



Sanbornton police serve a special holiday meal to local students

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SANBORNTON — As the boys and girls of Sanbornton Central School filed into their cafeteria last Wednesday morning, they discovered it wasn't just a typical school lunch; a special holiday meal was awaiting them, served by members of the Sanbornton Police Department, who stopped by to wish them all what might be jokingly termed, "Police Navidad."

Sanbornton Police Chief Stephen Hankard, Lt. Kevin McIntosh, Officer Jamie DeCormier and Administrative Assistant Carolyn "Cal" DiNitto pitched in to help staff members Barbara Poire and Nancy Brown serve up turkey, stuffing, potatoes, green beans, gravy and even some special miniature chocolate cream pies.

For Thanksgiving, the police had also stopped

by to serve lunch to the students and Hankard said the idea for the lunch program was all the brainchild of Officer DeCormier.

"His own kids had Laconia police officers come to their school to serve lunch so we thought it was a really good idea when he presented it to us. The credit for this is all his," said Hankard.

DeCormier said he thought a holiday lunch was a great way to "get to know the kids and let them get to know us as well."

"It meant a lot to my kids, and I just thought it would be a fun way to interact with all the students here," said DeCormier.

The reaction was overwhelming as students lined up with big smiles to get their lunch from local heroes.

"I think it's really cool they're here," said one



DONNA RHODES

A Christmas light bulb necklace lit up Sanbornton Police Lt. Kevin McIntosh's smile even more when he joined students at Sanbornton Central School for a special lunch in their cafeteria last Thursday.

excited young student as the officers filled her tray with holiday foods. "They're so nice!"

While DeCormier had a Santa hat and a holiday "Jingle Bell" around his neck, McIntosh took

it a step further with an array of Christmas lights around his own neck as he served up

green beans and stuffing. Even the chief, who had to leave briefly for an emergency call, came back to wear a Santa hat as he pitched in to help dispense scoops of cranberry sauce with DeCormier. Down the line, DeNitto poured gra-
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Tilton police urge vigilance following recent cases of credit card fraud

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TILTON — Two men are being sought by detectives from the Tilton Police Department in relation to a recent credit/debit card fraud that was discovered on Dec. 10 at a local ATM kiosk.

Police said that the suspects spent about two hours at an ATM in Tilton, running cards through the machine and withdrawing money from at least 16 different debit card accounts. All of the information on the cards had been skimmed at other locations but as a result the pair was able to gain access to all of the accounts and withdraw funds for as much money as the account limits and the ATM would allow.



COURTESY

This photo, captured at an ATM kiosk in Tilton, features one of two men wanted by Tilton Police in connection with numerous counts of fraudulent credit/debit card use that could extend beyond New Hampshire's borders.

Police Chief Robert Cormier said that the incident was definitely part of a larger scale in-

terstate operation and, once caught, the suspects could face federal charges through the U.S.

Attorney General's Office.

"We believe some of these cards were

skimmed in other states then cloned to use up here in the Tilton ATM," he said. "They could have been skimmed in (a store) in Massachusetts or somewhere else, so we're tracing them all back to where they came from as we put this case together."

The chief's advice to the public for now is to remember to always use their debit cards as a credit card. In doing so, PIN numbers can't be captured should there be a skimming device in any ATM, gas pump or other electronically controlled business payment feature.

Thankfully, many large banks and retailers are keeping an eye on their electronic payment
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Holidays make for early deadlines

MEREDITH — The offices of the Winnisquam Echo, located at 5 Water St. in Meredith, will be closed Monday, Dec. 26 in observance of Christmas, and again on Monday, Jan. 2 in observance of New Year's Day.

In order to ensure that our Dec. 29 and Jan. 5 editions arrive in subscribers' mail boxes on schedule despite these holiday closures, the submission deadlines for any press releases, letters to the editor and obituaries intended for publication during the next two weeks have been moved up 48 hours from where they would ordinarily fall. Submissions for the Dec. 29 edition should be turned in at our offices or e-mailed to echo@salmonpress.news no later than 4 p.m. this afternoon
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Quick thinking by employees, firefighters quashes fire at Camaro Heaven

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TILTON — Tilton business owner Chuck Drew was grateful for both the fast thinking of his employees at Camaro Heaven and the quick response of firefighters from Tilton-Northfield Fire & EMS when a vehicle on his lot caught fire last Wednesday afternoon, an incident that might have been worse without their swift actions.

Drew said a van at his automotive repair and reclamation business was being warmed up to be brought into

the garage for repairs when something in the vehicle caught on fire as it unexpectedly overheated.

Although Drew was away at the time of the incident, his employees were quick to respond on their own through training they have received.

"They called 911 as soon as they saw the fire, then worked to do what they could to contain it and remove any other hazards from the immediate area. I was really proud of them,"

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COURTESY

Rotary Club delivers holiday baskets

On Dec. 17, several members of the Tilton-Northfield Rotary Club, along with some of their special helpers, gathered for a photo after a busy day spent delivering holiday food baskets to a number of local residents in the two communities.

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(Left) Winnisquam Regional Middle School's Music Director, Jordan Richardson, led his large and festive chorus in singing a selection of holiday classics at their winter concert last Friday evening.

(Above) A packed house of parents, friends and community members enjoyed the holiday sounds of Winnisquam Regional High School's band during their annual Winter Concert last weekend.

WRSD music programs join forces for annual winter concert

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TILTON—Members of the Winnisquam

Regional Middle and High School music programs presented their annual winter concert

before a packed house last Friday evening, sharing not only their many talents but the

spirit of the holiday season as well.

WRHS music director Kirk Young said

that the high school's music department alone is comprised of 22-percent of the entire

student population, a notable statistic that shows the love and appreciation for music in the district.

Aside from numerous classic songs of the holidays, as performed by the grades 6-12 bands, choruses and Select Choir, Young was pleased to accept a \$2,000 check that evening from Bank of New Hampshire Pavilion in Gilford. The donation was the result of many volunteer hours contributed by WRSD community members over the 2016 season at the popular Gilford outdoor entertainment venue. The funds they earned will be used to support the district's music programs.

HALL MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Tilton/Northfield

Monday, Dec. 26
Library Closed... Happy Holidays!

Tuesday, Dec. 27

Spanish Club, 10 a.m.
Noon Book Group, noon
Poetry – Share a favorite poem with the group.
Tech Tuesday, 2-4 p.m.
Teen Time, 3-3:30 p.m.
Stop in any day after school for some fun activities, ranging from crafts, scavenger hunts and candy building to author talks, Let's be

Frank discussions and games!

Wednesday, Dec. 28

Story Time, 10:30 a.m.
Teen Time, 3-3:30 p.m.
Kids This-N-That, 3:30 p.m.
Kids work on a simple craft while Miss Maggie reads to the group from a chapter book. The book is on-going... the craft changes weekly. Stop by for a relaxing time.
Magic the Gathering, 4 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 29

End of the Year Open House, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
Coffee, Hot Chocolate and Treats... stop by and

schmooz!

Teen Time, 3-3:30 p.m.
STEAM series for Kids, 4 p.m.

Join us for STEAM this fall! We'll cover a new theme each week: Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math! Ages five and up are welcome, no registration necessary.

YAH Book Club, 4 p.m.

"Highly Illogical Behavior" by John Coney Whaley

Friday, Dec. 30

Sit and Knit, 2-5 p.m.
Teen Time, 3-3:30 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 31

December's "Let's Go Lego" Creative Competition, 10 a.m.

This is the last Saturday to enter a Lego Creation into the contest. Working with the provided theme in mind, participants build a Lego creation which will be put on display. Saturday, Jan. 7, we'll announce the winner of the competition... yes there'll be a prize for first place! Theme for Today – Faces

We're Closed

Monday, Jan. 2
Happy New Year!
New Items

BELMONT POLICE LOG

BELMONT —The Belmont Police Department responded to 108 calls for service and made the following arrests during the week of Dec. 9-16. Please note

that the names of juveniles, and those of individuals taken into protective custody but not formally charged, have been withheld.
Marc Leonard Sulli-

van, age 37, of Belmont was arrested on Dec. 9 in connection with an outstanding bench warrant issued by Laconia District Court.

Anthony Joel Conley, age 40, of Gilmanton Iron Works was arrested on Dec. 12 for Disobeying an Officer, a False Inspection or Registration Sticker, and two counts of Driving After Revocation or Suspension.

Heather Albert, age 28, of Belmont was arrested on Dec. 13 for

Resisting Arrest or Detention and Possession of Controlled/Narcotic Drugs.

Adam J. Collins, age 27, of Gilford was arrested on Dec. 13 in connection with an outstanding bench warrant issued by Laconia District Court.

Sean David Malloy, age 29, of Belmont was arrested on Dec. 14 for Criminal Trespass, Default or Breach of Bail Conditions, and in connection with an outstanding warrant.

TILTON POLICE LOG

TILTON — The Tilton Police Department responded to 359 calls for service and made the following arrests during the week of Dec. 12-18. Please note that the names of juveniles, and those of individuals taken into protective custody but not formally charged, have been withheld.

Arrested during this time period were Emily Gonzalez (in connection with an outstanding

warrant), Brittany Freeman (for Breach of Bail), Samantha Normandin (for Driving After Suspension), Adam Lesner (for Driving After Suspension), Alec Polep (for Possession of Drugs), Sara Fortin (for Operating Without a Valid License and Possession of Drugs), Nicholas Perriera (for Resisting Detention), and Eric Sleeper (for Resisting Detention and Willful Concealment).

E-book downloads, a movie and story time at Sanbornton Public Library

SANBORNTON —Did you get a fun new e-reader devise? Do you know you can download audio and e-books for free with your library card? Come to a demonstration on Wednesday, Dec. 28 at 5 p.m. to learn more.

Are the kids getting restless? Do they miss their friends? Bring them by the library to check out a good book to read and join us on Thursday, Dec. 29 at 4 p.m. for popcorn and a movie. Bring a friend, sit back and relax. Also, Friday morning at 10:30 a.m., we offer storytime and a craft for children

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PERSPECTIVES ON LIVING

BY LARRY SCOTT

Jesus once said, "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. ... I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls." Uh huh! Tell me more ... especially when the chips are down and life is coming apart at the seams!

You would think that if I lived a respectable, godly life, if I "loved my neighbor as I love myself" that God would cut me a break. But God, I note, does not offer me a life of ease. There are no shortcuts to honesty and integrity. To swallow my pride, to accept the unacceptable with grace, to hold steady when all hell breaks loose is never easy for me and I must admit I don't always do well. The Christian life is no walk in the park.

Character, you see, never seems to develop without stress. The deep, dark valleys through which I have had to walk, the sleepless nights, the times I have been completely disoriented, these have had their impact on my life. I am not the man I used to be, but neither am I the man I hope to be. I am, in short, a work in progress.

But fortunately for me, the God I serve is no man's debtor; He never takes more than He gives in return. The rest of which Jesus spoke is real. To know that I have been forgiven, despite the past, that God is ready to strengthen and direct me through the issues of life, and that, with eternity in view, there is a light at the end of my tunnel ... these things bring me a peace of mind and a sense of purpose that is genuine but difficult to explain.

It is, I know, possible for me to sometimes come across as arrogant, proud, and self-righteous, but please believe me, I know I have no warrant for such an attitude. Those who know me well will agree. I surely have no reason to boast, but I am profoundly grateful ... not to say amazed ... at what has been happening in my life.

I have often pictured my spiritual experience as a journey, and I have discovered that my growth and development has not come through some miraculous or supernatural experience. No dreams or visions or voices in the night here. Life, just as it is, has become the forum for my growth. The pressures I must face, the storms I must weather, and the temptations I must fight have been to my benefit.

Perhaps it is because I believe God has designed so much of the day-to-day routine of my life, not to make me happy but to help me mature. It is in the thick and thin of living that I find the challenges that develop character and lead to personal growth. While I am not always pleased with my progress, I am thankful that change for the better is taking place. I may have a long way to go ... but I am determined to be a better man tomorrow than I am today.

You want to talk about it? Hit me up at rlarryscott@gmail.com.

PET OF THE WEEK



Handsome, loyal, debonair, a canine widower, Pig Pen arrived in October at New Hampshire Humane Society because his owner died.

WE provide care and comfort to over 1000 animals each year, lately many because their owners have passed away or can no longer provide for their pets due to age and infirmity.

Pig Pen is the polar opposite of his Charlie Brown name, dapper, clean, neat as a pin, with a clear pristine will to find a new forever home.

PIG PEN

His birthday is January 1st, shall Pig Pen not ring in the New Year still waiting in a kennel at the shelter for a new set of humans to fall in love with him.

Experienced dog owners in a cat free home is preferred, with adults who can 1st) give him a chance to thrive & 2nd) provide him a warm, safe environment to flourish and blossom into the devoted dog he was before and can be again.

Merry Christmas Pig Pen, you ARE a good dog!

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Join the mission of Neighbors In Need

To the Editor:

We're 30 years old this year! Neighbors in Need was started in 1986 by Bob DeCamp and a small group of individuals to support local agencies and churches who didn't have the funds to provide financial assistance to families and individuals in need. The founders persuaded local households and organizations to contribute to this fund. Over 240 heard the message and agreed to support our mission. Many still do.

Now in my 10th year with NIN, I am proud to be able to continue the founders message and mission. There's been a few changes in our focus. Yes, we still provide funds for basic necessities such rent, utilities, heat, and mortgages payments. But we now help folks with car repairs, dental work, medical equipment and even the purchase of automobiles.

And our modus of operation remains the same. Our efforts are still directed through other non-profits and religious communities that allow them to

interact with their local congregations and community. We supplement and complement the primary help agencies such local welfare and state assistance networks. We still pay no salaries or wages; 99 percent of the donations and other revenues are used for direct assistance. We are a 501c3 non-profit with an all-volunteer board of directors.

How about joining in our mission? If you would like to donate to Neighbors in Need or if you are a Lakes Region agency or church that would like to request funding for folks in need, please contact us 494-0482 or nanapop4@myfairpoint.net. If you've been a supporter in the past, many thanks! We sincerely hope that you will continue in that support. Blessings of this special season of the year to you and your family.

Sincerely,
Bill Johnson
President, Neighbors in Need
Gilford

North Country Notebook

From the Jefferson Dump to the Solstice, and beyond



By JOHN HARRIGAN
COLUMNIST

As of today, the nearest day to the Winter Solstice as we can get, given the fooling around with the calendar that has taken place over the eons, we have stopped losing daylight and begun gaining it. This is a blithe thing to say when you're groping for your slippers in the shed.

It's worth noting, perhaps, in the Decline of Civilization as We Know It category, that most of today's calendars do not even note the Solstice. Or the Vernal. Or Equinox. There goes the stuff of picnics.



South Hill, built ca. 1850, decked out for this year and maybe good for another. Snowman by Wally, and grandson John Peter.

Today, as I wrote this about seven days before Christmas, a guy showed up to top off my propane tank, which fuels my gas kitchen range, the only way to cook in my book except wood.

"Hey, you look like a Sage," I said, and he did look like a Sage, and in fact he was. I worked with Sages at Quimby Country and at Beecher Falls Factory in Ver-

mont. It was good to see a Sage again. We had too a brief meeting there in the kitchen.

In a not so fortunate way, it reminded me of how I met Avery Bodwell at the Jefferson Dump, which we were all dutifully supposed to call "The Landfill." Now, it's "Transfer Station." This is what passes for progress.

On one of my first days as a new resident of Jefferson, a seven-year part of my life that I loved because so many people I had not previously known were so great to me, I went to the dump and there was Avery, in his pants and some pretty serious dump boots, and before I even backed up there was this terrific explosion, "Bang!", a bottle or can or something exploding there in the fire pit, and Avery, who had his hoe right down in there, took a step back and never missing a beat

cried "Shoot him again! The old Bastid's still standing!"

God, I loved him then from the start, and he even supported me when I stood up and said stupid things at town meeting.

Well, those are the kind of tales that bind. And they somehow lead me to this.

Thanks for being readers.

Thanks for writing. And Merry Christmas, and the best for 2017,

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Christmas with Fur-Ever Friends a success

LACONIA—The New Hampshire Humane Society hosted its first Christmas tree decorating event on Saturday, Dec. 17. Despite snowy weather and some slick roads, Christmas with Fur-Ever Friends was a success!

At least a dozen children came to participate in holiday crafts, including wildlife friendly popcorn and cranberry strings and pinecones covered in peanut butter and bird seed for the outdoor tree, which was graciously donat-

ed by Miracle Farms in Moultonborough. Merry makers arrived at the shelter in time for a tree blessing and decorating and a cheerful bonfire, as well as to partake in food and drinks. Visitors were also welcome to tour the shelter facility, and meet the many cats and dogs waiting for their forever homes this holiday season. Two cats were adopted during the event, and many dogs spent time with potential new families in our visiting rooms.

“The New Hampshire Humane Society is part of the Lakes Region community and we like to open our doors to welcome visitors, especially during this time of holiday cheer. This community gives us so much – donated items, financial support, and volunteer hours – and we like to give back,” says Marylee Gorham, Executive Director of the Humane Society. “This event was a huge undertaking but came off seamlessly, even with a little winter storm in the mix, thanks

Traveling piano teacher accepting new students for Christmas

LACONIA — Veronica Say, B.A., is a traveling piano teacher who has returned to the Lakes Region and is accepting beginning to intermediate students, ages four and up. If the child shows eagerness to learn the keyboard or piano and has a good voice, these are signs of readiness. “Music for Little Mozarts” is designed for preschoolers, and the content can actually be a component in learning to read, while other Alfred curriculum trains older students in a thorough, classical manner.

Giving the gift of music for Christmas is a great idea. A study conducted by Northwestern at a Los Angeles community music school in a low income neighborhood showed the serious study of instruments (not just music appreciation) resulted in 93 percent of the music students attending college. This in an area where there was normally a 50 percent dropout rate (as reported in Time Dec. 16, 2014).

The results of the neurological research published September 2014 in



VERONICA SAY

the Journal of Neuroscience, “showed direct evidence that music training has a biological effect on children’s developing nervous systems.”

Enjoying and making music is a pleasurable lifelong hobby and somewhat like a pet, it is good company. Other studies have shown it can help keep some arthritis under control.

Say has given lessons since 1995, started

to compose sacred and praise music, played on several praise teams and for area nursing homes. A picture book to make learning theory more fun for young students is in the works.

The first lesson is free, to ensure that the student and teacher are a match. Please call Say at 892-5175 or e-mail pianolessonswilltravel@yahoo.com for more information.



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in large part to our volunteers and fundraising committee. We couldn’t do it without them.”

The New Hampshire Humane Society is a 501(c)3 non-profit whose mission is to find responsible and caring forever homes; provide shelter for the lost, abandoned and

unwanted animals; advocate and be the voice for the voiceless. The Society works hard to prevent cruelty to animals and offers education and outreach programs, pet therapy, and many community initiatives to help people and their pets. To view adoptable pets vis-

it www.nhhumane.org. The New Hampshire Humane Society also accepts monetary donations online at www.nhhumane.org, or specific items, which can be found online at our “Wish List,” can also be dropped off during shelter hours or by special arrangement.

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Estate Planning Tips for Blended Families

Most of us need to do some type of estate planning, but it’s especially important if you are part of a “blended” family. And the best time to start is now – before these plans need to be implemented.

Estate planning can be complex, so you will need help from a qualified legal professional. But here are a few general suggestions that can be suitable for blended families:

- Update beneficiary designations – and think about multiple beneficiaries. Update the beneficiary designations on your retirement accounts and insurance policies to reflect the reality of your blended family. These designations can supersede the instructions you provided in your will. So if your will states that your current spouse should inherit your assets, but you had named your former spouse, or a child, as the primary beneficiary of an IRA, then your former spouse or your child – not your present-day spouse – will indeed receive the IRA.
- To ensure that “everyone gets something,” you could name your current spouse as primary beneficiary and your children from a previous marriage as equal contingent beneficiaries. But the primary beneficiary

will receive all the assets and is free to do whatever he or she wants with the money. To enact your wishes, you can name multiple primary beneficiaries and designate the percentage of the asset each beneficiary will receive.

- Create a living trust – and consider a professional trustee. A living trust can help you avoid the time-consuming and costly process of probate, while giving you great freedom to determine how, and when, you want your assets distributed. After you pass away, the trust, if structured properly, can provide your surviving spouse with income for life; then, after your spouse dies, your children from an earlier marriage would receive the remainder of the trust.
- So far, so good. However, issues can arise if you name your surviving spouse or one of your children as the “successor trustee” who will take charge of the trust upon your passing. Your spouse, acting as successor trustee, could choose to invest only in bonds for income, but if he or she lives another 20 or 30 years, the value of the investments within the trust will probably have diminished considerably – leaving your children with very little. Conversely, if you name one of your children

as trustee, the child could invest strictly in growth-oriented investments, leaving your surviving spouse with greatly reduced income. To be fair to everyone, you may want to engage a professional third-party trustee. This individual, or company, is not a beneficiary of the trust, is not entitled to share in the assets of the trust, and, ideally, should have no “rooting interest” in how proceeds of the trust are distributed.

- Consider a prenuptial agreement. When it’s time to settle an estate, a prenuptial agreement can help avoid disputes among members of a blended family. If you and your new spouse have agreed to keep your assets separate so that each of you can pass an inheritance to your own children, you need to spell out that separation in your “prenup,” your will, your living trust and any other relevant estate-planning arrangements.
- Above all else, share your estate-planning intentions with members of your blended family. You may not be able to satisfy everyone, but through open communications, you can help prevent bad feelings – and unpleasant surprises.

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Florence M. Fleury, 83

FRANKLIN — Mrs. Florence M. Fleury, 83, of Franklin, died at Franklin Regional Hospital on Dec. 14, 2016.

She was born in Hartland, Vt. on May 6, 1933, the daughter of Philip Jackson Downes and Daisy Belle (Sawyer) Downes. Her family moved to Cilleyville as a child, where she was raised. Florence resided in Franklin for several years.

She was employed at the Arwood Corp. for several years prior to retiring.

Florence was a life member of Franklin VFW Post #1698 Ladies Auxiliary.

When Florence retired, she spent many years taking care of her



pets. She loved reading and gardening, just enjoying the outdoors.

Family members include her children, Mary Ann Fleury of Franklin, Norman J. Fleury of Franklin, Dennis R. Fleury of Vancouver, B.C., Ronald A. Fleury of Northfield, and David A. Fleury of Franklin; grandchildren Dustin Fleury of Plymouth, Andrew and Laura Fleury of Vancouver B.C.

Chester B. Keyser, 83

NORTHFIELD — Chester B. Keyser, 83, a resident of Northfield, died at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center in Lebanon on Dec. 10, 2016.

He was born in Sanbornton on May 4, 1933, the son of Lewis and Etta Mae (Smith) Keyser. Chet was raised in Sanbornton and resided in Northfield for several years.

Years ago, he was employed by Weeks Dairy in Franklin. He was also a small engine re-



pairman and a talented woodworker and carpenter.

Family members include his brothers and sisters, Starlin Mor-

and Christian Fleury of Northfield; siblings Donald Downes and Chester Downes, both of Tennessee; and Laura May Downes of Tilton, and many nieces and nephews.

Visiting hours were held at Thibault-Neun Funeral Home, 143 Franklin St., Franklin, on Tuesday, Dec. 20 2016 from 5-7 p.m.

Spring burial will be in Lakeside Cemetery in East Andover.

Donations in memory of Mrs. Fleury may be made to the Franklin Animal Shelter, 71 Punch Brook Rd., Franklin, NH 03235.

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risson of Sanbornton, Leslie "Bozo" Keyser of Northfield, Audrey Jurtta of Franklin, Lorraine Burns of Naugatuck, Conn., and Robert Keyser of Northfield, and nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be private with spring burial in Franklin Cemetery.

Paquette-Neun Funeral Home in Northfield is assisting with arrangements. For an online guestbook, please visit www.neunfuneralhomes.com.

graveside service will be held at the family lot in Park Cemetery in Tilton later in the spring, when weather permits.

Assisting the family is the William F. Smart Sr. Memorial Home in Tilton.

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

LRGH provides donor milk as standard of care

LACONIA — Lakes Region General Hospital has introduced pasteurized donor human milk as standard of care at the LRGH Family Birthplace for babies with low blood sugars, jaundice, inability to latch, a medical condition, or for mothers unable to feed baby or express her milk.

LRGH is one of only eight New Hampshire hospitals offering donor milk from Mothers' Milk Bank Northeast (MMBNE), non-profit community milk. "Our goal is always to have mothers nurse their own babies, but sometimes it is necessary to provide a supplement while the

GILMANTON IRON WORKS — Joanne Elizabeth Gianni, 74, of Gilmanton Iron Works, passed away on Wednesday, Dec. 14, 2016 in her home of cancer with her family at her side.

Formerly of Jamaica Plain, Mass., she was born on March 25, 1942, the daughter of the late Charles and Elizabeth (Carr) Sinatra. Joanne graduated from Framingham State College, the same year her son graduated high school. She worked as a production planner for Analog Devices in Norwood, Mass., and also as a production plan supervisor for Apple Computer in Texas. She served as the Assistant Town Clerk and Tax Collector for the town of Gilmanton, and also served on the Board of Directors for the Gilmanton Year Round Library.

She is survived by



her husband of 55 years, Francis Gianni of Gilmanton I.W.; one daughter, Christine M. Hornbeek, and her husband Chip of Wolfeboro; one son, Paul F. Gianni of Arlington, Texas; three brothers (Charles Sinatra and his wife Priscilla of Edgartown, Mass., Gerald Sinatra and his wife Nancy of Walpole, Mass. and William Sinatra and his wife Diane of Ayer, Mass.); and her brother-in-law, Joseph Gianni and his wife Nan-

cy of Myrtle Beach, S.C.

In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by her brother, Daniel Sinatra.

There will be no calling hours.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at 11 a.m. on Monday, Dec. 19, 2016 at St. Joseph Parish, 96 Main St., Belmont. Burial was private.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Stand Up to Cancer at www.standup2cancer.org or to Central NH VNA & Hospice, 780 North Main St., Laconia, NH 03246.

Wilkinson-Beane-Simoneau-Paquette Funeral Home & Cremation Services, 164 Pleasant St., Laconia, is assisting the family with the arrangements. For more information and to view an online memorial, go to www.wilkinson-beane.com.

Community generosity and holiday spirit spreads cheer to LRCS families

LACONIA — Lakes Region Community Services (LRCS) relies on the support of donors, volunteers and community partners all year long. But something extra special happens this time of year when so many come together to give children and families a wonderful holiday.

On Monday, Dec. 12, from 5-8 p.m., LRCS' Family Resource Center, located in downtown Laconia, became a regional outpost of Santa's North Pole, as volunteers and elves staged a Family



COURTESY

Santa had a busy night at the annual LRCS Family Fun Night, sponsored by the Family Resource Center on Dec. 12 in Laconia.

Fun Night for area families.

The event, which takes months to organize, gives children access to their own personal elf. Through a penny sale, craft table and wrapping stations, children purchase or make gifts and elves help to wrap the gifts. The event was attended by 65 families (112 adults and 147 children), making it the largest Family Fun Night to date.

"So much work and planning goes into Family Fun Night, but the results are worth it," said Family Resource Center Director Erin Pettengill. "We are so grateful to the volunteers and businesses who help us make this happen. We could never do it without them and it means so much to the parents and children."

Children and their parents were also able to sing along with professional musician Don Bergeron and visit with Santa. All of this activity causes one to work up quite an appetite, so thanks to Fratello's of Laconia, there was also time to sit and share dinner with other families.

The community has also come out in full force to support the LRCS Giving Tree, which is providing presents to 110 children this year. AFL Noyes of Belmont and the Laconia Rotary Club were major supporters

of the Giving Tree. Every child who received presents through the Giving Tree also got a brand new pair of pajamas donated by Service Master Restore. Thanks also go out to SAU 30, the Division of Children Youth and Families, LRCS employees and many community members for supporting this program.

LRCS is known as a family-centered agency dedicated to providing supports to individuals with developmental disabilities or acquired brain disorders, and their families. For hundreds of families living in the Lakes Region, the Family Resource Center of Central New Hampshire, a program of LRCS, offers respectful, non-judgmental education, early intervention, and support to assist families in their efforts to meet needs, make positive connections, and prepare children for success today and tomorrow because the Family Resource Center believes strong families lead to strong communities.

LRCS has offices in Laconia and Plymouth which combine to serve families residing throughout Belknap and Southern Grafton Counties. To learn more about the Lakes Region Community Services, contact Joanne Piper Lang at 524-8811.

Connie Grace (Bach) Barney Lyscars, 71

LACONIA — Connie G. Barney Lyscars, 71, of Laconia passed away surrounded by her family on Saturday, Dec. 17, 2016 at Lakes Region General Hospital.

Connie was born on April 4, 1945, the daughter of the late Henry and Grace (Dow) Bach. Connie is a graduate of Belmont High School, Class of 1963 and a graduate of the New Hampshire College of Accounting and Commerce in Manchester.

She was predeceased by her brother, Steven Bach, in May 1964.

Connie was married to Hial G. Barney of Tilton in September of 1964. They had a daughter, Jo-Ala Barney, in August 1972. Hial and Connie were members of the Order of The Eastern Star, and enjoyed snowmobiling with family and friends of the Mohawk Trail Riders. Hial later passed in August 1979.

In August of 1985, she was married to William R. Lyscars of Bedford.

Connie was predeceased by a step daughter, Jennifer Lyscars of Bridgeport, Conn., in September 2015, and leaves a step daughter,



Lisa Fizer, and her children of Toledo, Ohio. They resided in Bedford until their return to Tilton in 2004. William later passed in March 2012.

Connie was retired from the State of New Hampshire after serving over 20 years as a bookkeeper for multiple technical colleges.

She leaves her daughter, Jo-Ala Barney-Markson, and husband Scott Markson; her granddaughter, Erica Markson, and her granddog Gracie of Tilton; her sisters Ginny Clavett and husband Walter of Laconia and Sally Mercier and husband Robert of Camp Verde, Az.; and many nieces and nephews.

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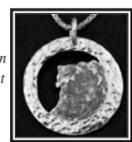
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BELMONT — A community singalong, organized by Belmont Parks and Recreation, will bring the music of Christmas and the season's holidays to the historic Bandstand and nearby Village sidewalks on Friday, Dec. 23, starting at 6 p.m.

The newest local tradition was started by local resident Nicole Sturgeon three years ago, and participation has grown each December. Song books will be provided for all carolers, and warm refreshments served with cookies in the Belmont Mill, after the hour-long performance.

"We want everyone to enjoy the festive Village lights, old-fashioned street lanterns and beautifully decorated homes along Main Street and Lawrence Court. All are welcome to join us in song, or as audience members. The only requirements are community spirit and

dressing warmly," said Parks and Recreation Director Janet Breton, about the family-friendly and free event for all ages. For further information and upcoming programs call 267-1865 or see Parks and Recreation programs at www.belmontnh.org.



Belmont carolers invite all to join them at the Village Bandstand on Friday, Dec. 23, from 6 to 7 p.m. for a musical salute to the season. The community landmark is located on Main and Mill Streets, next to the Belmont Public Library.

Mayor Ed Engler donates \$10,000 to Colonial Theater project

LACONIA — "Since the start of the capital campaign, we have received an outpouring of support from businesses and residents in the Lakes Region," said Justin Slattery, Executive Director of the Belknap EDC. "We are making good progress and ask that any business or resident interested in learning more about the Colonial Theater capital campaign contact us at 524-3057 or 609MainStreet.org."



Left to right: Mayor Ed Engler presenting donation to Randy Eifert, Belknap EDC Board Chair.

Belknap EDC was founded in 1992 with the mission of promoting economic vitality in Belknap County and the Greater Lakes Region. One of ten non-profit regional development

corporations in New Hampshire, Belknap EDC aims to attract and retain young tal-

ent, support creative entrepreneurs, enhance workforce development programs and be a pro-active catalyst, partner, and investor in property development that enhances economic opportunity in Belknap County. For more information, visit belknapedc.org.

Christmas services at Sanbornton Congregational Church-UCC

SANBORNTON — The church will hold its annual Christmas Eve service at 7 p.m. on Dec. 24. As in past years, the service will open with a solo by a young chorister singing, "Once in Royal David's City." Other music will include traditional Christmas carols, many with well-loved descants and harmonization. Anthems will be performed by both the Ju-

nior and Senior choirs, and during the singing of "Silent Night," the "Holy Family" will enter the Meetinghouse. Children and youth are invited to participate as shepherds and angels." Rev. Ruth Martz will offer a Christmas meditation. All are welcome to attend this beautiful service. On Sunday, Dec. 25, Christmas morning, a service will be held

at 10 a.m. Come as you are in your new Christmas pajamas or in casual wear. Carols will be sung, an anthem by the Senior Choir and a Christmas story by Rev. Ruth Marx. Join us to celebrate the birth of Jesus. Sanbornton Congregational Church-UCC is located at 21 Meetinghouse Hill Rd. in Sanbornton. Call 286-3018 for further information.

Holiday music with Peg and Cheryl at Taylor Dec. 22

LACONIA — Back by popular demand, Peg Chaffee and Cheryl Sager will present an entertaining holiday program Thursday, Dec. 22 at 6 p.m. in Taylor Community's Woodside Building. The event is free and open to the public.



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Taylor Community is a not-for-profit Continuing Care Retirement Community whose mission is to provide the highest quality retirement living options to support the independence, health and dignity of community residents. For more information, visit www.taylorcommunity.org.

Laconia Rotary Club pledges \$35,000 to Colonial Theater project

LACONIA — Recently, the Laconia Rotary Club pledged \$35,000 toward the Colonial Theater project.



Rotary Club Board Members and Rotary President, Joanne Lang presenting a check to Randy Eifert, Belknap EDC Chairperson.

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Children's Auction doles out first batch of checks from this year's proceeds

BY ERIN PLUMMER
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LACONIA — People in need across the region are already receiving help thanks to the money raised by the Children's Auction of the Greater Lakes Region.

Last Wednesday morning, board members handed out the first checks to representatives from a number of different organizations during a presentation at Lakes Region General Hospital.

Last week, the Chil-

dren's Auction raised a total of \$489,435 to be distributed to organizations across the region. All applications were divided into different categories, from the most immediate needs to long-term projects. Wednesday's presentation gave



ERIN PLUMMER

Representatives from the Children's Auction of the Greater Lakes Region gather with members of several organizations that received checks for immediate needs.

checks for Process A recipients, those with the most immediate needs.

"Thank all of you for all of the work you do in this community," said Children's Auction Chair Sandy Marshall.

Marshall said looking at all of the information the organizations sent in, "the numbers are staggering." Marshall said they cannot fix all of the issues, but are honored to be part of the solution.

The checks handed out on Wednesday totaled \$137,900.

Checks were presented to the Inter-Lakes Christmas Fund at Inter-Lakes High School, the Tilton-Northfield-Sanbornton Christmas Fund, Christmas Village, the Santa Fund of the Greater Lakes Region, Health First, Belknap House, the Laconia Police Relief Family Fund, Hands Across

the Table, the Salvation Army of Laconia, the Gilford Police Relief Children's Fund, Operation Warm, and the Got Lunch programs for Laconia, Ashland-Holderness, Campton-Thornton, Inter-Lakes, and Gilford.

"Thank you so much for all you do; it's greatly appreciated," Marshall said. "We're glad to be a small part of it."

Representatives from organizations said this money will help a lot of people.

Nancy Howe, president of the Inter-Lakes Christmas Fund, said this money will buy more warm clothing and toys for people in need in the Inter-Lakes School District.

"Unbelievable how people have opened their hearts and their purses to help us," Howe said.

Howe said this has

been one of their best years. They have been able to help more than 200 children and elderly people in the district.

"This is the most fantastic gift you can ever have for Christmas," said Thom Francoeur, president of Got Lunch Gilford. "It's the Christmas spirit and we get to pass it along."

Got Lunch Gilford serves lunches throughout the year to children from Gilford and Gilmanton. Francoeur said it will fill for group's coffers and will be used to buy food for the students and other things that help with the effort.

"Just a wonderful, wonderful feeling to have a great community like this," Francoeur said.

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 - 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
 - 1/2 teaspoon ground nutmeg
 - 1/2 teaspoon ground allspice
- Frosting optional

Cream butter and brown sugar until light and fluffy. Beat in molasses, egg and water. In another bowl,

whisk together remaining ingredients minus frosting; gradually beat into creamed mixture. Divide dough in half. Shape each into a disk; wrap in plastic. Refrigerate until easy to handle, about 30 minutes. Preheat oven to 350°. On a lightly floured surface, roll each portion of dough to 1/8-in. thickness. Cut with a floured 4-in. gingerbread man cookie cutter. Place 2 in. apart on greased baking sheets. Bake until edges are firm, 8-10 minutes. Remove to wire racks to cool completely. Frost as desired. Yield: about 2 dozen.

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Wishing you a Happy Holiday!

Generous elves make Christmas merry for visitors at Boys and Girls Club

BY ERIN PLUMMER
Eplummer@salmonpress.com

LACONIA — Santa and a lot of generous elves across the region helped create a happy holiday for kids at the Boys and Girls Club of the Lakes Region.

More than 100 children received special presents and enjoyed a festive meal and time with Santa during the Boys and Girls Club's annual Christmas party last Friday night.

The Christmas party is an annual event for the kids at the Boys and Girls Club. The club will seek out special donors to get gifts for the kids including some clothing as well as toys and other special gifts.

This year, they sent out a call over Facebook for people to sponsor a child. Their sponsorship would get the child a shirt, a pair of pants, and a special toy. Each child would get a gift to open at the party as well as a gift they could open on Christmas morning.

Volunteer coordinator Kathy Drouin said on Christmas, the parents could say where the present came from or that the present was from Santa.

Each of the sponsors were given their child's gender, age, shirt and pant size, and a list of interests; information filled out by the parents.

"All they had was a

number; they had no idea which child they gave to," said Advisory Committee member Barbara Leone.

Leone said they got more than 100 gifts for the kids. Leone said no one balked at the items on their list and got creative. She said a lot of people went above and beyond the call of duty for their gifts, buying American Girl dolls and other special items on kids' lists.

Leone said everyone who helped out will receive a thank you card from the Boys and Girls Club.

The gifts were distrib-



ERIN PLUMMER

Santa Claus meets with children at the Boys and Girls Club of the Lakes Region during their annual Christmas party.

uted on Friday afternoon during a big holiday party. The event started with a special dinner with food provided by T-Bones and other do-

nors. A short time later an engine from the Laconia Fire Department pulled into the driveway and dropped off a jolly man



ERIN PLUMMER

Gifts donated by many people are piled under the tree for kids at the Boys and Girls Club.

in a red suit.

Kids lined up to speak with Santa, and then picked up their presents.

"I think it is the best thing I've done since I've

been here," said branch director Jim Holmes, adding, "I was blown away by how easy it was to get presents for all of our kids."

Kelley Corner School preservation project receives LCHIP grant

GILMANTON — The Lower Gilmanton Community Club, and the Gilmanton School District have received a grant of \$17,250 from the State's Land and Community Heritage Investment Program (LCHIP) to support their project to preserve and renovate the Kelley Corner School.

The Kelley Corner School was the first school authorized by the Town in 1778. It is one of two surviving public buildings

in Lower Gilmanton, the first village settled in the Town. (The other is the First Baptist Church on Route 107, just north of the junction with Stage Road.). The Lower Gilmanton Community Club has leased the building from the School District since the late 1940s after schools in the Town were consolidated and it was no longer used as a school. Since then it has been used as a meeting place and for neighborhood

events such as the Harvest Supper and educational visits by school classes.

The project to renovate the school is supported by the Gilmanton Historical Society as well as the Gilmanton School District which owns the building. Tax deductible donations should be sent to the Gilmanton Historical Society, indicating support for the Kelley School project, at PO Box 236, Gilmanton, NH 03237.



COURTESY

The Kelley Corner School in Lower Gilmanton, the Town's first school and its only remaining publicly owned one-room schoolhouse, will be protected and renovated with assistance from the New Hampshire Land and Community Investment Program (LCHIP).



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Pleasant Street Elementary School first graders' community service project benefits NH Humane Society

LACONIA—The New Hampshire Humane Society is pleased to be the recipient of a community service project conducted by the first graders at Pleasant Street Elementary School. Mrs. Best's and Mrs. Friend's classes learned about wants and needs in their social studies classes, and focused their attention on the animals living at the New Hampshire Humane Society this holiday season.

Using the NHHS "Wish List," the students decided to hold a collection drive to collect canned cat and dog food, toys, and paper towels, as well as monetary donations to address all of the other needs of the shelter. The plea went out to the entire Pleasant Street School community and resulted in the collection of 121 items (counted and tabulated by the first graders) and \$160 raised. Students who brought in an item to donate were allowed to participate in "Hat Day," on Friday, Dec. 16—when the NHHS Development Director, Lissa Mascio, visited the first graders to collect their donations. Some students brought in more than one item and shared with a friend, so that all of the first graders could participate in Hat Day. The students decided to donate \$100 of that monies collected directly to the shelter and use the remaining \$60, and their math skills, to purchase cat litter for the shelter.

The New Hampshire Humane Society is a 501(c)3 non-profit whose mission is to find responsible and caring forever homes; provide shelter for the lost, abandoned and unwanted animals; advocate and be the voice for the voiceless. The Society works hard

to prevent cruelty to animals and offers education and outreach programs, pet therapy, and many community initiatives to help people and their pets. Community fundraising efforts, such as the supplies and money raised by the Pleasant Street Elementary first graders, are an integral part of keeping the shelter open and providing valuable services to the 17 communities in the NHHS area, and beyond.

To view adoptable pets visit www.nhhumane.org. The New Hampshire Humane Society also accepts monetary donations online at www.nhhumane.org, or specific items, which can be found online at our "Wish List," can also be dropped off during shelter hours or by special arrangement.



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Empty Bowls Open House at Sant Bani School

SANBORNTON — Get your hands dirty for a good cause! Sant Bani School invites community members (current and prospective parents, students, friends) to an Open House on Saturday, Jan. 7, from 1-3 p.m., to make ceramic bowls for our spring Empty Bowls dinner, which will fundraise for a local non-profit that is working to end hunger.

This event offers a great opportunity for families who are considering Sant Bani for their children to join in our school-wide service project and enjoy a casual reception with current parents, faculty and staff where they can learn more about the School.

Empty Bowls is an international grassroots effort to fight hunger. This spring, guests will



Families working together to make clay bowls at the 2015 bowl-making Open House.

be invited to SBS for a meal of homemade soup and bread. In exchange for a cash donation, guests enjoy a meal to-

gether, and then keep a hand-crafted bowl as a reminder of all the empty bowls in the world. The money raised will

be donated to a local nonprofit organization, chosen by Sant Bani students, that is working to end hunger and food insecurity. Empty Bowl events have taken place across the United States and in at least a dozen other countries to raise and donate many

millions of dollars to hunger-fighting organizations.

If you would like to attend the Empty Bowls bowl-making Open House on Jan. 7 (snow date: Jan. 8, 1-3 p.m.), please RSVP by calling 934-4240, sending an email to admission@santbani.org, or on the Empty Bowls event on our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/santbani. The event is free and open to all; reservations are requested so enough materials can be prepared.

About Sant Bani School

Sant Bani, founded in 1973, is a vibrant independent K-8 school located five minutes from Exit 22 on I-93. Students graduate with confidence and a passion for learning, prepared to succeed in high school. If you would like to learn more about SBS, visit santbani.org; more information about Empty Bowls is available at emptybowls.net.

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Tanger Outlets Tilton raises \$20,543.28 for breast cancer research

Company's annual PinkSTYLE Campaign has raised more than \$16 million over 23 years to help find a cure

TILTON —Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc. announced today that the company raised a total of \$20,543.28 in the Lakes Region, to help in the fight against breast cancer during the 23rd annual Tanger PinkSTYLE Campaign. Donations will benefit breast cancer organizations in the local community and the Breast Cancer Research Foundation (BCRF). In the spirit of the holidays and the season of giving, \$20,543.28 will be donated to Lakes Region General Healthcare (LRGH), a local organization with a mission to provide quality, compassionate care and to strengthen

the well-being of our community.

"Our annual breast cancer campaign gives us the opportunity to raise awareness and help save lives in the communities that we call home," said Steven B. Tanger, President and Chief Executive Officer for Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc. "The success of our annual PinkSTYLE campaign is made possible through the support of our retail partners and the millions of shoppers that visit Tanger Outlet centers dedicated to finding a cure for breast cancer."

The 2016 PinkSTYLE Campaign was celebrated across 43 Tanger Out-

let Centers in the United States and Canada. Beginning in September, customers were able to purchase a Powerful Pink Savings Pass to save 25 percent off on a single item at participating stores. Purchases of the unlimited savings pass benefitted breast cancer organizations in local communities as well as nationally through the Breast Cancer Research Foundation (BCRF), the nation's highest-rated breast cancer organization.

"The Celebrate Hope, Celebrate You fund, established just a year ago and made possible by Tanger's generosity, will help to improve



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our patients' treatment experiences more than we could on our own," explains LRGHealthcare Vice President of Clinical Services Marge Kerns. "This donation will go a long way in providing many of our breast cancer patients a helping hand in the form of complimentary thera-

pies, prosthetics, or perhaps a new wig, to name a few examples."

LRGHealthcare President and CEO Kevin Donovan adds "On behalf of the providers, staff, and patients at LRGHealthcare we thank everyone at the Tanger Outlets in Tilton, and the Tanger Family, for

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ROTARY

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financially support the project in November. Joanne Lang, President, stated, "As a long standing service club supporting the Laconia community, Laconia Rotary is proud to support the Colonial Theater Project. Many of our members have fond memories of the theater when it was a focal point of the downtown and look forward to attending a performance

there in the future! It is exciting to see the theater re-emerging as an anchor to our community. We encourage other non-profit organizations to consider making a donation to this worthwhile project," further stated Lang.

In accepting the donation, Justin Slattery, Executive Director of the Belknap EDC, stated, "We are honored

to receive a donation from the Laconia Rotary Club. The Rotary Club has a long history of supporting community projects in Laconia and we appreciate their support of the Colonial Theater project." Any business or resident interested in learning more about the Colonial Theater capital campaign to contact us at 524-3057 or 609Main-Street.org."

STUDENTS

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DONNA RHODES

Sanbornton Police Officer Jamie DeCormier and Chief Stephen Hankard helped serve rolls and cranberry sauce to enthusiastic students who were happy to see them at Sanbornton Central School's surprise holiday luncheon with them last week.

vy over the turkey and fixings and also invited children to help themselves to dessert.

Each officer greeted the children with big smiles as they served and even took time to wish them a happy holiday season, asked what they hoped to get for gifts and how their school year in general was going so far.

"This is awesome," one child said as he got his lunch served to him by police officers. "It's good to see them here.

We didn't expect it." Dishing up a holiday lunch wasn't the end of their mission, however.

Once everyone was served the men also grabbed trays and joined the boys and girls for the meal. They discussed the upcoming holidays, school and other local issues with them as they shared special time together on a one-on-one basis.

"I love this- I think it's great," said Barbara Poire of Food Services for the Winnis-

quam Regional School District. "For some families the police are a negative thing so it's nice to see (the officers) sit down and meet with the kids and show them they're just people, too."

Principal Kathleen Pope said the children were excited to have the police officers join them for lunch and the school in general was very appreciative of their community-minded spirit over the holiday season.

LRGH

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tals with neonatal intensive care units (NICUs), LRGH is on the leading edge of hospitals offering it in regular nurseries. In the case of full-term and near-term births, pasteurized donor human milk can be offered as "bridge milk," until a

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HOLIDAYS

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(Thursday, Dec. 22). Any submissions for the Jan. 5 edition should be in our hands by 4 p.m. next Thursday, Dec. 29.

Please note that any

submissions received after 4 p.m. today will be held for publication on Jan. 5, and any submissions received after 4 p.m. on the 29th will be held for publication on Jan. 12.

The staff of the Winnisquam Echo thanks our readers for their cooperation with this change in our usual schedule, and wishes one and all a safe and happy holiday season.

POLICE

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equipment, checking for illegal skimming devices on a regular basis, but it is also up to card owners to look out for their own best interests.

Some banking institutions set guidelines on accounts and will notify a person before any unusual expenditures are paid out, but that is not always the case.

"Online banking is really the way to go," said Cormier. "People should keep a keep on their accounts and have a discussion with their banks about what they are doing to help prevent card cloning and theft. Even if they can't do online banking, people should ask what their bank's particular security parameters are to protect

them."

A final tip is to keep an eye on the actual ATM and electronic card readers themselves.

"If you pull on the outside of a card reader and the plastic on it comes loose, that's probably a skimming device," he said.

Cormier's hope is that the new credit/debit card chip readers with personalized PIN numbers, something already in practice in Europe and set to go in affect in U.S. stores in 2017, will help curtail much of the illegal skimming activity in the future.

"People have to remember to be vigilant and alert too, though. They need to watch their bank transactions weekly and check to see

if their bank has security parameters set on things like out of state use or limits on the actual transactions themselves," Cormier advised.

This latest ATM theft should also have people on alert for unusual activities around them. The chief said that if anyone observes a person or persons making multiple transactions at any ATM machine, they should contact the local police as soon as possible.

As of Monday evening detectives at Tilton Police Department were still seeking the men involved in this latest incident and anyone with information on the case is asked to contact them as 286-4442.

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FIRE

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Drew said. With numerous cars stored on the lot behind Camaro Heaven, the fire had the potential to spread to other vehicles but thankfully, he said, the firefighters from Tilton-Northfield were also on the scene in just a few minutes to assist his crew.

Capt. Sean Valvanie said the call to respond to Camaro Heaven came through at 1:08

p.m. on Dec. 14 from Lakes Region Mutual Fire Aid Association's dispatch center and the duty crews from Tilton-Northfield then raced to the scene. Once there, Valvanie said, they deployed 350-foot of hose to reach the van's location in the salvage yard and extinguished what was left of the fire.

"The employees had pretty much mitigated

the hazard on their own before we got there by removing a lot of the exposures (other vehicles in the yard)," he said. "There was definitely a potential for this incident to be a lot more than it was, but thanks to their actions, everything came out okay."

The vehicle which started to incident, however, was unfortunately considered a loss.

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SPORTS

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Raiders overcome slow start, knock off Prospect Mountain

BY JEFF LAJOIE

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ALTON – A slow start did not prevent the Belmont High School boys' basketball team from picking up another win last week.

The visiting Red Raiders overcame a poor first quarter, eventually charging back in the second half en route to a 60-48 win over Prospect Mountain in Division III play on Dec. 13.

PM got off to a strong start in the opening frame, as Belmont managed just one field goal in the entire first quarter – a three-pointer from Matt Pluskis with 1:15 to play. The squad did sink four free throws to stay within 12-7 entering the second.

PM got the first hoop of the second quarter for a 14-7 lead, but Belmont sent a continuous stream of players to the line, as the squad drilled four free throws to cut the lead to three. Senior Trevor Hunt converted a three-point play with 5:39 to go in the quarter to tie the game at 14.

Belmont went up on a Hunt rebound and hoop that he converted

for another three-point play with 3:12 to go and the Raiders led 17-14. Prospect cut the lead to one with a basket, but Belmont got three foul shots and two hoops to take a 24-16 lead. A three and a hoop for PM made it 24-21, but two more free throws made it 26-21 at the break. Belmont was 15 for 22 from the foul line in the first half to snag the five-point halftime advantage.

Belmont opened the lead to 10 points to start the third quarter with a pair of free throws and a three. Prospect got two free throws with one second left in the third to cut the lead to 44-37, but Belmont hit the first two hoops of the fourth to go up by 11.

PM got the next five points on two hoops and a foul shot, cutting the lead to 48-42, but that was as close as things got. Belmont hit three more foul shots and a hoop to go up 53-42.

Prospect hit a three from the line to make it 53-45, but Derek Stevens drained a big three with 3:30 to go to push the lead back to 11 and essentially put things out



JOSHUA SPAULDING

Belmont senior Trevor Hunt (11) rises up to challenge a Prospect Mountain shot attempt in the Red Raiders' 60-48 victory on Dec. 13 in Alton.

of reach.

Hunt led the way

with 22 points on the night for Belmont, in-



JOSHUA SPAULDING

Senior Doug Price pulls down a rebound in Belmont's 60-48 win over Prospect Mountain last week.

cluding 14 in the second half. Pluskis and Ste-

vens each had 12 points in the win.

Bears split with Newfound

BY JEFF LAJOIE

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TILTON – Points were at a premium in the second half, but by then, the Winnisquam Regional High School boys' basketball team was in control on Dec. 13.

The Bears held serve on their home floor, picking up the team's second win of the season thanks to a 49-37 victory over Newfound Regional High School in Division III action.

Winnisquam jumped out to a 23-13 lead after one quarter and led 33-26 at intermission before the teams struggled offensively in the second half. Newfound managed just two points

in the fourth quarter, as the Bears were able to pull away thanks to a 16-11 edge in points after the halftime break.

Winnisquam sophomore Kyle Mann led the Bears with 18 points and three rebounds, while Logan Morrison registered a double-double with 16 points and 11 boards. Isaiah Singleton nearly matched the double-double with eight points and 12 rebounds, while point guard Thomas Marchese tossed in seven points and three assists. The four players combined to score all 49 of Winnisquam's points on the night.

Winnisquam held a 34-22 edge in rebounds



RC GREENWOOD

Winnisquam's Ashlee Chamberlain goes up for a shot in the second quarter of her team's 56-17 loss to host Newfound in Division III action on Dec. 13 in Bristol.

against Newfound, which was led by Jarrod Fairbank's 16 points. Newfound shot just 33 percent from the floor in the loss.

The Winnisquam girls' team was unable to keep up with high-powered Newfound on the

road in Bristol that same night, as the Bears dropped a 56-17 decision in D-III play.

Newfound's Ashlee Dukette recorded a triple-double of 20 points, 16 rebounds and 10 steals to send her team to the lopsided victory.

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Senior Ethan Becker scored a goal in the first period of Belmont-Gilford's 6-2 loss to defending state champion Berlin-Gorham on Dec. 14.



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Belmont-Gilford senior goalkeeper Bailey Defosie covers up a puck in the opening period of the Bulldogs' 6-2 loss on Dec. 14

Bulldogs downed by defending champion Berlin in opener

BY JEFF LAJOIE

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BERLIN – In a rematch of last year's controversial state title game, defending state champion Berlin-Gorham cemented itself as a force to be reckoned with in the season opener on Dec. 14.

Despite losing double digit seniors to graduation from last year's squad, the host Mountaineers had plenty in the tank, scoring two goals in each period en route to a convincing 6-2 victory over Belmont-Gilford in the NHIAA Division III opener at Notre Dame Ice Arena.

Visiting B-G struggled with special teams all night. The Bulldogs struggled to stay out of the penalty box, and Berlin took advantage. The Mountaineers got on the board first, scoring with 3:56 left in the opening period when Cameron Cochran blasted a slap shot off a face off win for a power play goal that put the hosts up 1-0.

B-G answered quickly however, notching the tying tally some 28 seconds later. Harrison Parent pounced on a blocked shot and skated up the ice, laying the puck off to a charging Ethan Becker. The senior forward finished

from there, sliding a shot past Berlin goalkeeper Trent Labrecque to tie things 1-1.

With the Bulldogs seemingly righting the ship and settling in, Berlin regained its advantage against the run of play with 2:48 to play. The third goal of the game in just a 1:08 span, Berlin's Hunter Fautoux poked a loose puck through the grasp of B-G goalie Bailey Defosie for a 2-1 lead that would hold into the dressing room. The Mountaineers held a decisive 15-4 edge in shots during the opening period, keeping Defosie plenty busy for the first 15 minutes.

Penalties overtook the second period, as the teams traded several man advantage situations but neither team was able to take advantage until very late. It appeared as though the squads would carry the 2-1 score into the third, but a late B-G penalty put the visitors in trouble. Berlin took advantage, with Damon Ruel scoring on the power play with just 1:33 left to make it a 3-1 game.

The Mountaineers would add a back-breaking tally with just 15 seconds to play in the stanza however. This



JEFF LAJOIE

Belmont-Gilford's Hunter Dupuis (8) tries to protect the puck in the corner with Berlin-Gorham's Owen Dorval defending in the second period of the visiting Bulldogs' 6-2 loss at Notre Dame Ice Arena in Berlin on Dec. 14.

time it came on a short-handed opportunity, as B-G drew a Berlin penalty with 45 seconds left. But the speedy Cochran pounced on a blocked puck in his own zone and skated in free on Defosie, backhanding a goal to put Berlin up 4-1 just before the second period intermission.

The high-flying

Mountaineers tacked on two more goals in the third period, with Cochran capping off his hat trick and adding another to make it 6-1. B-G salvaged a goal in the waning seconds of the game, when Hunter Dupuis pounced on a loose puck with Labrecque on his back. The junior's tally was assisted by Parent,

his second helper of the night, and accounted for the 6-2 final.

B-G got a boost from several underclassmen who played well on the night. Sophomore Liam Lacy provided a spark for the Bulldogs, as did freshman Nate Shirley who drew the start on the blue line in his first career game alongside

senior James Buckley as the top defensive pairing.

The meeting was the first of two regular season contests between the two sides, which have met in the past two D-III state championship games. The squads will tangle in the rematch on Jan. 25 at Laconia Ice Arena (4 p.m.).

WINNISQUAM REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS SCHEDULE

- Friday, December 23**
INDOOR TRACK
Winnisquam at Dartmouth, 4 p.m.
- Tuesday, December 27**
BOYS BASKETBALL
Lakes Region Holiday Basketball Tournament, Day 1
- Wednesday, December 28**
BOYS BASKETBALL
Lakes Region Holiday Basketball Tournament, Day 2
- WRESTLING**
Winnisquam at Noble Tournament, TBD
- Thursday, December 29**
BOYS BASKETBALL
Lakes Region Holiday Basketball Tournament, Day 3
- Friday, December 30**
INDOOR TRACK
Gilford, Belmont, Winnisquam at UNH, 9 a.m.

Randos captures 3,000 meters as Raiders open indoor track season

BY JEFF LAJOIE

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PLYMOUTH – It was a strong start to the indoor season for the Belmont High School track team. The Red Raiders fared well in the opening meet at Plymouth State University on Sunday, competing with mostly larger schools.

The boys' team finished fourth overall with

35 points in an event that also featured Merrimack Valley, Concord, Windham, Manchester Central, Franklin, Manchester West, and Bishop Brady. The girls' team was fifth best with 23 points on the day.

Belmont's Nick Randos was the lone individual winner for his team on the day, as the junior captured the top spot in

the 3,000 meters with a time of nine minutes, 56 seconds.

Ian Remenar took third place in the 600 meters (1:36) and seventh in the 55-meter hurdles, while River Mathieu had a pair of top 10 finishes in the 55 meters (sixth, 7.18 seconds) and 300 meters (10th, 41.54).

Eli Allman (55 hurdles, 8.70), Isaiah Knowlton (3,000, 10:35) and Max Schott (1,000, 3:09) all finished fourth overall in their respective events,

while Pier Wolter was fifth in the 1,000 (3:10), Connor Jackson was sixth in the 1500 (5:12), Evan Cochran was seventh in the 1,500 (5:12), Seth Rupp was ninth in the 600 (1:44) and Devin Bricknell was 10th in the 600 (1:49).

The girls' team was powered by senior Jasmine Syed's runner-up finish in the 600 meters (1:53), and she added a 10th place showing in the long jump (11 feet, 11 inches).

Alice Riley took third overall in the 3,000 meters (10:54), while Katy Seiberth was fourth in the shot put (21-6).

Sana Syed was sixth in the 300 meters (48.79), while other top 10 finishers for the Raiders included Alexis Day (seventh, 1,000), Jessica Hutchinson (seventh, 600), Emma Chase (eighth, 600), Makayla Palmer (ninth, 1,000) and Kaitlyn Delisle (eighth in long jump, ninth in 55 meters).

Early deadlines for next two weeks

REGION — Due to the holidays, the deadlines for the newspapers in the coming week have changed.

Our offices will be closing at noon on Friday, Dec. 23, and Friday, Dec. 29, and will be closed all day on Monday, Dec. 26, and Monday, Jan. 2.

Because of this, all deadlines have been moved up 48 business hours.

Therefore the deadline for submissions for the Gilford Steamer, Winnisquam Echo, Bay-

sider, Newfound Landing and Plymouth Record-Enterprise is 8 a.m. today, Dec. 22. The deadline for submissions for the Granite State News is today, Dec. 22, at noon. The deadline for submissions for the Carroll County Independent and Meredith News is today, Dec. 22, at 4 p.m.

This will repeat for the following week, with all deadlines on Dec. 22 becoming the same on Dec. 29 for the issues of Jan. 5.

Thanks for your understanding.

BELMONT HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS SCHEDULE

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| Thursday, December 22
ALPINE SKIING
Gilford, Belmont, Moultonborough at Bretton Woods, 10 a.m. | Belmont-Gilford at Kennett Holiday Tournament, Day 1 | Basketball Tournament, Day 2 |
| BOYS BASKETBALL
Belmont at Inter-Lakes, 6 p.m. | Tuesday, December 27
BOYS BASKETBALL
Lakes Region Holiday Basketball Tournament, Day 1 | HOCKEY
Belmont-Gilford at Kennett Holiday Tournament, Day 3 |
| GIRLS BASKETBALL
Inter-Lakes at Belmont, 6 p.m. | HOCKEY
Belmont-Gilford at Kennett Holiday Tournament, Day 2 | Thursday, December 29
BOYS BASKETBALL
Lakes Region Holiday Basketball Tournament, Day 3 |
| Monday, December 26
INDOOR TRACK
Gilford, Belmont at UNH, 9 a.m. | Wednesday, December 28
BOYS BASKETBALL
Lakes Region Holiday | Friday, December 30
INDOOR TRACK
Gilford, Belmont, Winnisquam at UNH, 9 a.m. |

Small changes as Holiday hoop preps for 43rd tournament

BY JEFF LAJOIE

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GILFORD – It's a new year with a bit of a different look for the Lakes Region Holiday Basketball Tournament. The event will tip off for the 43rd time next week, as the gem of the local sports calendar over holiday break will take place Dec. 27-29.

First-year Gilford High School athletic director Rick Acquilano, who is well-versed in the event after years at Belmont High School, takes over as tournament director following the retirement of Dave Pinkham. The event will have a bit of a different look this winter, with the games being spread between two courts at Gilford High School and Gilford Middle School. While the buildings are joined together, the two floors will serve to shorten the historically long days with eight schools and 16 teams in total in attendance.

"I think any time that you take charge of something, you certainly take ownership of it and it becomes personal," explained Acquilano. "I understand there's a rich history here, more than 40 years of running the same tournament. I've experienced it as a coach who took a team over here, it's classy and done right. I want to make sure I uphold the same high standards and continue to make it a great event."

The past tournaments featured 12-plus hour days, beginning with action at 9 a.m. and running all day until final games tipped off between 8:30 and 9 p.m. Moving to two gymnasiums has the opening games taking place at 11:30 a.m., and last contests set to tip off at 4 p.m. on the first two days of play.

"In putting fresh eyes on it, there's both a respect for the history here but also trying to look at it and see if there's a way to improve things. That's part of who I am as a person," Acquilano offered. "I really wanted to look at the length of the day. I probably consulted with more than 10 people – our coaches, opponents, other ADs, the booster club – to try and get a feel for it. In the end, I think it's going to condense the days and serve teams well. It'll probably be a little hectic and something to adjust to on a facility management standpoint, but people have been really open to it."

"I made sure to collaborate," he continued. "I didn't walk up and say, 'I'm going to make this change.' For some people who have been a part of this for a long time, it probably took them a few days to wrap their heads around it. I just cautiously walked through that decision over several weeks."

While the two sites will require a bit more manpower in booking two people to run clocks, scorebooks, concessions, etc., Acquilano said he hopes it'll alleviate some of the stress that marathon days and nights spread over the course of three days presented for volunteers and fans alike.

"Shortening the day is probably good for a lot of folks," he said. "I hope it'll be good and I hope people see it as a positive change and certainly not trying to reinvent the wheel. What I anticipate is we will do this and then learn from it, make adjustments from it going forward. I know we've been thoughtful in our approach."

The event's t-shirt, which has long featured

the same design with just an updated year on it, will also get a bit of a makeover.

"I approached the people from McDonald's who sponsor our event and asked if we could make some small changes to the shirt," Acquilano said. "Does it look hugely different? No. But I think a small tweak there is something people will appreciate as well."

Let's take a closer look at this annual event that has become a part of Lakes Region holiday tradition.

This year's bracket

Some big rivalries highlight the opening day of play on Dec. 27, with rematches of last year's opening round tilts.

The entire event kicks off between foes Belmont and Winnisquam in girls' play (11:30 a.m., high school), and games go right on through until the night cap between the Gilford and Moultonborough Academy boys' teams (4 p.m., high school).

"I think we'll probably have a lot of competitive, evenly-matched teams and games this year," said Acquilano.

Many teams in the field suffered big losses to graduation, including both Gilford teams, the Laconia girls and Winnisquam boys.

Looking back at 2015

Gilford won the girls' tournament, beating Laconia in the finals on its way to an undefeated season and NHIAA Division III state championship. It would wind up being a prelude to the state title game between the two powerhouses, and it was one of four meetings on the year between the squads – all won by Gilford.

Jan. 21 and running until Saturday, April 1. The schedule is posted at lrfl.com.

Games for the 5-7 year old division will be played at 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. Games for the 8-10 year old division will be played at 2 p.m. and 3 p.m., while 11-14 year old division games will take place at 4 p.m. and 5 p.m.

The season will start with a combine, one week of practice, six weeks of regular season



JOSHUA SPAULDING

The Winnisquam boys' team took home the title in last year's Lakes Region Holiday Basketball Tournament.

The boys' tournament was won by Winnisquam, which blasted Division II Kingswood in the finals, 65-36.

"I know teams that have had success here, they've had a lot of fun and got a lot out of that," said Acquilano. "If you win, it definitely helps your team's confidence. I don't think winning this tournament will ever be taken lightly."

Players to watch

Last year saw the graduation of some talented, veteran seniors, but you'll still have no shortage of people to keep an eye on throughout the three days of play.

The Belmont girls' team has plenty of options, with seniors like Nicole Antonucci and Sarah Chase leading the way. Winnisquam's Laura Harmon is a top returning player, while Laconia's Helen Tautkus headlines a Sachems team that was hit hard by graduation.

Prospect Mountain's Brianna Burley, Newfound's Savanna Bony,

Moultonborough's Megan Duddy and Gilford's Stevie Orton are top players for their respective teams. Last year's Tournament MVP, Cassidy Bartlett, graduated from the Gilford squad.

On the boys' side, Belmont seniors Trevor Hunt and Doug Price are quite a tandem, while Winnisquam's Thomas Marchese has the Bears off and running as the new point guard replacing last year's tournament MVP Christian Serrano.

PM's Hudson Ingoldsby, Newfound's Jarrod Fairbank and Kingswood's Pat Meyers help set the pace for their respective teams, while MA's Joey McClay has been off to a hot start and Gilford's Ethan Carrier is a top returning player from last year's team.

Schedule of games

Day 1

Tuesday, Dec. 27

GIRLS

Belmont vs. Winnisquam, 11:30 a.m. (GHS)

Laconia vs. Prospect Mountain, 11:30 a.m. (GMS)

Newfound vs. Kingswood, 2:30 p.m. (GMS)

Moultonborough vs. Gilford, 2:30 p.m. (GHS)

BOYS

Belmont vs. Winnisquam, 1 p.m. (GHS)

Laconia vs. Prospect Mountain, 1 p.m. (GMS)

Newfound vs. Kingswood, 4 p.m. (GMS)

Moultonborough vs. Gilford, 4 p.m. (GHS)

Day 2

Wednesday, Dec. 28

GIRLS

Belmont/Winnisquam loser vs. Laconia/Prospect loser, 11:30 a.m. (GMS)

Newfound/Kingswood loser vs. Moultonborough/Gilford loser, 2:30 p.m. (GMS)

Belmont/Winnisquam winner vs. Laconia/Prospect winner, 11:30 a.m. (GHS)

Newfound/Kingswood winner vs. Moultonborough/Gilford winner, 2:30 p.m. (GHS)

BOYS

Belmont/Winnisquam loser vs. Laconia/Prospect loser, 1 p.m. (GMS)

Newfound/Kingswood loser vs. Moultonborough/Gilford loser, 4 p.m. (GMS)

Belmont/Winnisquam winner vs. Laconia/Prospect winner, 1 p.m. (GHS)

Newfound/Kingswood winner vs. Moultonborough/Gilford winner, 4 p.m. (GHS)

Day 3

Thursday, Dec. 29

GIRLS

Championship game, 4:30 p.m.

BOYS

Championship game, 6 p.m.

Winter flag football set for January in Tilton

REGION – Registration is now open for Lakes Region Flag Football League's third season of winter indoor flag football at the Tilton Sports Center beginning January 2017.

Co-ed age divisions 5-7, 8-10 and 11-14. Players ages are as of Jan. 1, 2017.

Commitment is only one day a week, with action coming on Saturday afternoons beginning

Jan. 21 and running until Saturday, April 1. The schedule is posted at lrfl.com.

Games for the 5-7 year old division will be played at 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. Games for the 8-10 year old division will be played at 2 p.m. and 3 p.m., while 11-14 year old division games will take place at 4 p.m. and 5 p.m.

The season will start with a combine, one week of practice, six weeks of regular season

games (with a break for February vacation) and ending with playoff and Super Bowl games.

This will be an official NFL Flag season. The registration fee is \$150 for a 12-week season (breaks down to \$12.50 per week). Fee will include an official NFL Flag jersey, flags and field rental fees. Money is not due until after Jan. 1. Register online today at lrfl.com.

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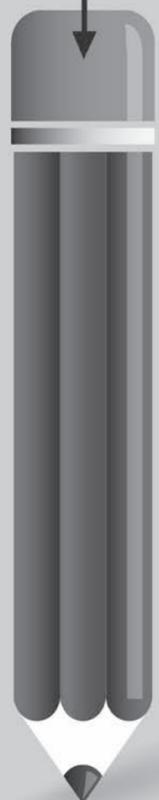
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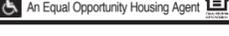
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Town of Rumney, New Hampshire

Request for Proposals

Removal and Replacement of Shingled Roof of:

Rumney Historical Society Building
(AKA Old Rumney Town Hall)
20 Buffalo Road, Rumney, NH

The Town of Rumney is seeking proposals from qualified contractors to furnish and install a new shingled roof on the Rumney Historical Society Building, located at 20 Buffalo Road.

Scope of work:
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- Contractor shall keep work area neat at the end of each day and contained through the duration of the job
- Work may start March 21, 2017, work must be completed by April 30, 2017

Proposers must comply with the following submission procedures:

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Town of Rumney
PO Box 220
Rumney, NH 03266

Proposals will be accepted until 2:00 PM January 23, 2017. Faxed and e-mailed proposals will not be accepted.
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Ben LaRoche, Fire Chief
85 Lakes Street
Bristol, NH 03222
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