

# “NH Forward” industry-educational partnership launched

FRANKLIN — The City of Franklin, SAU 18 and Lakes Region Community College (LRCC) have been working successfully to address a growing need to provide trained graduates for our local manufacturers.

Beginning with a Manufacturing Night in October 2019 organized by Franklin Councilor Jo Brown, five local manufacturers discussed their unique businesses and educated attendees on the world of manufacturing in the 21st century. All five companies subsequently visited the high school and discussed career options with students. Unfortunately, on-site visits were cancelled as the pandemic hit, but their dogged effort continued to expand with an exciting twist – adopting the world-famous German American Chamber of Commerce (GACC) Apprenticeship Program. The newly-launched Franklin pilot program brings together a two-year partnership program with Franklin High School (FHS) students, local industries and (LRCC). A student who successfully completes the program will earn an Associate Degree from LRCC, receive a guaranteed job offer from the sponsoring company, and possess a nationally-recognized apprenticeship certification from the GACC.

According to Pecco Beaufaÿs, owner of the Highland Inn in Andover, “The GACC program aims to create for NH the same apprenticeship opportunities I enjoyed as a young man in Austria. It is no exaggeration to say that my GACC-style apprenticeship experience was the key to my later success in life!

To help support this effort, a non-profit oversight committee named “NH Forward”, is being formed.

Committee member Ken Wells of Andover says, “NH Forward’s aim is to procure initial funding, coordinate adoption of GACC’s expertise with Franklin’s resources and needs, solicit commitments from industries, and to ensure that the requirements of NH and US Departments of Labor for registered apprenticeship programs are being met. Franklin, and indeed the rest of New Hampshire, has a great wealth of local educational resources, advanced manufacturing, hospitality, banking and health industry jobs, but lacks a clearly-marked ‘on ramp’ where students can get up to speed and begin their life’s journey in the fast lane of the NH economy. NH Forward will build that ‘on ramp.’”

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**1,000**  
Winnisquam senior Phil Nichols reached the 1,000-point mark early in Friday night’s game with Winnisquam. Nichols needed just six points heading into the game. Here he poses with his parents, plus Athletics Director John Larsen (left) and coach Kevin Dame (right). Check out the story elsewhere in this issue on the earlier Winnisquam-Newfound boys’ hoop game.

## Tilton firefighters to receive federal grant

TILTON — The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) announced today \$3.9 million in direct assistance grants to 288 volunteer and combination fire departments nationwide through the agency’s FY2020 Assistance to Firefighters Grant COVID-19 Supplemental program (AFG-S).

The AFG-S Program includes grants to the following fire departments in New Hampshire:

Bedford - Bedford Fire Department - \$9,846
Candia - Candia Fire Department - \$11,422
Farmington - Farmington Fire Department - \$6,052
Francestown - Francestown Fire Department - \$2,202
Keene - Keene Fire Department - \$32,398
Londonderry - Londonderry Fire Department - \$30,540
Newport - Newport Fire Department - \$6,520

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## LRCT, Grappone Automotive Group establish Sanbornton Land Conservation Fund



COURTESY

## Winnisquam cruises in battle of the Bears

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING  
Sports Editor

BRISTOL — Coming off some of its strongest play in years, the Newfound boys’ basketball team faced a daunting challenge last week, as the Winnisquam Bears came to town for a weather-delayed contest on Wednesday, Feb. 17.

Winnisquam took control of the game

early on, opening up a 15-point lead at the end of the first quarter and cruising to a 76-35 win.

“I think we did a good job sharing the ball, we moved it inside and out,”

said Winnisquam coach Kevin Dame. “That gave us the looks that we’re looking for.”

“If you share the ball

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JOSHUA SPAULDING

Malaki Ingram of Newfound gets a hand on a shot from Winnisquam’s Jacob Seavey.



Caleb Bushway elevates for a shot in action against Newfound last week.

Country Road in Sanbornton.

SANBORNTON — Representatives of the Lakes Region Conservation Trust presented an early Valentine’s Day gift to the Town of Sanbornton at the regular meeting of the its Conservation Commission on Feb. 11. The Trust, with more than 40 years of experience in land conservation and stewardship, and the Grappone Automotive Group of Bow, New Hampshire, which gives five percent of its annual profits to non-profit organizations, have established the Sanbornton Land Conservation Fund to facilitate and support land conservation in Sanbornton. Brad Crosby, Chairman of the Conservation Commission, thanked the Trust and Grappone for this generous gift and expressed the Conservation Commission’s enthusiasm for working with the LRCT to identify worthy conservation projects.

This all began with a run along a country road. Amanda Grappone Osmer, a fourth generation owner/manager of the Grappone Automotive Group, had recently moved with her family to Sanbornton and knew little about the town; but she is a runner. In August she began running the roads of her new town and became intrigued. She decided to run all the roads in town. When she finished in November, she knew her new town well and agreed with the town’s vision statement that it had extraordinary values of rural character and heritage. She imagined that 100 years ago the town looked much as it does today. She

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# Thinking Spring at the Belmont Library

BELMONT — We here at the Belmont Library are trying something a little different for storytime right now. There's a month long themed display- March's is SPRING—take one or two books and a craft/STEM kit. Wednesday mornings we'll post a short video (roughly two minutes) on the library's Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.

Choose from two take n' make projects in March. Both fairy lanterns and sock bunnies come with all the supplies needed to make

these decorations. Stop by the library or call for curbside pick up to make these fun projects your own.

The non-fiction book group reads "Just Mercy" by Bryan Stevenson. "Just Mercy" is at once an unforgettable account of an idealistic, gifted young lawyer's coming of age, a moving window into the lives of those he has defended, and an inspiring argument for compassion in the pursuit of true justice. The group will meet online on Thursday March 11 at 1 p.m. Ebooks and audiobooks are available

through [nh.overdrive.com](http://nh.overdrive.com) with your library card; physical copies are available at the library. Contact the library for meeting information.

Our Friday Fiction book group meets remotely on Friday, March 19 at 10:30 a.m. to discuss "Our Souls at Night" by Kent Haruf. In the familiar setting of Holt, Colorado, home to all of Kent Haruf's inimitable fiction, Addie Moore pays an unexpected visit to a neighbor, Louis Waters. Her husband died years

ago, as did his wife, and in such a small town they naturally have known of each other for decades; in fact, Addie was quite fond of Louis's wife. His daughter lives hours away, her son even farther, and Addie and Louis have long been living alone in empty houses, the nights so terribly lonely, especially with no one to talk with. But maybe that could change? As Addie and Louis come to know each other better—their pleasures and their

difficulties—a beautiful story of second chances unfolds, making "Our Souls at Night" the perfect final installment to this beloved writer's enduring contribution to American literature. Ebooks and audiobooks are available through [nh.overdrive.com](http://nh.overdrive.com) with your library card; physical copies are available at the library. Contact the library for meeting information.

The Belmont Public Library is open six days a week and any time at

[www.belmontpubliclibrary.org](http://www.belmontpubliclibrary.org), serving the community with books, digital resources, and cultural programming. In 2018, the library celebrated 90 years in the same building and 125 as Belmont's community library.

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## NH LAKES announces new slate of board officers

REGION — NH LAKES recently voted on a new slate of board officers to carry out the organization's mission of working for clean and healthy lakes.

Incoming NH LAKES Board Chair, Bruce Freeman, has served on the board since 2017. Bruce is a retired business executive. His career began at GE in manufacturing management and executive roles, eventually serving as General Manager of the GE Meter business headquartered in Somersworth, New Hampshire, and as president of two GE Capital companies.

Bruce greatly enjoys being part of the NH LAKES community and has strong interests in protecting our beautiful lakes for current and future generations. Bruce and his wife reside year-round on Bow Lake in Strafford.

In the words of Stu Lord, outgoing NH LAKES Board Chair, "Bruce has extensive

experience in organizational assessment and management and has helped us position NH LAKES to achieve its current and future successes. I am confident he will do a great job for NH LAKES and I look forward to working with him in the last year of my term."

Stu Lord joined the NH LAKES Board in 2013. In 2017, Stu stepped up to serve as board chair and, now, going into his ninth and final year of board service, he has stepped down as board chair to mentor his replacement, Bruce Freeman.

Tom O'Brien, NH LAKES President, commented, "Perhaps the best thing a leader can do is to find and prepare their replacement. Stu has done just that. Fortu-

nately for us, his work is not yet done."

Added to the slate of officers this year is Bob Reed, as treasurer. He will also serve as chair of the finance committee—a committee he has served on for the past two years. Reed has an MBA and a lengthy international corporate career, some of it in accounting. He retired to New Hampshire with his wife, Cathy, and they have a home along Bow Lake in Strafford. He is passionate about preservation of New Hampshire's waters and natural resources. Reed will continue, and build upon, the good work that has been done by his predecessors to create financial integrity and stability at NH LAKES.

To learn about the talented individuals serv-

ing on the NH LAKES Board of Directors, visit [nhlakes.org/board-staff](http://nhlakes.org/board-staff). If you are interested in serving, please contact Tom O'Brien, NH LAKES President, at [tobrien@nhlakes.org](mailto:tobrien@nhlakes.org) or 226-0299.

Established in 1992, the mission of NH LAKES, a statewide, member supported non-profit organization, is to ensure that New Hampshire's 1,000 lakes are clean and healthy, now and in the future. To achieve its mission, NH LAKES works with partners, promotes clean water policies and responsible use, and inspires the public to care for our lakes. For more information, visit [nhlakes.org](http://nhlakes.org), email [info@nhlakes.org](mailto:info@nhlakes.org), or call 226-0299.

## How to thank a hero

TILTON — How, with social distancing and the need to avoid hugs and handshakes because of Covid-19, can we sincerely thank our heroes, the doctors, nurses, first responders, fire, police etc. who have dedicated their time to saving and improving lives, not only during the Covid-19 Pandemic, but all the time, and thank our veterans who've given so much to keep us free, is there a way?

There is, and here's how, under the chairmanship of the 'Hearts for Heroes' recognition program, Jackie Sandstrom, a member of the Lakes Region Art Association is encouraging everyone to create a heart, no larger than nine by 12 inches, with a message acknowledging and/or praising a hero.

"All interested are invited join us at the Lakes Region Art Association/Gallery, Tanger Outlets, 120 Laconia Rd., Tilton, suite 132, Thursday-Sunday, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. and create a heart at the 'Art for Heart' table that's all set-up with art supplies and materials to create your Heart for a Hero," said Sandstrom.

"Or, you may do this at your home instead using any medium you'd like. It doesn't matter how old you are, if you are an artist or not to participate, everyone is encouraged to join-in, and it's free," she added.

All completed hearts will be on public display the month of March in the LRAA/Gallery, and then gifted to our heroes at the NH Veteran's Home, Tilton. For information: [info@lraanh.org](mailto:info@lraanh.org).

## Raiders sweep a pair from Franklin

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING  
SPORTS EDITOR

BELMONT — The Belmont hoop girls had a good week, picking up a pair of wins over Franklin to head into the final week of the regular season.

The week started with a trip to Franklin and the Raiders finished with a 58-30 win over the Golden Tornadoes. Morgan Hall had a strong game with 16 points and 13 rebounds while Rebecca Fleming finished with 11 points and five steals. Molly Sottak finished with 11 points, eight of them coming in the first quarter.

The Raiders then hosted the Golden Tornadoes on Thursday, Feb. 18, and got the 57-22 win. Belmont got out to the 23-6 lead after one quarter and never looked back.

Hall had another double-double, scoring 12 points and pulling down 10 rebounds. Fleming was the lead scorer with 14 points and also added six steals. Sottak had 11 points and Courtney Burke added 10 points.


Seniors Fleming, Hall, Sottak, Emma Roberts and Katharine Davies were honored prior to the game.

The final week of the season has a schedule change, with the Raiders playing Kingswood instead of Inter-Lakes. The Raiders are scheduled to host the Knights tonight, Feb. 25, at 6 p.m.


The Division III tournament kicks off for Belmont on Thursday, March 4, when they will host the winner of the first-round game between Newfound and Gilford.

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# Strong showing from local skiers at Meet of Champions

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FRANCONIA — The best alpine skiers from each of the four divisions in New Hampshire high school racing descended on Mittersill Ski Area at Cannon Mountain on Thursday, Feb. 18.

Among local skiers, the star of the day was Dylan Welch of Plymouth, who won the giant slalom and the slalom after sweeping both races in the Division III championships at Gunstock the previous week.

In the giant slalom, Welch finished in a time

of 1:15.37 to take the win. Charles Loukes of Lin-Woo finished in third place in 1:17.5 and Adam Bell of Profile was next amongst local skiers in a time of 1:19.96 for seventh place.

Lin-Wood's Jacob Morris skied to 10th place in 1:20.74, Jack Price of Profile was 12th in 1:21.86 and Mitchell Berry of Belmont placed 19th overall in 1:24.27. Silas Weeden of Lin-Wood was 21st in 1:24.81, Reed Karnopp of Kennett was 22nd in 1:25.56 and Andrew Wilson of Lin-Wood placed 23rd in 1:26.33.

In the slalom, Welch finished in a time of 1:10.34 to lead the way. Morris was next, finishing in seventh place in a time of 1:17.14 and Berry skied to 11th place in a time of 1:19.45.

Parker Coleman of Kennett skied to 16th place in a time of 1:21.03, Wilson was 17th overall in 1:22.35 and Weeden placed 19th with his time of 1:25.68. Loukes skied to 23rd overall in 1:27.57, Karnopp was 24th in 1:29.57 and Nathan Lorey of Plymouth was 25th in a time of 1:30.07.

For the girls in the giant slalom, Emme Bell

of Profile was the top local skier, finishing in a time of 1:22.37 for second place.

Ashley Garside of Kennett finished in third place in 1:22.95 and Isabella Cronin of White Mountains placed sixth in a time of 1:24.19.

Syler Sayers of Kennett placed seventh in 1:25.07, Bethany Tanner of Gilford placed 12th in a time of 1:26.84, Sydney Pickering of Lin-Wood finished in 15th place in 1:27.7 and Ella Stephenson of Profile finished in a time of 1:27.92 for 16th place.

Sumaj Billin of Plym-

outh was 20th in 1:29.47, Mackenzie Carr of Kennett was 21st in 1:30.97, Sophia Lehr of Gilford was 23rd in 1:31.53 and Holly Hoyt finished in 27th place in 1:39.91.

In the slalom, Sophie Bell of Profile took the overall win with a time of 1:18.18.

Garside skied to fifth place with a time of 1:23.01 and Sayers was seventh in 1:25.24. Allie Hussey of Kennett placed ninth in 1:27.31 and Tanner placed 11th in 1:27.63.

Elaina DiMaggio of Profile was 12th overall in a time of 1:28.47, Ste-

phenson was 18th with a time of 1:31.66, Carr finished in 21st place in 1:37.48 and Billin was 25th in 1:41.9.

Hoyt finished in 27th place in 1:45.82, Pickering was 28th in 1:49.21 and Amy Burton of Kennett finished in 2:05.44 for 30th place.

The Meet of Champions was open to all skiers who finished in the top seven in either the slalom or giant slalom at their respective division championships.

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# Basketball postseason tournament brackets set

**BY JOSHUA SPAULDING**  
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REGION — The New Hampshire Interscholastic Athletic Association has announced the brackets for the upcoming basketball tournament for all four divisions.

Teams have been divided into different regions and then each team was randomly given a seeding within that region, which determines where they play to start the tournament.

For the Division II boys, Plymouth, Kennett and Kingswood are all in the same region.

Plymouth will open the tournament on Monday, March 1, at Merrimack Valley. The winner of that game moves on to play Laconia on Thursday, March 4. Kingswood will host Kennett on Thursday, March 4, and the quarterfinals will take place on Saturday, March 6.

For the Division III boys, Winnisquam, Newfound, Berlin, White Mountains, Belmont, Inter-Lakes and Gilford are all in the same region. Winnisquam will host Newfound, Berlin will host White Mountains and Belmont will host

Inter-Lakes, all on Monday, March 1. Gilford will play the winner of the Winnisquam-Newfound matchup on Wednesday, March 3.

Prospect Mountain is in a different region and will get a bye in the first round, hosting the winner of the first round game between Somersworth and St. Thomas on Wednesday, March 3. All quarterfinal games in D3 are Saturday, March 6.

In Division IV, Woodsville, Lin-Wood and Lisbon are all in the same region. Woodsville will host Lin-Wood on Mon-

day, March 1, and the winner will face off with Lisbon on Wednesday, March 3. The quarterfinals are Saturday, March 6.

Littleton, Groveton, Profile and Gorham are in a different region, with Groveton hosting Gorham on Monday, March 1, and the winner visiting Profile on Wednesday, March 3. Littleton will host the winner of Colebrook and Pittsburg-Canaan on Wednesday, March 3. The quarterfinals are Saturday, March 6.

For the girls in Division II, Kingswood,

Kennett and Plymouth are in the same region, with Kingswood visiting Merrimack Valley on Tuesday, March 2, with the winner moving on to face Laconia on Friday, March 5. The quarterfinals are Sunday, March 7.

In Division III, Newfound will host Gilford, Berlin will host White Mountains and Winnisquam will host Inter-Lakes, all on Tuesday, March 2. Belmont will play the winner of the Newfound-Gilford matchup on Thursday, March 4. The quarterfinals are Sunday, March

7.

Prospect Mountain will open the tournament on Thursday, March 4, at Somersworth, with the quarterfinals again on Sunday, March 7.

For Division IV's girls, Woodsville will be at Concord Christian and Lisbon will host Lin-Wood, both on Tuesday, March 2. Moultonborough will host the Concord Christian-Woodsville winner and Franklin will host the Lisbon-Lin-Wood winner, both on Thursday, March 4, with the quarterfinals on Sunday, March 7.

Gorham will be hosting Profile on Tuesday, March 2, with the winner moving on to visit Littleton on Thursday, March 4, while Groveton will host the winner of Colebrook and Pittsburg-Canaan, also on Thursday, March 4. The quarterfinals are Sunday, March 7.

# Winni Dip fundraiser to take place March 6 & 7

LACONIA — Geography has always played an important role in the Special Olympics New Hampshire Winni Dip events. The “Winni” being short for Lake Winnepesaukee.

It's still too soon to be considering any gatherings on the shores of the Big Lake, but the Winni Dip events are important fundraisers for Special Olympics New Hampshire and will be held this year in a socially-distanced manner.

Like the Dip's big brother fundraising event The Penguin Plunge, this year's Dips will be “DIY” events leaving the “when” and “where” of participants' Winni Dip completely up to them. Winni Dip events include the Community Winni Dip, the Cool Schools Winni Dip for middle and high school students, the Law Enforcement Winni Dip for police and public

safety personnel and the 24-Hour MEGA Dip event that requires one dip an hour for 24 consecutive hours. The 2021 Winni Dip is presented by Coca-Cola Beverages Northeast.

Registration is open now online at [www.SONH.org](http://www.SONH.org) and most fundraising is done via website and individual social media channels. SONH launched a new online fundraising platform this year and those who used it for the plunge event report that it was fun and easy. Most people can meet fundraising minimums in just two or three days.

“While there are no in-person training or sports activities right now, we continue to keep our athletes as active as possible with online and remote initiatives like our just-launched Hope Challenge One,” according to SONH President and CEO Mary Conroy.

“Our athletes score points towards virtual walks around three of New Hampshire's lakes through at-home activities both physical and social,” she continued.

Funds raised from the Winni Dip events will go towards programs like the Hope Challenge and eventually for returning in-person programs. All funds raised from the Winni Dip stay in the Granite State.

SONH will deliver a “Dip Tank” to all participants. The tank will include the participant's brand-name incentive item along with other items to help complete the Winni Dip experience. The theme this year is “Oh, The Places We'll Go” and it is up to each dipper to determine where they will find water and safely take the plunge. The Dip Window is March 3-7.

Participants are

asked to always keep safety in mind. Follow all state and local guidelines regarding Covid-19 for wherever you may be while dipping. If you get any pictures or video, please post to your social media using the #sonhdip.

In addition to Coca-Cola Beverages Northeast as presenting sponsor, the 2021 Winni Dip is also sponsored by TD Bank, Sheehan Phinney, Associated Grocers of New England, Commonwealth Financial Group and Eversource.

More information about all events can be found at [www.SONH.org](http://www.SONH.org). More information about Coca-Cola Beverages Northeast can be found at [www.cokenortheast.com/](http://www.cokenortheast.com/).

About Special Olympics New Hampshire

Special Olympics New Hampshire (SONH) is an accredited program of Special Olym-

pics International (SOI) and is part of an international global movement that unleashes the human spirit through the transformative power and joy of sports, every day around the world. We empower people with intellectual disabilities to become accepted and valued members of their communities, which leads to a more respectful and inclusive society for all. Using sports as the catalyst and programming around health and education, Special Olympics is fighting inactivity, injustice and intolerance.

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## On voting

This is not an editorial about politics. This is not a column written in support of a candidate. This is not even about any particular upcoming town or school district election, or ballot initiative. This is actually an editorial just about voting.

For most of us, voting isn't super exciting. It's not a holiday around which we can theme a cook-out or picnic or party. No one wishes anyone a Happy Election Day and children definitely do not clamor to be taken to the polls to watch the voting process. But wouldn't it be terrific if they did? What if we treated elections the way we treat Super Bowl Sunday? What if we made it the "Big Deal" that it truly is? Why don't all Americans love voting? Does voting need a marketing make-over? Maybe so.

Think about it: your vote is your voice. It is your most powerful way to decisively state your preference. No one can or should influence your vote. Your vote is an actual, documented and counted opinion. It's better than a Facebook "like," or a retweet or a swipe. It means even more than holding a sign, or having a bumper sticker, signing an online petition, or sending an email.

Voting, in our country, is a right. It cannot be taken from you. Throughout American history, it has been fought for, debated, argued, amended and signed into law...for you. What was once a privilege restricted to a single, narrow segment of the population is now a freedom that all Americans are literally born with

Yet for many, voting is a guilt-driven, exasperating "Why do I have to do this?" burdensome task. It's one more thing to do on a busy workday and inspires inner arguments: "What if the lines are long?" "I can't stand any of these politicians!" "Should I vote for or against Issue whatever?" "I don't want to admit how little I really know about anything on the ballot." In the same spirit of granting Election Day a status equal to major football games, what's needed is just a little pre-game prep. You wouldn't predict your Super Bowl winner without at least knowing the teams' records. Do the same with those candidates and issues! We have so much information at our fingertips today, including right here in the newspaper you are reading. You know more than you think.

Along with voting, we are granted the right to express opinions. Active, engaged citizens can and do discuss issues and situations and very often disagree with one another. Voting is the civilized expression of putting action behind words. Anyone can speak an opinion. Anyone can also vote in matters relating to that opinion. If someone chooses not to vote, their opinion, while no less valid, is nonetheless wasted. Your vote is your choice to use your voice...and to truly make it heard.

This Town Meeting season, don't sit this one out. Your vote is real. It is counted. It matters. Vote!

*Send your letters!*

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KATHY SUTHERLAND

### Golden Eagles soar

Isaiah Costa puts up a shot during Belmont's game with Prospect Mountain last week. The Raiders got the sweep of the Timber Wolves and will move on to play at Franklin today, Feb. 18, and will play Inter-Lakes next week, at home on Monday, Feb. 22, and on the road on Thursday, Feb. 25, with all games set for 6 p.m. starts.



## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Support Bob Lambert for Selectman

To the Editor:  
Please help support Bob Lambert for Sanbornton Board of Selectmen.  
March 9 is a critical time for voting. Bob has been a member of our Budget Committee and Capital Improvements Committee. From my conversations with Bob about our town, he is a critical thinker, as Mr. Andy Sanborn has stated earlier this past week. His background in construction, recruiting for jobs, and now restoration will be a bonus to our town. Bob is good with numbers and with his decision making attitude in order to make our town right for

the residents. Bob's willingness to volunteer is very evident within our town. Bob is very articulate and informed on our town needs, desires, and direction.  
For the best interest in Sanbornton, please vote for Bob Lambert on March 9. I place my confidence in Bob Lambert in order to preserve our town historical, senior residence, and farming community intact through his leadership skills.

DOUGLAS RASP  
SANBORNTON

### Your vote matters more now than ever

To the Editor:  
It is that time again, and I am asking for your vote in the upcoming local elections. This year, more than ever, your vote counts. There are seven people on the ballot all wanting to be a selectman, and only two openings. I sincerely would appreciate your vote for one of the seats at the table.  
I have lived here for almost 40 years, the last 12 of which I have served as a selectman. Those of you who know me know that I am committed to you and this town with all of my heart. I am constantly in touch with my constituents, whether in person, walking the downtown, via cell phone 24/7, email or at town functions. My decisions are always based on input from residents, employees, knowledge and thoughtful consideration.  
During the time spent as a selectman, I have not only focused on the budget and day to day activities of the town, but brought brand new programs such as the CHAT Committee(Caring Hands Assisting Tilton) which was a committee made up of residents who checked in with our seniors on a daily basis. These volunteers took them shopping and to doctor's appointment if needed. Through the CHAT Committee, we could see many of our Seniors needs and that's when I got the idea that perhaps a Senior Center would best serve Tilton. In 2009, as a selectman, I asked the board to use the Grange building which was owned by the town but vacant. It needed a lot of work but with an amazing team, we created the Senior Center which is now in its 11<sup>th</sup> year of existence. We manage to operate it primarily on fundraising, grants and donations of local citizens and businesses.

In addition, I created the Community Service program with the Franklin district court. There are a lot of children caught between bad choices and courts and with this program they were able to serve the community in a positive way and not make that bad choice a permanent one.  
I served on the State's Committee for Aging rep-

resenting Belknap County, and received the Joseph Vaughan Award from the Governor for my service to our seniors.  
I have served on so many police building committees, I lost count. I have served from 2009 to 2021. Finally, we will have a new Police Station, which is opening soon.  
I proudly represent Tilton, and applaud and appreciate the diversity that exists on the Board today. We don't always agree, however, we will always come to an amicable resolve. We come from all different backgrounds and I welcome their knowledge and perspective on every issue. Recently, I read in the paper that one candidate would like to see us respect each other. We all respect each other very much. We agree to disagree. When we disagree it does not mean we disrespect each other. At the end of the day, it is about what is in the best interest of Tilton, not us as individuals.  
Going forward, I would love to see an Assisted Living project (not funded by the town) brought to Tilton so that our senior residents are not forced to move from our community, just because they are elderly. I would like to continue to be a part of the process to preserve our historical downtown district, keep our taxes affordable, meet with surrounding Towns and maybe share more resources, protect our island. Our employees are our backbone and often work above and beyond for the Town and we need to recognize them along with the many, many selfless volunteers.

Thank you all; I am hoping that you will continue to support me for another term as your selectman.  
Here's hoping that you will continue to support me for another term as your selectman. I appreciate your past support and the confidence you have placed in me for the past 12 years. I thank you for all you have done for me and our community.  
Very sincerely,

PAT CONSENTINO  
TILTON

### Vote for Pat Consentino

To the Editor:  
Hi, I am writing to ask the residents of Tilton to vote for incumbent Pat Consentino for Selectman at our upcoming Town Meeting. I served on the Select Board with Pat for five years, and I saw her in action. Pat is a caring person that has great passion and love for our town and works hard to see that things get done for the people in our community.  
Pat has always been very active as a selectman, doing her research and preparing for meetings. One of the biggest passions she had and still has is the Senior Center and the well-being for our Senior citizens that want to participate in the different activities the center has. This past year Pat and the senior committee were instrumental in getting a used passenger van for the transportation needs of our seniors that no longer drive.

She has worked with the Police Department as a liaison, and put in time on coming up with agreements on new contracts.  
She is known to work with veterans that need help with issues or just looking for information. She works hard to resolve problems that different townspeople run into and is always open to the suggestions that are brought to her for consideration for the town.  
I think she has been a really good friend to the town, and I know she will continue to do so. It is refreshing to know she does all this without any personal agendas and will continue to do so in the future.  
SANDY PLESSNER  
TILTON



## Old presses, antique engines, and ways of life almost gone



By JOHN HARRIGAN  
COLUMNIST

For quite a stretch of my days in the Lancaster-Jefferson area, one of the best seasonal events was Holiday in the Hills, held in late summer in the Northeast Kingdom town of Granby (and Victory) Vermont. It was originally organized to help pay for getting electricity to the town, which became a reality in 1963.

At this event, held willy-nilly along the main road looping through town, kids large and small could watch chunks of wood become smaller by means of a belt-driven wood-splitter. They could see cedar shakes (shingles) come out of a complex gizmo of gears, belts and chutes powered by an antique engine.

They could also bob for apples, and there were pies aplenty. In fact, there was food everywhere.

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Veteran pressman Calvin Crawford and I had just shut down New Hampshire's last newspaper press using the old letterpress method, in which inked type was

impressed onto newsprint, leaving an impression you could think about and feel.

It was a bittersweet time for me. Even as I took the paper's page-negatives all the way over to Newport, Vermont, and came back with printed newspapers weighing my old Scout down to the axles, I missed the old process and the old, clanking press, which still stood there, its big brass oil cups already filled for a next time that would never come.

Colebrook's newspaper had been produced on a huge old press right in Colebrook. Now, the paper was dependent on a press across the river and an hour and a half away. The paper could still live up to its motto, "Independent but not neutral," but it was no longer fully independent.

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In Granby, as at Lancaster Fair and other fairs around New England, I had as much fun watching the people as I did the antique engines and the marvelous contraptions they ran.

About half the people wandering up and down the long stretch of road in Granby, I figured, were aficionados who went to many shows like this and simply loved old engines and odd contraptions.

The other half were drawn in by the signs out along main roads pointing the way, or something they saw in

various publications, ranging from small-town newspapers to seasonal magazines.

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When I bought the Coös County Democrat in 1978, it had a full commercial print-shop, with a long list of customers for envelopes to letterheads to business cards.

I had never run a job-printing press in my life, and certainly was not prepared to run an entire printing shop. Yet the Coös County Democrat had a full print-shop with a full list of customers, and when their orders were due they wanted them, now.

The newspaper itself, like the majority of weekly newspapers all over New England, was printed on someone else's press, and the reason for this was a completely new approach to the job, called offset printing. The offset method cut preparation time to a fraction, and produced vastly superior photographs.

But a totally new process required a totally new piece of machinery to print the paper, and offset printing required a press that was not only new and expensive but also required a lot of room. Thus, legions of small weekly newspapers had no choice but to embrace the new technology, shut down their own newspaper presses, and get their newspapers printed somewhere else.

This was the early evolution of the central-

ized printing plant, and in areas with no nearby daily newspaper, larger weekly often assumed the role. While the News and Sentinel elected to take its paper all the way over to Newport, Vermont to have its paper printed by the Newport Daily Express, the Littleton Courier, one of the state's larger weeklies, elected to put in a new offset newspaper press of its own, and began lining up other papers to print. Thus, the Coös County Democrat was printed on the Courier's press, as were several other weekly papers in the region.

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In England, they've thrown all the old cabs onto the scrap heap, those great little black cabs that had real fenders and narrow hoods and plenty of room in the boot (trunk). The back of the cab where the patrons sat, by the way, was designed to accommodate a top-hat. (White scarf and black coat, no doubt.)

The other day, I was thinking about this, and envisioning a scene not so long ago when there was a huge demand for a new top hat made from felt from the undercoat of a beaver pelt. The beaver trade was a major factor in the exploration and later colonization of much of North America, another being gold. This is not to minimize silver, timber, hides, and the very land itself, in a quantity unfathomable to Europeans who



COURTESY  
This McCormick Deering hit-or-miss engine, typical of engines with large, heavy flywheels that could power all sorts of contraptions and run all day on a gallon of gas, was used as an all-around farm engine in Pennsylvania. It was for sale on ebay for \$799. (Courtesy ebay)

thought it was theirs for the taking.

All this was going through my mind when I happened onto a documentary about narrow boats used on England's thousands of miles of canals by thousands of weekend fans, tourists, and people who simply live that way.

At one point the narrator stopped in at a regatta featuring antique boats. One especially old vessel came along, and I heard a distinctive "Bang!-pop-pop-pop," and recognized it instantly as a hit-or-miss engine, the kind that could run all day on a half-gallon of gas and would turn a big fly-wheel, which in turn would step down to a smaller wheel that would power just about anything.

There are lots of these old engines out there around northern New England, often with

no place nearby for a go-and-show gathering, so only the people with time, ability, and desire can or will take their antique machines to often far-off events.

I've always thought that these machines would be a great addition to Lancaster Fair, and properly managed and promoted, the event would grow like Topsy.

People are drawn to these old engines and the machinery they powered. They offer a look at the past and a display of knowledge, the kind of thing that should be seen, understood, appreciated, and passed on before it slips away.

(Please address mail, with phone numbers in case of questions, to campguyhooligan@gmail.com or 386 South Hill Rd., Colebrook, NH 03576.)

## STRATEGIES FOR LIVING

BY LARRY SCOTT

Canvassing door to door as a young preacher launching a new church, I interrupted a finely dressed gentleman one morning just as he was about to leave for work. As I introduced myself, he politely but firmly interrupted me. "Look, Reverend, I thank you for the invitation," he said, "but I'm really not interested. I live a good life. Everything is going well. Frankly, Mr. Scott, I don't need God." Pausing for just a moment, I said, "Mr., I suggest that within fifty years you will see things differently." "Not at all," he responded, "I won't be here fifty years from now." "Precisely!" I said and walked away.

America has likewise dismissed Jesus Christ as a religious figure that has little relevance to the day in which we live. The principles He taught, we are told, are no longer

valid for twentieth-century America. That is America's choice, and the further we get away from God, the more popular and accepted will be that evil segment of our society determined to destroy the American way of life. No longer satisfied with a secular mind-set, they have now turned their sights on our Constitution, our national heroes, and our institutions of law and order. Wake up, America!

I am well aware the warnings proffered by the Christian community come across as fear-mongering and taken as just so much hot air. But the Bible says, "Be not deceived, God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows. The one who sows to please his sinful nature, from that nature will reap destruction." One can turn a blind eye to what is taking place for

only so long; sooner or later, there will be hell to pay.

I have no clue whether the Covid-19 pandemic is of divine origin. The present crisis has shown, however, that we have no warrant to blame the Almighty for the fix we are in. The pandemic is something we have done to ourselves, and one can only imagine what lies ahead. But we have opted God out of our national life and have no recourse but to face the future alone

and without divine help.

I cannot imagine facing the future without my faith in God. And it is not a faith based on tradition or belief inherited from my family. It is a faith supported by the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, proof positive that He was, indeed, is the Son of God. His perspective on life and my eternal destiny is one on which I can rest, confident that however difficult life becomes here on earth, there is a light at the end

of my tunnel. In Jesus' words, "Let not your heart be troubled. ... I go to prepare a place for you ... that where I am, there you may be also."

And Mr. ... it doesn't get any better than that!

For more thoughts like these, follow me at [indefenseoftruth.net](http://indefenseoftruth.net).

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Edward Jones: Financial Focus

Now that we're a few weeks removed from 2020, it's a good time to reflect on such a momentous year. We can think about developments in the social and political spheres, but we also learned – or perhaps re-learned – some valuable lessons about investing.

Here are four of them:

• A long-term perspective is essential

Volatility in the financial markets is nothing new, but, even so, 2020 was one for the books. Of course, the COVID-19 outbreak was the driving force behind most of the wild price swings. Soon after the pandemic's effects were first felt, the S&P 500, a common index of U.S. large-cap stocks, fell 34% but gained 67% by the end of the year. Consequently, investors who stuck with their investment portfolios and kept their eyes on their long-term goals, rather than on shocking headlines, ended up doing well. And while 2020 was obviously an unusual year,

the long-term approach will always be valuable to investors.

• Investment opportunities are always available

The pandemic drove down the prices of many stocks – but it didn't necessarily harm the long-term fundamentals of these companies. In other words, they may still have had strong management, still produced desirable products and services, and still had good prospects for growth. In short, they may still have been good investment opportunities – and when their prices were depressed, they may also have been "bargains" for smart investors. And this is the case with virtually any market downturn – some high-quality stocks will be available at favorable prices.

• Diversification pays off

Bond prices often move in a different direction from stocks. So, during a period of volatility when stock prices are falling, such as we saw in the weeks

after the pandemic hit in March, the presence of bonds in your portfolio can lessen the impact of the downturn and stabilize your overall returns. And this, in essence, is the value of maintaining a balanced and diversified portfolio. (Keep in mind, though, that diversification can't guarantee profits or prevent all losses.)

• The market looks ahead

The pandemic-driven market plunge may have been stunning, but it made a kind of intrinsic sense – after all, the sudden arrival of a pandemic that threatened lives, closed businesses and cost millions of jobs doesn't sound like a positive event for the financial markets. But the strong rally that followed the initial drop and continued into 2021 has surprised many people. Af-

ter all, the pandemic's effects were felt throughout the rest of 2020, and are still being felt now, so why did stock prices rise? The answer is pretty straightforward: The financial markets always look ahead, not behind. And for a variety of reasons – including widespread vaccinations, anticipated economic stimulus measures from Congress and the Biden administration, and the Federal Reserve's continued steps to keep interest rates low – the markets are anticipating much stronger economic growth, possibly starting in the second half of 2021.

All of us are probably glad to have 2020 behind us. Yet, the year taught us some investment lessons that we can put to work in 2021 – and beyond.

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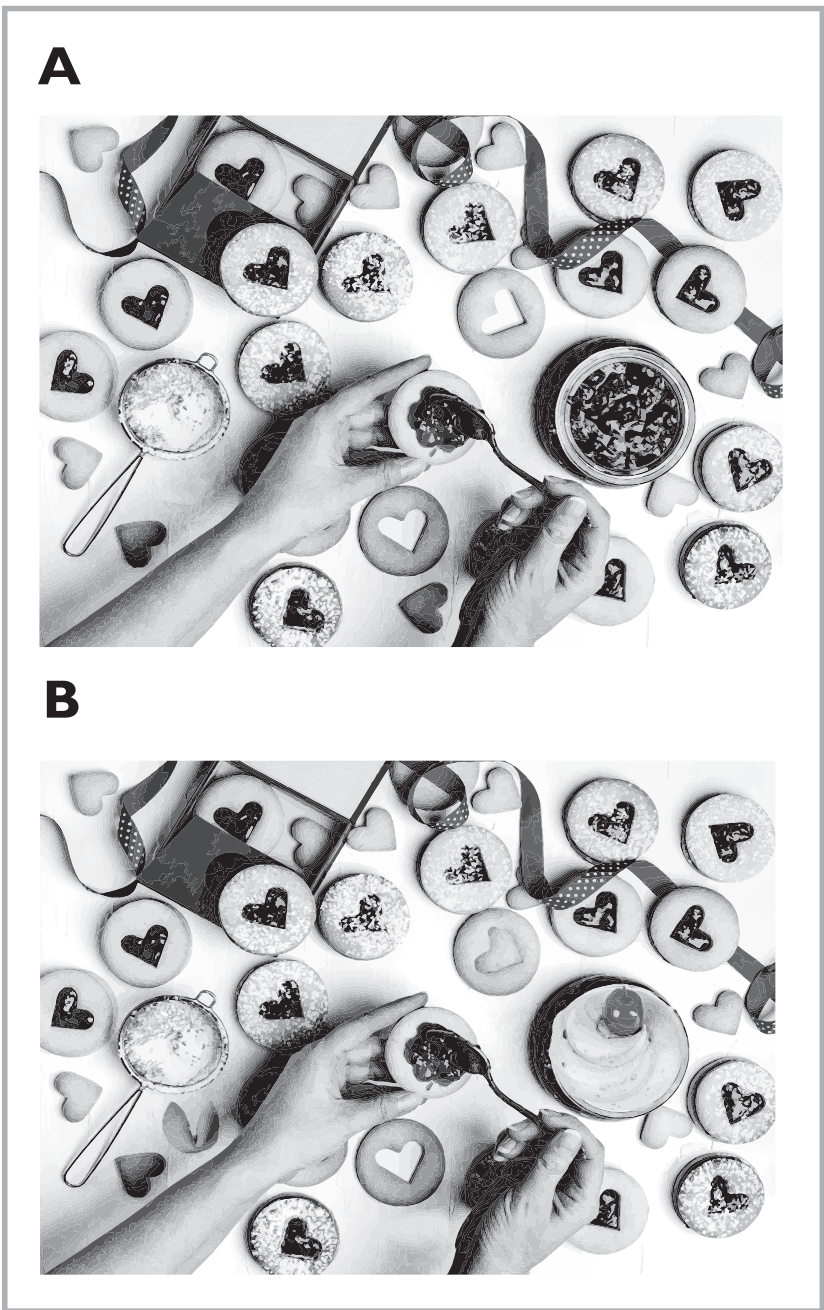
Before investing in bonds, you should understand the risks involved, including credit risk and market risk. Bond investments are also subject to interest rate risk such that when interest rates rise, the prices of bonds can decrease, and the investor can lose principal value if the investment is sold prior to maturity.





What’s the Difference?

There are four differences between Picture A and Picture B. Can you find them all?



Answers: 1. Fortune cookie next to wrist 2. Missing cookie heart middle at bottom 3. Cookie middle inside of cookie in middle 4. Cream instead of jam

ANSWER: BAKING

THIS DAY IN...



HISTORY

- 1815: NAPOLEON BONAPARTE ESCAPES FROM EXILE IN ELBA.
- 1919: THE GRAND CANYON NATIONAL PARK IS ESTABLISHED.
- 1935: RADIO DETECTION AND RANGING IS FIRST DEMONSTRATED BY ROBERT WATSON-WATT. THIS LEADS TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF RADAR.

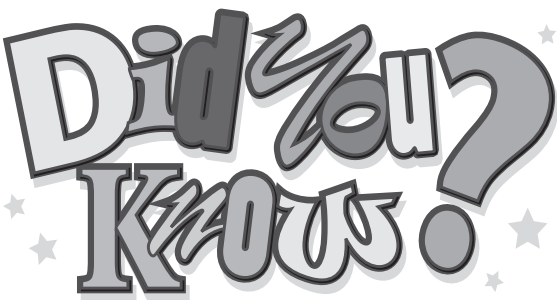


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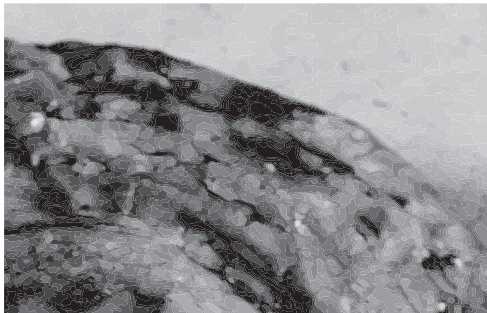
to mix an ingredient gently



- ENGLISH:** Flour
- SPANISH:** Harina
- ITALIAN:** Farina
- FRENCH:** Farine
- GERMAN:** Mehl



THE FIRST CUPCAKE RECIPE WAS INVENTED IN 1776. IT WAS A LIGHT CAKE BAKED IN SMALL CUPS. THE SECOND CUPCAKE RECIPE WAS INVENTED IN 1871.



Can you guess what the bigger picture is?

ANSWER: CINNAMON ROLL

CRYPTO FUN



Determine the code to reveal the answer!

Solve the code to discover words related to getting organized. Each number corresponds to a letter. (Hint: 4 = R)

A. 17 4 8 2 4 21 6

Clue: Neat and tidy

B. 12 21 17 23 2 22

Clue: Place for clothing

C. 12 21 24 22 22 2 4

Clue: Excess stuff

D. 23 22 17 4 18 1 2

Clue: Space for housing items

Answers: A. orderly B. closet C. clutter D. storage

SUDOKU

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Level: Advanced

Here’s How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

1	6	9	8	2	7	3	5	4
6	8	3	5	1	4	7	2	9
7	1	2	4	6	9	3	8	5
8	3	4	1	9	7	5	2	6
9	2	5	6	3	8	1	4	7
4	7	9	2	6	3	8	5	1
8	1	3	6	4	5	7	2	9
9	5	8	3	7	6	1	4	2
4	1	7	5	2	8	6	3	9

ANSWER:



# Bulldogs battle in Conway but Eagles get the win



Wade Volo of Kennett and Owen Guerin of Belmont-Gilford battle for the puck in action on Saturday

JOSHUA SPAULDING

**BY JOSHUA SPAULDING**  
Sports Editor

CONWAY — Games between the Kennett and Belmont-Gilford hockey teams have had some pretty good games over the years.

On Saturday, Feb. 21, the Eagles got the better of the Bulldogs at the Ham Arena in Conway, finishing with a 4-0 win in a game that saw both teams get plenty of chances on net.

“There were some good things and some things we need to clean up,” said Kennett coach Mike Lane. “It’s always competitive, every time we play them, we know it will be a game.”

“We’ve got a bunch of players out, including our top defenseman, that makes a big difference,” said Belmont-Gilford coach Jason Parent. “When you’re playing guys like (Wade) Volo, you want to have your best defenseman on the ice.”

Robbie Murphy and Jack Robinson had early chances for the Eagles while Owen Guerin, Zach Gilbert and Aidan McKenzie all had shots on net for the Eagles that were turned away by Kennett keeper Bryson Wroblewski. Colin McGreevy was able to stop another bid from Kennett’s Sam Seavey.

However, with 10:40 to go in the period, the Ea-

gles were able to get on the board, as Volo made a pass in front of the net that Matt Cormier tapped into the net for the 1-0 lead.

The Eagles kept pressuring, with Murphy ringing a shot off the post and Cormier sending the rebound on net, but McGreevy made the save. Volo also had a shot denied by the B-G keeper and Brady Shaw turned in a strong defensive stop on Guerin.

Logan Moulton had a chance go wide for the Bulldogs while Noah Keefe got in close for the Eagles and Seavey and Volo also had shots turned away. Guerin had a shot stopped by Wroblewski and Guerin and McKenzie teamed up on another bid, with Colby Olivier making a nice defensive stop. Dylan Flannery had a late shot for the Bulldogs that was stopped and the period ended with Kennett up 1-0.

McGreevy made a big save on an early chance from Cormier and Volo, sweeping the puck away from the line. Volo also sent a shot off the crossbar while at the other end, Jackson Collins had a shot that Wroblewski stopped. Olivier and Seavey both had chances for Kennett while Guerin and Brendan Folan had bids for the Bulldogs. Keefe got in close for the

Eagles but couldn’t convert while Gilbert sent a shot wide for the Bulldogs.

With 9:40 to go in the period, the Eagles got their second goal, as Volo put home a rebound for the 2-0 lead, with Olivier getting the assist on the tally. Colby Hall came back with a chance that was denied by McGreevy and both Geena Cookinham and Collins had chances for B-G that Wroblewski stopped. Moulton also had a chance denied while Hall had a chance at the other end.

With 32 seconds to go in the period, the Eagles gave themselves a little more cushioning heading to the third, as Volo sent a shot toward the

net that Hall got a stick on, popping it over McGreevy’s shoulder and in for the 3-0 lead after two periods.

While Wroblewski was forced to make an early save in the third period, it was Kennett that got on the board, as the Eagles scored just 52 seconds into the period, with Hall tipping home the puck on a shot from Shaw for the 4-0 lead.

Folan sent a shot wide for the Bulldogs while Olivier made a nice defensive stop on a bid from Flannery. Volo sent a shot wide for Kennett and Moulton and Eric Ellingson came back with chances that Wroblewski stopped. Guerin had another bid denied while

Hall, Olivier and Shaw all had chances for the Eagles that McGreevy kept from going in the net.

The game’s first power play came with 6:57 to go for the Bulldogs and Guerin had a couple of good bids but could not find the net. Olivier made a nice defensive play on a close in bid from McKenzie to help kill off the penalty.

Kennett took another penalty with 4:13 to go and Olivier again was solid on defense for Kennett and Murphy had a nice clear. Guerin, Gilbert, Folan and Cookinham all got good chances for the Bulldogs but could not put the puck past Wroblewski as the penalty was

killed.

Just two seconds after the penalty ended, Belmont-Gilford went back on the power play and Guerin had a couple more chances denied. Shaw and Seavey both had good clears to kill off the penalty and finish off the 4-0 win.

McGreevy finished with 25 saves on the night while Wroblewski had 22 to earn the shutout.

“We made a few adjustments after things they did the other night,” said Lane. “But there’s only so much we can do with our numbers.

“There are little things we have to clean up and we move forward,” the Eagle coach continued. “But 6-2-1 feels good.”

“Somebody has to step up and we haven’t really had that this year,” said Parent, referencing the players who are out. “I believe we haven’t played our best hockey yet, I think our best hockey is ahead of us.

“We have a lot of young kids who are getting good experience,” he continued. “If we have our best defenseman out there, maybe it works out better. But that doesn’t help us put the puck in the net.”

Belmont-Gilford is scheduled to be at Kingswood for a 7 p.m. game on Saturday, Feb. 27, to round out the regular season.

Kennett is scheduled to finish out the regular season at Laconia against Laconia-Winnisquam-Inter-Lakes on Saturday, Feb. 27, at 4:45 p.m.

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Keeper Colin McGreevy makes a save in action in Conway on Saturday.

## Raiders sweep a pair from Franklin

**BY JOSHUA SPAULDING**  
Sports Editor

BELMONT — The Belmont hoop girls had a good week, picking up a pair of wins over Franklin to head into the final week of the regular season.

The week started with a trip to Franklin and the Raiders finished with a 58-30 win over the Golden Tornadoes. Morgan Hall had a strong game with 16 points and 13 rebounds while Rebecca Fleming finished with 11 points and five steals. Molly Sottak finished

with 11 points, eight of them coming in the first quarter.

The Raiders then hosted the Golden Tornadoes on Thursday, Feb. 18, and got the 57-22 win. Belmont got out to the 23-6 lead after one quarter and never looked back.

Hall had another double-double, scoring 12 points and pulling down 10 rebounds. Fleming was the lead scorer with 14 points and also added six steals. Sottak had 11 points and Courtney Burke added 10 points.

Seniors Fleming,

Hall, Sottak, Emma Roberts and Katharine Davies were honored prior to the game.

The final week of the season has a schedule change, with the Raiders playing Kingswood instead of Inter-Lakes. The Raiders are scheduled to host the Knights tonight, Feb. 25, at 6 p.m.

The Division III tournament kicks off for Belmont on Thursday, March 4, when they will host the winner of the first-round game between Newfound and Gilford.

## Newfound girls pull away from Winnisquam

**BY JOSHUA SPAULDING**  
Sports Editor

TILTON — The Winnisquam hoop girls stayed close with Newfound in the first quarter on Wednesday, Feb. 17, but the visitors from Bristol pulled away with a strong second quarter on the way to a 64-22 win over the hosts in Tilton.

Newfound led 12-6 after one quarter of play but then outscored the

hosts 20-2 in the second quarter for a 32-8 lead at the halftime break.

“Newfound is a very good team and tonight we just could not get anything going,” said Winnisquam coach Mark Dawalga.

Mackenzie Philippy led the way for the blue and white Bears, putting in nine points.

The Bears are scheduled to end the regular

season on Friday, Feb. 26, at Plymouth at 6 p.m.

Winnisquam is scheduled to host Inter-Lakes in the opening round of the tournament on Tuesday, March 2. The winner will face either Berlin or White Mountains on Thursday, March 4.

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# LRPC TAC Committee meets Wednesday

REGION — The Lakes Region Planning Commission’s Transportation Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) will meet Wednesday, March 3, from 2 to 4 p.m.

State Representative Mark McConkey of Freedom will be the guest for an informal discussion of transportation funding in New Hampshire.

Rep. McConkey, who represents Carroll County’s District 3, is Vice Chair of the House Public Works and Highways Committee.

Updates will be provided on the state’s Ten Year Transportation Plan (2023-2032) and the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP).

As a result of the coronavirus/COVID-19 public health crisis and pursuant to Emergency Order #12 issued by Gov. Sununu on March 23, 2020 regarding the state of emergency currently extended through March 4, pursuant to the Governor’s Executive Order 2021-02, the Lakes Region Planning Commission has determined

that this meeting of its Transportation Advisory Committee will not be held at a physical location, but will be conducted via Zoom.

There are two ways for the public to access the meeting: Online at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88329227074> or by telephone at 1-929-205-6099 and enter Zoom Meeting ID 883 2922 7074. These instructions are also provided on the LRPC website at [www.LakesRPC.org](http://www.LakesRPC.org).

Anyone who has trouble accessing the meeting can call 279-5334 or email [admin@lakesrpc.org](mailto:admin@lakesrpc.org) for assistance.

The LRPC TAC encourages all members of the public who are interested in any aspect of transportation to provide input during the meeting. For additional information about this meeting, please contact the LRPC at 279-5334.

# UMF announces Dean’s List for fall 2020 semester

FARMINGTON, Maine — The University of Maine at Farmington proudly announces its Dean’s List for the fall 2020 semester, including Sam Wood of Franklin.

UMF maintains a Dean’s List each semester for those students completing a minimum

of 12 credits in courses producing quality points. Students whose grade point average for the semester is equal to or greater than 3.8 are listed with High Honors. Students whose grade point average for the semester is less than 3.8 but equal to or greater than 3.5 are listed

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four-season outdoor recreational region and is a welcoming, close-knit academic community that prepares students for engaged citizenship, enriching professional careers and an enduring love of learning.

## Dan Kelly of Sanbornton makes Dean’s List at RIT

ROCHESTER, N.Y. — Dan Kelly of Sanbornton was named to the Dean’s List at Rochester Institute of Technology for the 2020 Fall Semester. Kelly is in the electrical engineering technology program.

Undergraduate students are eligible for Dean’s List if their GPA is greater than or equal to 3.40 for nine credits of traditionally graded coursework; they do not have any grades of “Incomplete,” NE, D, or F; and they have registered for, and completed, at least 12 credit hours.

Rochester Institute of Technology is home to leading creators, entrepreneurs, innovators and researchers. Founded in 1829, RIT enrolls about 18,600 students in more than 200 career-oriented and professional programs, making it among the largest private universities in the U.S.

The university is internationally recognized and ranked for academic leadership in business, computing, engineer-

ing, imaging science, liberal arts, sustainability, and fine and applied arts. RIT also offers unparalleled support services for deaf and hard-of-hearing students. The cooperative education program is one of the oldest and largest in the nation. Global partnerships include campuses in China, Croatia, Dubai and Kosovo.

For news, photos and videos, go to [www.rit.edu/news](http://www.rit.edu/news).

## Caeli O’Brien of Belmont named to University of Hartford Dean’s List

WEST HARTFORD, Conn. — The University of Hartford is pleased to announce Caeli O’Brien of Belmont has been named to its Dean’s List for Fall 2020.

Spread across seven dynamic schools and colleges, the University of Hartford has been guiding the purpose and passion of students for over six decades. On our 350-acre campus alongside Connecticut’s capital city, approximately 4,600 undergraduate and 2,000 graduate students representing 49 states and 47 countries come together for a common purpose: to collaborate across different disciplines, diversify perspectives, and broaden worldviews. We’re a four-year private university focused on advancing the public good through meaningful connections within our communities. Our unique approach to comprehensive education gives us the critical perspectives that lead to impactful change, regionally and beyond. With degree programs spanning the arts, humanities, business, engineering and technology, education, and health professions, we focus on doing the work that matters. For more information, visit [hartford.edu](http://hartford.edu).

## Local student earns distinction at Wichita State University

WICHITA, Kan. — Wichita State University has announced the names of more than 3,500 students who were on the WSU dean’s honor roll for fall 2020, including Matthew J. Pluskis of Belmont.

To be included on the dean’s honor roll, a student must be enrolled full time (at least 12 credit hours) and earn at least a 3.5 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

WSU enrolls about 15,500 students and offers more than 50 undergraduate degree programs in more than 150 areas of study in six undergraduate colleges.

The Graduate School offers an extensive program including more than 40 master’s degrees that offer study in more than 100 areas; a specialist in education degree; and doctoral degrees in applied mathematics; audiology; chemistry; communication sciences and disorders; human factors and community/clinical psychology; educational leadership; nursing practice; physical therapy; and aerospace, electrical, industrial and mechanical engineering.

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## CONSERVATION

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began to look for ways to help the town achieve its vision of retaining that character and of supporting farming and forestry. Her search led her to the Lakes Region Conservation Trust.

The LRCT, with

28,000 acres of conserved land in 23 communities in the Lakes Region, holds no properties in Sanbornton. The Trust was eager to work with Mrs. Osmer and ultimately with the Town of Sanbornton, to change that and to make the joint vision come true.

## BATTLE

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as well as we did tonight, you're going to score a lot," the Bear coach noted.

"We really didn't come out to start and that hurt us big time," said Newfound coach Jesse Mitchell. "That was tough coming off last week, but it's a little reality check.

"We can't come out and expect to play like that (against Inter-Lakes) every time," the Newfound coach added.

Anthony Robbins got the scoring started for the visitors with a hoop and then Jacob Seavey converted a three-point play. A Phil Nichols three gave Winnisquam an 8-0 lead before Malaki Ingram got Newfound's first points of the game. Garret Mango answered with consecutive hoops for Winnisquam, the second coming on his own steal.

After Ingram hit another hoop for the hosts, Robbins drained a three-pointer, Mango finished off a nice feed from Rollins and Noah Pearson hit a hoop to give the visiting Bears the 19-4 lead over the host Bears.

Robbins started the second quarter with a free throw before Newfound got back-to-back buckets from Ryan Berg and Tyler MacLean. Caleb Bushway answered with a hoop for Winnisquam and then Nichols and Seavey drained three-pointers. Anthony Boomer hit a hoop and two free throws, sand-

wiched around a hoop from Nichols and followed by another Nichols hoop.

Berg drilled a shot for the hosts to get them back on the board, but Boomer hit a hoop for Winnisquam and Robbins drained a three-pointer to close out the half, giving Winnisquam a 41-10 lead heading to the break.

The blue and white Bears started the third quarter with a three-pointer from Seavey followed by a steal and hoop for Robbins before the Bears variety got a hoop and two free throws from Ingram.

Garrett King and Seavey exchanged three-pointers at opposite end of the court and Belville got a basket for Newfound before Seavey got a pair of free throws. Ingram drained two from the line and added a hoop, sandwiched around a hoop from Bushway.

Nichols hit another hoop before Berg followed with a basket at the other end. Seavey and Robbins drained back-to-back baskets before Berg hit another hoop for Newfound. Boomer converted a three-point play and then Leighton Morrison drained a three-pointer at the buzzer to give Winnisquam the 65-27 lead heading to the fourth quarter.

Ingram stared the fourth quarter with a three-point play, but Winnisquam scored the next nine points, start-

The Fund, to be managed by LRCT, can provide financial support for conservation of land entirely or partly within Sanbornton, undertaken by LRCT or by another land conservation organization. It can be used toward the purchase price or for neces-

ing with a hoop from Boomer, two from Ben Rollins and one from Subhan Chaudhry plus a free throw from Nolen Perrino.

King got a free throw and Berg put back a rebound for Newfound before Boomer hit another basket for Winnisquam. Jack Lavin closed out the game with a hoop for the hosts, making it a 76-35 final.

With his 12 points on the night, Nichols finished the game within six points of 1,000 for his career, with Dame noting he hoped the senior star would be able to achieve the milestone on Friday at home against Newfound.

"Any time a player get that (milestone), it means that they've been a good player for a long time," Dame said. "Usually it takes four years.

"You just don't show up and score 1,000," Dame continued. "He works hard, he's a bring your lunch pail every day type of kid."

"You have to keep working to produce games like Inter-Lakes," said Mitchell. "To compete with anybody, no matter who, you have to go out and play.

"We're better at that now, but we still have those games where we expect a lot and don't go out and earn it," the Newfound coach continued.

Mitchell noted that he was pleased that Ingram continued his aggressive play, which has been key to the team's recent strong play and praised Winnisquam for doing

sary transaction costs, such as title search and legal services, environmental reviews, surveys and appraisals—costs that are typically difficult to cover. The Fund welcomes new contributions, tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law, and can be from in-

a solid job against him, holding him to 15 points, his lowest point total of the season.

Seavey led all scorers with 16 points, Robbins and Boomer added 13 points each and Nichols chipped in with 12 while Ingram led the hosts with 15 points and Berg added 10.

Winnisquam is scheduled to host Plymouth in the final game of the regular season on Friday, Sept. 26, at 6 p.m.

Newfound is scheduled to be at Mascoma today, Feb. 25, at 6 p.m. to wrap up the regular season.

The two teams are scheduled to face off in the first round of the Division III tournament, which will take place on Monday, March 1, in Tilton. The winner will be at Gilford on Wednesday, March 3.

WRHS 19-22-24-13-76  
NRHS 4-6-17-8-35

Winnisquam 76  
Nichols 5-0-12, Seavey 5-3-16, Robbins 5-1-13, Mango 3-0-6, Bushway 2-0-4, Boomer 5-3-13, Perrino 0-1-1, Chaudhry 1-0-2, Morrison 1-0-3, Rollins 2-0-4, Totals 29-8-76

Newfound 35  
King 1-1-4, Ingram 5-5-15, MacLean 1-0-2, Belville 1-0-2, Lavin 1-0-2, Berg 5-0-10, Totals 14-6-35

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dividuals, foundations, or grant programs.

Asked if she would be involved personally with the management of the Fund, Mrs. Osmer said she didn't expect to be: "I trust the team at LRCT to manage the funds with the same commitment to excellence that they demonstrate in all their work. I'm excited to be working with them."

## GRANT

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Tilton - Tilton-Northfield Fire District- \$1,938

Authorized and funded through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act, the Fiscal Year 2020 Assistance to Firefighters Grant COVID-19 Supplemental (AFG-S) is a \$100 million supplemental funding opportunity to support the purchase of personal protective equipment (PPE) and related disinfectant supplies and equipment to help the fire services prevent, prepare for and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic.

By law, 25 percent of the available AFG-S funds must be awarded to volunteer fire departments and another 25 percent must be awarded to combination fire departments. The funding being announced today encompasses the fulfillment of that requirement to volunteer

To learn more about the Sanbornton Land Conservation Fund, or the work of the LRCT, visit the website at [LRCT.org](http://LRCT.org) or call 253-3301. Checks for the Fund may be mailed to LRCT, PO Box 766, Center Harbor, NH 02327. Please include "Sanbornton" on the memo line.

and combination fire departments. A volunteer fire department means a fire department that has an all-volunteer force of firefighting personnel. A combination fire department means a fire department that has paid firefighting personnel and volunteer firefighting personnel. Fire departments which pay fees/stipends (paid on-call firefighters) are also considered under this category.

FEMA obligates funding for this project directly to the recipient fire department. It is the recipient's responsibility to manage their grant award within federal guidelines with technical assistance and monitoring provided by FEMA Fire Program Specialists. Additional information about FEMA's Assistance to Firefighters grant programs may be found at <https://www.fema.gov/fire-grants>.

# LEGAL NOTICE

The Canterbury Supervisors of the Checklist will be in public session at Elkins Public Library, 9 Center Rd, Canterbury, NH for any changes and corrections to be made to the vote checklist on:  
Saturday, February 27, 2021,  
from 11 - 11:30 a.m.

### Supervisors of the Voter Checklist:

Mary Ann Winograd,  
Denise Sojka, Brenda Murray

## Shaker Regional School District

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## CHILDFIND CLINIC

All school districts using the special education process shall find, identify, and evaluate all children suspected to be children with disabilities. Anyone may refer a child they suspect may have a disability and need special education. We will be holding a "Child Find Clinic" on Monday, March 29, 2021 at Canterbury Elementary School from 1:00 – 3:00 pm for children age 2.5 years or older, but less than 21 years of age. Certified staff will screen students for possible learning disabilities, speech and language disabilities, motor skills, and overall developmental functioning. The clinic is open to any resident of Belmont or Canterbury, but **APPOINTMENTS ARE REQUIRED.** Please contact the SAU office at 267-9223 ext. 5306 for additional information or to make an appointment.

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The Belmont Supervisors of the Checklist will be in public session for any additions, changes, or corrections to be made to the voter checklist at the Belmont Town Hall,  
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### Supervisors of the Voter Checklist:

Brenda Paquette,  
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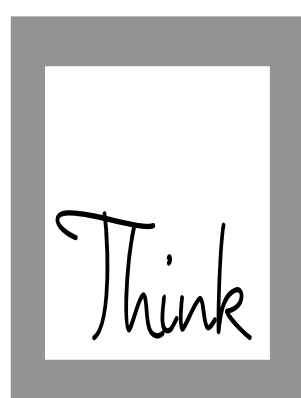






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# JV and varsity Bears roar past Franklin

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TILTON — On Feb. 11, the JV and varsity boys' basketball teams went up against the Tornadoes at Winnisquam Regional High to land wins 63-22 for JV and 67-40 for varsity.

To start the junior varsity game off for Winnisquam, players Ayden Cushing, Ben Rollins, Duncan Gosselin, Chris Biancardi and Caleb Robdau set out onto the court. For the JV team, Tim Lang held up under pressure and scored 15 total points, with three three-point shots, two

in the second quarter and one in the third, and three two-point shots, two in the third and one in the fourth. In one of his shots, he only had a few seconds remaining on the clock.

Cushing also scored a lot, five two-point shots, four being in the first quarter, and two in the third quarter. Biancardi scored nine points, one three-point shot in the first quarter and three two-point shots between the first, second and third quarters.

Carter Fredette, Gosselin and Rollins all scored six points each, Zach St. Onge and Brady Palmer scored four

points, and Frankie McComiskey scored three points.

Franklin totaled 22 points with the help of Corbin Proulx, who scored four points, Damien Eldridge who scored three points, Kolbe Bunker and Alan Hernandez, who scored one point each, Jack-Thomas VanPolen who scored five points, Pierre Guillotte, Marcus Marland, and Ezekiel McCoy, who scored two points each.

Before the varsity team played, Maddie House was recognized as a senior cheerleader.

Winnisquam coaches sent out Philip Nichols,

Garret Mango, Noah Pearson, Caleb Bushway, and Jacob Seavey to start the game.

Senior players consisted of Nichols, Nolen Perrino, Seavey, Pearson, Mango, Suban Chaudry, and Cooper French, who couldn't play because of an injury.

Anthony Robbins scored 13 points for Winnisquam, two three-point throws, and three layups. Nichols scored the majority of Winnisquam's nets, a total of 20 points, one three-point shot, six layups, and five foul shots. One of his three-point shots was made in the third quarter with just 10 seconds left on the clock.

Bushway scored a total of eight points, two three-point shots and two foul shots, Anthony Boomer scored four points via two layups, Leighton Morrison scored three points with one three-pointer, Ben Rollins who made one layup, for a total of two



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The Winnisquam JV and varsity boys defeated Franklin on Feb.

11 points, and Seavey, who scored six points from two three-point throws.

Franklin had a final score of 40 points due to the help of Zack Douville, who scored 12 points from four foul shots and four layups, Jakob Beaupre and Ezekiel McCoy, who scored two points and Domi-

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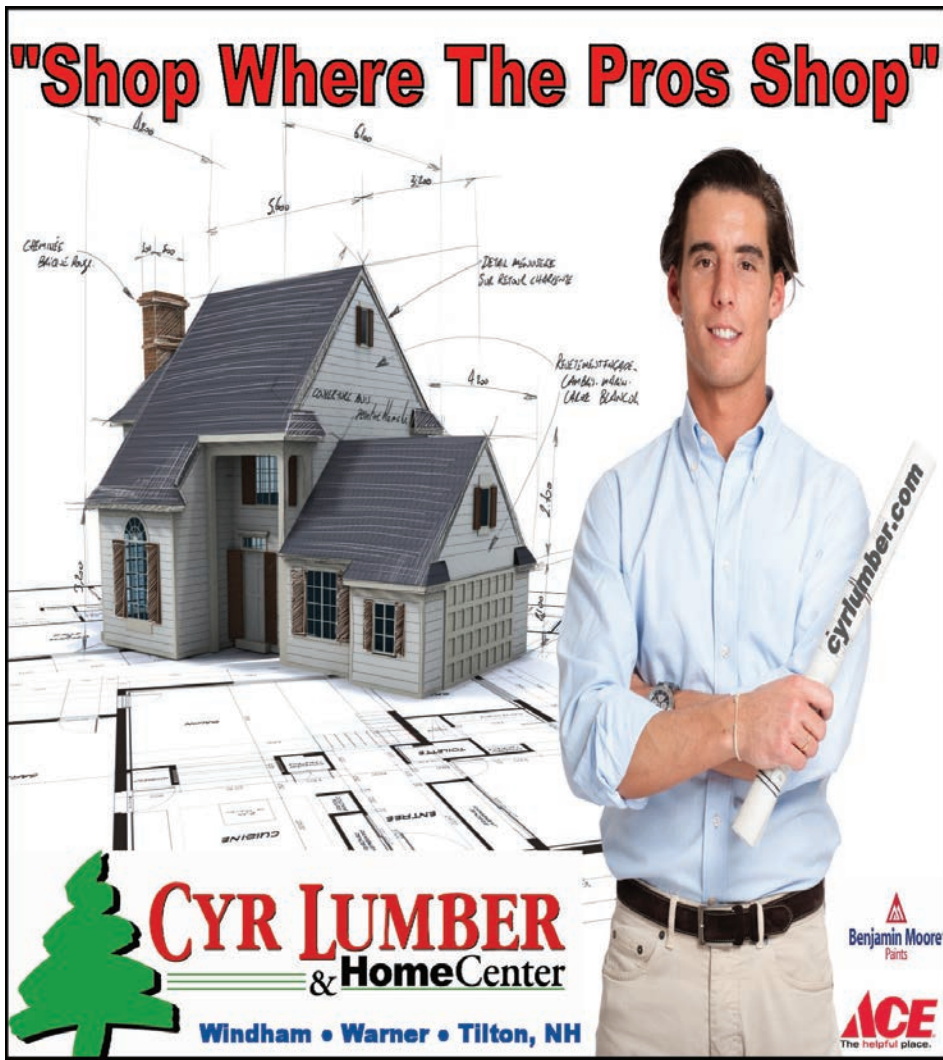


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