



Bears of the Week

This week's Bear of the Week award goes to seventh-grade student Jaisca Ladeau and Special Education Case Manager Jenn Carita! Jaisca showed respect and responsibility by helping another student with a broken arm. She is a good friend. Ms. Carita is always willing to lend a hand to any student. She stands up and does what's best for kids every single day. Thank you to our amazing Newfound Bears!

COURTESY



Santa was the final but most popular entry among the more than two dozen illuminated floats and marching bands that took part in the annual Hometown Holiday Celebration parade in Plymouth last Saturday.

Rain fails to dampen spirits at Plymouth's Hometown Holiday celebration

BY DONNA RHODES
Contributing Writer

PLYMOUTH — Rain showers could not dampen the spirit of Plym-

outh's Hometown Holiday Celebration early last Saturday evening when hundreds of people lined Main Street to enjoy the marching units, bands and illuminated floats from more than two dozen entries, as well as four fire departments all lit up for the holidays. Joining them were elves handing out candy and a friendly Gingerbread Man who also stopped by to greet children along the parade route.

Before the parade got underway however, Tim Keefe once again emceed the celebration and with the assistance of his granddaughter Megan Matava, the duo led the crowd in a holiday sing-a-long. While "Raindrops Are Falling on My Head" might have been appropriate for the weather that evening, everyone preferred songs like "It's Beginning to Look a Lot Like Christmas," "Jingle Bells," and "Let it Snow." And when it came time to light up

the tree on the Plymouth Town Common they all joined Keefe and Megan in belting out the words to "Rocking Around the Christmas Tree."

Cabbie McGlone was back as the "Man on the Street," assisting Keefe in the announcement of parade entries and getting some personal information about many of them as they arrived at the Town Common. Among them was the Plymouth Rotary, with Alex Ray pedaling beside them on his unicycle, which has helped organize and promote the celebration for several years now.

For 2022, marching bands were back once more to bring holiday music to the streets. First up was the Plymouth Regional High School Bobcat's Pep Band, followed later by Belmont High School's Marching Band. Also in the line-up were Plymouth Cub Scout Pack 56, Pemi-Baker Girl

NH residents raise more than \$2 million for aid to Ukraine

ASHLAND — As the war rages on in Ukraine, the people of New Hampshire have sent their support and crucial humanitarian aid to Ukrainians via donations to the New Hampshire Relief for Ukraine Fund, surpassing the fundraiser's \$1 million goal.

The fund was started in May by Alex Ray, owner of The Common Man hospitality family in New Hampshire, with a commitment to match every donation, dollar-for-dollar, up to \$1 million. With The



Common Man CEO Alex Ray cooks at an orphanage in Ukraine.

PSU's TIGER theatre program celebrates 20 years

PLYMOUTH — Plymouth State University's (PSU) Emmy award-winning TIGER (Theatre Integrating Guidance, Education and Responsibility) program is celebrating its 20th season with new and returning programs.

Since its founding in 2002, TIGER has performed more than 2,500 shows, hosted 3,000 student workshops, and has visited more than 500 different schools throughout New England. Many of these schools enjoy TIGER year after year, making TIGER a regular part of their extracurricular programming.

For the 2022-2023 season, which kicked off in September, TIGER has partnered with the Jesse Lewis Choose Love Movement to create a performance called "Choose Love," which was written by TIGER artistic director and coordinator of PSU's MED in integrated arts program Trish Lindberg, Ph.D. The performance, designed for kindergarten through sixth grade students, incorporates the tenets of Courage, Gratitude, Forgiveness and Compassion in Action through music, dance and theatre.

So far this season, the group has performed Choose Love and their second production, "Team Up Together," also written and directed by Lindberg, for



TIGER 2022-2023 cast members (from left) Emily Shafritz, Matthew Murray, Olivia Etchings, Kellen Schult and K. Bernice. This season marks the 20th anniversary for the theatre troupe.



Left to right: Devin Lucas, William Plaisted, Jacob Satas, Carter Bailey, Grant Kendrick (Winner), Wesley Sidor (Runner-Up), Ryder Learned, Charlie Pike, Josey Price, Emilya Perras.

COURTESY

Campton Elementary School holds annual spelling bee

CAMPTON — Campton Elementary School held its annual local Spelling Bee on Tuesday, Nov. 22. Grades 4-8 classrooms held classroom bees in the weeks prior to Tuesday, to select a representative from each classroom to participate in the school-wide bee. Grant Kendrick, grade 7, was the bee winner, for the second year in a row, with the word, “affirm.” He will now advance to the New Hampshire online regional bee. An in-person New Hampshire State spelling bee will be held on Saturday, March 25 at the Bank of New Hampshire Stage in Concord for the top 20-25 students who take the online regional test and score highest. The top speller at the State Bee will represent New Hampshire at the Scripps National Spelling Bee in May. Campton’s Runner-Up was 8th grader, Wesley Sidor. He would take Grant’s place in the event he is unable to attend the NH State Bee in March.

Ashland Elementary School Student Council members work to improve community

ASHLAND — As part of their ongoing commitment to community service, members of the AES Student Council encouraged students and staff to participate in Socktober. According to the Socktober website, every night in the United States, an estimated 600,000 people live on the streets and socks are the least donated item to homeless shelters. Nationally the sponsors’ goal was to have two million people prove that even a small act of love, such as donating a pair of socks, can make big difference in the lives of our neighbors who are homeless. Armed with this knowledge, they set up sock collection sites in the school. Thanks to the generosity of students, parents and staff the sock collection was an overwhelming success. The donated items will be distributed to local homeless shelters. Student Council members also recently spent an afternoon making wreaths with the help of the Ashland Garden Club. Some finished wreaths were gifted to local businesses while others are hanging outside of the school building. Many thanks to Ashland Garden



Club members Pat Bergeron, Fran Doucette (who also tied all of the bows in advance) and Sherry Norman, who worked with the students as they made their wreaths. The fir balsam greens were generously donated by Elliott Dupuis.



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Little Free Library established at Mt. Prospect

HOLDERNESS — What will you do when the snow is deep, the sky is dark and you just want to curl up next to the fire and read a good book, but, alas, you have none? How will you quiet

your toddler when she asks for another book and you’ve read every one on her shelf three times already? If you live on or near Mt. Prospect, you are in luck. We’re now officially part of the na-

tional 150,000 strong, nonprofit, Little Free Library movement! The Mt. Prospect community, under the leadership of Suzanne Riehs-Moore, has installed a beautiful Little Free Library across from

the Highland Colony Clubhouse for those of us who love reading. Thanks to Riehs-Moore’s imagination, the Fitzpatrick brothers’ carpentry skills, the generous donation of a perfect

site by Michelle and Steve Thompson, and a whole bunch of cheering community members, our Little Free Library was inaugurated on Sept. 25. As expressed by Bob Fitzpatrick, a retired li-

brarian, “It’s true that our Little Free Library is small (it only holds about twenty to thirty books), but we hope it will serve as a reminder, and a tiny extension, of our town’s wonderful Holderness Free Library, where residents have access to the assistance of knowledgeable librarians, the Internet, wi-fi (even when they’re closed!), museum passes, telescopes, DVDs, audio books, board games, and many more resources you might not even have thought of. For instance, did you know our town library provides card holders with the login and password for the New Hampshire State Library’s free online books and periodicals collection called Libby?”

Holderness has all this housed in a quiet and pleasant environment. And...they even loan books!

Although the aims of the Mt. Prospect Little Free Library are a bit more modest, in our opinion we’re still a fun neighborhood resource. Come by and take a look. The Little Free Library movement’s motto is “Take a Book, Share a Book.” Check out their Web site. We consider it a wonderful way to share resources, save books, build our neighborhood community, and expand our minds. A visit might even inspire you to start your own neighborhood Little Free Library.



New winter offerings at Owl’s Nest Resort

T H O R N T O N — Once known exclusively as a world class golf destination, Owl’s Nest Resort has expanded its offerings to winter guests as part of its \$100 million investment in the resort. The brand new Sports Nest facility, which serves as the headquarters for retail and golf in summer, will transform into a winter sports hub, offering platform tennis on four heated courts as well as snowshoe rentals and trail maps for its extensive Nordic ski and snowshoe trails. The trails are easily accessible from the Sports Nest, leading skiers and snowshoers along the Pemi River and up-mountain trails that offer unobstructed views of Franconia Notch and the Presidential Mountains. Snowmobilers can use the resort’s trails to access Corridor 11 which leads north to popular sites such as The Basin, The Flume Gorge, Cannon Cliff, and all the way to the Canadian border. Guests are welcome to park their snowmobiles right outside their lodging accommodations at the resort.

Also this winter, a portion of Lake Harold, the largest man-made lake in the state, will be maintained for ice skating and will host several hockey tournaments, including the Hockey Academy’s Pond Hockey



Tournament this January. The lake will be lit in the evenings for skating up until 8pm. Guests looking to rent skates or warm up can take advantage of the adjacent Boat House, where outdoor fire pits, music, festive lighting and restrooms are available. Also in the Boat House, the brand new Hook Restaurant and Lounge is currently under construction and is scheduled to open in spring of 2023 for family-friendly fare and adult beverages.

Guests looking to stay on-site can choose from cozy 1-bedroom “Nano” cottages, larger “Deluxe Nano” cottages with washer/dryers or “Gambrel”

homes, large enough to accommodate the whole family. All lodging units include a fireplace, kitchen and deck with mountain views. Both guests and locals can enjoy award-winning dining at Owl’s Nest’s Panorama Six82 restaurant, serving lunch and dinner, seven days a week. The restaurant features upscale American cuisine in a hilltop setting, giving diners the panoramic views Owl’s Nest is known for. There will be fire pits set outside for warm drinks and informal gatherings, while indoor diners will enjoy the restaurant’s 2 fireplaces inside.

“With the large investments we’ve made since purchas-

ing the property, we can’t overlook the fact that our biggest asset was already here: Our location,” says Brad McCoil, General Manager. “We have views of some of New England’s most spectacular scenery from the doorstep of every restaurant, cottage and recreation facility here. Not to mention our proximity to New England’s best skiing & riding. We hope everyone gets a chance to experience Owl’s Nest Resort in the winter.”

Owl’s Nest Resort is open to the public and is currently booking groups, from weddings, corporate groups and anniversary parties to golf and racquet sports tournaments and

other special events. Located in Thornton, New Hampshire, under two hours from Boston, with spectacular views of the White Mountains, Owl’s Nest offers modern rental homes, an award-winning restaurant, a 9.9-acre lake, an 18-hole golf course, tennis courts, pickleball courts, platform tennis, and numerous activities on-site or nearby. New amenities coming to the resort in the near future include new rental homes and hotels, additional event space, several new restaurants, a new nine-hole par 3 golf course, pool & gym complex, and new homes for sale. Learn more by visiting www.owl-snestresort.com.

All are welcome at next community square dance

PLYMOUTH — Area square dance aficionados are hosting their second a community Square Dance at the Barn on the Pemi, Thursday, Dec. 15 from 7:30-10 p.m. Their highly successful first dance of the series was held Nov. 17 to a crowd of almost 90 locals.

The evening started promptly at 7:30 p.m. with caller David Millstone leading the squares of eight through each step of each series before local fiddling star Jordan Tirrell-Wysocki and keyboardist Susan Hunt started the toes tapping and hands clapping. From young teenagers to octogenarians, college students to local farmers, teachers to tradesmen, novices to experienced, everyone found a partner, joined a square and had a ball. Chief organizer Genevieve Howe and volunteer Amey Bailey were amazed by the high turnout and positive energy that filled the barn for the three hours of fun.

Said Howe, “It was a great success. It was really astounding to hear so many enthusiastic reviews!”

Volunteers collected an entrance charge at the door to cover the costs of the caller and musicians, and organizers expressed gratitude to the Common Man and the staff at the Barn on the Pemi



for the donated space and refreshments. The community dances are scheduled for one Thursday night per month throughout the winter (Dec. 15, Jan. 12, Feb. 9, March 9 and April 6). Come one, come all...and come to them all! No experience necessary! For more information, contact howe.gen@gmail.com.

COURTESY
(Left) Area locals of all ages, walks of life and experience level came to enjoy a community square dance at the Barn on the Pemi on Route 3 South in Plymouth on Nov. 17. Upcoming dances are Thursdays, Dec. 15, Jan. 12, Feb. 9, March 9, and April 6.

Stargazing over Squam

H O L D E R N E S S —Join Lakes Region Conservation Corps member Meghan Saturday, Dec. 10 from 6-8 p.m. to look at planets and the stars through a telescope! Learn some different constellations and the names of some bright stars. Wear warm clothing, and hot cocoa will be provided! Enjoy the starry sky by Squam Lake, where low levels of light pollution allow for a great stargazing experience.

We are excited that volunteers from the NH Astronomical Society will be joining us with their fancy telescopes and sharing their passion for all things celestial! Dress warm and if you have a red-light feature on your headlamp or can cover your flashlight with cellophane, please do so we don't ruin our night vision. Definitely bring a flashlight because it will be really dark! Feel free to bring



your own telescope if you have one. All ages welcome, but children must be accompanied by an adult. For more information, or to sign up for this Adventure Ecology, visit the SLA Web site (squam-lakes.org) or contact the SLA directly (603-968-7336). The SLA also offers other guided hikes and Adventure Ecology programming through-

out the year. These free programs are open to the public and cover a variety of nature and conservation-related topics. The LRCC AmeriCorps members present the Adventure Ecology programs at the SLA, who perform essential conservation work in support of the Association's mission. The Squam Lakes As-

sociation is dedicated to conserving for the public benefit the natural beauty, peaceful character, and resources of the watershed. In collaboration with local and state partners, the SLA promotes the protection, careful use, and shared enjoyment of the lakes, mountains, forests, open spaces, and wildlife of the Squam Lakes Region.

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Ashland officials vote to pursue grants

BY DAVID RUELL
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

ASHLAND — At their Dec. 5 meeting, the Ashland selectmen agreed to have Town Manager Fred Welch proceed with researching and finding grants for various projects, including demolishing part of the old woolen mill, bringing broadband internet into the town, reviving the town owned hydroelectric plant, and building a waste to energy facility for the region. They also voted to ask the voters to create a capital reserve fund with state funds for bridge and highway projects.

One portion of the old woolen mill, the white wooden part of the complex facing the privatized part of Hill Avenue, was abandoned years ago, and has been taken by the Town for non-payment of taxes. An architectural study of the building determined that it was cost prohibitive to renovate the building, concluding that it would be cheaper to tear it down and start over than to correct all the problems and code violations that the structure now has. The Town Manager has obtained an estimate of \$400,000 to \$500,000 for the demolition of the building, depending on what is found in the building during the demolition. The selectmen voted to have Welch search for grants for the demolition.

Providing broadband internet service to Ashland residents and businesses is seen as a way of helping those who work at home and of making the community more attractive to businesses. NH Electric Cooperative has landed a \$50 million grant for broadband expansion, and is working with Grafton County to provide broadband throughout the county. The Town Manager has met with county and Coop officials on this project. As Ashland's municipal Electric Department owns virtually all the utility poles in the town, the town can significantly reduce the cost of extending broadband in the community. The selectmen voted to authorize the

Town Manager to continue working with the Co-op and the County on broadband expansion and to look for grants that might be available to help with that work.

In the last century, the Town built a hydroelectric facility on the Squam River dam that controls the water level of the Squam Lakes. That facility later ceased to work and was neglected. An attempt to sell the facility was rejected by the voters. But, the hydroelectric plant has not produced power for many years. The State of New Hampshire owns the dam and would collect fees on the water power used at the dam. So, state officials are very interested in restoring the power plant. Welch explained that the generators are rusted and would have to be replaced. There would be a large front end cost in reviving the power plant, so there needs to be research into the costs and benefits of such a project. The selectmen voted to authorize the Town Manager to do that research and to return to the Board with his findings.

An even bigger power facility that could be erected in Ashland would be a trash to energy plant. The landfill now being used by Ashland and most surrounding communities is expected to close in 2026. It is unclear where the area's trash will then be hauled, perhaps as far away as landfills in New York. The alternative might be a rigorous recycling program and a trash to energy plant, which Welch pointed out was a common solid waste solution in Europe. Selectman Alan Cilley noted that there are now 75 (going on 76) trash to energy plants in this country. Ashland, with its access to the Interstate and its own municipal electric system, may be well placed for such a facility. Cilley stated that it might be five to six years before the power plant was actually completed. The selectmen were interested enough to authorize the Town Manager to again research the project and available grants and report back to them.

The state legislature recently voted to give towns additional funds for bridge and highway construction, provided it was not used for already budgeted projects. That money, which will total about \$100,000 for Ashland, is either sitting

in the General Fund or will arrive at the end of the year. Concerned that the State might take the money back, Welch proposed that a warrant article be written to place those state funds in a special capital reserve fund for future highway and bridge construction.

The selectmen voted to have him do just that for the 2023 town meeting.

To correct an oversight, the selectmen formally voted to withdraw \$199,901.11 from the Road Improvement Capital Reserve Fund for the Winter Street project.

They ended their meeting with a nonpublic session on legal matters. No action was taken on an agenda item on changes to the Town budget, because the Town attorney, who was attending a funeral in Georgia, had not yet responded on that issue.



SLA offers treasure hunt nature mobile craft session

HOLDERNESSE — Bring the beauty of the Squam Lakes Region to your home! Join the Squam Lakes Association for a walk to gather some of Earth's treasures to create a unique handcrafted nature mobile to decorate your home. Shannon Peachey, a Lakes Region Conservation Corps member, will lead this craft. The program is held at the Squam Lakes Association headquarters on Saturday, Dec. 17 between 9 and 11 a.m. Come and learn where to find natural objects such as pinecones and acorns, the role they play in nature, and how to make beautiful art from those materials. With the holidays approaching, a nature mobile would also make an excellent gift for a loved one!

Participants should bring layers and be prepared for a brief outdoor outing. Participants may also bring any other materials to spruce up their nature mobiles. For more informa-

tion, or to sign up for this Adventure Ecology program, visit the SLA website (squamlakes.org) or contact the SLA directly (603-968-7336). The SLA also offers other Adventure Ecology programs throughout the year. These free programs are open to the public and cover a variety of nature and conservation-related topics. The LRCC AmeriCorps members present the Adventure Ecology programs at the SLA, who perform essential conservation work in support of the Association's mission.

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CADY Corner

The truth about holiday spirits

BY DEB NARO
Contributor

Many of us look forward to celebrations during the holidays, a time when some people are more likely to drink beyond their limits than at other times of the year. Some will suffer adverse consequences that range from fights to falls to traffic crashes. Sadly, we often put ourselves and others at risk because we don't understand how alcohol affects us during an evening of celebratory drinking.

Despite the potential dangers, myths about drinking persist, which—for some—can prove fatal. Scientific studies supported by the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism provide important information that challenges these widespread, yet incorrect, beliefs about how quickly alcohol affects the body and how long the effects of drinking last. Holiday revelers may not recognize that critical decision-making abilities and driving-related skills are already diminished long before a person shows physical signs of intoxication.

Initially, alcohol acts as a stimulant, so people who drink may feel upbeat and excited. But don't be fooled. Alcohol soon decreases inhibitions and judgment and can lead to reckless decisions.

As we consume more alcohol, reaction time suffers, behavior becomes poorly controlled and as drinking continues, we can experience slurred speech and loss of balance, typically associated with being drunk. At these levels and above, alcohol can also cause blackouts—which are when a person does not remember what happened while he or she was intoxicated. At higher levels, alcohol acts as a depressant, which causes the drinker to become sleepy and in some cases pass out. At even higher levels, drinkers face the danger of life-threatening alcohol overdose due to the suppression of vital life functions.

During an evening of drinking, it's also easy to misjudge how long alcohol's effects last. For example, many people believe they will begin to sober up—and be able to drive safely—once they stop drinking and have a cup of coffee. The truth is that alcohol continues to affect the brain and body long after the last drink has been consumed. Even after someone stops drinking, alcohol in the stomach and intestine continues to enter the bloodstream, resulting in impaired judgment and coordination for hours.

Of course, we don't intend to harm anyone when we celebrate during the holiday season. Yet, violence and traffic fatalities associated with alcohol misuse persist, and myths about drinking live on—even though scientific studies have documented how alcohol affects the brain and body. Because individuals differ, the specific effects of alcohol on an individual will vary. But certain facts are clear—there's no way to make good decisions when you are intoxicated and there's no way to sober up faster.

If you are hosting a holiday gathering, consider offering a variety of nonalcoholic drinks and bottled water, be sure to provide a variety of foods and snacks for your guests especially if you are serving alcohol, food can slow the absorption of alcohol in the body by approximately one-third. Help your guests get home safely—use designated drivers, anyone getting behind the wheel of a car should not have any alcohol. If you are a parent, understand underage drinking laws and always prevent those under age 21 from accessing alcohol—and remember to set a good example.

For more tips on how to talk to your child about alcohol, please visit our website at cadyinc.org. If you, or someone you know, struggles with substance misuse or addiction, please call 2-1-1 or the Doorway at (934-8905) for help. You can also connect with Plymouth Area Recovery Connection (PARC), our local recovery center, located at Whole Village Family Resource Center in Plymouth at info@parcnh.org or 238-3555.

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COURTESY

Pemi DAR takes part in Festival of Trees

Pemigewasset Valley Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, entered PSU's Festival of Trees Scholarship Fundraising event on Dec. 1-3. Our "Never Forget" Poppy Tree was decorated with more than 200 large handmade red poppies, each one bearing the name of a Veteran. Chapter members provided the names of relatives and friends from all branches of the military. The Poppies honor veterans of all wars from the American Revolution onward.

Membership in the Daughters of the American Revolution is open to any woman over 18 who can prove direct lineal descent from a Patriot of the American Revolution. For information, please contact Paula Woodward, woodwardpm1@gmail.com. In the photo are, left to right, Carol Lenahan, Deborah Plimmer, Kathy Grabiek, Stephanie Osborne, and Jeannine Wheeler.

Letters to the Editor

When a loss is a win

To the Editor:

Losing by four votes out of 8,144 cast in my bid for State Representative in Floterial District 18 was a loss for me and a narrow win for my opponent, John Sellers. But considering that the district was rated as +4 favoring Republican candidates over Democrats, my loss can be considered a win. And, a 'win' for what?

1. A win for support of public education over private schools operating under the "Education Freedom Act" that often substitute Christian-based education for traditional secular education that includes: 1) fact-based science; 2) factual and balanced treatment of American history; and 3) recognition of the strength of American cultural, religious, gender, racial and ethnic diversity.

2. A win for the view that private religious education should not be paid for using the New Hampshire State Treasury. The U.S. and New Hampshire were established as secular states where religion and the state are separated. The First Amendment "non-establishment clause" of the U.S. Constitution reads: "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof..." This established a secular Republic with separation of religion and the state, while protecting religious freedom, that includes the many non-Christian faiths practiced in the state and our nation. Such schools, recently developed and described as operating under "parental choice" according to Tim Carney of the NH Department of Education, and supported in the amount of \$3800 per child and draw funding from the State Treasury. Religiously-based education should not be subsidized, guided

by the founding principle of a "New Secular Order," words that appear on the U.S. dollar, Novus Ordo Seclorum. My opponent John Sellers publicly cited the Christian Bible as the basis for his understanding of science at our Bristol public Forum on November 5th stating that he has nine children, making the potential cost to the taxpayer—depending upon the ages of his children—as high as \$34,200 per year. As a lifelong educator, I cannot help but wonder how this support for a single family might be better used for the benefit of public education.

3. A win for the potential expansion of a Democratic base in the greater Newfound Lake region, including the important town of Bristol—where I lost by only 102 votes out of 1,508 cast. My Newfound region fellow candidates, Taylor Largmann and Richard Lobban, and I would work together with others we had the good fortune to meet during our campaigns to develop this base in conjunction with other regional Democrats who have been so supportive of our efforts.

We unelected candidates from Bridgewater-Bristol express our collective gratitude to the thousands of voters who supported our respective candidacies for State Representative and Senator—including both local and state-wide supporters. We want to let them know that we will build upon what we have learned and gained personally from our respective candidacies, especially from the valuable conversations we have had with the citizens of the region and state.

Sincerely,
Carolyn Fluehr-Lobban
Bridgewater

A note on the economy

To the Editor:

Inflation seems bad, I know — particularly in the supermarket, where the staff cannot keep up with revising price tags on the shelves. In addition, there are the products that stay at their original price, but the packaging mysteriously shrinks. Corporate greed is rampant. But overall, nationally, the economy is looking better.

The US economy grew at an annual rate of 2.9 percent in the third quarter of 2022, July through September. Keep in mind that this is higher than all of Trump's first three years, when he never got above 2.5 percent. Unemployment today is at a 50-year low. Inflation is still too high, we all agree, but gas prices have dropped to about \$3.50 a gallon, where they were in February before the

Ukraine invasion.

We need to hang on for a few months before changing course, because it takes time for the needles of the economy to move. Biden's recent legislation, the Inflation Reduction Act, is just getting going. Meanwhile, the American Rescue Plan (ARPA) money will continue to provide relief and a boost to local governments and non-profits through the end of 2024. This is revenue that might not be overtly apparent to many folks, but it is, in the long run, saving us money on our property tax bills and improving the county and town services. Let's be patient and let the new incentives have time to work.

Rep. Joyce Weston
Plymouth

NORTH COUNTRY NOTEBOOK

Something so soul-satisfying about splitting a bunch of kindling



By JOHN HARRIGAN
COLUMNIST

Editor’s note: While Mr. Harrigan’s hiatus continues, we present the following North Country Note-

book column originally published in December 2011.

One of my favorite things to do is to split kindling. Often, I use butt ends of spruce and fir (fir is better) from stuff that I or helper Bob Vashaw have to clean up from blowdowns around woods roads and fences. If it is a clear piece, meaning no knots, I split it into small sections with a heavy maul or a hydraulic splitter, and set it aside for splitting much finer into

kindling. If not, it’s set aside to go into stove, fire- place or outdoor furnace.

Some of my choice butt ends are cedar, the best for splitting for kindling, which I get from longtime friend David Hodge, known for making some of the best hay around and for building the very finest of split-rail fences. What butt-ends I get from him, mostly, are clear and straight. It is the type of wood most satisfying to split. What is knotty goes for starting fires in the

fireplace or outdoor furnace, which does not have to be much, because

once the outdoor furnace is going, it’s going. The living room fireplace is another matter, because it seldom holds a fire through the night.

On a rainy or snowy day, which is what determines outside work or inside work, I build a fire in my old Atlantic box stove in the shop, and commence to split kindling. To me, it is a totally pleasant chore. It takes about

a half an hour to get the place warmed up, enough time to get snacks out and warm up a cup of tea.

And then, it’s time to set about. I’ve had this old, small axe for many years, an ancient thing (I’d estimate early 1800’s) with a short handle and a heavy head, perfect for splitting fine stuff. For decades, I’ve kept it hidden

from successive kids, who tend to bruise or break handles. Hence, here is not a mark on the handle, which I’d call

a haft, although that is hard to find in any dictionary.

Inside, I’ve already stacked up a bunch of split logs, which I always heard called bights, although I cannot find any reference to them in such a way. A bight is mostly used for bodies of water, but in my dim mind and recollection, garnered from old-timers, it also referred to a split piece of wood.

At any rate, there I am in my shop, with a good fire going in the old Atlantic box stove, with its Gothic side panels. This is a stove that I warmed myself from back when the Deadwater logging

camp was still going. That was about a half-century ago. My favorite recollection of that comes from when best friend Jimmy Berry and I, soaked and half frozen after hunting the high end of Deadwater, stopped at the camps to seek warmth and shelter and were welcomed in to sit by the stove and have some huge cookies. When Raymond Ricker’s family were auctioning stuff off, I happened to see the stove in an ad in the Colebrook News and Sentinel, and rushed down to the auction and man- aged to buy the stove. And there it sits in my shop, warming me as it did so long ago. For about everything important that I have, there is a story.

I set a piece of cedar upon the splitting block, and split

off a piece about the size of a hefty slice of ham, and then turn it and commence splitting it into fine pieces about the size of celery sticks. “Plink, plink,” they go as they fall to the floor. In not much time, too little time actually, there’s quite a pile. I’ll use them in the fireplace, on especially cold days, to build a fire to augment the abundant heat coming in from the outdoor furnace.

PSU teaching lecturer completes Fulbright Fellowship in country of Georgia

PLYMOUTH — Plymouth State University (PSU) English teaching lecturer and acclaimed writer, translator, librettist, creator, director, curator, performer, and producer Niloufar Talebi recently returned to the U.S. after six months abroad as a Fulbright U.S. Scholar Fellow affiliated with Ilia State University in the country of Georgia and researching her next book.

Talebi has been a teaching lecturer at PSU since 2015 where she teaches the popular course, “Writing and the Creative Process.” Although it is technically an English elective, Talebi assigns various creative exercises designed to guide students in discovering their creativity and the ways in which their unique processes work, with the goal of helping students develop critical thinking skills to serve them in all future endeavors. Talebi did several readings and presentations during her Fulbright tenure at Ilia State University as well as at Writers’ House of Georgia, the Tbilisi International Book Festival and the Tbilisi International Festival of Literature.

“Georgian students and audiences are highly interested in the American ways of thinking, our culture of entrepreneurship, and our international outreach,” said Talebi.

The Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program is a competitive program that expands perspectives through academic and professional advancement



COURTESY

Plymouth State University teaching lecturer and acclaimed multidisciplinary artist Niloufar Talebi (shown in a photo at Tbilisi’s Mushtaid garden, the former home of a 19th century Persian religious leader in Georgia) recently returned to the U.S. after six months abroad as a Fulbright U.S. Scholar Fellow affiliated with Ilia State University in the country of Georgia and researching her next book.

and cross-cultural dialogue. The program offers over 800 awards in more than 135 countries for U.S. citizens to teach, conduct research and carry out professional projects around the world. College and university faculty, as well as artists and professionals from a wide range of fields can join over 400,000 Fulbrighters who have come away with enhanced skills, new connections, and greater mutual understanding.

“The ability to think critically is essential to everything we do,” said Talebi. “I present my students with scenarios from everyday life to demonstrate how our thought processes influence outcomes.”

Talebi is a Brit-

ish-born Iranian American, author and multidisciplinary artist. She is the author of “Self-Portrait in Bloom” (I’Aleph, March 28, 2019), which breaks with the memoir form and presents a portrait of the Iranian poet Ahmad Shamlou and his poetry in her award-winning translation. “Self-Portrait in Bloom” is used in the classroom to teach cross-genre and hybrid writing. Talebi’s related opera project, “Abraham in Flames,” in collaboration with composer Aleksandra Vrebalov and director Roy Rallo, and a TEDx Berkeley talk are part of the multidisciplinary project inspired by the life and work of Ahmad Shamlou that includes “Self-Portrait

in Bloom.” The opera premiered in San Francisco in May 2019 and landed on the San Francisco Chronicle’s “Best in Classical Music Performances of 2019” list.

“I went to Georgia to write a book that I had planned for some time and which I am still working on, but the experience sparked inspiration for another book which has been gushing out of me,” said Talebi. “Being in Georgia triggered the missing element that is connecting all the threads that will go into this book.”

This new work examines how the notion of Home is often exploited as a form of othering in the guise of inclusion.

Talebi will be in conversation about her work in progress with the artist and photogra-

pher Kija Lucas – whose recent exhibition centers around her search for Home as a mixed-race American – during a virtual event at the San Francisco Public Library.

Talebi resides in the San Francisco Bay Area, and she spent time in New Hampshire during the summers of her college years.

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Edward Jones: Financial Focus

Advice can help when making charitable gifts

Now that it’s the holiday season, gifts are probably on your mind – and you might intend for some of those gifts to go to charities. Although your intentions are good, you could be shortchanging both your recipients and yourself with your method of giving. But with some guidance, you can make choices that work well for you and those charitable groups you support. Of course, you could simply give money to these groups. However, by donating other types of assets, can you increase the value of your gift and gain greater tax benefits, too? It’s certainly possible, but your ability to gain any tax advantages depends somewhat on whether or not you can itemize deductions on your tax return. Due to legislation passed a few years ago that significantly increased the standard deduction, many people may no longer be itemizing. But if you still

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itemize, you can generally deduct up to 60% of your adjusted gross income for cash donations to IRS-qualified charities. Another contribution strategy involves donating other assets, such as stocks. You could donate stocks directly to a charitable group, but you might gain more benefits by making an irrevocable contribution to a donor-advised fund (DAF). Again, assuming you can itemize, you can deduct the full fair-market value of the asset, up to 30 percent of your adjusted gross income, and your contributions can be invested in mutual funds or similar vehicles. The contributions have the opportunity for growth, and distributions to the charity are tax-free. You can then decide, on your own timetable, which IRS-qualified charitable groups you would like to receive the money. Furthermore, if you donate stocks that have risen in

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value, you won’t incur potential capital gains taxes that you would have when you eventually sold the stocks. These taxes can be considerable, especially if you’ve held the stocks for a long time. (You’ll want to consult with your tax advisor on how charitable gifts can affect your taxes, especially if you’re thinking of using a donor-advised fund.) These charitable donation methods are not secrets, and they are available to many people – you don’t have to be wealthy to employ them. Yet, here’s an interesting statistic: Those who work with a financial advisor on charitable strategies are more than three times as likely to donate non-cash assets such as stocks than those who contribute to charities but don’t work with an advisor, according to an August 2022 survey from finan-

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cial services firm Edward Jones and Morning Consult, a global data intelligence company. These findings suggest that many more people could be taking advantage of tax-smart charitable giving moves – if only they had some help or guidance. Also, by getting some professional financial assistance, you may find it easier to implement your charitable giving decisions within your overall financial strategy, which is designed to help you meet all your important long-term goals, such as achieving a comfortable retirement. Your instinct to help support charitable groups is a worthy one – and by getting some help, you can turn this impulse into actions that may work to everyone’s benefit.

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Talk of the Towns

News from our Local Correspondents

Ashland

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Christmas is coming, as last week's Christmas Night and this week's new items show.

Breakfast With Santa

The Common Man Restaurant and the Ashland Woman's Club are again teaming up to raise money for the Club's Books For Newborns program, with Breakfast With Santa, which will be served from 8:30 to 1:30 a.m. this Saturday, Dec. 10, at the restaurant. The buffet will include

scrambled eggs, bacon, ham, potatoes, and French toast. There will also be raffles and Pictures with Santa by donation. The cost of the meal is \$10 for an adult or teenager, \$6 for a child under 12, but free for children under \$3. Only cash or checks will be accepted for payment.

Mailbox for Santa

A Mailbox for Letters to Santa from children has been set up for the holiday season on the porch of Roundabout New England, next door to the Common Man Restaurant.

Deck The House Contest

There is still time to enter the sixth annual Deck The House contest sponsored by the Elaine Hughes Realty Group. The contest will award prizes to the best Christmas decorated residences and businesses in Ashland. The signup form can be filled out at the realty office at 116 Main St. or online at www.hughes-regroup.com, but is due by this Saturday, Dec. 10. Photos or video must be provided. Three judges will visit all the properties to choose the winners, which will be announced on Dec. 16.

Ashland Garden Club News (from Elizabeth Greason)

The Ashland Garden Club held its Holiday Brunch on Dec. 4 at The Inspire Cafe at Mill #3 on Winter Street in Ashland. After delicious food and drink, we had our usual Yankee Swap. A great time was had by all.

On Dec. 1, several members met at the Ashland Elementary School to participate in wreath making with the

students. The students love the event and the wreaths are distributed to local businesses in the town.

Our November meeting was held on Nov. 21 at the Holderness Library, where members created beautiful boxwood trees under the guidance of Club member Wendy Lapore. They all looked a bit different, but all were festive enough to be shown off on Thanksgiving and Christmas.

There are no meetings in the winter months, so our next meeting will be on April 16 at the Holderness Library.

Bristol

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I see that many folks have started to decorate their homes with Christmas lights and items that remind us of the holiday fast approaching. It's fun to drive around in the evening when the lights are all on, and the Town Square is particularly beautiful with all the decorations there!

The Bristol Rotary Club is holding their Christmas Tree Sale at O'Reilly Auto Parts in Bristol.

Due to illness, the Holiday Gathering at the Walker Farm was postponed last Saturday. The Walker Farm invites you to join them for a holiday gathering at the farm at 2760 Smith River Rd. on Saturday, Dec. 10 from 3 to 6 p.m. for their Wreath and Craft Sale. There will be cookies and hot cocoa available, a bonfire and you can visit with the farm animals!

The 67th Annual Santa's Village and Craft Fair will take place at the TTCC starting on Friday, Dec. 9 from 6 – 8 p.m. It will continue on Saturday, Dec. 10 from 2-5 p.m. and on Sunday, Dec. 11 from 2-5 p.m. Cost of entrance is a canned food donation. For more details: www.ttccrec.org.

Breakfast With Santa will take place at the Masonic Lodge on Saturday, Dec. 10 from 8 – 10 a.m. for free!

The Minot-Sleeper Library is sponsoring a Fun-All-Year Raffle in which you have a chance to win one of three prizes.

These include; a week-day lift ticket for two to Ragged Mountain, a one year family membership to McAuliffe-Shepard Discovery Center, or a one-year membership to Squam Lakes Natural Science Center. Tickets for the raffle are for sale at the library for \$1 each or six for \$5. Stop in at the MLS for more information. Proceeds will help fund the museum passes provided for the patrons of the MSL.

Lisa Shute will be at the MSL on Friday, Dec. 9 from 10 a.m. until noon to assist with Insurance open enrollment. Lisa is from Mid-State Health Center and trained to help consumers looking for health coverage options. You do not need to be a patient of Mid-State to take part.

Support the environment and the MSL by purchasing a reusable Community Bag at the Bristol Hannaford store at 505 Pleasant St. For every Bag sold during the month of December, Hannaford will donate \$1 to the Friends of the Minot Sleeper Library.

Recurring events at the MSL include: Knot Only Knitters on Mondays from 2:30-4:30 p.m., Storytime on Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m., Mah Jongg on Wednesdays from 1-3 p.m., Movie Time on Wednesdays at 4 p.m. and Friday Quilt Club on Fridays at 1 p.m. Don't forget Poetry Night on the first Tuesday of every month at 6:30pm!

Mrs. Claus will be visiting the MSL for Storytime on Dec. 14 for a reading of "The Night Before Christmas". Decorating for the 2022 Giving Tree has begun, which means patrons can select a book or DVD to purchase for the library collection as a holiday gift.

Dog Obedience Classes will be having new sessions from Jan. 14 until Feb. 18 for two class levels at the TTCC. Level 1, the basics class will meet Saturdays from 1-2 p.m. and Level 2 will meet on Saturdays from 2:30 - 3:30 p.m. For more information, contact Mackenzie Fredericks at fiddlestickdogs@gmail.com or 603-217-7354.

A Luminary Walk will take place at the Slim Baker Lodge on Dec. 16 & 17 that will start at 6 p.m. each night.

The TTCC Teen Council will hold another Parent's Night Out on Saturday, Dec. 17 from 5 – 9 p.m. for \$20 per person.

Campton-Thornton

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Christmas Concert and Cookie Swap

The Campton Historical Society Christmas Concert and Cookie Swap will be Saturday, Dec. 17 at 4 p.m. Come enjoy an early evening of fun and camaraderie. Like good apple cider, the best comes from a nice blend of apples. This year's Community Holiday Concert promises to create a blend of musical offerings that will satisfy anyone's thirst for a good time.

Dust off your vocal cords and get ready to join in the singing of Christmas Carols as

we all get in the spirit of the season. This year emcee AJ Coppola will lead the way with special guests from Campton Elementary School. William Gunn will be returning with special guests from Plymouth Regional High School and Trisha Craig will be leading a flute ensemble.

After the musical performance and sing-a-long (there are no Simon Cowell types

among us) you can enjoy the annual cookie fest. Bring along a dozen or so of your own

cookies and you can swap them for other delightful treats. Even if you don't bring

cookies you can still join in the good food and good fun. The Campton Historical

Society will provide hot cocoa and more to help wash down the cookies and brighten your spirits! The event is free and family friendly.

Light Up Thornton

The Light Up Thornton kicked off event on Dec. 4 at the Thornton Elementary School Gymnasium. You decide which participating house has the best Christmas lights. Voting will be open Dec. 4-Dec. 17. Ballot boxes will be available at town hall, the school, the Benton's Sugar Shack, and the library. Winners will be announced Dec. 21. For more information on the Events Committee, our events, or how to get involved, please visit Thornton NH Events on Facebook, <https://www.facebook.com/thorntonnhevents>, or email us at thorntonnhevents@gmail.com.

Thornton Public Library news

Thornton Public Library was honored to host storyteller Simon Brooks from a CLIF grant on Wednesday, Nov. 16 at the Thornton Central School. Vivica Duffield, director of the Thornton Library, introduced the interactive storyteller to the children for an hour of en-

tertaining stories. This grant from the Children's Literacy Foundation allowed the library to select \$2,000 worth of new books for the children's collection. The grant encourages libraries in New Hampshire and Vermont towns of 5,000 residents or fewer to partner with school and childcare centers to encourage a community-wide commitment to literacy. The Thornton Central School will also receive new books, and a story-telling presentation with a book giveaway in the spring.

The Thornton Library is committed to encouraging literacy for the children in the local community with book fairs, after school programs, and vacation programs as well.

CLIF is an independent non-profit organization founded in 1998. Its mission is to nurture a love of reading and writing among low-income, at-risk, and rural children (twelve and under) in New Hampshire and Vermont. CLIF has inspired more than 250,000 young readers and writers through literacy program grants and has given away nearly \$7 million in new, high quality children's books. For more information visit clifonline.org.

Campton Public Library news

There is so much happening at CPL this winter! Join us for Storytime on the first & third Saturdays of the month at 11 a.m. for stories, arts & crafts, maybe even a science experiment! We have two book clubs, one that meets the last Saturday of the month at 9:30 a.m. and another on the first Friday of the month at 7 p.m. Upcoming book club titles include "The Soul of an Octopus" by Sy Montgomery, "The Silent Twins" by Marjorie Wallace, "I'm Glad My Mom Died" by Jenett McCurdy, and "Nobody Gets Out Alive" by Leigh Newman.

Starting in January, we're bringing back our popular Cookbook Club! You choose a recipe out of the cookbook of the month and bring it in to share. Stay for movie night and you've got a recipe for fun!

"Just Write" is our monthly creative writer's group starting Jan. 27 at 6 p.m. You don't have to be a great writer, just someone who wants to improve their skills in a fun, non-judgmental setting.

Every Thursday from 6-8 p.m. is our drop-in Crafter's Club. Just bring whatever project you are currently working on, whether it's knitting, crochet, embroidery, or something else. Relax with other friendly local makers and get inspired!

And finally, we're super excited about our house plant swap on Saturday, Feb. 25 from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Bring in cuttings, seeds, bare root or potted house plants to swap. Please only

bring disease & pest free plants to share. You can never have too many plants!

We now have passes to the New England Aquarium in Boston! The pass allows four people in for half price. Thanks to a grant from CLIF we will have the passes through August of 2023, so don't wait too long to take advantage of the opportunity to take your family to this amazing place.

Check the calendar section of our website, camptonnhlibrary.com for all the dates, times, and details of our winter programs and events. Hope to see you at the library soon!

Thornton Public Library news

Storytime is offered at the Thornton Public Library for our young patrons on Wednesdays from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Holderness

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Carols at the Library last Friday evening was a big success! Thanks to our Central School Choir, accompanied by Music Teacher Chandra Hazelton and her husband, Friends of the Library and Library staff, plus the parents who came out on a chilly night to bring the kids and cheer them on!

Holiday Fair at the Central School takes place this Saturday, Dec. 10 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Also, the Scholastic Book Fair takes place from Dec. 10 – 15 with Family times on Wednesday from 6 - 7:30 p.m. and the following morning from 7:45 - 8:30 a.m.

Surveyors checking the poles and wires on Route 113 last week. Said they were gathering information for the power company for future high-speed Internet!

Corcoran Consulting Associates inc., the town's assessing firm, are currently out doing field work for any building permits, as well as the new cycle inspection area. You can check the Assessing Departments web page to check if your area is listed. Any questions or concerns? Call the Town Office. If the assessors aren't allowed on the property they will make assumptions based on their experience and training.

Library fundraiser is ongoing. Purchase tickets for \$1 each and put them in the container by your choice. Very nice baskets to choose from.

Our Library Director will be reading books recommended by members of the community for the calendar year. When he's done with a title, Adam will share his thoughts about it with the person who recommended it.

The latest issue of the Holderness School Today focuses on recently retired Head of School Phil Peck who led the school for 21 years and became friends to many

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Walking' in a Whitten Wonderland

HOLDERNESS — Join Lakes Region Conservation Corps Members Virginia and Shannon on Dec. 21 from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for a hopefully snowy jaunt through Whitten Woods! We will be hiking all of the trails in this network (about three and a quarter miles round trip), so this is a great opportunity for those looking to finish their Squam Ranger hikes. That being said, this moderately difficult hike will take us to two vistas overlooking the watershed, and is a great way to see the area. The insulating properties of the snow will add even further to the peaceful winter landscape. To fully enjoy your hike, make sure to bring plenty of warm layers, water, snacks if you want them, and snowshoes/microspikes if you have them. It may also be nice to have a warm beverage with you as well!

Whitten Woods is owned by the New England Forest Foundation (NEFF), on which the Squam Lakes Conservation Society holds a conservation easement, and the trails are maintained



by the Squam Lakes Association (SLA).

This hike is weather dependent in that if it is freezing rain or snowing heavily, we may need to cancel with the potential of offering the hike at a later date.

For more information, or to sign up for this guided hike, visit the SLA Web site (squamlakes.org) or contact the SLA directly (603-968-7336). The SLA also offers other guided hikes and Adventure Ecology

programming throughout the year. These free programs are open to the public and cover a variety of nature and conservation-related topics. The LRCC AmeriCorps members present the Adventure Ecology programs at the SLA, who

perform essential conservation work in support of the Association's mission.

The Squam Lakes Association is dedicated to conserving for the public benefit the natural beauty, peaceful character,

and resources of the watershed. In collaboration with local and state partners, the SLA promotes the protection, careful use, and shared enjoyment of the lakes, mountains, forests, open spaces, and wildlife of the Squam Lakes Region.

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in the area.

Weather Guru Rod Weinstein reports that the average high temperature for the month was 47.9 degrees, and the low 32.3 degrees. This is 4.1 degrees above normal. The warmest day was 70 degrees on the 5th and 6th and the coldest 13 degrees on the 21st of the month. Total snowfall (in Sandwich and some other high elevations) was 3 inches, which is 2.7 inches below normal. Total precipitation was 4.82 inches, which is 0.46 inches above normal. The highest wind gust observed was 47 mph on the 26th of the month.

On Sunday, Dec. 18 at 2:30 p.m., First Congregational Church in Meredith, whose pastor is Peter Lovett, will continue their Joyful Noise Music Series with a choir made up of voices from area churches. They'll be presenting "The Voices of Christmas" a cantata by Joseph Martin, and other seasonal music at St. Charles Borromeo Church which is located just beyond Moulton Farm on Route 25 in Meredith.

Warren/ Wentworth

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Greetings everyone. Hope you are all having a good week and enjoying the festive holiday season.

Our show "The Regifters" is proving to

be the hit we hoped it would be. Audiences can't stop laughing and we're so grateful! Three more chances to see this touching and hilarious Christmas show Dec. 9 and 10 at 7PM and Dec. 11 at 3 p.m. at the Bradford Academy Stage in Bradford, Vt.

In **WARREN**, The Parks and Recreation Department invite you to a planning meeting for 2023. The meetings are Thursday, December 1 and Thursday, Jan. 5, at 5 p.m. at the Town Hall.

Come meet new people, and help build a calendar and plan events for 2023.

In **WENTWORTH**, the Elementary School is seeking vendors for their Christmas Craft Fair on Saturday, Dec. 10 from 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

\$20 a spot, or \$15 if you contribute an item for raffle. To reserve a spot or for more information contact Hannah at hbilodeau@pemibaker.org.

On Dec. 11, at the 10 a.m. service, the Wentworth Congregational

Church Choir will present "The Splendor of Christmas" during the worship service. We're delighted to have a couple guests helping us out and a bell ringer to add some zest to the music! Join us for a pot-luck luncheon after the service.

Wentworth Historical Society will have a Holiday Open House on Thursday, Dec. 15 at 5:30

p.m. Stop by for hors d'houvres and sweet

Tigers

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New Hampshire schools in Bethlehem, Concord, Gilford, Hudson, Milan and Milford, as well as additional schools in Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Vermont.

"We are so grateful that after 20 years of touring New England, children still get excited when the TIGER van pulls up to their school," said Lindberg. "We are very honored to be partnering with the Jesse Lewis Choose Love Movement and founder Scarlett Lewis this season. The glowing testimonials we have received from teachers, parents, and students about our Choose Love and Team Up Together performances and workshops warm our hearts."

This season's cast members are:

Emily Shafritz: a performer and graduate of the University of New Hampshire, from Vermont

Matthew Murray: an actor and theater major from Maryland

Olivia Etbchings: a singer and graduate of Manhattanville College from New Hampshire

Kellen Schult: an actor and graduate of Southern Connecticut State University from New York

K. Bernice: an actor and music director from New Jersey

Music for Choose Love was primarily written by New Hampshire native Natalie Carmago, a performer and composer. It was scored

treats!

by New York City musician Evan Waaramaa. Additional music was composed by Cynthia Bizzarro. TIGER was choreographed by Darren Biggart from New York City.

In addition to Choose Love, TIGER is touring another K-6 program entitled Team Up Together, an original musical that has a special focus on social-emotional learning and making good choices. TIGER also offers a popular workshop experience for middle schoolers, called TIGER Think Tank, which helps students process experiences unique to the adolescent years.

Over the past two decades, only the COVID-19 pandemic sidelined the regular touring schedule of the TIGER program, though during that time it quickly pivoted to producing a 20-part educational and entertaining YouTube series for educators and families called "TIGER TIME" which was edited by Fidaa Ataya, an internationally recognized filmmaker, storyteller and PSU graduate.

Last year, TIGER also hit the road in their brand-new van and produced an interactive online program entitled TURBO TIGER, which is still being offered to schools, with original music videos, stories, lessons, book lists, songs and interactive online stories. Plymouth State current and former graduate students Stephanie Fritz, Kirsten Mohring and Christine Lamson, along with

That's it for this time! Have a good week, and

current PSU Affiliate Faculty member Fran Page, PSU Teaching Faculty, New Hampshire Arts Laureate and PSU graduate Amanda Whitworth, and former Affiliate Faculty member Lisa Travis, worked alongside Lindberg and many other artists to create TURBO TIGER.

Humble beginnings – still roaring

TIGER began in a hallway conversation between Lindberg and the late Dennise Maslowski, Ph.D., former director of graduate studies at PSU. With Maslowski's blessing and the help of Lindberg's graduate assistant at the time, Kate Mausolf, currently a teacher in NH School Administrative Unit (SAU) 48, and PSU faculty members Gary Goodnough, Ph.D., and Gail Mears, Ph.D., TIGER was born.

Common Man Restaurants owner and philanthropist Alex Ray provided the first TIGER tour van and then Ray and Sally Grand, a retired graphic designer from Holderness, painted it to look like a tiger in Ray's garage. Ray also equipped that first TIGER van with a horn that made animal sounds and growled like a tiger.

The troupe collected children's writings about bullying and wrote songs and a script. They began touring and 20 years and half-a-million children later, TIGER is still roaring.

TIGER is a professional theatre company

always remember to count your blessings!

designed to help communities proactively address social concerns. The program is a collaboration between the Integrated Arts and the Counselor Education and School Psychology graduate programs at PSU. TIGER's performances incorporate live actors, movement and music to engage school-age audiences, and are based on the anonymous writings of children. The goal of the program is to transform feelings, thoughts, and behavior to help children and adults understand their own power in resolving social issues that exist in schools today.

Upcoming TIGER performances are scheduled for December in Bethlehem, Concord, Exeter, Nashua and Rumney, as well as Lakeville, Massachusetts and Morrisville, Vermont. In January, shows are booked across New Hampshire, Maine, Massachusetts and Vermont. Additional performances will be added to the tour schedule throughout the season as space allows. TIGER works hard to accommodate as many schools as it can throughout the touring season, which goes through May.

Schools interested in booking TIGER should contact TIGER Tour Manager Pam Irish at 603-535-2647 or email her at tiger-psu@plymouth.edu.

To learn more about Plymouth State University, visit www.plymouth.edu.

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THE REAL REPORT
RECENT REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS

Table with 6 columns: Town, Address, Type, Price, Seller, Buyer. It lists various real estate transactions including properties in Alexandria, Ashland, Bristol, and Wentworth.

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Here are recent real estate transactions in Alton and the surrounding areas. These sales summaries are informational only, not a legal record. Names shown are usually the first listed in the deed. Sales might involve additional parties or locations. Prices are usually based on tax stamps and might be inaccurate for public agency sales. Refer to actual public documents before forming opinions or relying on this information. Additional publicly recorded information on these sales, prior sales and data from Department of Revenue Administration forms is available at www.real-data.com or 669-3822. Copyright 2011. Real Data Corp. In the column "Type": land= land only; L/B= land and building; MH= mobile home; and COND=condominium. Transactions provided by The Warren Group, Boston Ma., publishers of The Registry Review and Bankers and Tradesman newspapers. Phone: 1-800-356-8805. Website: www.thewarrengroup.com



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Ukraine FROM PAGE A1

Common Man’s promised match, more than \$2 million has been allocated to provide relief to Ukrainian refugees in Poland and those still living in war-ravaged Ukraine. A committed group of volunteers and others joined Ray in this statewide charitable endeavor, including former New Hampshire Gov. John Lynch, The Common Man family, WMUR-TV, iHeart Media, Granite United Way, New Hampshire Fisher Cats, and the Rotary Clubs of Plymouth and Warsaw, Poland. “We asked the people of New Hampshire for help, and their answer was overwhelming,” said Ray. “Ukrainians are headed into a brutally-cold winter in already

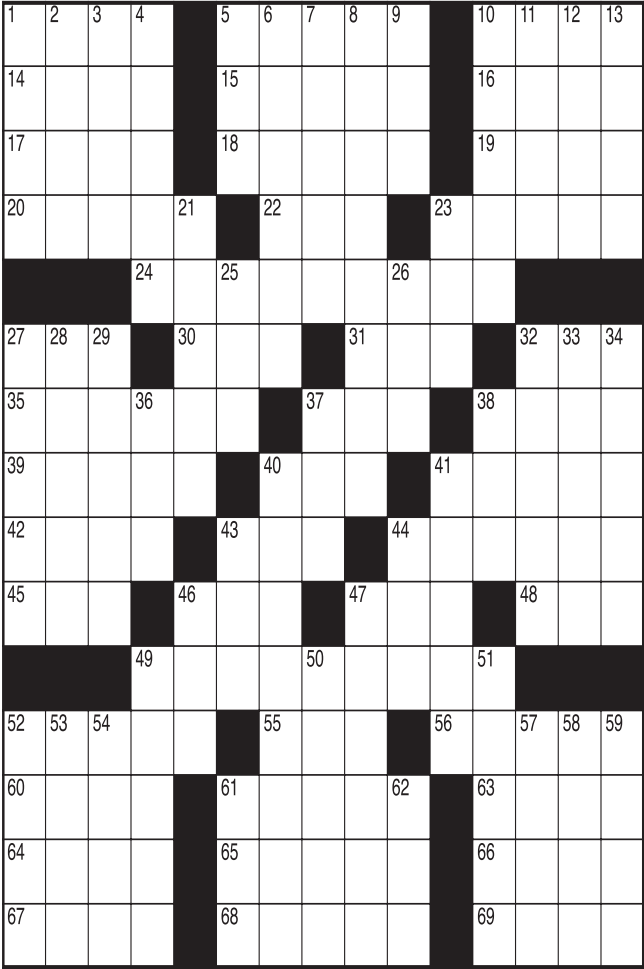
uncertain conditions – unreliable power, limited or no heat, and unstable living conditions. Your donations are providing warmth and sustenance. You are saving lives.” In the six months since the fundraiser began, more than 2,500 unique donors contributed more than \$1.2 million through the fund’s fiscal agent, Granite United Way. Donations are securely transferred to Polish Rotary District #2331 to ensure the funds go to their intended purposes. The partnership with Polish Rotary was developed through Ray’s membership in the Rotary Club of Plymouth. Ray and members of the NH Relief for Ukraine committee visited Poland and Ukraine in May to assess the immediate needs of

Ukrainian refugees and establish project goals for the fund. As donations came in, they were quickly wired to provide timely assistance for food, shelter, and other vital needs. The group returned to Poland and Ukraine in October to check on the progress of the programs that were funded. “We met heroes who were building a network for the delivery of humanitarian aid,” said Susan Mathison, a member of the NH Relief for Ukraine committee and Plymouth, NH resident who joined Ray on both trips. “We saw thousands of people stacked bed-to-bed in refugee centers, orphanages full of children traumatized by their losses, and we met Ukrainians determined to do whatever it takes to help each other to remain, Ukrainian.”

To date, the NH Relief for Ukraine fund has assisted in the purchase and delivery of more than 700 tons of food to orphanages and refugee centers throughout Ukraine; funded a trauma counseling center for children; purchased and deployed a Bloodmobile, which supplies field hospitals throughout Ukraine; distributed hundreds of generators; is striving to provide more than 10,000 sleeping bags to give extra warmth this winter; and assisted with repairs and supplies for orphanages and centers for children with disabilities. Ray and members of the fundraising committee are planning another visit to Ukraine in December to participate in a convoy that will deliver supplies, gifts and holiday treats to children

living in orphanages across the region. Ray will dress in a traditional “Father Frost” wardrobe to bring some cheer and smiles to children facing such difficult conditions this holiday season. Donations to NH Relief for Ukraine will be accepted until Dec. 31, and can be made online via fiscal agent Granite United Way at www.graniteuw.org or by texting NH4UKRAINE to 41444. Checks made out to Granite United Way with NH Relief for Ukraine in the memo line can be mailed to: Granite United Way, 22 Concord St., Manchester, NH 03101. More information about the effort and a donation link can also be found at www.cman4ukraine.org.

TAKE A BREAK



- ACROSS
- 1. Chop up
 - 5. Ones who utilize
 - 10. Sings with closed lips
 - 14. South American hummingbird
 - 15. Serves as a coxswain
 - 16. Liquor distilled from coconut or rice
 - 17. Spur
 - 18. Senile
 - 19. Tanzanian people
 - 20. Cruel
 - 22. Boxing’s “GOAT”
 - 23. Yokels
 - 24. London soccer team
 - 27. Chinese chess piece
 - 30. Supervises flying
 - 31. 007’s creator
 - 32. Shaft horsepower (abbr.)
 - 35. A spider makes one
 - 37. Liquefied natural gas
 - 38. Opaque gem
 - 39. Brazilian palm
 - 40. Periodical (slang)
 - 41. You might step on one
 - 42. Marvin and Horsley are two
 - 43. Partner to cheese
 - 44. Unpleasant smell
 - 45. Field force unit (abbr.)
 - 46. Fashion accessory
 - 47. Cool!
 - 48. Time zone
 - 49. Songs to one’s lover
 - 52. German river
 - 55. Go bad
 - 56. Sword
 - 60. Very eager
 - 61. Leaf bug
 - 63. Italian seaport
 - 64. Napoleon Dynamite’s uncle
 - 65. Member of Jamaican religion
 - 66. Large wading bird
 - 67. Carries out
 - 68. Eternal rest

69. It holds up your headwords
- DOWN
- 1. Not low
 - 2. Small water buffalo
 - 3. A mark left behind
 - 4. Archaic form of have
 - 5. Fiddler crabs
 - 6. Popular Hyundai sedan
 - 7. Deport
 - 8. Making over
 - 9. Midway between south and southeast
 - 10. Arabic masculine name
 - 11. Type of acid
 - 12. Popular 1980s Cher film
 - 13. Outdoor enthusiasts’ tools
 - 21. Chinese city
 - 23. “Star Wars” character Solo
 - 25. The bill in a restaurant
 - 26. Old, ugly witch
 - 27. Burn with a hot liquid
 - 28. To claim or demand
 - 29. “A Doll’s House” playwright
 - 32. Involuntary muscular contraction
 - 33. Pea stems (British)
 - 34. Double or multiple fold
 - 36. No longer is
 - 37. Lakers’ crosstown rivals (abbr.)
 - 38. S. American plant cultivated in Peru
 - 40. Cloth or fabric
 - 41. Flanks
 - 43. Disfigure
 - 44. Angry
 - 46. Baltic coast peninsula
 - 47. Large, flightless birds
 - 49. Plants of the lily family
 - 50. Medieval Norwegian language
 - 51. Polio vaccine developer
 - 52. Not soft
 - 53. Exchange rate
 - 54. Voice (Italian)
 - 57. Baseball’s Ruth
 - 58. Famed guitarist Clapton
 - 59. Take a chance
 - 61. Wife
 - 62. Elaborate handshake

GOOD BOOK WORD SEARCH

Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally, diagonally, and backwards.

GOOD BOOK WORD SEARCH

ACCURACY, AFFIXES, ALLITERATION, ANALOGY, ANTONYM, AUTHOR, BIOGRAPHY, BOOKMARK, CHARACTER, COLLECTION, COMPREHENSION, CONCEPTS, HOBBY, ILLUSTRATOR, IMAGERY, LIBRARY, LITERARY, NONFICTION, PARAGRAPH, PHONICS, READER, RELAXATION, SENTENCES

This Week’s Answers

Grid of letters with answers highlighted.

Campton Congregational

Sunday, Dec. 11
9:30 a.m. Rev. Jeff Robie will lead us in Worship.
10 a.m. Children’s Sermon (Nikki Nunes), Sunday School.
Following Worship we gather for fellowship.

Tuesday, Dec. 13
10:30 a.m. Bible Study – all are welcome – Fellowship Hall.
Noon Ladies Guild: BYO lunch, afternoon of fellowship, card games, and tea.
6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study meets on Zoom and the Facebook Group Page.

The beautiful, tall and stately Christmas tree in the sanctuary came from White Mountain Tree Farm in Thornton. The tree was lovingly dressed by many hands and glows with hundreds of lights and decorations.
This third Sunday of Advent we celebrate with the lighting of three candles – hope, peace, and joy – in our Advent wreath. We reflect on the joy that God’s plan gives us (foretold by the prophets and fulfilled by the life and death of Christ), and we meditate on the promise of

Christ’s coming glory-filled return. The third Sunday of Advent is traditionally called Gaudete Sunday. Gaudete is the Latin word for “rejoice.”
We welcome everyone to join us for Sunday worship and share in our joyful journey with Jesus Christ this Advent Season. Our Services and Bible studies are all available on Zoom. If you are unable to be with us in person, tithes and offerings may be sent to PO Box 328, Campton, NH 03223. Our Church is a member of the National Association of Congregational Christian Churches.

Chapel of St. John of the Mountains

Advent
As we continue through this Advent season let up put Jesus first; after all He is not only the Reason for the Season, He Is the Reason for Everything.

Pastor always in
Contact Pastor Cindy by Phone home (603) 539-7064, or text (603) 515-6684; private Zoom meetings are possible as well. Please call at your convenience, serving you is a privilege.

Midweek Zoom Meeting Possibilities
If you would like to gather on Zoom once each week to visit together, please let Pastor Cindy know. She will be pleased to set up a meeting for the group. These meetings have been well attended and uplifting and it would be a privilege to reinstate them.

Bible Study
Available on Zoom. Please let Pastor Cindy know if you are interested. We have a long and wonderful winter ahead of us and gathering in this way will be wonderful for our Church Family.

In prayer
Please contact Pastor Cindy at your convenience for prayer requests. In the days ahead, please keep our Chapel Family in your prayers. We are an Ecumenical Christian Church gathering on Sunday afternoons during the Summer and through the first Sundays of Sept. Oct. Nov. and Dec. We also gather at other times for fellowship as well. You are always welcome here.

Planning
As we plan our schedule for next years fieldtrips, your input is greatly appreciated. Please let Pastor Cindy

know where you would like to go and our Board will give all suggestions serious consideration. We look forward to traveling with you again next season.

Every Sunday of our season
The Good News of Jesus Christ and His Love for us will be shared. God’s Holy Spirit will always help us to find a deeper understanding of His Word and His Will for our lives. Come join us and return to your lives better able to fulfill God’s Will with running feet.

Christian Science Society, Plymouth

Progress on our major interior renovations is moving right along. We are so grateful for all the workers who are making this happen! All the upgrades will greatly strengthen the building and bless our ability to be a welcoming place in our community.
We are happy to have visitor join us at our Sunday services which are held at 10 a.m. each week. This week’s Bible lesson is “God the Pre-server of Man” and will be read here in Plymouth and in all Chris-

tian Science churches around the world next Sunday. It begins with the reassuring passage from Psalms: “I am the Lord your God...and I will give you peace in the land....”
We have a Sunday school which takes place during the church service where children and young people learn Bible-based lessons which help them in all areas of their lives – at school, with friends, and at home and in community.
We have a 6 p.m. Wednesday evening meeting where there are short readings from the Bible and from the Christian Science textbook. There’s also time for sharing with one another gratitude for healing experiences in our lives, as well as thoughts and insights from Bible study and prayer. We love to have visitors.
You can visit our church website www.cs-plymouth-nh.org to learn about joining online services, both Sundays and Wednesdays, on Zoom.
Our reading room in the church building is open on Mondays from noon to 2 p.m. You can browse the magazines and books, and borrow any you’d like The reading room has many Bible reference books as well as all publications of the Christian Sci-

ence publishing Society. There are free magazines for you to take as well.
At jsh-online.com you’ll find a wealth of articles and audio offerings which are new each week, including ones for children and teens. This week there’s a timely podcast “The gift you need to give yourself!” which is perfect for this holiday season.

Wentworth Congregational

Please join us each Sunday at 10 a.m. for worship.

At this time we are hosting a rotation of speakers each Sunday. Here is our list of speakers:
Dec. 11—Lynn Morrison-Our choir will present “The Splendor of Christmas”
A musical cantata, followed by a pot-luck Christmas luncheon
Dec. 18—Gary Jesseman
Dec. 24—Christmas Eve Service at W. Rumney 7 p.m.
Jan. 1—Communion Service at W. Rumney 9 a.m.
Jan. 8—Joy Moody
Jan. 15—Gary Jesseman
Jan. 22—Lynn Morrison
Jan. 29—Ruth Martz Blessings to all!



ALEXANDRIA
Alexandria United Methodist
12 Washburn Rd.
Alexandria Village, Alexandria
9 a.m. Sunday Worship Service
Pastor Mark Lamprey • 603-744-8104
Methodist Church
April 16th Easter Worship @ 9a.m.
ASHLAND
Ashland United Methodist
18 Washington St., Ashland
All are welcome.
9:30 Sunday morning Worship Service.
Church School for 3-7 year olds during worship service.
Communion on 1st Sunday.
Sunday Evenings 6:30-7:30
Praise and Prayer gathering.
Wednesday Bible Study 2:30-4:00 p.m.
Pastor Roger Kleinpeter
Ashland Community Church
55 Main Street - Ashland
(across from Shurline Market)
10:00 a.m. Worship
August 18 – September 15 Teaching Series: "I Love My Church!"
Toddler Zone (infants – five years old) led by Kara Hamill and Kid Zone (for K-6th grade) led by Debbie Madden.
Small groups: We offer adult small groups that meet on Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday evenings.
New Women’s Ministry: A women’s group will be starting this fall the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month beginning October 2019.
Pastor Ernie Madden
(603) 968-9464
accernie@hotmail.com
Emmanuel Episcopal Church
18 Highland Street, Ashland
(603) 968-7640
9:30 am Sunday School and Worship
Rev. Stephen Rugg
BRISTOL
Bristol Baptist Church
30 Summer Street, Bristol, NH 03222
(603) 744-3885
SUNDAY
• Worship service with music as well as the Scriptural message and time of fellowship. 10:00 a.m.
•We also do “live streaming” of this service. Sermons/message of each week can be found on our website (bristolbaptistchurch.org)

Holy Trinity Parish Bristol (Roman Catholic)
Our Lady of Grace Chapel
2 West Shore Rd
Bristol, NH
Marian Center
17 West Shore Rd Bristol
Bristol Office by appointment only
Call (603) 724-1825
Mass Schedule: Sundays at 9:30 AM
Thursdays at 8 AM
Eucharistic Adoration every Thursday from 8:30 to Noon
At North American Martyrs Oratory in the Marian Center
Website: holytrinityparishnh.org
FB: Holy Trinity News and Info
CAMPTON
Campton Baptist Church
1345 Main Street, Campton (603) 726-4662
Sunday 10 a.m. Worship Service followed by Time of Fellowship
Monday 4 p.m. Bible Study
Wednesday 7 p.m. Prayer
Friday 5:30 p.m. Dinner & Movie (free)
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Men's Breakfast 2nd Saturdays 7 a.m.
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Pastor Chuck Green
Campton Congregational
#495 Rt. 175, Campton
9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship Service
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11 a.m. Tue. Bible Study for Youth & Adults
Rev. Russell Petrie • 536-2536
Member NACCC
New Light Chapel
Southmayd Plaza (off I-93 Exit 28)
24 Southmayd Road, Campton
(Across Route 49 from Campton Mobil)
10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship Service
Childcare and Children's Ministry available
Pastor Steven Veinotte
www.newlightchapel.com
DANBURY
Danbury Christian Church
High St., Danbury
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
11 a.m. Morning Worship
Tuesdays 6:30 p.m. AWANA
Thursday, 7:00 p.m. Prayer Group/Bible Study
United Church of Danbury
"All Are Welcome"
Rt. 104 — Near Center of Town
9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship Service
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
Contact: Sylvia Hill, Deacon at 768-3936
danburypastor@myfairpoint.net
HANOVER
Our Savior Lutheran Church
5 Summer Street, Hanover • 643-3703
10:30 a.m. Sunday Service of Holy Communion and Children's Church
9:15 a.m. Adult Education Hour

HEBRON
Union Congregational Church
16 Church Lane, Hebron • 744-5883
Recorded Services on website
hebronchurchnh.org
Rev. Mary Jane Barber
Hill
Picturesque "1800" Hill Center Church
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Murray Hill Rd.
5 p.m. Sunday Services June-October
Rev. Carol Snow-Asher • 744-7864
Hill Village Bible Church
9 a.m. - Sunday School
10 a.m. - Morning Worship
11 a.m. - Coffee Fellowship
11:30 a.m. - Bible Hour
6:30p.m. - Wed. Prayer & Bible Hour
Teen/Childrens' Ministries
Nursery provided at all services
Pastor: Rev. Daniel Boyce
Youth Pastor: Nathan Pelletier
www.hillvillagebiblechurch.com
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919 US Route 3 – P.O. Box 613
Holderness, NH 03245
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10:30 a.m. Sunday School
6:30 p.m. Sun. Evening Service–Tilton
7:00 p.m. Tuesday Evening Service
Dr. Chester W. Kulus, Pastor
Christian Science Society
7 Emerson St., Plymouth
10-11 a.m.–Sun. Service/Sun. School
Wed. 6:00-7:00–Testimonial Meeting
www.cs-plymouth-nh.org
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints
354 Fairgrounds Rd., Plymouth
10:00a.m. Worship Service
11:10a.m. Sunday School
Kevin Simpson • 536-3664
Gateway Alliance Church
9 Fairgrounds Road, Plymouth • 536-3043
Sunday School and Adult Education
9:45 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
(Nursery Care is available)
Dennis Simmons, Pastor
gatewayalliancechurch.org

Grace Baptist Church
Meeting temporarily at the Baker River Bible Church at 259 Route 25, Wentworth, NH
1:30 p.m. - Sunday School for all ages
2:30 p.m. - Sunday Worship Service
Thursday, 6:30 p.m. - Teen and Adult Bible Study
Thursday, 6:30 p.m. - Kids "Patch the Pirate" Club
(from September - May)
Fall Meetings with Morris Gleiser, October 18-22.
Sunday, 1:30 and 2:30 PM; Monday - Thursday at 7:00 PM.
Visit www.gbcnh.org for sermons and more information.
Holy Trinity Parish (Roman Catholic)
St. Matthew Church
11 School St. Plymouth
Parish Office Hours
Monday through Friday 9:00AM- 3:00 PM
Phone: (603) 536-4700
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays at 3 PM
Mass Schedule
Saturday 4 PM and Sunday 8 and 11 AM
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Website: holytrinityparishnh.org
FB: Holy Trinity News and Info
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(603)536-1941
Sunday Morning Worship 9:30 am weekly
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10:30 a.m. Morning Service
Helping Hands Food Pantry 1st & 3rd Monday of the month, noon-2 p.m.
Food, Fun, Fellowship, 2nd Friday of the month, 6 p.m.
Nate Gagne, Pastor
Starr King Unitarian Universalist Fellowship
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536-8908
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Rev. Linda Barnes
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THORNTON
Thornton United Methodist
22 Church St., Thornton
Off Cross Road between Rts 3 & 175
Call 603-726-3774 for more information or to leave a message.
WARREN
Warren United Methodist Church
On the Common, Warren, NH
Sunday Worship 1:30 p.m.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Rev. Dr. David Palmer • 787-6887
WENTWORTH
Baker River Bible Church
259 Moosilake Hwy., Wentworth
* Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.
* Morning Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
* Potluck Lunch - 12:00 noon
* Afternorship Service 1:30 p.m.
* Wednesday Prayer Meeting, Patch the Pirate Club for grades 1-6, and Teen Youth Group 7:00 p.m.
Rev. Bruce Michaud, Pastor
764-9406 or 786-9550
Wentworth Baptist Church Independent, Fundamental, K.J.V.
260 Cape Moonshine Rd., Wentworth
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Sunday Service
1 p.m. Sunday Afternoon Service
7 p.m. Wednesday Evening Service
Pastor Jeffrey Greenson
764-9800 www.wbcnh.org
Wentworth Congregational Church
Wentworth Village Road (Common)
wentworthcongregationalchurch.org
Sunday services: 10:15 a.m., Sept.thru May.
9:00 AM May thru August
Rev. Dr. Margaret Bickford, Pastor
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WOODSTOCK
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ALL ARE WELCOME
Wednesday - 6:30 p.m. Bible Study and Prayer Group.
Sunday 9-10 a.m. Worship Service and Children's Sunday School. 10-10:30 a.m. Refreshments.
Reverend John Muehlke Jr.

Barbara Jean DeAngelis Park, 94

Barbara Jean DeAngelis Park of Bridgewater, NH died peacefully on November 26 surrounded by her boys following a period of declining health at the age of 94. She was born on March 29, 1928 in Concord, NH., daughter of Ralph Francis DeAngelis and Esther McKenna DeAngelis

Barbara grew up in Concord, and graduated from Concord HS. She moved to Bridgewater in 1957 and was the proprietor of Timberloch Lodge on Newfound Lake for 58 years. Many of her guests became like family, returning every year.

She was the first Woman President of the Newfound Chamber of Commerce and an active volunteer at New Hampton Elementary School, and Community Services in Bristol.

She was also known as GG, grandmother extraordinaire, to her 4 grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren. It was particularly awesome for them to visit GG during the summer, being spoiled and having unforgettable times at the lake.

Barbara married her second husband, George "Coolie" Park in 1971. Coolie brought



6 children to the newly expanded family. The two made a great pair running Timberloch Lodge. She was the cleaner and list maker and he, the putterer and fixer. They traveled widely for Coolie's business, staying at the homes of his colleagues on trips to Japan, Brazil and Malta. She and Coolie settled in Florida for the winter months and had a happy life together. Following Coolie's death, Barbara continued, with her son Jack, to operate Timberloch until the age of 90.

She is predeceased by her husband George Park, stepsons Will Park and Chris Park Sr., and her brothers: Ralph "Bud" DeAngelis and Donnie DeAngelis.

Barbara is survived by her two sons: Bill Weir and wife Charly, of Bernard, Me and

Jack Weir and wife Cam of Cumberland, Me., and special stepdaughter, Annie Martin of Alexandria, NH. Grandchildren: Heather Webster, Jaime Weir, Jeremy Weir, Kaitie Weir, Chris Park and 8 great grandchildren. Stepchildren: Brad Park, Sandy Park, Kate Moore and numerous grandchildren, and a beloved sister-in-law, Joanne DeAngelis.

Special Thanks to the staff at Golden View Health Care Center of Meredith, NH. and to her dear friends Myrna and Skip Jenness, Lynn Galvin and Geraldine McCarthy for her care.

There will be a Celebration of Life for Barbara in the spring with family and friends welcomed at that time. in lieu of flowers, donations would be appreciated in Barbara's name to Tap-ply-Thompson Community Center, 30 N. Main Street, Bristol, NH. 03222 or to Bristol Community Services, 24 Pleasant Street, Bristol, NH 03222

Vincent Rene Levasseur, 91

Vincent Rene Levasseur of Thornton, NH, passed away unexpectedly Saturday, November 5th at the age of 91. He was a lifelong resident of Thornton and was loved and respected by many in the community.

Vinnie was born in Plymouth, NH in July, 1931 to Rene and Mary Levasseur. His mother passed away while he was still young and Vincent spent most of his childhood and adolescence on the family farm on what is now known as "Levasseur Lane". He attended elementary school at a small one-room schoolhouse on Route 3 in West Thornton, then high school in Lincoln, NH, graduating in 1949.

Vinnie had a home built on Levasseur Lane in 1970, where he remained for the rest of his life. He married Jeraldine Ballou in December of 1968 and they had 2 sons, Stacy and Jamin. Vinnie and Jeri divorced in 1978, though they stayed friends for the remainder of his life.



Vinnie began working at Hubbard Brook Experimental Forest Station in Woodstock, NH in 1964, a job he stayed at for 30 years until his retirement in 1994.

On January 16, 1999, Vincent married Pauline Judith Tower at Thornton United Methodist Church, who remained his wife and best friend until his death.

Vinnie loved being in the woods. He kept several gardens going every year, always sharing what he raised with family and friends. He loved New England sports, though his passion was for the Boston Red

Sox. A brick placed in his honor by family and friends is part of the concourse at Fenway Park, reading "Vincent Levasseur, a fan forever".

For many years Vinnie was the lay-leader at Thornton United Methodist Church and a member of the Thornton Grange.

Vincent is survived by his wife Judy, his son Stacy of Thornton, his wife Maria and their 2 sons, Caleb, and Riley, and by his son Jamin of Camp-ton, his wife Jennifer, his step-son T.J. and daughter Renee, as well as Judy's daughters Robin Sleeper of South Carolina and Paula Maxwell of New Hampshire and their families. He is preceded in death by both of his parents and his sister Vivian. Vinnie will be remembered as a loving father, grandfather, and husband, a kind and generous friend, and a gentle spirit who lived a long and happy life.

A church service and celebration of his life is planned for

Linda Eddy Schleelein, 79

Linda Eddy Schleelein, 79, passed away on Saturday, November 12, 2022, at JFK Medical Center in West Palm Beach, Florida. She was born in White Plains, NY and grew up in Rumney, NH. She lived for a number of years in Stamford, CT and Leesburg, VA, eventually moving to Lake Worth, FL in the 1970's with her two children Christopher and Andrea. There she met her husband, Johann Schleelein and they had their two children, Karl and Karen. She became an active member in the community. Linda

was a life-time member of the American German Club, serving for a time on the board of directors, leading Junior Committee, and volunteering at Oktoberfest. For years she was also a member of the Lake Worth Chapter of Business & Professional Women's Club, where she served for a time on the board of directors and supported the Scholarship House at FAU in Boca Raton. We take this time to remember her generosity, her strong will, love of travel and music, and the enjoyment she experienced with



her family and friends. She especially enjoyed visits from her nephew "Markie" and her niece Kelly. Our mother, wife, daughter, sister, aunt, and friend will be greatly missed.

Linda is survived by her husband of almost 48 years, Johann Schleelein, her son and daughter, Karl and Karen Schleelein, her mother, Betty Wheel, her brothers and sisters, and nieces and nephews. She is predeceased by her father, William W. Eddy, and her son and daughter, Christopher and Andrea Ficocello.


We will be gathering to remember Linda on Monday, December 5th, 2022 at 1:00 PM EST at the American German Club at 5111 Lantana Rd. Lake Worth, FL 33463.



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HOLDERNESS — Enjoy the brisk December air by joining the Squam Lakes Association and Lakes Region Conservation Corps members Alexa and Meaghan for a roughly four mile round-trip guided hike to the summit of Mt. Israel from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 14! Starting at the Mead Base parking area, we will take the Wentworth Trail up to the summit of Mt. Israel, to an elevation of 2,620 feet. We will have a lunch/snack break while taking in the views at the summit before making our descent back down the Wentworth Trail.

Participants will meet at the Mead Base Parking Area at 10 a.m., located at the end of Diamond Ledge Road in Sandwich. Please park in the lot below the white house. All are welcome on this guided hike, but it is recommended for participants that are comfortable with uneven terrain and moderate to strenuous changes in elevation. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Please make sure to bring lots of water, a packed lunch/snacks to enjoy at the summit, and weather appropriate clothing and hiking gear. This includes extra layers, rain gear, a hat, gloves, extra socks,

etc. Additionally, please bring microspikes if you have them. Extra pairs will be brought to the trailhead for folks that need to borrow a set. For more information, or to sign up for this guided hike, visit the SLA Web site (squam-lakes.org) or contact the SLA directly (603-968-7336). The SLA also offers other guided hikes and Adventure Ecology programming throughout the year. These free programs are open to the public and cover a variety of nature and conservation related topics. The Adventure

Ecology programs are presented by the LRCC AmeriCorps members at the SLA who perform important conservation work in support of the Association's mission. The Squam Lakes Association is dedicated to conserving for public benefit the natural beauty, peaceful character and resources of the watershed. In collaboration with local and state partners the SLA promotes the protection, careful use and shared enjoyment of the lakes, mountains, forests, open spaces and wildlife of the Squam Lakes Region.



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DONNA RHODES

Members of the Plymouth Huskies Youth Football and Cheerleading organization proudly marched in the Hometown Holiday Celebration parade last Saturday with their State Championship banner and trophy.

Parade

FROM PAGE A1

Scouts, Plymouth State University’s float featuring their president Donald Bix, and members of the university’s Women’s Leadership Summit. Asking “What’d Ya Waitin’ For” was the university’s ice hockey rink Zamboni that rolled through town, leading the young Plymouth Panthers Hockey players. Another athletic club entry were the highly enthusiastic members of the Plymouth Huskies Football and cheerleader organization and McGlone couldn’t help but hoist their newly earned State Championship trophy for all to see.

Next up was a combined entry from Plymouth Parks and Recreation and the Pemi Youth Center, which together serve 85 local boys

and girls, as McGlone announced to the crowd.

Mountain Village Charter School had a large contingency of students marching with their float, many of them carrying pretty luminaries they had made. Joining them in the parade were the families and young children from Plymouth’s newest educational/daycare facility, Little Antlers.

Circle Program also took part in the fun along with Comfort Keepers, Cold Springs Resort, the local CERT public safety organization, a pretty “A Home for the Holidays” float from Kelley Builders, entries from High End Cleaning, Wandering Worshippers, Last Chair Brewery and a team of Santa’s favorite giraffe assistants from the local non-profit shops Ladders, Step-Ladders and Flippin’ Furniture.

In the spirit of Christmas, employees of the U.S. Forest Service from White Mountain National Park also paraded through the town promoting conservation, good forestry management and holiday tree selections, which are available to cut by permit only through their local office.

As a steadier rain began to come down toward the end of the celebration and umbrellas popped up once again, McGlone thanked everyone for their Yankee perseverance.

“Regardless of what the weatherman told us, look at this crowd. No one has left,” he said as he encouraged everyone to give themselves a round of applause.

And it was worth the wait because shortly after all the fire companies went by with bright



DONNA RHODES

During last Saturday’s somewhat soggy but nevertheless joyous Hometown Holiday Celebration, emcee Tim Keefe and his granddaughter Megan led the crowd in calling for the lighting of the Christmas tree on the Plymouth Town Common.

lights, waves and big smiles, Santa rode into town atop an engine from Plymouth Fire-Rescue.

Following the parade children scurried to the Plymouth Senior Center to spend a few minutes talking to Santa while families also had the chance to check out the Festival of Trees and drop off their tickets for a raffle of the tree entries they hoped to take home.

It was actually a weekend filled with holiday celebrations. There was also the 11th Annual PES Jingle Bell 5K on Saturday morning, along with a Kids’ Holiday Cookie Walk, Hot Chocolate and Hospitality available at local Main Street businesses before the parade, and a “Chill-Buster Barbecue” and bonfire on Green Street Sat. evening. There were concerts at PSU on both Sat-



DONNA RHODES

During last Saturday’s Hometown Holiday Celebration parade, Plymouth Police Department was pleased to show residents that they had successfully captured this familiar suspect when he tried to steal the town’s Emergency Management vehicle just a few days prior to the weekend of festivities.

urday and Sunday, and finally a fun-filled opportunity for children to enjoy Skating with Santa at PSU’s Hanaway Ice Are-

na on Sunday morning before he headed off to other locations around the globe.

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Local soccer girls bring home All-State honors



Rylee Barney earned soccer All-State honors for the fall season.

JOSHUA SPAULDING

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING
Sports Editor

REGION — Girls' soccer coaches from around the state have announced the All-State recognition for the fall season.

In Division II, Second Team honors went to Plymouth defender Morgan Ellis-Makovsky and Kingswood forward Kylie Rapoza, while Honorable Mention went to Kennett defender Ashley Gar-side and forward Bryn Fayle, Plymouth goal-tender Jenna Benoit and Kingswood mid-fielder Madison Eaton.

Earning First Team honors for Division II were goalie Lexi Bou-dreau of John Stark, defenders MaKenzie LaFlamme of Laco-nia, Jylin Ladd and Mackenzie Hawkins of Pembroke and Mad-eleine Boudreau of Hollis-Brookline, mid-fielders Greta Caulton

of Souhegan, Isabella LaPerle of Bow, Mary Rainey of Lebanon and Lindsey Butler of Pelham and for-wards Ashlyn Walsh of Pelham, Lyndsey LaPerle of Bow and McKenna Maguire of Hollis-Brookline.

Also earning Sec-ond Team honors were goalie Abigail Lussier of Con-Val, defenders Sophia Joncas of Pel-ham, Marissa Green of Bow and Kate Han-sen of Milford, mid-fielders Ryley LeBlanc of Pembroke, Paige Magnuszewski and Lauren Holt of Hol-lis-Brookline and Sid-nev Roberge of Bow and forwards Somer Loto of Coe-Brown and Alina St. George of Milford.

Honorable Mention also went to goalie Bridget Hilton of Bow, defenders Sam Veil-leux of John Stark, Calli Gray of Merri-

mack Valley, Hailey Bromely of Oyster River and Mary Joy of Coe-Brown, midfield-er Lily Wolf of Coe-Brown and forward Bella LaPierre of Coe-Brown.

Carlos Fuertes of Pelham was named the Division II Coach of the Year and Hol-lis-Brookline's Mike Vetack was named the JV Coach of the Year.

For Division III, First Team honors went to Gilford mid-fielder Millie Caldon and forward Allison Kenyon. Second Team honors were awarded to Gilford goalie Mar-garet Cummings and defender Gracey Leb-lanc, while Honorable Mention went to Ber-lin goaltender Alexa Goulet, Gilford defend-er Vanessa Flanders, Prospect Mountain de-fender Lani Demerss, Belmont defender Emma Winslow, White

Mountains midfielder Josie DeAngelis, Gil-ford midfielder Anna Coapland, Inter-Lakes midfielder Sara Har-ris, White Mountains forward Emma Simp-son, Belmont forward Darci Stone and New-found forward Rylee Barney.

Also earning First Team honors were de-fenders Bella Bovell of Stevens, Juliana Grella of St. Thomas, Ava Houde of Trinity and Alexis Lawler of Hopkinton, midfield-ers Ella Pottle of St. Thomas, Lydia Cram-mer of Raymond and Ka-tie Mulcahy of Trinity and forwards Maddie Karasonovich of St. Thomas and Maddy Minckler of Stevens.

Second Team hon-ors also went to de-fenders Morgan Wag-ner and Alex Wal-

lenmaier of Campbell and Bella Skoglund of Trinity, midfield-ers Stella Lavertue and Tori Dalke of Ste-vens, Kate Burrus of St. Thomas and Elise Miner of Hopkinton and forwards Penelope Wenzel of Raymond, Elizabeth Holmes of Hopkinton and Gab-by Kim-Levesque of Campbell.

Honorable Mention also went to goalies Hailey Knight of Ste-vens, Ashley Hard-ner of Derryfield and Madison Carmichael of Hopkinton, defend-ers Katharine Dornan of St. Thomas, Oceana Palmer of Raymond and Ingrid Bjornas of Derryfield, mid-fielders Heidi Smith of Campbell, Sam Chappell of Derry-field, Kennedy Mark of Hopkinton, Carly

Grant of Kearsarge, Mariella Tsitsonis of Fall Mountain, Em-ily Howell of Hills-boro-Deering, Emily Seiler of Mascoma and Sydney O'Toole of Sanborn and forwards Amanda Roy of Mo-nadnock, Lydia Trem-blav of Bishop Brady and Irelynd Aucoin of Conant.

Gilford's Rob Mey-ers was named the Di- vision III Coach of the Year for guiding the Golden Eagles to the Division III title.

In Division IV, First Team honors went to Profile defender Lily Pospesil and Woods-ville forward Paige Smith. Second Team honors went to Lin-wood defender Kate Clermont, Littleton defender Kaitlyn Ilac-qua and midfielder

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Williams returns to Newfound bench

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING
Sports Editor

BRISTOL — Coach Kammi Williams returns to the bench for the Newfound girls’ hoop team after a year away and finds only a few familiar faces.

“The preseason has been tough with such low numbers and it feels as if we all are relearning the basics,” Williams said. “I have only coached three girls in the entire program.

“So, everyone is learning my system and I am trying to re-adjust my system to adapt to the individual and team strengths,” the Bear coach continued. “I feel as if there is going to be a huge learning curve, and I am sure we will have some road bumps along the way. I hope to minimize by taking it one game at a time and then reassess how we are doing.”

The Bears have three returning varsity players from last year and two who swung between varsity and JV last year. Two of the three returning players are seniors so Williams is aware that there will be some growing pains with some new players learning a new system.

“Unfortunately, this season is going to feel some growing pains,” Williams said. “We will be focusing on fundamentals and measuring our success by how much we can improve and grow together as a team.”

The team’s top returning player is senior Malina Bohlmann. Williams notes that Bohlmann was

disappointed in her performance last season and the coach expects to see her scoring double this year. In order for the team to have success, Williams said that Bohlmann will need to lead on both ends of the floor and be patient as the team grows together.

The other senior is Matti Douville, who played small forward the last few years and was looked to for kick-out three-pointers. Williams said she will be looked at to get eight to 10 points a game, be a key rebounder and take the ball to the hoop more. There will be more expectations on her as she adjusts to stepping out of the role player mode.

The other returning starter is junior guard Rylee Barney. She is returning to the point guard position and will be asked to establish her shooting game, rebuild her confidence and be a facilitator on the floor.

The top two newcomers are sophomores Adeline Dolloff and Cora Sanschagrin. Dolloff will be the team’s center and has a strong athletic presence with a high ceiling for improvement. She is tall, athletic and runs the floor well and they will be working on a post move that she can feel comfortable with. Sanschagrin has been a surprise to Williams, as she has developed a shot and has a good understanding of rebounding and floor presence.

“I went into the season with no expectations for this year’s team,” Williams said. “My first goal was to have fun and have the girls enjoy basketball and regrow the numbers in the program.

“The tough part about basketball is that there is so much to learn and sometimes one can quickly lose sight of having fun,” she said, ticking off a number of the stressors that come with the game. “With a new coach and team it’s all new, so there is a lot of room to improve if the girls can stay focused and positive.

“I hope to have a winning season and get a chance to host a playoff game,” she said. “Beyond that, it’s going to take a few years to rebuild the program.

The Bears kick off the season on Friday, Dec. 9, at Inter-Lakes and will be hosting Berlin on Tuesday, Dec. 13, both at 6 p.m.

Sports Editor Joshua Spaulding can be reached at 279-4516, ext. 155 or josh@salmonpress.news.

Champs reloaded for another season on the mats

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING
Sports Editor

PLYMOUTH — The defending champion Plymouth wrestling team returns a strong class of returning seniors, a bunch of returning sophomores, some with great championship match experience and a talented class of freshmen looking to make their mark for veteran coach Randy Cleary.

In other words, the Bobcats will likely be favored to win their fourth Division III title in a row with a strong core of talented and experienced wrestlers.

“The team goals are to compete at the highest level, stay healthy and have fun and win a fourth team state championship in a row and 16th overall in school history,” said Cleary.

The Bobcats will be led by four senior captains, who Cleary said bring strong leadership to the mat, in Gianni Ciotti, Andrew Comeau, Matt Cleary and Caden Sanborn. All four are three-year starters for the Bobcats. Ciotti won the 132-pound Division III title last year, Comeau was second at 145 pounds, Cleary was second at 171 pounds and Sanborn was third at 182 pounds.

The Bobcats also have returning senior starter Alex Luehrs at 220 points and classmates Jacob Heath at 132 or 138 and Cole Ahern at 138 or 145 are back as fierce competitors with a wealth of experience in the middle of the lineup.

While there are no juniors on

the Bobcat squad, there are 14 athletes returning to the mat for their sophomore seasons, including a few starters who made their mark at the Division III State Meet last year. Emmitt Nossaman returns as a Division III finalist and Meet of Champions place winner and will wrestle at 182 or 195 pounds. Robert Phipps was third at 113 pounds in Division III last year and Lucas Diamond was third at 126 pounds last year.

Amongst the freshmen, Cleary notes that Blaine Hiltz (113), Anthony Torres (120), Mike Aprilliano (152), Dominic Ciotti (152/160) and Ben Valenti (160) all have significant experience wrestling at the junior high level and should be able to contribute to the varsity squad.

The Bobcats will be traveling to compete at Campbell, Con-Val, Hollis-Brookline, Winnisquam, Noble, Maine, Raymond, Bow, Essex Junction, Vt., Mascoma, Concord, Lebanon and Salem during the season and will be hosting matches on Dec. 14, Jan. 25, Feb. 4 and Feb. 8.

The season kicked off after deadline on Wednesday at Campbell and continues on Saturday, Dec. 10, at Con-Val at 10 a.m. and at home against Newport and John Stark on Wednesday, Dec. 14, at 6 p.m.

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PSU lax to offer Play Like a Panther clinic

PLYMOUTH — The Plymouth State University women’s lacrosse program is excited to offer a girls’ youth lacrosse clinic, Play Like a Panther, for players of all skill levels in grades 9-12, head coach Becky Dale announced.

The clinic will be held from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, March 18, at Panther Field with the Bank of

New Hampshire Field House as an alternate location should weather necessitate a move indoors.

Attendees will work closely with Plymouth State lacrosse team members and coaches to improve skills prior to the start of the 2023 lacrosse season.

Online registration will remain open until midnight on March 17. No refunds will

be available after the close of registration.

Clinic rates are \$50 per individual. Coaches can also register a team of up to ten athletes at a discounted rate of \$300 (\$30/individual).

Athletes should bring lacrosse protective equipment including goggles, mouth guards, goalie equipment (positionally), cleats and sneakers,

sticks and water bottles. To expedite the check-in process, athletes should also bring printed, signed waivers for each individual player.

Online registration is required for all Plymouth State Athletics camps and clinics. Registration and waiver links are available at athletics.plymouth.edu/camps.

PSU pitching clinic set for Jan. 22

PLYMOUTH — Plymouth State University head softball coach Mike Bernier announced the program will hold a pitching clinic in January.

The clinic will take place in the Bank of New Hampshire Field House at ALLWell North on Sunday, Jan. 22, with separate time slots for different skill ranges. A session for intermediate level players will take place from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., with an advanced session to follow from 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

NCAA Division I Merrimack College pitching coach, and former Salem High School softball coach Harold Sachs will serve as guest clinician, along with members of the Plymouth State coaching staff and team.

The clinic is open to students in fifth through 12th grades at

a rate of \$100. Pitchers should bring a catcher with them, though there is no additional charge for the catcher to attend.

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High School Slate

Friday, Dec. 9 NEWFOUND Boys’ Hoops vs. Inter-Lakes; 6 Girls’ Hoops at Inter-Lakes; 6 Monday, Dec. 12 PLYMOUTH Gymnastics at Bishop Guertin (Noha’s Manchester); 7 Tuesday, Dec. 13 NEWFOUND Boys’ Hoops at Berlin; 6:30 Girls’ Hoops vs. Berlin; 6 PLYMOUTH Boys’ Hoops vs. Bishop Brady; 6:30	Girls’ Hoops at Bishop Brady; 6:30 Wednesday, Dec. 14 PLYMOUTH Hockey vs. Hollis-Brookline-Derryfield (Proctor); 8:15 Wrestling vs. Newport, John Stark; 6 Thursday, Dec. 15 PLYMOUTH Boys’ Hoops at Hollis-Brookline; 6 Girls’ Hoops vs. Hollis-Brookline; 6:30 <i>All schedules are subject to change.</i>
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Soccer

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Lauryn Corrigan, Woodsville midfielder Brianna Youngman, Profile midfielder Makenna Price and forward Evie Burger. Honorable Mention was presented to goalie Eliza Wagstaff of Profile, Groveton defender Marissa Kenison, Lisbon defender

Katie Clark, Littleton defender Avah Lucas, Lin-Wood midfielder Abishai Corey, Littleton forward Addison Hadlock and Woodsville forward Makayla Walker.

Also earning First Team honors were goalie Ella Walsh of Portsmouth Christian, defenders Chloe Kirby of Concord Christian,

Morgan Boucher of Newmarket and Isabelle Correa of Sunapee, midfielders Elizabeth Tschudin of Sunapee, Olivia Blackadar of Newmarket and Lilli Carlile of Concord Christian and forwards Maggie Moore of Newmarket, Brynn Smith of Sunapee and Lula Wamberg of Portsmouth Chris-

tian.

Second Team honors also went to goalie Sierra Riff of Colebrook, defenders Emma Walkowiak of Newmarket and Sierra Lignos of Portsmouth Christian, midfielder Tatiana Stockbower of Portsmouth Christian and forwards El-lana Frotin of Concord Christian and Jacque-

line Giroux of Pitts-burg-Canaan.

Also earning Hon-orable Mention were goalie Sienna Grondin of Pittsburg-Canaan, defenders Annabelle Shumway of Epping and Gabrielle Lensky of Somersworth, mid-fielders AJ Mulligan of Newmarket and Bri-ar Bell of Pittsfield and forward Annemarie

Sweet of Mount Royal.

Andrew Dawson of Newmarket was named the Division IV Coach of the Year and Profile's Ellie Bart-lett was named the JV Coach of the Year.

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APPOINTMENT OF FIDUCIARIES
Notice is hereby given that the following fiduciaries have been duly appointed by the Judge of Probate for Grafton County. All persons having claims against these decedents are requested to exhibit them for adjustment and all indebted to make payment.
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- Reduce entry or recidivism to the Department of Corrections.

Application forms are available by contacting Julie Libby at 603-787-6941, or by e-mailing jlibby@graftoncountynh.gov. Application due date is January 6. 2023. Time is of the essence with regard to these time frames as incomplete or late filed applications will not be considered.

TOWN OF PLYMOUTH

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Plymouth Planning Board will review and hold public hearings on the following applications at their meeting on **Thursday, December 15, 2022, at 6:30 PM** at Plymouth Town Hall, 6 Post Office Square:

1. Request for an extension of approval for a Site Plan Review application from Dragonfly Property Management, LLC, for the development of storage units at 12 Hitchner Road. (PID 104-018-001)
2. Review of information from French Land Services on behalf of Jeffry Hiltz regarding revisions to three previous subdivisions. The revisions address a cul-de-sac on Chaddarin Lane, a cul-de-sac on Point of View Drive, and a fire cistern at the junction of Chaddarin Lane and Ski Lift Lane.

The meeting will be available electronically via Zoom and can be accessed from the Town's website (www.plymouth-nh.org). For more information, please contact the Planning & Development Department at planning@plymouth-nh.org or 603-536-1731.

TOWN OF THORNTON



ZONING BOARD of ADJUSTMENT

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Monday, December 19, 2022

The Zoning Board of Adjustment for the Town of Thornton will hold a Public Meeting on **Monday, December 19, 2022**, beginning at **6:00 PM** at the Thornton Town Offices for the purpose of conducting the following business:

6:30 p.m. APPLICATION/PUBLIC HEARING: Landon Gryczkowski [Tax Map 239, Lot 24] for a "VARIANCE REQUEST; ARTICLE VI: Dimensional Require-ments, Section A, 2: Location of Structure." Proposed attached garage would extend into the setback area.

The Town Hall is open to the public and the public is allowed to attend; the public is also able to participate remotely using ZOOM by going to (or via telephone at 1-646-876-9923) with Meeting ID: 825 673 1802.

For further information please visit our web page at www.townofthornton.org

Joseph Monti, Chairman

PUBLIC NOTICE

School Administrative Unit #48
Campton – Ellsworth – Holderness – Pemi-Baker – Plymouth
Rumney – Thornton – Waterville Valley – Wentworth

Public Budget Hearing
2023-2024 SAU #48 Budget

Thursday, December 15, 2022 – 6:00 p.m.

Plymouth Regional High School
86 Old Ward Bridge Road
Plymouth, NH 03264

ACCOUNTS	2022-2023 Adopted	2023-2024 Proposed
Expenditures:		
SAU Operation	\$2,194,934	\$2,245,494
Federal and State Grants	\$ 0	\$ 0
Less Revenues:		
Federal and State Grants	\$ 80,000	\$ 80,000
Unreserved Fund Balance	\$ 0	\$ 0
Other Anticipated	\$ 102,650	\$ 102,650
Local Revenue		
NET DISTRICT ASSESSMENT	\$2,012,285	\$2,062,844

In the event of a weather cancellation, the hearing will be held on December 16, 2022.

Complete detailed budget can be found on our website: sau48.org
or can be picked up at our office located at
47 Old Ward Bridge Road, Plymouth, NH 03264

PUBLIC HEARING
SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT #2 BUDGET

December 16, 2022, 5:00p.m.

Ashland Elementary School, Cafeteria
Meredith, New Hampshire

In compliance with the provisions of RSA 194-C:10, the School Board of School Administrative Unit #2 will hold a Public Hearing on the proposed 2023-2024 Budget at the Ashland Elementary School Cafeteria on Friday, December 16, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.

Jennifer Foote, Secretary
SAU #2

Account #	Description	Budget 2021/2022	Expended 2021/2022	Budget 2022/2023	Proposed 2023/2024
2320 Executive & General SAU Administration					
500100	Superintendent	128,394	128,394	133,311	140,000
500102	Assistant Superintendent	126,876	126,876	131,735	138,500
500107	Director of Student Services	103,938	103,938	107,919	115,000
500113	Business Office Staff	141,419	131,331	160,202	166,005
500113	Business Office Staff Over-Time	5,000	518	5,000	5,000
500114	Human Resources Director	75,423	75,423	81,563	90,000
500115	Administrative Support	64,886	72,943	112,091	102,648
500115	Treasurer	750	750	750	1,000
500118	Available Salary	-	-	6,000	-
500123	Part Time Professional Support	45,000	45,412	51,000	51,000
500210	Retirees Health & Dental Insurance	38,131	37,624	39,053	48,056
500211	Health Insurance	136,818	110,306	162,935	166,754
500212	Dental Insurance	9,929	9,896	12,256	11,953
500213	Life Insurance	3,651	1,939	3,679	3,188
500214	Long Term Disability Insurance	2,441	2,710	2,702	2,770
500220	FICA	54,905	50,773	57,920	59,661
500231	NHRS-E	76,732	74,286	88,753	86,998
500232	NHRS-T	21,440	21,848	22,685	22,586
500250	Unemployment Compensation Ins.	500	109	504	500
500260	Workers Compensation Ins.	1,539	938	1,539	1,599
500290	Other Employee Benefits	850	850	850	850
500318	Legal Fees	400	-	400	400
500320	Audit	7,250	5,500	7,250	7,250
500330	Software Support Contract	50,782	50,781	53,325	55,991
500331	Other Support Contracts	2,500	17,534	4,000	4,683
500430	Repairs	300	978	300	300
500441	Rent	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
500442	Equipment Lease	720	720	720	720
500520	Insurance	500	-	500	500
500531	Telephone	1,692	1,935	1,692	1,250
500534	Postage	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
500540	Advertising	1,000	3,748	1,000	1,350
500550	Printing & Binding	-	-	-	350
500582	Staff Development/Training	9,000	1,843	9,000	9,000
500585	Mileage Reimbursement	5,000	1,552	5,000	2,500
500610	Supplies	6,500	6,342	6,500	6,500
500640	Books	-	-	-	-
500650	Miscellaneous Software	-	-	-	-
500733	New Equipment	-	-	-	-
500737	Replacement Furniture	-	-	-	-
500738	Replacement Computers	-	-	-	-
500810	Dues & Fees	4,539	5,305	4,539	4,717
	Total General Fund	1,133,805	1,098,102	1,281,673	1,314,580
	Total Federal Funds	225,000	225,000	225,000	50,000
	Total Appropriations	1,358,805	1,323,102	1,506,673	1,364,580
	Revenue				
	Federal Funds	225,000	225,000	225,000	50,000
	Indirect Costs	35,000	110,521	50,000	60,000
	Interest Earned	500	170	500	500
	Fund Balance	-	-	-	-
	Assessment	-	-	-	-
	Total Revenue	260,500	335,691	275,500	110,500
	Assessment				
	Total Appropriations	1,358,805	1,323,102	1,506,673	1,364,580
	Less Total Revenue	260,500	335,691	275,500	110,500
	General Fund Assessment	993,075	993,075	1,231,173	1,254,080
	Unreserved Fund Balance 6/30/2022		158,757		
	Net Assessment	993,075		1,231,173	1,254,080
	Net Assessment Increase/(Decrease)				22,907
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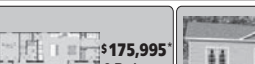

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Be able to learn the computer program for maintaining the small equipment repairs and general computer knowledge.

Must be self motivated, able to achieve goals without supervision and lift up to 50 lbs

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Qualifications:

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White Mountains Regional School District, SAU #36
135 Regional Road
Whitefield, New Hampshire 03598
TEL.: 603-837-9363/FAX: 603-837-2326
Email: codyarsenault@sau36.org



MVSB kicks off annual Mitten Tree Drive to benefit local schools & nonprofits

MEREDITH — MVSB (Meredith Village Savings Bank) is collecting donations of new mittens, hats, gloves and scarves for their annual Mitten Tree drive, now through New Year's Eve. All items will be distributed to local school and nonprofits. MVSB will also match each item donation with \$2 to local child-care programs.

Mitten Tree donations can be dropped off at any MVSB branch location. A complete list of offices and hours are available at mvsb.com/locations.

"The annual Mitten Tree drive has been a beloved tradition at MVSB since 1979," said

Stacy Trites, Senior Vice President, Senior Retail Banking Officer. "We are truly grateful to our local community members for stepping up each year to warm hands and hearts with their donations – and to the MVSB employees at each MVSB office who ensure the items end up where they are needed most in their communities."

The Bank's matching donations will benefit the following local child and after school care programs:

- Community Church of Alton After School Program
- Ashland Parks & Recreation After School Program
- The Sandwich Child Care Center

- Gilford Youth Center
- The Boys & Girls Club of the Lakes Region
- Kidsworks Learning Center
- Moultonborough Recreation Department Beyond the Bell After School Program
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Sanbornton's Sally Hibberd named LRAA's Artist of the Month



TILTON — The Lakes Region Art Association & Gallery features an exemplary member artist each month through short social media videos posted to the Facebook and Instagram platforms.

November's Friday Featured Artist is Sanbornton local Sally Hibberd. Sally grew up on a farm in England, working with draft horses and farm animals throughout her youth. The memories of this time in her life, as well as the more recent travels with her husband, are the inspiration for many of her paintings. Sally also does pet commissions upon request. Being pretty much self-taught in her craft, she has worked in several medi-

ums but prefers painting with acrylics. Sally has several framed, original paintings on exhibit and available for purchase in the Lakes Region Art Gallery (LRAA), in the Tanger Outlets, 120 Laconia Rd., Suite 300 in Tilton.

Starting Dec. 1, the gallery's new extended hours are from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Thursday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday. Along with Sally Hibberd's art, the LRAA Gallery features original art and prints from over twenty-five local artists in graphite, pen & ink, watercolor, acrylic, oils, pastels, photography, and digital and mixed media art.

Friday Featured Artist is a weekly program

posting a short video each Friday with highlights of an artist from the Lakes Region Art Gallery. Each Friday, for four consecutive weeks each month, a new video is published on Facebook and Instagram and our YouTube Channel (Link below). Subscribe to our Facebook and Instagram channels to receive these videos and more in your social media feeds. Past videos are also available on our YouTube channel, <https://www.youtube.com/@lakesregionartgallery> While on the LRAA YouTube Channel, hit the "Subscribe" button.

Visit our Web site for more information about the gallery: www.LRAANH.org.

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COURTESY

36th Annual Cash & Cans drive set for Dec. 10-16

REGION — ‘Making a difference one donation at a time,’ Mix 94.1 FM’s 36th annual Cash and Cans Money & Food Drive for the holidays is set for December 10-16. All monies and food raised stays local, benefiting several area organizations, including the Franklin Police Toys for Tots Program; the Belmont Police Santa ‘Lil Help-

ers program; Twin Rivers Food Pantry; Bread & Roses Soup Kitchen; Tilton/Northfield/Sanbornton (TNS) Christmas Fund; Every Child Is Ours; Greater Lakes Region Santa Fund, Meredith Emergency Food Pantry, the Northfield-Tilton Congregational Church Food Pantry, St. Joseph’s Belmont Food Pantry and others. Last year

was another record year for donations, with more than \$61,000 in cash and more than 30,000 non-perishable food items raised. Mix 94.1 FM’s Fred Caruso, who started the program in 1987, looks forward to this week every year, and knows this year will be a challenge. “The price of everything has gone up, in-

cluding supplies needed for these wonderful non-profits, who help so many,” Caruso said. “However, the generosity of our listeners and business community shines through each year. We meet so many generous people during Cash and Cans week. It’s a heart-warming week. Moms and Dads bringing their kids to; schools and businesses

organizing food drives All we ask is give what you can to help our friends and neighbors who may need a helping hand.” Caruso and morning co-host Amy Bates will broadcast live from 19 different locations, accepting your Cash and Cans donations. Here’s where they’ll be, and when they’ll be there: Saturday, Dec. 10: Noon-3 p.m. at Funspot, Weirs Beach for the third annual Funspot gift card fundraiser. Purchase Funspot token cards and all proceeds will benefit Cash & Cans.

minimum ten dollar donation, get a dozen donuts free; 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Prescott’s Florist, Laconia; 1-3 p.m., Irwin Motors, Laconia; 5-7 p.m., McDonald’s Tilton.

Thursday, Dec. 15: 5:30-10 a.m., Park-N-Go Market, Northfield; 11 a.m.-1 p.m., T-Bones Laconia; 2-4 p.m., Franklin Savings Bank Upper Central Street, Franklin; 4:30-7 p.m., Planet Honda, Tilton.

Friday, Dec. 16: 5:30-10 a.m., McDonald’s Franklin; 11 a.m.-2 p.m., Benson Auto, Franklin; 2:30-5:30 p.m., Grevior Furniture, Franklin.

Donations may also be made by mail. Please make checks payable to Mix Cash and Cans and mail to Mix 94.1fm, PO Box 99, Franklin, NH 03235 or Venmo @Mix-cashandcans. For more information about the Mix Cash and Cans program, visit www.mix-941fm.com or contact Fred Caruso at fred@mix941fm.com. Mix Cash and Cans is a public service of Mix 94.1 FM, a locally owned and operated Northeast Communications Corporation radio station.

Monday, Dec. 12: 5:30-9 a.m., George’s Diner, Meredith; 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Vista Foods, Laconia; 2-5 p.m., Verizon Wireless Zone, Laconia.

Tuesday, Dec. 13: 5:30-8 a.m., Willow Hill Food & Beverage, Franklin; 9-11 a.m., Stafford Oil Laconia; 11 a.m.-1 p.m., HK Powersports, Laconia; 2-5 p.m., Belknap Subaru, Tilton.

Wednesday, Dec. 14: 5:30-10 a.m. Dunkin’ Donuts, West Main Street, Tilton. Make a



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