington Street where she lived, through three landlords, for four decades. Sometimes, it seemed like she owned the place.

Loretta worked at Conway Furniture for over 10 years, and then she cared for children in her home. Chris and Ashley Williams, Jennifer and Jeff Luoma, and Samantha Lettiere were blessed with her wonderful, loving care. She had special relationships with these children and their families, as well as with Mary, Ben, and Chris Sporcic and their parents, landlords #3. At the same time, she was a very special Gram to her three out-of-town grandchildren, Skye, Kelsey, and David, spending a lot of quality time with them and always bringing cookies and pie.

Loretta was an independent woman, who had a smile for everyone and made friends wherever she went. She had friends she walked with, friends she met while swimming daily at the Eastern Slope Inn, friends she bowled with, friends from Loose Ladies, friends from church. And friends that she traveled with, to Florida, Bermuda, Nova Scotia, Yellowstone National Park, San Francisco, and St. Lucia. Two Lights State Park in Cape Elizabeth, Maine was also a special place to her.

Loretta moved to Beattie House in Littleton, N.H. to be near her daughter and son-in-law in early 2010. She remained very indepen-

dent until the fall of 2016, when she fell and broke her pelvis. She lived with her daughter and son-inlaw in Franconia, N.H. for about a year, before entering Coos County Nursing Home in Berlin in the fall of 2017, where she received excellent care from kind, compassionate health care workers. Many years ago, Loretta arranged to donate her body to the Geisel School of Medicine at Dartmouth. She is there now, and will be teaching medical students about the human body for the next few years. Dartmouth's Medical School was renamed in honor of Theodor Geisel, better known, (and loved in Loretta's family), as Dr. Seuss, whose last book was entitled Oh, the Places You Will Go.

Loretta's survivors include daughter, Louise Gregoire-Allen, and son-in-law, Tom Allen, (who could do no wrong), of Franconia; son, Paul Gregoire, of Pittsfield; grandchildren, David Gregoire and wife Ginni of Goffstown, Skye Allen and husband Scott Dunham of Chicago, Ill., Bryce Allen Spare and partner Hannah Spare of Adams, Mass.; great-grandchildren, Madelyn and Brennan Gregoire of Goffstown; and David's mother, Marcia Gregoire, of Epsom.

Loretta's death marks the end of this generation of Poulins. Throughout her life, she remained very close to her birth family. She was predeceased by sisters, Jeannette Poulin Baldwin, Alvine Leclerc Maynard, and Rita Carrier Bijeau; and by her Poulin brothers, Joe, Laurier, Bob, Paul, and

A mass and celebration of Loretta's life will take place when it is safe to come together. Contributions in her memory can be made to: Attention Activities Dept., Coos County Nursing Home, PO Box 416, Berlin, NH 03570.

Carol S. Brooks, 78

Carol S. Brooks of Punta Gorda, FL (formerly of Bethlehem and Littleton, NH) passed away on December 1, 2020 at the age of 78.

Carol is survived by her daughter Jean Stevens (Michael); son, Walter H. Brooks, Jr. (Laurie); two granddaughters Danielle and

Jessilee; great-grandson Aidan; two brothers, David Sylvester and Joseph Sylvester; and four sisters, Gail Griggs, Dianna Hayes, Suzanne Hanks and Donna Sylvester; and many nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul- St. Charles Borromeo Conference, 28141 Felton Avenue, Port Charlotte, FL 33952, (941) 625-9784, where she volunteered many hours.

Please visit www. JohnsonTaylorFuneral.com to leave the family your thoughts, memories, and condolences.

Dr. Robert "Crow" Enderson, 87

LITTLETON-Robert "Crow" Enderson, 87, died Sunday November 22, after a seven day stay at the Morrison Nursing Home. He was born in Littleton the son of Lawrence and Anne (Stone) Enderson.

Below is a write-up that appeared in the Courier on October 30, 1990. Crow continued his dentistry in his office at home until 2013 for a total of 53 years!

He is survived by his wife of 61 years Barbara (McGinley), two sons Bob and John,



5 grandchildren and 1 great grandchild.

A Celebration

Crow's life will be held next July so his many nieces and nephews from around the country can attend.

Donations in his memory may be made to the Littleton Public Library, 92 Main Street, Littleton, NH 03561. Their excellent staff kept him supplied with 3 or 4 books a week, especially appreciated the last few months.

To offer your condolences to the family please visit www.rossfuneral.com

Dr. Enderson, man of diverse

Many have changed since Dr. Robert "Crow" Enderson opened his dental practice in Littleton 30 years ago this year (one thing that hasn't changed is his humor – a saying tacked to his waiting room wall reads, "it's hard to soar with Eagles when you work with Turkeys!)... Dr. Enderson started his career in dentistry in August 1960 and four months later (Dec. 1, 1960) returned to his native town of Littleton where he was born Oct. 21, 1933, the son of Lawrence "Hap" Enderson and his wife Annie... Crow's career and Union St. have been synonymous, the family home having been at 118 Union and opening his dental office in a small building nearby... Now Dr. Enderson and his wife Barbara (Mc-Ginley) have remodeled their home on Richmond St. to allow for a dental office in the basement where Crow plans to continue an active practice "for at least five years"...

A graduate of Littleton High School Class of '51, Crow was a three-sport participant, managing under Coach Wes Root... Attending Keene State College, he played firststring basketball for three years, baseball for two years and varsity tennis fourth year, adding intramural sports director for a couple of those years as well as being a member of the national and educational fraternity Kappa Delta Phi (he was chosen for inclusion in "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities")... Summers he worked as playground director

in Littleton, 1952-

time attended Tufts Dental School (1956-60), where he was a writer for "The Outlook", sports editor and vice president of the Freshman Class... In the formative years of his career, Dr. Enderson was greatly influenced by the late Littleton dentist Dr. Millard Clark, admiring his technique and using many of his unique and innovative methods...

coached, managed

formerly

and played with the basketball team for 13 years as well as playing town team softball... As a member of the Bethlehem Country Club, he established their original handicap system, Saturday night socials, Awards Night and a member-guest tourney – at one time he held a four handicap, won Twilight League five times (with the help of various partners), and won the First Flight of the Club Championship Tournament... Crow joined the Littleton Lodge of Elks in 1962, serving twice as grand exalted ruler and originating the Elks Family Day, the Elks of the Year Award, and the Father-Son, Daughter Night... For more than 10 years he conducted the Elks Golf Tournament... His active community service included being a member of the Littleton Lions Club, and sponsoring the coveted L.W. Enderson Award given annually in boys' high school basketball, football and baseball at LHS, reflecting his lifelong commitment to sports and the inspiration of his Dad, Hap...

In 1978 Crow be-

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60, and during this player, attaining the highest rank of Life Master – he and his wife, also a Life Master and teacher of bridge, continue to enjoy much success on the tournament tour, playing with his partner Richard Hall of Berlin, the three being probably the only Life Masters in the American Contract Bridge League north of Plymouth... As past president of the Littleton Outing Club, Crow along with "Dave" Harris reactivated the club, and he also initiated Littleton Townies the elementary ski program and the LHS golf team...

Dr. Enderson is a member of the American Dental North Assn. and Dental Country Assn. (past president) and is a past member of the National Children's Dentistry, National Assn. of Hospital Dentists and is currently active in continuing education courses for credits – for 15 years Crow served on the N.H. Dental Society's access committee and throughout his career has been a staff member of the Littleton Hospital Assn., is an active dental consultant to the nursing staff, and is a member of the staff of Cottage Hospital in Woodsville... He and his wife Barbara (formerly of Whitefield) had three children, Robert Harold, Jon Scott and Darcy Ann... his mother Annie still resides at her home on Pine Lane, his father having died several years ago...

Anticipating continuance of his dental practice from home, Crow genuinely misses his professional association with Dr. Frank Dudley, retired, and the late Millard Clark.

Herbert H. Hunt, 95

SUGAR HILL, NH -- Herbert H. Hunt, 95, a lifelong resident of Sugar Hill, passed away peacefully at home on Thursday, November 19th after a brief period of declining health.

"Herbie" was born October 8, 1925 in Streeter District, Sugar Hill to George and Mattie Hunt. He attended Dow Academy through his senior year when World War II forced him to remain at home to work on the family farm. He would later enlist in the U.S. Army and was stationed in Germany early in the Korean War. When discharged, he returned to Sugar Hill and began working for the State of New Hampshire in Franconia Notch, a job he held for 32 years. At the state, his work included general merchandizing, snowmaking, Flume trail maintenance, and operations maintenance. It was at the Profile Store, in the notch, where he met his future wife, Lorraine Stewart Hunt. They were married September 23, 1950 and made their home in Sugar Hill.



Herbie was an avid outdoorsman, enjoying hunting, gardening, cutting wood, and maple sugaring at the family sugar houses. He was always busy helping family members with their home projects, caretaking for a number of community families, including the Perkins family, volunteering with the Sugar Hill Fire Department, and keeping bees. He was a loyal Boston sports fan following whichever team was playing. He also enjoyed traveling with family members and trying his luck at casinos in New England

and Las Vegas. He was predeceased by his wife Lorraine of 62 years in 2012 and his son Arthur Hunt in 2015.

He is survived by four children: Alicia Hunt of Sugar Hill, James Hunt (Kathy) of Easton, Richard Hunt (Claudia) of Sugar Hill, and Kenneth Hunt of Bethlehem and daughter-in-law Laurie Boswell of Franconia; seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. He is survived by a sister-in-law Alice Hunt along with many nieces and nephews. He was also pre-deceased by his seven brothers (Arthur, Winton, Jasper, Everett, Raymond, Robert, and Fred) and three sisters (Dorothy, Eleanor, and Helen).

SERVICES -- Graveside services will be held in the spring at the Sunnyside Cemetery in Sugar Hill.

Donations may be made in his memory to the Sugar Hill Fire Department, PO Box 574, Sugar Hill, NH 03586.

The Cremation Society of New Hampshire, Littleton is in charge of arrangements. To view an On-Line Tribute, send condolences to the family, or for more information, please go to www.csnh.com.

The Rest of the Story



Littleton officials began accepting development proposals late last month for the 103-acre Eaton property north of Union Street.

PROPERTY

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In recent years, the region has experienced increased shortages in affordable housing opportunities. This issue has become more pronounced by Littleton's economic boom and the onset of COVID-19.

According to Littleton Select Board Chair Carrie Gendreau, town officials hope the Eaton property would be developed to address such housing shortages.

She said, "There are a lot of people moving up here from southern NH and out-of-state who want to get out of the cities. They know they can work remotely and so the housing boom has been crazy."

Gendreau continued, "As a Select Board, we've been looking at properties to see if we can help with the shortages. We had this parcel and wondered if we could have a developer build housing there."

Although the Select Board considered merely selling the property, there was concern that it could undeveloped remain

and put into current use status, noted Gendreau. Another benefit of developing the Eaton property was that it would add revenue and help strengthen the local tax base.

The 49-page RFP had an aggressive two-week timeline with an end date of Dec. 8. Gendreau said some of the items requested from bidders could potentially take six months to complete.

However, the narrow time frame would provide officials with insight on serious inquiries.

Gendreau said, "It will only provide the serious bidders; the ones we know would do the job and do it well."

"One of the questions that come up is if the Select Board has the authority to sell the property. I understand why people would want us to put it up as a warrant article since that's how the purchase was first authorized. We've vetted it through our legal counsel, and we do have the jurisdiction to sell," said Gendreau.

According to the RFP, financial proposals were required at no less than the parcel's appraised value of approximately

\$300,000. Developers needed to provide thorough financial plans, including firm commitment letters from third-party sources with a 60-day closing window upon offer acceptance. Utilization of local financing and contractors would be favored, as would conservation opportunities and attempts to address local market needs and Littleton Master Plan objectives.



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Jeff Fair sent me photos of this almost-all-white ermine that's been hanging around his place up in Alaska. He feels lucky to have it in the woodpile (i.e., they're great mousers).



This was commonly called a pine marten, but evidently it's now just plain marten, which makes sense because it also lives in spruce and fir. Note those rounded ears.

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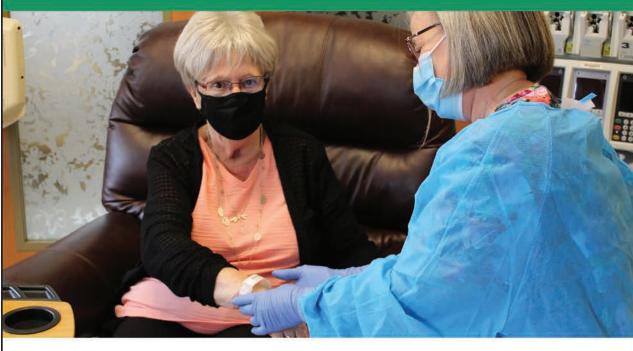
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ments. They just look different, kind of like some of my cousins Down East.

Some readers have survived the ravages of time, and have long memories about martens, if not hotdogs, and send me their stories from the old days. Still others have sent nice notes about see-

ing them in recent years---martens, not hotdogs. That's a real treat, and once or twice people have sent me photographs to prove it.

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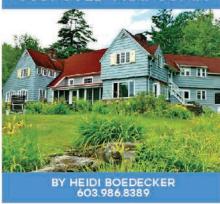


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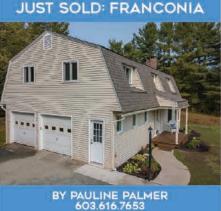


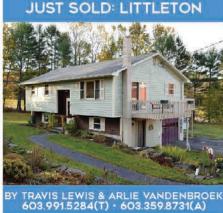
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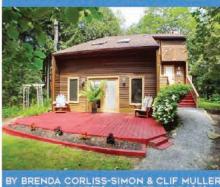


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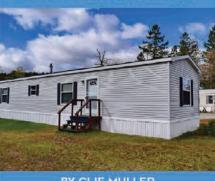


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White Mtn. Motorsports Park unveils big schedule for 2021

N. WOODSTOCK — White Mountain Motorsports Park officials have unveiled the eagerly-anticipated 2021 racing schedule for the ¼-mile speedway. A total of 22 events are planned, with numerous big shows for both local outside series.

Among other things, the 2021 schedule features three visits each for the American-Canadian Tour (ACT) Late Models and Pro All Stars Series (PASS) Super Late Models; two appearances each for the PASS Modifeds, North East Mini Stock Tour (NEMST), and GoMotorsportsShop.com NELCAR Legends Tour; and the Monster Truck Throwdown following the weekly racing season. Add in special events for all the local classes, and the year is set to be a memorable one.

Racers can get their first taste of action at an open practice on Saturday, April 24. The session is open to all five of White Mountain's local divisions to let them shake off the winter rust.

Weekly racing goes green on Saturday, May 8. The 29th season opener includes the first round of the Jon Parks Tractor Triple Crown Series for the Wells River Chevrolet Flying Tigers along with a full card for the Foley Oil & Propane Late Models, Woodsville Guaranty Savings Bank Strictly Stock Mini's, 7-Eleven Dwarf Cars, and Dads 4 By Tool & Supply Kids Trucks.

Most Saturday night shows will have a 6:00pm post time. The Late Models, Flying Tigers, and Strictly Stock Mini's are part of each Saturday night program unless otherwise noted. The Dwarf Cars have a 10-event schedule in 2021 with the Kids



The PASS Super Late Models also have a trio of White Mountain visits scheduled for the 2021 season.

Trucks slated to race 13 times. More details can be found at www.whitemountainmotorsports.

com/schedule.html.

After a regular event on May 15, a doubleheader weekend is planned for May 22 and 23. Saturday's portion features the annual Strictly Stock Mini Special and NELCAR Tour. Sunday, May 23 is the first visit in 2021 for the PASS Super Late Models. The PASS Modifieds are also on the Sunday card. Discussions are ongoing for other divisions.

White Mountain show on the 24th, the ACT Late Model Tour chases a \$10,000 top prize in the annual Late Model Spring Board 100. The action gets even hotter in June. Highlights include the ACT Late Model Tour Spring Green on June 12, an NEMST event on June 19, and a second NELCAR visit on June 26.

show on the 24th, the ACT Late Model Tour chases a \$10,000 top prize in the third annual Midsummer Classic 250 on July 31 with a 5:30 p.m. start time.

August begins with the 7-Eleven Dwarf Car Special on Saturday, Aug. 7. White Mountain then crowns its

noted. The Dwarf Cars bang at the Indepenhave a 10-event schedule in 2021 with the Kids on Saturday, July 3. The

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Late Models and Flying Tigers will run twin 75-lap features with the Tiger event being the second round of the Triple Crown Series. The night ends with a fireworks display. The next week is the Midseason Championships with added distance and double points for all divisions.

The PASS Super Late Models make their second trip to White Mountain on Saturday, July 17 at a special 7 p.m. post time so fans can make the trip over from New Hampshire Motor Speedway. Following a regular show on the 24th, the ACT Late Model Tour chases a \$10,000 top prize in the third annual Midsummer Classic 250 on July 31 with a 5:30 p.m. start time.

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ent on June 19, and a cond NELCAR visit on the 26.

July opens with a ng at the Indepennce Day Spectacular Saturday, July 3. The

August begins with the 7-Eleven Dwarf Car Special on Saturday, Aug. 7. White Mountain then crowns its first champion of 2021 on August 14 with the Jon Parks Tractor Triple Crown Finale. That event also includes a vis-

it from the Maine-based Wicked Good Vintage Racing Association.

On Saturday, Aug. 21, the New Hampshire Governor's Cup for the Late Models returns after a one-year hiatus. White Mountain will take Aug. 28 off for Oxford 250 weekend, then return on September 4 with another Late Model 100-lapper for Labor Day Weekend. The North East Mini Stock Tour comes back on September 11 for a \$1,000-to-win event.

The "King of the Mountain" will be crowned Saturday, Sept. 18, with the Late Models joining the PASS Super Late Models, PASS Modifieds, and Kids Trucks

on the card. Then on September 25, the ACT Late Model Tour is in town for the return of the Fall Foliage 200 with a \$5,000 top prize. The Flying Tiger, Strictly Stock Mini, and Dwarf Car championships will be decided on this date with a 1 p.m. post time.

With stock car racing in the rear-view mirror, the Monster Truck Throwdown makes its long-awaited first appearance at White Mountain on Saturday, October 9. The series was originally scheduled to appear in 2020, but the event was cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The complete 2021 schedule of events can be

found at https://www. whitemountainmotorsports.com/schedule. html. The schedule remains subject to change pending the local and country-wide COVID-19 situation. Events could be added, removed, or modified based on this and on other events around the region.

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The end of the year holiday season, homes and businesses are decorated and everyone

seems to have an extra spring in their step.

The sight of snowflakes, candy canes, evergreen wreaths, and Christmas trees elicit nostalgia for happy holidays of the past, as well as excitement for what is yet to come. When it comes to decorating for the holidays, there are certain items that set the scene.

 Christmas trees: Germany is credited with starting the modern Christmas tree tradition. It dates back to the 16th century when devout Christians brought trees into their homes and decorated them. German settlers brought Christmas tree traditions to America upon their arrival in



the holiday season. The custom of having holiday lights dates back to when Christmas trees were decorated with candles, which symbolized Christ being the

Night, also known as the Epiphany, which takes place on January 6.

 Poinsettias: Poinsettias are a tropical plant that originated in Mexico. Joel Roberts

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Gifts that can make social distancing more enjoyable

Exchanging gifts with loved ones is a holiday season tradition. That tradition figures to continue this year, though families will almost certainly have to adjust the ways they exchange gifts.

The outbreak of the novel coronavirus COVID-19 in the winter of 2019-20 changed how people across the globe live their lives. Social distancing guidelines encouraged people to limit get-togethers, particularly indoor gatherings. Experts anticipate restrictions on indoor gatherings will continue in the early part of the winter of 2020-21, which could force families to rethink how they get together during the holiday season.

Families also may want to think outside the box when buying gifts for their loved ones, targeting items that can make social distancing easier. The following gift ideas can make a socially distant holiday season that much more special for a loved one.

Streaming subscrip-

Movie theaters have been closed for months in many areas. But movie lovers still want to see their favorite flicks, so a streaming subscription to a service such as Netflix or Amazon Prime can be just what they need to stay entertained while social distancing this winter. For fans of classic films, including indie movies, foreign films and big studio productions, a subscription to the Criterion Channel might make the perfect gift. Curated by the Criterion Collection, this streaming service provides access to a library of more than 1,000 classic and contemporary films, making it an ideal gift for the family film

Cooking classes

Many people have spent the last several months honing their culinary skills. Gift givers can help them take those skills to the next level by enrolling them in online cooking classes. The options are endless and some even include access to legendary celebrity chefs like Gordon Ramsay. Many online cooking classes feature monthly memberships or single classes, making them ideal for loved ones of all skill and interest levels.

Technology

Technology helped many people stay time-consuming hobby. connected with friends and family while social distancing, so a new tablet, laptop or desktop computer can be just what people need to fully engage in family

Zoom sessions or weekly virtual happy hours with coworkers and friends. If a new tablet or laptop stretches your budget, consider a pair of noise-canceling headphones, which can make it easier to concentrate while working remotely in a crowded house.

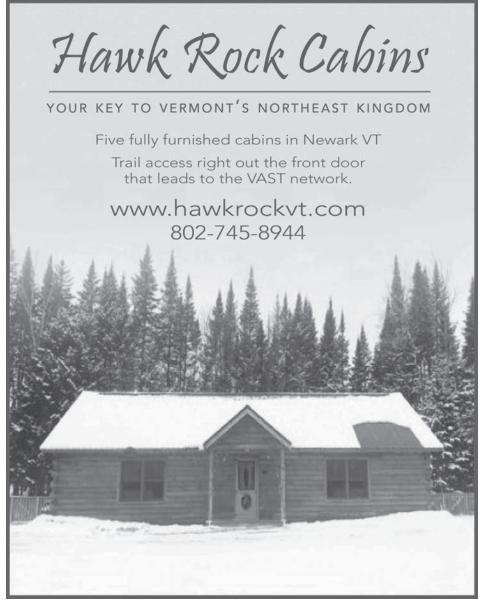
Crafting kit

Hobbyists may have had their passions for crafting reinvigorated while social distancing, making a crafting kit an ideal gift to help them fill their downtime. Beginner's kits also can make an ideal gift for novices has looking for an engaging,

> Certain gifts can be a perfect fit during a socially distant holiday season.

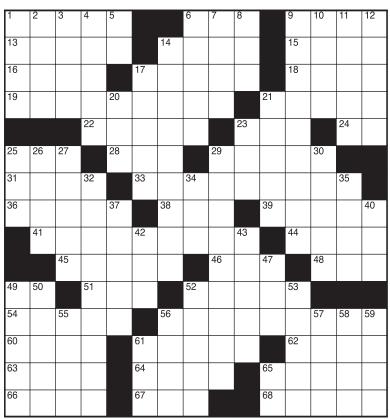








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ACROSS

- 1. Skateboarders love them
- 6. Popular sports podcast (abbr.) 9. Former Ohio State great Michael
- 13. Not dirty
- 14. Earth goddess (Greek myth.)
- 15. A Spanish river
- 16. Pig meat (French)
- 17. Famed astronomer
- 18. Floating ice 19. Broadcast
- 21. Aquatic mammals
- 22. Some are bath 23. Hip hop trio
- 24. NY Giants' #56
- 25. Small European viper
- 28. Neither
- 29. Multiple Tony-winner Rivera
- 31. Loud noise
- 33. Second year high schooler

- 36. "__ in comparison"
- 38. Golf score
- 39. Raise
- 41. Pastas
- 44. Easily manageable
- 45. Fathered 46. Pouch
- 48. Institute legal proceedings against
- 49. News organization
- 51. Unruly group of people
- 52. Fasten or secure 54. Sheets of glass
- 56. Doubled
- 60. Foolish person
- 61. Rooney and Kate are two
- 62. Small, rich sponge cake
- 63. Advice or counsel
- 64. Large wading bird
- 65. Famed British physicist
- 66. Narrow ridges (Swedish)

67. Field force unit 68. Lying face downward

DOWN

- 1. Proof of purchase (abbr.)
- 2. Soap ingredient
- 3. Blackbird
- 4. Single steps 5. Tin
- 6. Books have lots of them
- 7. Made of fermented honey and water
- 8. You can get it in a bed
- 9. Room for communal meals
- 10. Early Syrian kingdom
- 11. Provokes dry amusement
- 12. Use with "thou" 14. Mollusk
- 17. Grain storage units
- 20. Not a car, not a truck 21. Ooze
- 23. N. Vietnamese ethnic group
- 25. Tennis pros group
- 26. Something that's not what it's purported to be
- 27. E. Indian trees
- 29. Beloved December holiday
- 30. Regions
- 32. Metric unit of length
- 34. Peter's last name
- 35. Beige
- 37. 18-year period in astronomy 40. Where golfers begin
- 42. Basketball stat (abbr.)
- 43. Frocks
- 47. Soda comes in it 49. On approval
- 50. Trims by cutting
- 52. Small finch
- 53. Language Bura-__
- 55. Nothing
- 56. Imbecile (British)
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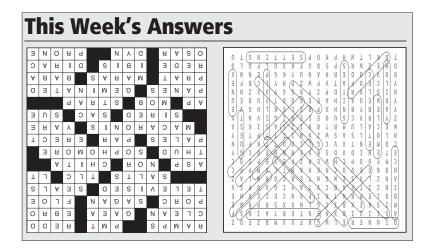
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Wednesday, December 9, 2020

5:30PM – Remote Board Meeting

SAU BOARD

Tuesday, December 15, 2020

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Hennessey maps out first 100 days

BY TARA GILES tara@salmonpress.news

REGION — Sen. Elect for District 1 Erin Hennessey will focus her first 100 days in office on many of the concerns she had while meeting with constituents on the campaign trail. Those issues highlighted involve the economy, schools, childcare and broadband access.

Hennessey said, "As a member of both the Finance and Ways and Means committees, I'll focus on accurate revenue estimates and developing a responsible state budget. I'll work to set and maintain policies that support small businesses and bolster the New Hampshire economy, like low business taxes, childcare scholarships, and the student loan repayment program just to name a few."

The Senator Elect relayed that the Joint Fiscal Committee will meet on Friday, Dec. 11.

"At this meeting, we will vote to accept the \$46M in federal public charter school funding to help expand existing schools, like the online school VLACs which so many of our public school students are benefiting from now, or open new ones," she said.

"New Hampshire is the only state in the country that has not accepted their funding. I am very excited to finally have the votes needed to bring these funds into New Hampshire," explained Hennessey.

As Vice-Chair of the Education Committee and a member of the Finance Committee, Hennessey will be working on education policy and funding.

She noted, "Because of the pandemic, so much has changed for our students and teachers. We need to make sure our students receive quality education and any emotional and mental health services needed."

Hennessey is working with Senator Bradley on legislation that would create a matching fund for broadband expansion projects.

"Every town I visit in the North Country has some connectivity issues and I'm hopeful this program will help get broadband access to those that need it, especially with so many New Hampshire residents working and learning remotely," said Hennessey.

"I am also always working to help constituents with their state related needs. Please feel free to contact me," said Hennessey. Contact for the new Senator is as follows, (603) 271-4151 or email at Erin.Hennessey@leg.state.nh.us



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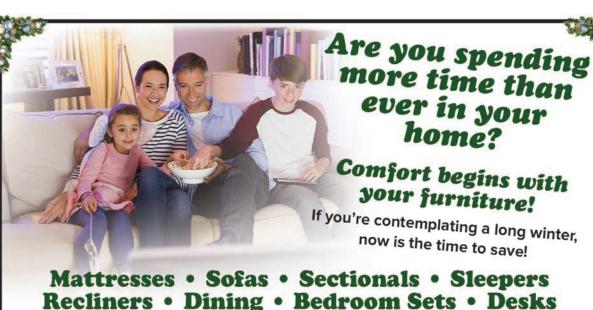
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