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Winnisquam takes blustery battle of the Bears



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Winnisquam keeper Aidan Donahue tries to get his hands on the ball as Newfound's Josh Blouin attempts to get his foot on the ball in action on Friday.

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING
Sports Editor

BRISTOL — On a windy Friday in Bristol, the Winnisquam and Newfound boys' soccer teams took to the pitch for their second meeting of the season.

When the two teams met early in the season, Winnisquam took the 4-0 win, but this time around, only one goal found its way to the back of the net.

The lone goal of the game came in the final seconds of the first half, lifting Winnisquam to the 1-0 win.

"They (Newfound) did a good job keeping it close," said Winnisquam coach Tom Osmer. "I thought we created a lot in front of the goal that didn't show up on the scoreboard."

"That was a big improvement from last

time," said Newfound coach Jason Hill. "I was happy with the way we played, that's the best we've looked all year."

Logan Heath had an early chance for Winnisquam that Newfound keeper Hayden Dolloff stopped and Lauren MacDonald had a good clear for Winnisquam at the other end of the field. Tegan Drake had a chance for the hosts, with Winnisquam keeper Aidan Donahue making the save. Daniel Sherkanowski had a nice defensive play for Newfound on Zach St. Onge of Winnisquam, while MacDonald had another good defensive play on Drake.



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Zach St. Onge goes in for a kick during action at Newfound last week.

Victor Pham sent a shot wide of net for the visitors, as did St. Onge and Ayden Cushing had his shot stopped by Dolloff. Cushing made another run into the zone, but Sherkanowski was there to make the defensive stop.

Justin Tardif sent a shot wide for Winnisquam and Cade Wujcik had a shot stopped by Dolloff. Josh Blouin and Landon Sargent made a run in for Newfound, but they were stopped by the Winnisquam defense. Sargent had a nice cross that was cleared and Winnisquam had a corner kick that Cushing crossed into the middle, but Ethan

Avery cleared the ball out for Newfound.

Calvin Colby sent a nice ball in to Sargent, who sent it wide of the net and Colby came back with a good defensive play on a run from Colby Blackburn of Winnisquam. Blouin and Sargent combined for a chance that went wide for Newfound and the hosts had a corner kick that Cushing was able to clear in the box. Donahue made a great run out to stop a chance from Blouin and Charlie Alan also had a good look. Cushing made a good defensive play on Drake and St. Onge had a shot stopped by Dolloff at the other end.

The visitors were able to finish off a shot in the final seconds, as Wujcik collected a loose ball at the side of the box and fired it over Dolloff's outstretched hands and Winnisquam took the 1-0 lead to the halftime break.

Cushing had a chance stopped by Dolloff to start the second half and Tardif made a nice defensive play on a run for the Newfound boys. Wujcik and Blackburn teamed up on a bid for the visitors. Drake and Aiden Russell teamed up for a chance for newfound that Donahue was able to snag and Conner Sullivan made a nice defensive play for the hosts

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Meet your Democratic candidates

TILTON — On Thursday, Sept. 29 from 7 - 8:30 p.m., voters from Belmont, Sanbornton, and Tilton are invited to have dessert and meet our Local Democratic Candidates at the Franklin Savings Bank Community Learning Center (behind the Tilt'n Diner). This is a great opportunity to meet and support the candidates for our three towns. You will get a chance to hear from them, ask questions, and express your concerns.

There are many changes in the legislative districts after redistricting. The redistricting changes will be reviewed at this meeting.

One of our guests, Dana Hilliard, is our Executive Council

candidate. Also present will be State Senate candidates Kate Miller (for Belmont and Sanbornton) and Richard Lobban (for Tilton), and our four State Rep candidates: Sheryl Anderson for Sanbornton & Tilton; Justin Borden for Belmont; and Don House and George Condodemetraky for the Belmont, Sanbornton, Tilton flatorial.

Advance registration is required to attend this event. By registering you will help us plan the right number of desserts and refreshments. Please sign up on this Mobilize link: <https://www.mobilize.us/nhdpevents/event/514128/> or for more information, email sanbornton-dems@gmail.com.

Kuster visits HealthFirst Family Health Care in Franklin

FRANKLIN — Congresswoman Annie Kuster and members of her staff visited HealthFirst Family Care Center on Monday, Sept. 12 to tour its Franklin health center, meet with members of their leadership team, and representatives from Bi-State Primary Care Association. The Congresswoman listened to concerns facing HealthFirst and New Hampshire's Community Health Centers, continuing her strong commitment to assure affordable comprehensive primary care access for all, through her work in Washington, D.C. HealthFirst has been



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Left to right: Audrey Goudie, Melissa Fisk, Russell Keene, Ted Bolognani, Congresswoman Kuster, Tess Kuening, and Rebecca Rocheleau.

fortunate to already have been awarded Congressionally Directed Spending (CDS) funding from

Sen. Jeanne Shaheen's office and they hope to as well from Congresswoman Kuster's office. CDS

funding will be used to renovate their existing Franklin health center and potentially expand their footprint to provide adequate space to grow service lines and be able to increase access to patient care.

HealthFirst CEO Russell Keene said, "We have been fortunate to have the Congresswoman's support along with the rest of our federal delegation as they have played a critical role in assisting us with acquiring different funding sources that will help HealthFirst renovate and expand our two health centers. This support will better position HealthFirst to meet the region's growing need for access to primary and behavioral health care."

The expansion of HealthFirst's Franklin health center will be dependent upon adequate funding, and should it all come together, renovation could begin by early 2023.

Belmont boys and girls fifth at Newfound

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING
Sports Editor

BRISTOL — The Belmont cross country team took to the trails around Newfound Regional High School in Bristol last week for the Newfound Invitational.

The Belmont boys and girls both finished in fifth place for the day, with Mascenic taking the win in both races.

For the boys, Wyatt Divers finished in 14th place overall to lead the Raiders, finishing in a time of 20:41.

Baidyn Lewis ran to 26th place overall in a time of 21:09 and Brayden Townsend finished in a time of 21:29 for 29th place.

Tanner McKim was 39th overall with a time of 22:16 and Tyler Durand



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Baidyn Lewis runs in the Newfound Invitational last week in Bristol.

rounded out the scoring for Belmont with a time of 22:51 for 46th place.

Evan Christensen was 53rd overall with a time of 23:56 and Nicholas Daigneault was 85th overall with a time of 28:20 to round out the field of Raider boys.



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Aspen Fillebrown reaches the top of the hill in the Newfound Invitational last week.

Alyssa Edgren paced the Raider girls, finishing in a time of 24:49 for 16th place overall.

Rebekah Edgren finished in 25:36 for 24th place overall and Adeline Takantjas finished in 30th place for 26:34.

Aspen Fillebrown fin-



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Tyler Durand runs for Belmont during last week's Newfound Invitational.

ished in a time of 29:03 for 51st place and Emilie DeFrancesco finished in 31:12 for 55th place overall to finish out the scoring.

Riley Degange finished in 58th place overall in a time of 32:05 to round out the field of Bel-



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Riley Degange competes in the Newfound Invitational last Tuesday in Bristol.

mont girls. The Raiders are scheduled to compete again today, Sept. 29, at home in the Jeri Blair Invitational at 4 p.m.

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MVSB proudly supports Vouchers for Veterans

REGION — Vouchers for Veterans recently received a \$5,000 donation from MVSB (Meredith Village Savings Bank) to support their efforts to provide Veterans in New Hampshire and Maine with food vouchers redeemable at local farmers markets.

“We are committed to giving back to our Veterans, and the voucher program allows us to show our appreciation by offering fresh fruit, vegetables, meat and other goods,” said Jeanne Grover, Vouchers for Veterans President. “The program has only continued to grow since we started in 2016 from



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Jolene Whitehead, MVSB Branch & Business Development Manager, (left) and Nicole Ames, MVSB Mortgage Loan Officer NMLS #2370119, present a donation check to the volunteers at Voucher for Veterans at MVSB's new Rochester branch.

the outpour of community backing we have received. We are incredibly thankful for local organizations such as MVSB who have supported our efforts.”

“MVSB recently joined the Rochester community with the opening our new branch and we are excited for opportunities to invest in our local communities,” said Jolene Whitehead, MVSB Branch & Business Development Manager. “We are proud to donate to this program as it not only

gives back to those who have served, but it also benefits the local growers and farmers.”

Vouchers for Veterans is a Rochester-based nonprofit that sets up booths at participating local farmers markets where Veterans can receive and redeem their vouchers. Go to vouchersforveterans.org to learn more, donate or find a list of upcoming dates and locations.

Unlike a stock bank, MVSB is a mutual savings bank that operates for the benefit of its depositors, borrowers and surrounding communities. As a result, MVSB has remained steadfast in fostering the economic health and well-being of the community since it was founded in 1869. For over 150 years, Meredith Village Savings Bank (MVSB), has been serving the people, businesses, nonprofits and municipalities of New Hampshire. MVSB and its employees are guided by the values of accountability, mutuality, excellence, respect, integrity, teamwork and stewardship. To learn more, visit any of the local branch offices located in Alton, Ashland, Center Harbor, Gilford, Laconia, Melvin Village, Meredith, Moultonborough, Plymouth, Portsmouth, Rochester or Wolfeboro, call 800-922-6872 or visit mvsb.com.

Children's Auction receives \$5,000 award from Franklin Savings Bank's Fund for Community Advancement

LACONIA — The Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction is pleased to announce its receipt of a \$5,000 grant from the Franklin Savings Bank's Fund for Community Advancement. This award is one of New Hampshire Charitable Foundation's (NHCF) advised funds. The grant will help the Auction to launch a comprehensive community engagement campaign designed to raise more funds for local children in need.

“We are pleased to support the Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction with this grant

to help them promote the good work they do to ensure that local children with the greatest need have a brighter holiday,” commented Ron Magoon, President & CEO of Franklin Savings Bank. “We are also proud of our long-standing partnership with the Auction and look forward to many more years of supporting their mission.”

Kelley added, “We are grateful to Franklin Savings Bank for its generosity and for selecting the Auction as a grant recipient. It's our mission to help further the work of area nonprofits that support local children

and families in need, and this gift will allow us to expand our visibility and marketing efforts to do just that.”

For more information on the Auction, please visit ChildrensAuction.org.

About the Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction

The Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction is a charitable event held every December in central New Hampshire. Countless volunteers and donors have turned the auction and its many fundraising events, including the 2021 Challenge, into a

major annual campaign. In the 40 years that the community has come together for the auction, an impressive \$7.5 million has been awarded to local nonprofit organizations, all through volunteer efforts, community donations and corporate sponsorship. The Greater Lakes Region Charitable Fund for Children is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that helps community organizations in the Central New Hampshire region. For more information about the auction, the nonprofits it supports and how you can help, visit www.ChildrensAuction.org.

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Edward Jones: Financial Focus

Failure to plan: Is it planning to fail?

Benjamin Franklin once said, “If you fail to plan, you are planning to fail.” But as you chart your financial course, what steps should you take to help you keep moving forward to where you want to go?

Consider these suggestions:

- Establish and quantify your goals. Throughout your life, you'll have short-term goals, such as an overseas vacation or a home renovation, and long-term goals, the most important of which may be a comfortable retirement. You'll want to identify all your goals and put a “price tag” on them. Of course, it's not always possible to know exactly how much it will cost to achieve each goal, but you can develop reasonably good estimates, revising them as needed.
- Create an investment strategy to achieve your goals. Once you know how much your goals will cost, you

can create the appropriate savings and investment strategies to potentially help you reach the needed amounts. For your retirement goal, you will likely need to contribute regularly to your IRA and 401(k) or other employer-sponsored retirement plan. But for shorter-term goals, you may need to explore other types of investments. For all your investment moves, though, you'll need to consider your risk tolerance. You won't want your portfolio to have such a high-risk level that you're constantly uncomfortable with the inevitable fluctuations of the financial markets. On the other hand, you won't want to invest so conservatively that you jeopardize your chances of achieving the growth you need to reach your goals.

- Control your debts. We live in an expensive world, so it's not easy to live debt-free. And some debts, such as your

mortgage, obviously have value. But if you can control other debts, especially those that carry high interest rates, you can possibly free up money you can use to boost your savings and investments.

- Prepare for obstacles. No matter how carefully you follow the strategies you've created to achieve your goals, you will, sooner or later, run into obstacles, or at least temporary challenges. What if you incur a large, unexpected expense, such as the sudden need for a new car or a major home repair? If you aren't prepared for these costs, you might be forced to dip into your long-term investments – and every time you do that, you might slow your progress toward achieving your goals. To help prevent this, you should build an emergency fund containing several months' worth of

living expenses.

- Review your strategy. When you first created your financial strategy, you might have planned to retire at a certain age. But what if you eventually decide to retire earlier or later? Such a choice can have a big impact on what you need from your investment portfolio – and when. And your circumstances may change in other ways, too. That's why it's a good idea to review your strategy periodically to make sure it still aligns with your up-to-date objectives.

None of us can guarantee that our carefully laid plans will always yield the results we want. But by taking the right steps at the right times, you can greatly improve your chances.



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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.

Swain, Harlow lead Bears in Bristol

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING
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BRISTOL — The Winnisquam cross country teams traveled to Bristol last week for the Newfound Invitational. Though the rain held off for the day, the course was still a bit wet and slippery from the previous day's rain.

David Swain led the Winnisquam boys with a ninth place finish overall in a time of 20:07.

Dylan Allard was the only other Bear

boy in the race, finishing in a time of 25:24, which placed him 67th overall.

Brianna Harlow finished in a time of 11th overall in 24:14 to lead the way for the Winnisquam girls.

Shiloh Piovano finished in a time of 32:24 for 60th place overall.

The next race for the Bears is scheduled for Oct. 7, at Gilford.

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Granite United Way announces two year funding, new equity grants

LACONIA — Granite United Way's volunteer Board of Directors voted this week to approve \$3 million in funding to local nonprofits across its seven regions. These funding decisions are part of the over \$18 million delivered in support annually by the organization. In Central Region, this includes local nonprofits receiving funding for important programs that serve the area.

"Our Community Impact Committee members, many of whom participated in the review of the grant submissions, are excited about the services these local community agencies will provide in our area." Cass Walker, Central Region CIC Chair and Granite United Way Board Member. "Thanks for the hard work of the great people working and supporting these programs, our Central Region will be yet again, a shining example of how grass roots efforts and communities work together to improve the lives of many."

To meet the needs of

local nonprofit partners, Granite United Way moved to a two-year funding cycle that has provided additional stability for nonprofits as they continue to navigate through a post-pandemic world. This year Granite United Way offered Equity Grants as part of its Request for Proposal process in alignment with its strategic promise to enhance diversity, equity, and inclusion in its investments.

"Our Board of Directors recognizes the importance of addressing complex needs with a future-focused vision. By offering Equity Grants during this funding cycle, we can provide support for programs that address often underfunded or underserved parts of our community," said Charla Stevens, Board Chair for Granite United Way. "The quality of proposals for this new funding segment were impressive, and we are proud to be investing over \$250,000 to support the work of these impactful programs."

One of the most unique

aspects of United Way is how investment recommendations are made at the local level, and then presented to the Board of Directors. Volunteers across each of our seven regions review proposals to ensure donor dollars are being leveraged in the most efficient and effective programs.

"Moving to the two-year funding cycle during the pandemic was well-received by our nonprofit partners," said Patrick Tufts, President and CEO. "We continue to find new and innovative ways to help our partners provide the critical resources our neighbors rely on."

Granite United Way continues to support its communities, some of the highlights being:

- Aligned with the Greater Seacoast Region in January 2022 and now covers more than 85 percent of New Hampshire and Windsor County, Vermont
- Made \$3 million in grants to partner agencies as part of our Learn, Earn, Be Healthy

grant-making over the past 2 years

- Distributed over \$1.3 million sent to nearly 800 nonprofit organizations supported by direct donor designations during the annual campaign

- Worked collaboratively with community leaders to secure and distribute nearly \$2M in medical supplies and cash donations to support the people of Ukraine

- Distributed \$1 million to address addiction and grief issues resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic and addiction crisis.

- Increased workplace wellness through traditional and non-traditional partners including expanding the Work United program that began in the Upper Valley

"Our Board of Directors and local Community Impact Committee volunteers continue to stay committed to our strategic promises and dedicated to the communities we serve," said Stevens.

Nonprofit organizations will be notified of investment decisions in

the following weeks.

For more information about Granite United Way, visit www.graniteuw.org.

Granite United Way
Granite United Way is an experienced and trusted organization dedicated to leveraging the resources of investors and volunteers to create lasting change by addressing the underlying causes of our community's most pressing needs. Granite United Way works with over 1,000 companies, 15,000 investors and thousands of volunteers every year to ensure access to

programs and services that help individuals and families learn, earn and be healthy. Granite United Way is highly rated by the nation's most recognized experts on nonprofits, GuideStar and Charity Navigator.

Granite United Way serves the Southern (Manchester/Derry/Salem), Greater Seacoast Region Merrimack County, North Country, Central NH, Northern and Upper Valley Regions of NH and VT as well as Windsor County, Vt. For more information, visit www.graniteuw.org.

Winnisquam volleyball knocks off Gilfords

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING
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TILTON — The Winnisquam volleyball team was unable to keep the momentum in a match last week against St. Thomas.

"In the first couple of sets, St. Thomas was able to stop any momentum we could get going," said

coach Mark Dawalga. "Give them credit, they made more plays when they needed to than we did."

The Bears dropped the first set 25-15, then lost 25-18 in the second set and dropped a 25-8 decision in the third set.

Delaney Skourtis finished with three kills,

two aces and one block and Lucy Prunier had six assists.

"We still have lots to work on, but I really believe in this group to get it done," Dawalga added.

The Bears bounced back nicely, earning a 3-1 win over Gilford on Saturday during Homecoming action for the Golden Eagles.

"It really was a battle all night and after losing the first set I was still pretty happy with how we were playing," Dawalga said. "I thought if we stuck to our game plan we would be OK."

"This was a total team win," he added. "We worked through a ton of adversity on the road and stuck together."

Gilford won the first set 25-18, but Winnisquam came back and won the next three, 25-22, 25-20, 25-21 to claim the 3-1 win.

Skourtis had 10 kills, one dig, one ace and one assist, Prunier had 12 assists, four digs, three aces and a block, Bella Dill had 13 assists, four digs and

four aces, Triniti Carter had six kills, one assist and one block, Laura Slate had three kills, one assist, one dig and one block, Alyse Damato had six kills, one dig and one ace, Loralie Nelson had two digs, McKala Pelletier had four digs and Kandace Bellville and Leigha Brown each had a dig.

"I really could not be proud of this team," Dawalga stated. "Give Gilford credit, they are well coached and played hard all night nothing was easy for either team."

Winnisquam is set to be at home against Hanover today, Sept. 29, and at Souhegan on Friday, Sept. 30, will be at Pelham on Monday, Oct. 1, and will be hosting Gilford on Wednesday, Oct. 5, all with 5:45 p.m. scheduled start times.

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Discover New England stone walls at Gilmanton Historical Society Sept. 27

GILMANTON — Why are we so fascinated with stone walls? On Tuesday evening, Sept. 27, Kevin Gardner explains how and why New England came to acquire its thousands of miles of stone walls, the ways in which they and other dry stone structures were built; how their styles emerged and changed over time, and their significance to the famous New England landscape. Along the way, Kevin occupies himself by building a miniature wall on a tabletop, using small stones from a five-gallon bucket.

The program, at Old Town Hall on Route 140 in Gilmanton Iron Works, begins at 7:30 p.m. Social hour and refreshments begin at seven o'clock. This is

the final program in the Society's 2022 summer series.

The Society's museum at Old Town Hall will be open beginning at 7 p.m. before the program. The museum will also be open every second and fourth Saturday from 10 a.m. until noon during the fall and winter months. For more information see the Society's Web site: www.gilmantonhistoricalsociety.org.

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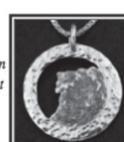
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Opinion

The voice of the young is more important than ever

We have heard much buzz from younger voters recently regarding the upcoming midterm elections, and the overwhelming consensus among them, is that their votes do not count. While there are exceptions to this rule, we figured we would stress to our younger counterparts how important it is to pay attention and to head to the ballot box.

The youth voice is important whether you are a Republican, Democrat, Independent, Libertarian, or something in between. Important issues in every election directly relate to concerns students and young professionals have, which is even more reason to arm yourself with knowledge. Truth be told, younger voters are needed now more than ever. Issues that concern students are college tuition reform, healthcare and federal job programs to name a few. You may not care now, but you may care a few years from now when choices politicians make, begin to affect your life, and they will.

Young voters make up almost 50 percent of the voting population, giving you a stronger voice than you think, making your votes collectively more influential across the board. An interesting bit of trivia is that youth votes declined by 2 percent from a record of 52 percent in 2008. In 2016, 19 percent of those ages 18-29 voted in the presidential election. Those ages 45-64, however, made up for 49 percent of the vote.

You may not think your vote counts, but, every vote counts. Oftentimes, politicians will win by a small margin as low as 20 votes, especially in local and state races, proof that your vote DOES matter. Young people that want to inspire change need to find the candidate who represents their values best, and cast their votes.

With news at our fingertips these days, it's easier now more than ever to educate yourself regarding politics. Sure, it may seem boring and often times it is, but educating yourself on current events and the issues will serve you well. One bit of advice is to not believe everything you read or see and to always fact check your sources. Protect your interests and use your voice, after all this is what democracy is all about.

Do not be discouraged or intimidated to vote, it's easy. You have a right to be at the polls just like every other American. Bring a friend and go grab some lunch or breakfast afterwards, making it a fun occasion.

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DONNA RHODES

Pink flamingos sighted in Tilton

They're back! The Society for the Protection of Artificial Wildlife (SPA) is pleased to announce that a small flock of pink flamingos has recently landed on Tilton Island, located on the river between Tilton and Northfield. With the historic bridge to the island now closed for repair, the flamingos have found it a safe place to roost and members of SPAW couldn't be happier. A flock of flamingos first settled along Exit 19 in Northfield during the 1990's, prompting the formation of SPAW. In thanks for the hospitality, they received at that time, the flamingos helped with fundraisers for a number of local causes. Now that they've returned, people are asked to keep their distance so the newest flock can once again feel at home and live safely on the island.

North Country Notebook

Now 42 years and counting, Peregrines hit a new high



By JOHN HARRIGAN
COLUMNIST

One of my more pleasant duties over the years was to accompany long-time Audubon member John Lanier when he was looking for Peregrine falcons, most often in Franconia Notch. John kept this up until about 25 years ago, when the program finally seemed assured.

This was in the infancy of the falcons' restoration program, when the birds had disappeared in the state and birds from out West were being substituted in a renewed effort to re-establish a wild population. The pesticide DDT had been used right on through the 1960s, when it was banned because of a host of problems, among them the thinning of birds' eggs.

I was on the road a lot back then, and often I'd arrange to meet John in one craggy place or another as he searched the skies for parents and their young. This was before cell phones, so we went to quite some trouble to arrange meeting places.

Lanier was fond of viewing the skies in the



COURTESY WILLA COROKA

The newly-banded Manchester Five, one of only three quadruplets the New Hampshire program has experienced.

mornings, and we often met at some obscure place when nobody else was afoot, say at mid-week at one forlorn defile or another. Typically, I'd seek out the agreed-on place to find him leaning far out from his window, binoculars in hand, or more likely peering through his window-mounted spotting-scope. I'd bring the coffee.

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For many years, John was the wildlife biologist for the White Mountain National Forest and worked with a host of kindred entities of all stripe, from Audubon to UNH to Fish and Game and far beyond. In fact, I first sought him out because I heard that the federal government was going to get involved in an effort to reintroduce the wolf—not true, as it turned out, although a group in Maine had indeed floated the notion.

By this time, I'd mollified any concerns John had about reporters, which stemmed from some disagreement he'd

had. I'd read "Northwest Passage" was all he cared. He reminded me of Cap Huff.

John was dead set against releasing wolves in the White Mountains, partly because of fragmentation and partly because of public recreation. The WMNF could barely meet its modest timber harvests without getting sued; who knew what the far more controversial wolf might bring. Maine might have the room for wolves, he thought, but that was strictly Maine's business.

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I'm indebted to Chris Martin for sending out N.H. Audubon's latest assessment of the Peregrine program. Chris has been on the New Hampshire scene for a long time, and goes back to when the Loon Preservation Committee and similar programs in the state were in their infancy.

Lanier eventually relaxed his guard with the Peregrines, after a Mom began raising her chicks in the Public Ser-

vice building in downtown Manchester. Yet he couldn't help hauling his binoculars out whenever he went through one notch or cliff-bound place or another. He just plain loved his raptors.

Thirty years or so ago, he and I were on some escapade and he had to detour to a hacking site in the WMNF's northwest. He had helped set up the site, in which chicks were fed with pieces of chicken sent tumbling down pipes into cliffside nests. When it was my turn, I did this. The chicks savored the chicken.

This was serious business, but it was a beautiful spring day, it was a weekend, and when we reached the cliff-face a party was underway. Nobody could hide anything—it was too late for that—and the crew balefully made the best of it. They were worried about government protocol.

They had nothing to fear from Lanier or from me, because we knew a thing or two about celebrating life. We accepted the crew's hospitality, eventually hiked back to the truck, checked the ropes on the canoe, and headed for wherever we'd been going.

"Ah, youth," one of us began as we hit the road, but never finished.

(This column is syndicated in newspapers from Concord to Canada. Please address mail, including phone numbers for questions, to campguyhooligan@gmail.com or 386 South Hill Rd., Colebrook, NH 03576.)

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

We can make a difference by working together

To the Editor:

On behalf of the St. Vincent de Paul Children's Foundation, I would like to thank everyone — local businesses, organizations, and individuals — who donated to this year's 32nd Project Pencil Program.

Your generous donations helped make this year's program another great success! This year, we provided over 500 children in the Lakes Region with backpacks and back to school supplies. The support and generosity we received from businesses and individual donors was amazing.

A special "Thank you" goes out to Bert and Mary. These two wonderful volunteers have delivered backpacks and supplies for many years and this program wouldn't have happened without their support.

It is projects like this, when we work together, we truly make a difference in the lives of the children in our community.

Sincerely,

Sue Page
St. Vincent de Paul Children's Foundation

Going out of Town

A pilgrimage to King Richard's Faire



ERIN PLUMMER

King Richard and the company at King Richard's Faire in Carver, Mass., has one more performance at the end of the day.



ERIN PLUMMER

A performance on the King's Stage at King Richard's Faire.



ERIN PLUMMER

Don Mitri is one of the knights engaging in a duel "to the death" on the jousting field.



ERIN PLUMMER

Andy Van Ness of Vermont sells his wooden creations at King Richard's Faire.

BY ERIN PLUMMER
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In the prologue of "The Canterbury Tales," Geoffrey Chaucer wrote about how the coming of the spring season inspired many 14th century Britons to embark on pilgrimages. As a group of pilgrims were inspired to visit Canterbury in sweet April, the coming of the crisp fall season inspires many modern people don cloaks, swords, princess dresses, and many other forms of medieval style garb and make their own pilgrimage to a place where they can watch some jousting, feast on mead and turkey legs, and peruse the many wars of local artisans. Every fall people from across New England and across the country make the pilgrimage to Carver, Mass., for King Richard's Faire, a tradition for many for over 40 years.

King Richard's Faire is the oldest and largest medieval and renaissance-style festival in New England. Located on the South Shore about an hour south of Boston and right next to Plymouth, Mass., King Richard's Faire creates its own village of Carvershire with its own wooden buildings filled with shops, eight en-

tertainment stages, food and drink offerings, and a jousting field among many others.

Personally, this is a very special place for me, and I have been coming here almost every year since 2000. In my first year at Plymouth State College, I joined Medieval Society and quickly learned about the annual trip to King Richard's Faire. Members of Medieval Society along with members of the Gaming Club have traditionally made the trip south the Saturday of Columbus Day Weekend. I threw together a costume from some clothes in the Medieval Society office and joined the group in the vans for my first time at the faire. I immediately fell in love: the atmosphere is magical with all the lovely wooden buildings surrounded by trees, all the different arts and crafts that the wallet practically jumps at, the fun jousts, all the characters in their colorful costumes, and so much more. I joined the group every year for the rest of my time at Plymouth and even a few years afterward.

Then I started coming by myself and have only skipped a few years.

Sadly, one of those years included 2020 when the whole faire shut down for the year because of the pandemic. The faire made its triumphant return in 2021 and you bet I was there. I always come in costume and my garb has evolved greatly since that simple shirt and cape in 2000.

This year I made my annual pilgrimage and had the opportunity to get some behind the scenes insight and interview some of the villagers of Carvershire.

King Richard's Faire first opened its gates in 1982 and is now celebrating its 41st season.

Typically, the faire has an eight-week season from early September to late October. This year the gates opened on Sept. 3 and will run every Saturday and Sunday until Oct. 23, also running Mondays on Labor Day and Columbus Day.

As soon as the faire closes for the season, cleaning and preparation for the next season starts immediately.

One of the biggest attractions is the joust. Knights will mount their horses and engage in

competition three times a day on the jousting field. The first joust of the day is usually a welcoming demonstration, the second is a competition that ends with a challenge, and the third event closes out the day with a "joust to the death."

The knights are professional stunt performers with Hanlon-Lees Action Theater, who do jousting and Wild West demonstrations across the country.

The knight known as Don Mitri said he has been with the company for 25 years. He said when he started he didn't know how to ride a horse, but the company will do equestrian training.

The jousters train five days a week with two days off for both the human and horse performers.

Don Mitri said the people at the faire are great and the smaller size compared to other faires makes this experience more unique.

"It's such a small space with many different varieties of people and it creates magic," he said.

Different performances take place on eight different stages throughout the day.

Entertainment Director Kitsy Olson choreographs and oversees all of the main performances. A native of Minnesota, Olson has been involved with King Richard's since the beginning.

King Richard's Faire puts out a call for general auditions that go on in April, usually in Providence. Rehearsals start in August and run opening of the faire.

Most of the performers come from Massachusetts' South Shore and Rhode Island, though they have had performers from New Hampshire and Maine. Olson said they typically get a mix of new performers and returning veterans.

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HIGH SCHOOL SLATE

Thursday, Sept. 29
BELMONT
 Cross Country Home Meet; 4
 Volleyball at Newfound; 6:15
GILFORD
 Volleyball at Kennett; 5:30
WINNISQUAM
 Volleyball vs. Haver; 5:45
Friday, Sept. 30
GILFORD
 Boys' Soccer vs. Kearsarge; 4
 Field Hockey vs. Littleton; 4
 Girls' Soccer vs. Kearsarge; 4
 Volleyball at Laconia; 5:45
GILFORD-BELMONT
 Football at Laconia; 7
WINNISQUAM
 Boys' Soccer vs. St. Thomas; 4
 Volleyball at Souhegan; 5:45
Saturday, Oct. 1
BELMONT

Boys' Soccer vs. Prospect Mountain; 1
 Girls' Soccer vs. Prospect Mountain; 11
 Volleyball vs. Somersworth; TBD
GILFORD
 Cross Country at Coe Brown; 10
WINNISQUAM
 Football at Franklin; 7
Monday, Oct. 3
BELMONT
 Volleyball vs. Mascoma; 6:15
GILFORD
 Volleyball vs. St. Thomas; 5:45
WINNISQUAM
 Boys' Soccer at Farmington; 4
 Field Hockey at Hopkinton; 4
 Unified Soccer vs. Nashua North; 4
 Volleyball at Pelham; 5:45
Tuesday, Oct. 4
BELMONT
 Boys' Soccer vs. Mas-

coma; 4
 Girls' Soccer at Mascoma; 4
GILFORD
 Boys' Soccer vs. Campbell; 4
 Girls' Soccer at Campbell; 4
Wednesday, Oct. 5
BELMONT
 Volleyball vs. Moultonborough; 6:15
GILFORD
 Field Hockey vs. Hopkinton; 4
 Unified Soccer at Winacunnet; 4
 Volleyball at Winnisquam; 5:45
WINNISQUAM
 Boys' Soccer vs. White Mountains; 4
 Volleyball vs. Gilford; 5:45
Thursday, Oct. 6
BELMONT
 Girls' Soccer vs. Inter-Lakes; 4
All schedules are subject to change.

BELMONT POLICE LOG

BELMONT – The Belmont Police Department reported the following arrests during the week of Sept. 12-19.
 Christopher G. Adams, age 49, of Auburn was arrested on Sept. 13 in connection with a warrant.
 Jerod I. Brining, age 34, of Belmont was arrested on Sept. 13 for Criminal Trespassing and Breach of Bail Conditions.
 Joseph F. Mealey III, age 57, of Gilman-ton was arrested on Sept. 16 for DUI-Impairment.
 Joyce Ann Gilbert, age 21, of Northfield was arrested on Sept. 17 for Driving After Revocation or Suspension (DUI related), Suspension of Vehicle Registration, and vio-

lating Driver's License Prohibitions.
 Melissa Barton, age 26, of Laconia was arrested on Sept. 17 for Aggravated DUI with

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Bria

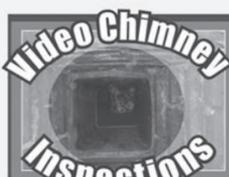
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OUT OF TOWN

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Two different casts work throughout the day. The main cast has a running storyline that lasts throughout the day and plays out on the main stage.

In addition to the stage performances, individual musicians and groups will do shows throughout the day.

Aaron Lindo of Warwick, Rhode Island, plays bagpipes during the faire. He said he remembered seeing the bagpiper at King Richard's when he was a kid and was "trans-

fixed." "I was literally at every show that the bagpiper was in," Lindo said.

He said he asked the piper how to start, eventually getting a mouthpiece (chanter) and finding a teacher in Narragansett. He now plays across the area for parades, weddings, events, and many different occasions.

After 20 years of playing, he was then asked to perform at King Richard's and has played there since 2019.

"It's full circle, it's a privilege to play here where I got the interest in it," Lindo said.

The Faire has nearly 100 different shops showcasing artisans from across the country creating and selling unique goods such as leatherwork, chainmail, jewelry, clothing, candles, forged swords and knives, herbs, hats, and many more that go with the ren faire theme.

Andy Van Ness creates many different wood carved designs for his company Van Ness Woodcrafts in Vermont and has sold his designs at the faire for five years. He said he started working with his first wife, who created and sold ce-

ramic pieces at craft fairs. He would carve different designs into the clay, then someone suggested he sell crafts at Renaissance faires.

He has also sold items at the New York and Maryland Renaissance Faires.

Van Ness sells items from wooden tankers and clocks to chess boards and pieces to furniture and cabinets. One item on display was a carved harvest table he created during the lockdowns.

"When COVID happened and the shutdowns I had this wood and it was ready," he said.

Cynthia Naples of Marion, Mass., creates one of a kind pottery pieces at the faire as Mahinda's Mad Dog Pottery. Some of her more unique pieces include a puzzle mug from the 12th century, a chalice with an added rattle, and many other designs. Naples said she likes to find ways to take functional items and add some fun elements to them.

Naples said she originally planned to be a sign language instructor and took up pottery as a stress relieving hobby. Gradually she took more interest in pottery.

"I just kept calling myself a potter," Naples said. She found King Richard's and said she found a great community. Naples typically makes items all year and sells them at the faire. She didn't have an online presence until the pandemic, when people were contacting her and asking to purchase her items.

"I think I didn't realize how many people were regulars, it sort of built off of that," Naples said.

During the pandemic she started selling items from her studio, Studio 283. She can be reached through the Studio 283 Facebook page.

After the last joust of the day, the company gathers at a small stage for Evening Revels for some last songs. The village closes at 6 p.m. and people will file out of the gate. King Richard and the rest of the company will then gather on the balcony for a final song called "Bring on the Starlight." The day is over at King Richard's with a new day and a new pilgrimage waiting for people the next day. By this point I am giddy from such a great experience and ready for the drive home with some great memories.

King Richard's Faire continues every weekend through Oct. 23, including Columbus Day Monday.

For more information on King Richard's Faire including ticketing, scheduling, entertainers, a list of shops, and much more visit www.kingrichardsfaire.net.

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Sheranowski just missed connecting with a ball up to Blouin and Winnisquam turned the ball around and got a bid from Heath that was stopped by Dolloff. Henry Osmer sent a nice ball ahead to St. Onge, who got the ball back to Osmer, but his

shot went wide of the net. Osmer sent another shot wide on a Winnisquam corner and Sullivan headed a ball out of the box on a cross from Brendan Goodwin.

Winnisquam had another corner that Dolloff grabbed and Jacob Twombly, Keegan Adams and St. Onge had chances that were denied. Dolloff continued to shine, as he

stopped a couple of Winnisquam chances. St. Onge missed wide of the mark and Cushing made a good defensive stop on a Drake run.

Sargent had a direct kick for Newfound, but Tardiff was able to clear the ball off and Blackburn fired a shot off the post for the Winnisquam squad. Cushing had a direct kick go wide of the net and Sar-

gent sent one high at the other end. Cushing had a bid denied by Dolloff and Osmer sent a ball high as the visiting Bears held on for the 1-0 win over Newfound.

"We had some players in different positions, we were missing a few guys," said Osmer. "But it didn't really hurt us in the final third.

We put more numbers forward this year, it's an aggressive style," the Winnisquam coach said. "And that's the benefits,

we get more looks and more looks go your way. Though it does put pressure on the backs.

"We talked at halftime that we didn't want that one goal to make the difference," Hill said. "We just couldn't poke one in.

"I felt good about the way we were playing in the first before the goal," the Newfound coach said. "That's a solid Winnisquam team, they will be in the tournament for sure."

Winnisquam will be hosting St. Thomas on

Friday, Sept. 30, at 4 p.m., will be at Farmington on Monday, Oct. 3, and hosting White Mountains on Wednesday, Oct. 5, both at 4 p.m.

Newfound will host Bishop Brady on Saturday, Oct. 1, at 1 p.m., will be hosting Lin-Wood on Monday, Oct. 3, and Prospect Mountain on Wednesday, Oct. 5, both at 4 p.m.

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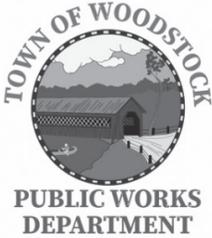
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MVSB announces Stacy Trites as next Senior Vice President, Senior Retail Banking Officer

MEREDITH — MVSB (Meredith Village Savings Bank) is proud to announce the promotion of Stacy Trites to Senior Vice President, Senior Retail Banking Officer. She currently serves as Assistant Vice President, Branch & Business Development Officer for the Bank's Moultonborough branch office. She will assume her new role in October and will succeed Marcus Weeks, who was recently announced as the next MVSB President.



Stacy Trites

Development Officer.

In the community, Trites serves as a trustee for the Eastern Lakes Region Housing Coalition Beck Memorial Fund and treasurer of the Kingwood Vocational Student Building Trust. She is also a past chair of the Governor Wentworth Regional School Board and a graduate of the Leadership Lakes Region program.

Trites holds a Bachelor of Arts in English and Journalism from the University of New Hampshire and she recently graduated from the rigorous New England School for Financial Studies program at Babson College. She grew up in the Lakes Region and currently resides in Wolfeboro where she enjoys spending time on the lake with her husband Tom and their three daughters.

Trites will oversee all retail banking activities for MVSB, which includes supervising the branch and business development teams and leading the Bank's product and service sales and customer support.

"Over the past decade, Stacy has been a vital contributor to our growth and success of MVSB and we are excited to honor her hard work and passion with this promotion," said Weeks. "She empowers her employees to learn and grow, has been deeply involved in the local communities, and has developed meaningful relationships with our customers. We look forward to continuing to grow under her leadership."

"The thing I enjoy most about working at MVSB is the relationships we build and that there is a true sense of care in everything we do," said Trites. "Although I will certainly miss working closely with customers day-to-day at the branch, I look forward to ensuring the continued personalized community banking that MVSB is known for and to helping fine tune our products and services to support customers with their financial needs."

Trites joined MVSB in 2009 as a part-time teller in the Wolfeboro office and has held several retail leadership roles with the Bank. She was promoted to Branch Service Supervisor at the Laconia office in 2013 and to Branch & Business Development Manager at the Moultonborough Office in 2016. In 2020, she was promoted to her role of Assistant Vice President, Branch & Business

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Artists of the Month

Join the Lakes Region Art Association in congratulating September Artists of the Month. Back Row: Stephanie McQuade, Mike McQuade, Martha AuCoin. Front Row: Jim Luckern, Fay Lee. Missing from our photo: Sue Merrick, Barbara McClintock, Sally Hibberd, Duane Hammond. The mission of LRAA is to enhance the ability of its members to create art and to further the appreciation of art in the Lakes Region area by the promotion, education, sale, and display of the visual fine arts. The Association is non-profit. Membership in the Lakes Region Art Association is open to artists and patrons of the arts. LRAA is a non-profit organization supported entirely by membership dues and club activities. The Association is most appreciative of local support. Visit our website for more information about the gallery, community events and art classes offered: www.LRAANH.org.



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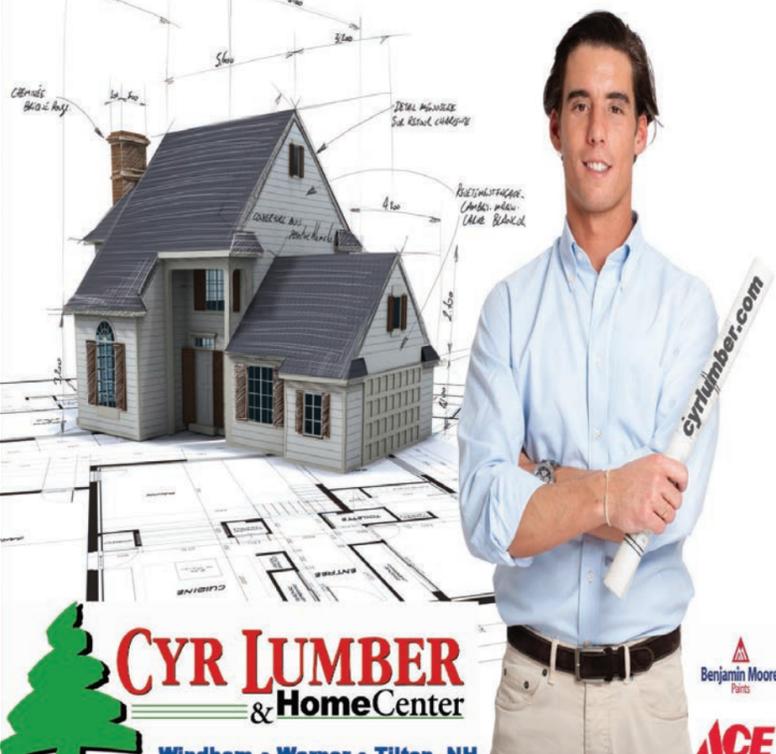
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