

Fourth Annual Heritage Awards presented by Wolfeboro Heritage Commission



Winners of this year's Wolfeboro Heritage Awards were honored for their achievements in caring for historic buildings, working to research, maintain and share evidence of Wolfeboro's history, and advocating for saving the town's character and historic charm. A full description of their award-winning work is available on the Wolfeboro Heritage Commission page of the Town of Wolfeboro Web site.

WOLFEBORO — The Wolfeboro Heritage Commission honored six recipients with Wolfeboro Heritage Awards at the fourth annual awards ceremony at The Village Players on May 27.

“The awards were created to recognize those who care for historic buildings, work to research, maintain and share evidence of our

history, and advocate for saving Wolfeboro's character and historic charm,” said Dave Bolduc, Chair of the Commission.

Honorees included Anne Blodget and Phil Holberton for Creative Renovation of a Lakeside Family Cottage into a Year-Round Home; Winnepesaukee Chapter Daughters of the American Rev-

olution for Preservation of Wolfeboro's Revolutionary War Gravestones; Ken and Christine Franson for Restoration and Preservation Work in Wolfeboro's Town Cemeteries; Jeremy Martin of Lakes Region Design Group for Adap-

tive Re-Use of a Family Home; Wolfeboro Centre Community Church Board of Directors for Rehabilitation and Revitalization of a Historic Wolfeboro Landmark; and Maggie Stier for Extraordinary Work to Preserve and Protect the

Historic Character of the Town of Wolfeboro.

Sponsors of the awards were Ronn Bronzetti and Sara Reinemann Bronzetti of the Lake Winni Team. Additional support was provided by The Village Players and La Boca

Restaurant & Market.

For a full description of the award-winning work, visit the Wolfeboro Heritage Commission page on the Town of Wolfeboro Web site.

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Carroll County to come together for Substance Use Disorder Conference

CENTER CONWAY — For many individuals and families, the journey through substance use disorder is marked by isolation, resilience, and the hope of finding support when it is needed most. Behind every story is a person navigating recovery in their own time and on their own path.

On June 20, Carroll County will come together to foster understanding, reduce stigma, and strengthen that support through the Carroll County Substance Use Dis-

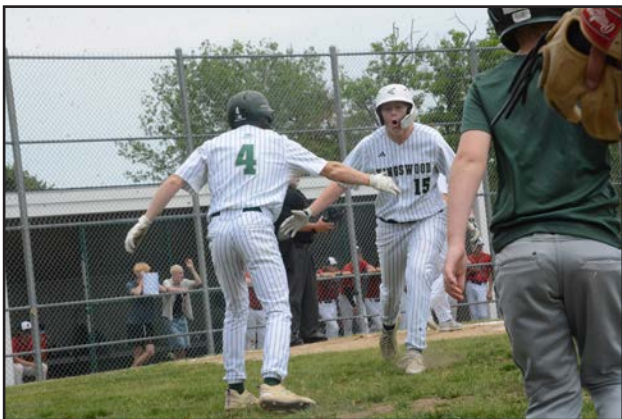
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Brown pitches Knights past Generals, on to Final Four

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING
Sports Editor

WOLFEBORO — After earning a first-round bye in the Division II tournament, the Kingswood baseball team sent Division II Pitcher of the Year Kolby Brown to the mound in the quarterfinal round of the tournament on Saturday, June 6, against John Stark.

Brown showed exactly why he earned the aforementioned honor, going all seven innings and allowing just one hit and one unearned run while striking



JOSHUA SPAULDING

Ben Eidson gets congratulations from Nate Cloos after scoring the first run of the game in the Division II quarterfinals on Saturday.

out four as the Knights picked up a 6-1 win to advance to the Division II Fi-

nal Four.

The Knights turned a double play to get out of

the first inning after a lead-off walk but couldn't capitalize in the bottom of the inning. Nate Cloos was hit by a pitch and Brady Moulton beat out a bunt hit. Both runners stole, putting both in scoring position, but they were stranded there. Brown retired the side in order in the top of the second inning and Kingswood got on the board in the bottom of the inning.

With one out, Ben Eidson doubled to right field and he roared around third and scored on a base hit

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Effingham Elementary students take a ride on the Cog



EFFINGHAM — Effingham Elementary School second and third grade students visited the summit of Mount Washington on May 29. They rode the Cog

Railway to the top. While on the Cog, they learned the history of the railway, why it is so unique, and how the wood/ coal powered trains are being changed over to

biodiesel engines.

Students were able to see the climate zones change from forest with deciduous trees 50 feet tall to conifers getting shorter

and shorter. They even saw knee-high trees that are 100 years old and able to withstand the harsh conditions in the Krummholtz zone ('Krumm' means crooked

or bent and 'holtz' means wood). As we continued up the 45-minute ride, visibility was decreased as we rode into a cloud. Wind speeds were around 35 to 40 miles an hour and the temperature hovered around 30 degrees. Students were able to see rime ice in small amounts on rocks and signs.

After a trip to the summit sign at 6,288 feet, we walked over to the Observatory's observation platform where students experienced 42 mph winds according to Mr. Lush's anemometer.

Next stop, inside, where students rotated between the Mount Washington Observatory and the Museum.

At the Observatory, they saw where the staff works, viewed monitors and equipment, and learned some weather history since the observatory has been recording weather in the place of the "worst weather in the world."

At the Museum, there is some navigation and survival history, simulate driving the snowcat; the means for getting up the Auto Road in winter, and a chance to learn about wildlife that one might see on the mountain.

Too quickly, it was time to return to the Cog for our ride down the mountain. We were treated to amazing views as the clouds lifted.

“Robert Frost on the Farm” poetry presentation at Wolfeboro Library June 17

WOLFEBORO — Join Author/Poet Jeffrey Zygmont for an evening of Robert Frost’s Poetry in his presentation “Robert Frost on the Farm: New Hampshire Farming in 1900 as Told by the Poet” on Wednesday, June 17 at 6 p.m. at the Wolfeboro Public Library.

While it makes spoken words sing like sauntering music, Robert Frost’s poetry can also help us appreciate the rigor of life on a New England farm in the early 20th century (hint: It was hard.) In an exploration of both New Hampshire history and Frost’s poetry, Jeffrey Zygmont recites a selection of Frost’s poems about farming. Alongside each recitation, he provides background on Frost’s life, offering insight into the poem’s origins, and commentary on the work’s artistic beauty, as well as the experiences and emotions it expresses. Participants will join a lively discussion celebrating Robert Frost’s unique gift for capturing farm life in poetry.

Jeffrey Zygmont has presented a number of programs at the Wolfeboro Library – all to rave reviews from the audience. If you love New Hampshire history and/or poetry recited by a master, this is a program you will not want to miss. Free and open to all. Please call the Wolfeboro Public Library at 603-569-2428 for more information or visit their Web site at www.wolfeboropubliclibrary.org.

Wolfeboro-Tuftonboro Democrats to host ‘Candidate Speed-Dating’ events

WOLFEBORO — The Wolfeboro-Tuftonboro Democrats will host two “Candidate Speed Dating” events this June at the Wolfeboro Public Library, offering residents a fun and informal opportunity to meet Democratic candidates who may appear on their ballot this fall. The events will take place on Tuesday, June 16 at 6:30 p.m. at the Wolfeboro Public Library.

Attendees will have the chance to rotate through conversations with candidates, ask questions, and learn more about the individuals seeking to represent their communities at the local and state level.

Candidates participating on June 2 include US CD 1 Candidates Carleigh Beriont, US Senate candidates Bill Conlin, Karishma Manzur, John Vail, State Senate D3 candidate Bobbi Boudman, State Rep District 6 candidate Phoebe Giessler.

Organizers say the events are designed to encourage civic engagement and help voters make informed choices ahead of the election season in a relaxed, community-focused setting.

The public is encouraged to attend, meet the candidates, and take part in the democratic process.

FREEDOM HAPPENINGS

—BY LISA WHEELER
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

The Freedom Historical Society continues its 2026 speaker series on June 17 at 7 p.m. at the Town Hall with a program entitled “Who Was John Stark?” by presenter George Morrison. This program is made possible by a generous grant from New Hampshire Humanities. While many are familiar with New Hampshire’s state motto “Live Free or Die,” few might know about the man, General John Stark, who uttered these words. Ransomed captive, Ranger officer, road-builder, lumberman, husband and father, militia Colonel, Continental General...this biographical sketch reveals the man whose phrase has become synonymous with our state – from license plates to tourist trinkets. For more information about the program, call (603) 491-8347.

The library summer reading program committee is seeking donations for elementary school readers and pre-teens. Any new Lego sets, games or puzzles will be much appreciated by young readers. Donations can be dropped off during library hours before June 18 so that a prize display can be created in time for Ducky Day.

Ducky Day is coming up! Join in the fun on Saturday, June 20 at 10 a.m. at the Mill Pond Bridge for all the pre-release festivities, then noon time for the release of the ducks over the falls. Tickets are available at the Freedom Village Store and random pop ups. This could be your lucky duck year!

When you’re done with Ducky Day festivities, head on over to Calumet for more Freedom fun. Local band Southern Drive will be playing at 2 p.m. This concert benefits the Freedom Food Pantry. Ice cream is provided by Bobby Sue’s and you won’t want to miss it! Get your cowboy boots on and join in the fun!

The Freedom Police Department now has a Facebook page which will allow us to follow for general town events such as a lost dog or road detours. If you have Facebook, check it out.

The Freedom Village Store is looking forward to another season of good food and good company. They sell special touches for your family picnic, Sunday dinner, or friendly gathering from wine to fresh greens. Be sure to pick up some of the many locally sourced food options as well. There is something for everyone! The deck overlooking the falls is freshly painted and ready for visitors.

Looking for an exciting faith filled summer adventure for your kids or grandkids? Join in for an unforgettable week at the First Christian Church VBS, packed with joy, friendship, and discovery. Register at <https://firstchristianchurchoffreedom.org/vbs/>.

Evenings on Elm is a Summer Music Series in the heart of Freedom Village. This is a joint effort of Freedom Gallery, First Christin Church of Freedom, Freedom Village Store and a variety of concessions and will be held on July 9, July 23, Aug. 13, and Aug. 27 beginning at 5 pm. What a collaboration! This series not only showcases incredible talent but also strengthens community bonds through the universal language of music. Join in the celebrating the arts and the vibrant spirit of our village. Each evening will begin with an open house at the Freedom Gallery from 5 until the 6:30 p.m. performance next door at the Freedom Church. At around 8 p.m., you can stroll across the street to the Freedom Village Store for refreshments and a meet-and-greet with the performers. These performances will also feature and benefit the Freedom Food Pantry, Freedom Library, Volunteer Fire Department and Freedom School PTO. Visit firstchristianchurchoffreedom.org/evenings-on-elm for tickets, details and lineup.

Registration is open for the Freedom Old Home Week 5K. If you register by July 4 for just \$20. From July 4 to July 31, the online cost is \$25. Race day registration will be \$30. Bonus: all registrations will include a \$10 voucher to use at Dueling Chef’s Food Truck. The 5K will be held on Saturday, Aug. 1. To learn more or register, visit <https://freedomoldhomeweek.com/5k>.

The Effingham Preservation Society has a Whoopie Pie Bake off on Saturday, June 13. Enter your whoopie pies or come just to enjoy a good whoopie pie! If you are entering the bakeoff you’ll need your baker’s dozen whoopies at the Preservation Society by 10 a.m. for an 11 a.m. judging. Whoopies should d be three or four inches, and will need an ingredient list. There is a \$5 entry fee and winner takes all. Whoopies will be for sale after the judging.

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Thinking About Improving or Developing Your Property in the Lakes Region?

BY DONALD CHAPMAN

President & Co-Founder, Strong Tree Engineering
For many property owners in New Hampshire’s Lakes Region, land is more than just real estate — it’s legacy.

Whether it’s a family lot that’s been passed down for generations, a seasonal camp being converted into a year-round home, or raw land purchased with future plans in mind, many owners eventually reach a point where they start asking important questions:

- Can I subdivide my property?
- Can I build another home or accessory building on the lot?
- What permits are required?
- What happens if wetlands are involved?
- Can I improve my driveway or private road?
- Will I need stormwater management or septic approvals?

These are exactly the kinds of questions we help property owners answer every day at Strong Tree Engineering.

Across the Lakes Region, we continue to see strong interest in land development, home additions, subdivision planning, septic upgrades, and property improvements. But many projects become more complicated than expected once local zoning, environmental regulations, topography, drainage, wetlands, and permitting requirements enter the picture.

That’s why early planning matters.

One of the most common mistakes property owners make is investing significant time or money into a project before fully understanding site constraints or permitting requirements. In many cases, a simple consultation with an experienced surveyor, engineer, or environmental professional early in the process can save substantial time, expense, and frustration later.

At Strong Tree Engineering, our Lakes Region office in Ossipee helps homeowners, developers, contractors, and landowners navigate projects such as:

- Boundary and topographic land surveys
- Lot subdivisions and boundary adjustment plans
- Septic system design and upgrades
- Wetland delineations and environmental permitting

- Driveway and roadway design
- Stormwater management systems
- Site planning for new homes and additions
- Commercial and residential development projects
- Local, state, and shoreline permitting support

The Lakes Region presents unique engineering and environmental challenges compared to many other parts of New England. Steep terrain, high groundwater, shoreline protection rules, wetlands, aging infrastructure, and rural access conditions all require thoughtful planning and experienced local guidance.

At the same time, there are tremendous opportunities for responsible growth and property improvement throughout the region.

Our philosophy at Strong Tree Engineering is simple: help clients move projects forward efficiently while protecting the natural resources that make New Hampshire such a special place to live and invest.

Whether someone is planning a small residential improvement or a larger development project, we believe good engineering starts with listening, practical problem-solving, and clear communication.

Sometimes a project is more feasible than a property owner initially thought. Other times, there are legitimate site limitations that need to be understood before moving forward. Either way, having the right team involved early can make all the difference.

As a company, we are proud to have established our Lakes Region office in Ossipee because we believe local knowledge and local relationships matter. We’re invested in helping property owners improve and maximize their land responsibly — while preserving the character and environmental quality of the communities we all value.

If you are considering a property improvement, subdivision, new home, driveway, roadway, septic upgrade, or development project in the Lakes Region, Strong Tree Engineering is here to help.

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World-renowned vocal ensemble Chanticleer to perform in Wolfeboro

WOLFEBORO — Great Waters Summer Concerts has just announced that the world-renowned Chanticleer will perform at the First Congregational Church in Wolfeboro on Friday, July 24. This GRAMMY® Award-winning vocal ensemble based in San Francisco is known as an “orchestra of voices and has performed thousands of concerts since its inception in 1978, and has sold more than one million recordings.

Chanticleer’s mission is to present choral music at the highest level of excellence and to encourage worldwide appreciation of

ensemble singing through live performances, education, and recording. Rooted in the music of the Renaissance, it has expanded its offerings to include a wide range of gospel, jazz, and popular music in addition to what it is best known for — classical. Over the years, the group has received several awards in addition to its first Grammy in 1999. It received two additional Grammys in 2002 and was inducted into the American Classical Music Hall of Fame in 2008.

The group is under the direction of Dr. Tim Keeler, who performed as a countertenor with the group before becoming their music

director. Dr. Keeler holds several degrees, including a BA in music from Princeton University, a Master of Music in Choral Conducting from the University of Michigan, and a Doctor of Musical Arts from the University of Maryland.

Tickets are currently on sale for this and all 2026 Great Waters Summer Concert performances and can be purchased online at www.greatwaters.org or by calling the office at 603-569-7710 between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. Great Waters is a not-for-profit 501 (C)(3).





Wolfeboro
PUBLIC LIBRARY
What's Up at Your Library

FRIENDS ANNUAL MEETING
Monday, June 15 at 6:30 p.m.

Members of the Friends and the general public are invited. Meet members of the Friends’ Board and learn more about the work of the Friends over this past year. Hear a presentation by Alison Rutley, Library Director, on the Library’s upcoming town-wide survey slated for July. Find out how the survey results will help guide Library Staff and Trustees as they plan for the Library’s future. Light refreshments.

NEW FICTION
“The Foursome” by Christina Baker Kline, “Tom Clancy’s Rules of Engagement” by Ward Larsen, “Ghalen: A Romance in Black” by Walter Mosley, “The Wish” by Heather Morris, “Whistler” by Ann Patchett, “A Fortune of Sands” by Ruta Sepetys,

“Glyph” by Ali Smith, “The Things We Never Say” by Elizabeth Strout, “Shadow Strike” by Brad Taylor and “A Perfect Hand” by Ayelet Waldman.

NEW NONFICTION
“True Crime: A Memoir” by Patricia Cornwell and “Unlearn Your Pain: The Science of Recovery from Chronic Pain, Fatigue, Anxiety and Depression” by Howard Schubiner.

YOUTH PROGRAMS

SUMMER READING PROGRAM “UNEARTH A STORY” SIGN-UP
Begins Monday, June 22 at 10 a.m.

Dig into amazing adventures, mysteries, and discoveries all summer long. There are three reading levels so everyone can participate: Family Readers, Independent Readers, and Teens. Sign up anytime during

the program, which runs through Aug. 6. Sponsored by the Friends of the Wolfeboro Public Library, with additional tickets and passes donated by local area attractions. Check out our website for all the great kids and family events scheduled throughout the summer.

SUMMER READING ADVENTURE KICK-OFF
Wildlife Encounters Global Tour - Live Animals
Wednesday, June 24 at 11 a.m.

Experience an “imaginary safari around the world.” Seven globally and biologically diverse Ambassador Animals are featured. Meet live animals whose ancestors lived in a variety of habitats and places on Earth, while discovering their amazing adaptations, learning their eco-contributions and their personal stories. Sponsored by the Friends of the Wolfeboro Public Library

Register in advance.

ADULT PROGRAMS

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CATALOG “GALLERY”
We are switching to a new way to search for materials, called “Gallery.” Learn all about it on Monday, June 15 from 2:30 -3:30 p.m. Come in for a demo on how to use all the new features. Bring your own device or use one of ours and sign up for your own account.

ROBERT FROST ON THE FARM: POETRY
Wednesday, June 17 at 6 p.m.

Jeffrey Zygmunt, presenter
In an exploration of both New Hampshire history and Frost’s poetry, Zygmunt will recite a selection of Frost’s poems, complemented by a lively discussion.

SCI-FI & FANTASY BOOK CLUB
Thursday, July 2 at 6 p.m.

“Starship Troopers” by Robert Heinlein. Copies are now available.

2nd TUESDAY BOOK DISCUSSION
Tuesday, July 14 at 1 p.m.

“The Winter of Our Diswith Diane Cooney, Wednesday, June 24, 6-9 p.m.

Make your own Terrarium with Courtney Drake, Thursday, June 25, 10 a.m.-noon

Make a Leather Dreamcatcher with Brandi Boston, Saturday, June 27, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Mental Clarity is Autonomy with Paul Rooney L.Ac., M.Ac., Sunday, June 28, 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Repair Cafe, Sunday, June 28, 1-4 p.m.

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Beginner’s Needle Felting: Goldfish with Christine Greenwood, Saturday, June 13, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Stained Glass Plant Propagation Station with Maggie Cahow, Saturday, June 13, noon to 4 p.m.

MAKERS MILL

Paint your Pet with Jennifer MacLean, Saturday, June 13, 2-5 p.m.

Metalsmithing: Open Studio for Rock Lovers with Deb Ryan, Sunday, June 14, 1-3 p.m.

Homesteading Huddle with Doc Dougherty, Monday, June 15, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Joyful Arts Techniques

5-Part Class with Phyllis McDonald, Fridays, June 19-July 17, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Sewing 102: Zippered Duffle Bag with Jeanne Flanagan, Saturday, June 20, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Craft Your Own Unique Silver Ring with Deb Ryan, Saturday, June 20, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Sewing: Snappy Bags

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OPINION

THE GRANITE STATE NEWS



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Preserving more than buildings

The places that define a town are not always the biggest buildings or the most visible landmarks. Sometimes, they are a modest family cottage overlooking a lake, an aging gravestone tucked into a quiet cemetery, or a church whose doors have been closed for years but whose presence still anchors a neighborhood.

The recent Wolfeboro Heritage Awards remind us that historic preservation is about much more than maintaining old structures. At its heart, preservation is about protecting the stories, values, and character that make a community unique.

In an era when many New England towns struggle to balance growth with tradition, Wolfeboro is fortunate to have residents who understand that history is not something that exists only in books or museums. It lives in homes, landscapes, cemeteries, churches, and neighborhoods. Most importantly, it survives because ordinary people choose to care for it.

The six award recipients honored this year represent different approaches to that mission. Some restored buildings. Others repaired and cleaned gravestones. Some adapted historic structures for modern use. Others devoted years of volunteer effort to protecting community landmarks. Their projects vary greatly in scale, but they share a common theme: stewardship.

That stewardship matters.

The temptation in any growing community is to focus only on what comes next. New construction, new businesses, new opportunities, and new residents all play important roles in keeping a town vibrant. Yet communities that focus exclusively on the future often lose the qualities that made people want to live there in the first place.

Historic preservation provides balance. It reminds us that progress does not have to mean erasing the past. A family cottage can become a year-round home while retaining its historic appearance. An older residence can be transformed for modern living without losing its architectural character. A church can find new life through community programming while preserving its original purpose as a gathering place.

The work being done in Wolfeboro’s cemeteries is equally important. Gravestones are more than markers. They are public records carved in stone, connecting current residents with the people who built the town generations ago. When volunteers spend hundreds of hours cleaning, researching, and restoring those monuments, they are preserving chapters of local history that might otherwise be forgotten.

The recognition of Maggie Stier carries a special significance. Institutions such as the Wolfeboro Heritage Commission do not appear by accident. They exist because individuals invest years of effort persuading communities that preserving local history is worth the time and attention. The commission itself stands as a lasting example of what dedicated citizens can accomplish.

Preservation often happens quietly. It rarely generates the headlines that accompany major development projects. Yet its impact can be just as lasting. Every restored building, every repaired gravestone, every protected landmark helps maintain the sense of place that residents and visitors value.

Wolfeboro’s historic character did not emerge overnight. It was built over generations by people who cared about their community. The responsibility for protecting that character now belongs to the current generation.

The Heritage Awards serve as a reminder that preserving history is not solely the work of historians, architects, or government commissions. It is something that anyone can contribute to through volunteerism, advocacy, research, restoration, or simply taking pride in the places that tell the story of the town.

The recipients honored this year have shown what that commitment looks like. Their work ensures that future generations will inherit not only buildings and landmarks, but also the stories and spirit that make Wolfeboro the community it is today.



COURTESY

The board members of the Elwin Stillings Vocational Award are pleased to announce that the 2026 recipient of this award is Liam Rauschnot of Union, who is entering the building trades following his studies at the Lakes Region Technology Center. He was chosen as this year’s recipient by the faculty of Lakes Region Technology Center. The non-profit will provide up to \$2,000 of high quality tools and gear to help Rasuchnot get started in his chosen career. This award has been given each year in memory of Elwin Stillings who died from kidney cancer in 2007. Elwin was a carpenter, handyman, and snow removal contractor in the Ossipee area. After his death, his friends and family organized an annual golf tournament at Indian Mound Golf Club to raise funds in his memory which established this annual award.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Stop the hateful signs and divisiveness, Democrats

To the Editor:

In my last letter on Feb. 19, titled “Stop Contributing to Divisiveness,” I shared my concerns about the results of the Democratic Party’s open border policy and the tragedies resulting from that, and the negative impact that has had our country. The Democrat signs at Pickering Corner have now become more divisive and so have the letters to the editor from the local Democrats. This group continues to show how out of touch with reality they are that they don’t even grasp history, let alone recent history.

In her letter last week, Amy Erickson lectured Rep. Mike Blecher about the Jacobites: “For the record: the Jacobites were ... not even being a factual part of the French Revolution.” But Mike didn’t even mention the Jacobites in his letter the previous week, he wrote about the Jacobins: “The Proto-Communist Jacobin revolution in which somewhere between 17,000 and 40,000 political opponents were decapitated or drowned.” Amy, not

Mike, got confused. It was the French Jacobins who cut off their king’s head with a guillotine. The “No Kings” protestors of their day.

Also last week, Scott Lounsbury claimed: “On Jan. 6, 2021, rioters actually killed officers of the law.” In fact, no law enforcement officer was killed. Ashli Babbitt, a US Air Force veteran and a Trump supporter, was shot and killed by Capitol Police Lt. Michael Byrd. People can have different opinions about facts. Scott made a verifiably false claim that calls into question his entire letter.

When will local Democrats stop romanticizing terror and start telling the truth? When will they post a sign to show appreciation and a love of country that they are so blessed to be a part of, when will they stop the hate signs and the divisiveness?

Charles Horsken
North Wolfeboro

Bobbi abandons ship

To the Editor:

Rep. Bobbi Boudman (D-No Kings) has announced in a theatrical video on Facebook that she is abandoning state representative District 7 (Ossipee, Tuftonboro, Wolfeboro). Bobbi barely won the seat, by only 165 votes, in a special election in March.

In 2022, Bobbi lost to former representative Glenn Cordelli by 916 votes. In 2024, she lost to Glenn by 1,224 votes. In regular elections in November, Bobbi’s performance was getting worse. Although she won in the low-turnout special election, she received the smallest number of total votes for any election. (It was a record turnout for a town election, but a very low-turnout for a state-representative race.)

Instead of running for re-election as a state representative in November, Bobbi says she will run for state Senate against Mark McConkey, the incumbent Republican, in state Senate District 3. In 2024, Mark walloped turncoat Democrat, former Republican State Rep. Bill Marsh, 57 to 43 percent. Mark received 5,992 more votes than Bill.

One wonders if Bobbi realized she was a sure loser in November in state representative District 7, and is running for state Senate as an ego-saving ploy. Yes, she’s likely to lose there as well, but as a valiant attempt to unseat an incumbent, rather than suffering a humiliating loss as an incumbent herself.

Max Ledoux
Tuftonboro

The “Threat to Democracy” scam

To the Editor:

Every week, Americans are told that “democracy is under attack.” The phrase appears on protest signs, in political slogans, on social media, and from prominent cable news commentators. Many now treat “democracy” as synonymous with the American system of government itself.

In practice, this is part of a concerted effort to convince Americans that we are a democracy, rather than a constitutional republic. Right now, the loudest voices warning of a “threat to democracy” are out of power. They are creating this panic in order to regain power and impose their preferred far-left policy agenda. Any election result, policy, or institution that blocks them is labeled an “attack on democracy.” This turns legitimate disagreement into an existential threat.

The United States is a constitutional republic, not a democracy. The Framers rejected unchecked majority rule because they feared it would threaten individual liberty. As James Madison warned in Federalist No. 10, factions driven by passion could overwhelm justice if given unlimited power. That is why the Constitution includes safeguards such as separation of powers, federalism, the Senate, the Electoral College, judicial review, and the Bill of Rights.

A republic uses democratic processes, but it restrains them. Rights are protected from the shifting will of temporary majorities. When critics equate any check on their agenda with an “attack on democracy,” they show their true goal is power, not self-government.

To preserve our country, we must call our government what it is — a constitutional republic — and reject the

misleading campaign to label it a democracy. We should defend that republic, not surrender its protections to whichever faction claims to speak for “democracy.”

Brett Williams
Tuftonboro

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CABIN CHRONICLES

The Great Disruption



BY DANIEL W. LAKE
TUFTONBORO

“The extinction of old forms is the almost inevitable consequence of the production of new forms.”—Charles Darwin, 1859

“The process of Creative Destruction is the essential fact about capitalism.”—Joseph Schumpeter, 1942

It really sank in last summer when my neighbor loaned me his battery-powered nail gun to finish my 24-by-24-foot garage, a pole barn structure with shiplap siding that alone used 2,000 nails. This one tool is so sweet and easy to use. No compressor, no extension cord, no airline like the old, compressed air guns, no noise. And the battery seemed to last

forever. Then this spring I could not loosen the bolts holding the blades on my 60” Kubota mower deck. Kindly, Alex at Bradley’s Hardware loaned me their battery-powered impact gun which took about 1 second to loosen each bolt. Last week I was having my annual spring fight with the gas-powered weed eater which takes about 2-3 hours of fussing to get started each year.

That was the breaking point when I said, “This thing is going to the dump ‘Put and Take’ for someone with more time and patience. I’m getting a battery-powered weed eater.” This will be added to the battery-powered chain saw, leaf blower, pole pruner, as well as drills. A lawn mower is sure to follow. The future is electric.

All of this is against the background of the fantastically simple electric Nissan Leaf we’ve driven for seven years and 45,000 miles

with zero problems, zero gallons of gasoline, zero oil changes, zero emissions, zero service bills. Rather, we charge it with electricity made by the solar panels on our south-facing roof. Ditto for the house.

Well, you may ask, what does that electricity really cost? OK, if I account like Seabrook Nuclear generator with production costs at 2.1 cents/kWh, then my production costs are 0 cents/kWh. How so, you ask? Because that does not account for Seabrook’s construction costs \$5-7 billion. And I have had no maintenance or repair costs in 13 years of generation. Whole industries are being disrupted.

This winter we took a Waymo taxi (no driver) to a restaurant in San Carlos, Calif. Perfect ride. Easy. And safer than vehicles with human drivers, with 92 percent fewer serious injuries or crashes. Tesla has finally unveiled their

Semi, a fully electric commercial hauler that will go up to 500 miles/charge, has three times the power of a comparable diesel semi, recharges to 60 percent in 30 minutes, and is guaranteed for 1 million miles. Although it cost \$115,000 more than a comparable diesel semi, it saves \$72,000/year in fuel and service. Over a 10-year period Tesla’s Semi will save owners \$1 million. And...they come equipped with all the hardware for self-driving mode. Bottom line: Both diesel fuel and human drivers are soon to be unnecessary. Tesla has already test driven its autonomous taxis 10 billion miles. Within a short period, these autonomous vehicles are going to be everywhere, at lower costs and safer. How long before large minivans come equipped with beds so you can sleep your way to Florida? What impact will this have on the airline industry?

Will electric utilities be forced to change their business model? Perhaps, with the transition beginning in the desert Southwest. If I were building a new home in Arizona there is no way I would connect to the electrical grid. Why? Because it’s an unnecessary waste when one can install a 10-kWh photovoltaic array, run the entire home, charge 2 electric vehicles, and use their batteries as backup for nights and rainy days. Additionally, flow batteries are becoming cheaper by the day and will soon be more cost effective than lithium batteries. They use large storage tanks for liquid electrolyte that can be buried like septic tanks and serviced from above and are fireproof and safe. Even here in the Northeast, a confluence of new technologies plus wind and solar electricity will soon make a large percentage of commercial electrical generation redundant. Just look at the rooftops and parking lots in our commu-

nities that are ripe for solar installation. Our lakes are huge untapped hydroelectric storage batteries.

Now the clincher...add in Artificial Intelligence plus robotics and the upshot is that a multitude of current workers from retail sales to radiology to software programming to manufacturing will be replaced and no longer needed. Silicon Valley is in the process of laying off tens of thousands of college educated workers. How many workers will it take to make the estimated 50,000 Semis/year? What will happen to all those people with no prospect for a job? Does it make sense for right-wing politicians and fundamentalist religions to call for more childbirths?

We are amid an unprecedented disruption at every level of society and there is no stopping it. Isn’t it time leadership has public discussions to make some rational policy, plans, and choices?

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

What happened to the free flow of information?

To the Editor:
Often, I post on Facebook pages for towns I previously lived or worked in. If asked, I always provide my connection to the town when explaining my reason for joining the group. Frequently, the names of these pages includes “uncensored,” e.g. ‘Tuftonboro Uncensored.’ The responses have been interesting and revealing.
First off, a page designated as ‘uncensored’ may well be censored. In fact, the administrators of some ‘uncensored’ sites are quite heavy handed. Even if you don’t break any rules, e.g. use offensive language, threaten or bully people etc. — they block you because of your viewpoint. Don’t bother to tell them how ironic this is — it doesn’t matter to them. They are in fact choosing to control the information the community sees under the guise of ‘uncensored.’
Secondly, there’s typically someone(s) who complains you don’t live in the town so you shouldn’t be posting on the page. My first thought is -- you filled out the same form I did. So you know this site allows for people who have lived there or have another connection to the town to

join. Everyone who’s a member has met this criteria, so what’s the problem?
My next thought is, you do realize the entire population of X town, e.g. Tuftonboro, is 2,500 (men, women and children), and there are 4,000 members on this Facebook page? Obviously, I’m not the only non-resident member of this page.
Ultimately, my response is, whatever happened to the free flow of information? Afterall, isn’t it, the “free flow of information,” a foundational principle of this society? Are we now limiting the exchange of ideas, knowledge, and news?
Too often, the complainer is a Free Stater or similar alternative thinker. Someone who may well believe towns/school districts etc. are just arbitrary geographical boundaries that should be eliminated. Why don’t they support the free flow of information and opinions across those arbitrary geographical boundaries? What makes a Facebook page designated by a town name sacrosanct, but not a town or SAU?

Karen Burnett-Kurie
Wolfeboro

Deirdre McEachern offers the leadership we need in Concord

To the Editor:
I was very pleased when Deirdre McEachern announced that she was running to represent the people of Wolfeboro and Tuftonboro in the New Hampshire House. As a young woman, Deirdre paid her own way through college, a very Intelligent woman with a passion to serve. An inspiring life story of determination rewarded with starting a successful business.
She brings to the table wide experience in education, technology and business, It takes courage and self-confidence to leave behind your weekly paychecks and become an entrepreneur and build a business from scratch. After working in a number of startup companies, she and her husband built a tech company here in New Hampshire.
A successful startup requires a willingness to take risks. Deirdre had the experience in their targeted market. She is a “people person” who build a network of cooperating employers. Deirdre and her husband planed long term, demonstrated decisiveness, and persist-

ed while facing challenges. These are the qualities of an entrepreneur that are sadly missing in Concord.
If the New Hampshire government was a business, it would declare bankruptcy. The GOP leadership failed to satisfy the citizens needs because they are driven by the Free State, Liberty Alliance ideology: cut taxes for the rich and large businesses while strangling public education.
Deirdre’s background showed her that small businesses is the backbone of our economy, not tax cuts for large corporations. She agrees with our founding fathers that public education is vital for our Democracy. She will support every effort to make life better for us.
The GOP is failing in so many ways that we must reject them. Our reliance on the property tax is regressive, hurting the least able to pay. It is clear that we need the leadership that Deirdre offers. With Deirdre, we can avoid bankruptcy!
Ron Paquette
Wolfeboro

Cooperation is a better model

To The Editor:
Frequent issues of The Granite State News, in the Letters to the Editor section, bring us what feels to me like a highly robust, competitive ping pong tournament. Back and forth go the volleys until one writer, convinced perhaps of superior skill, wallops the ball over the net, past the opponent, off the table, and if a door is ajar, the ball sails into the next room. Triumph...at least until the opponent catches new wind and hits the next ball back across the table with equal strength and determination.
When I read GSN letters to the Editor, I see many of these back-and-forth volleys aimed, it seems, not at education or enlightenment, but rather at winning. And what does the reading public gain from these back-and-forth missives? I think we gain very little.

Perhaps we, the readers, should encourage another model of communication. Please consider the model of cooperation as described in Robin Kimmerer’s book “The Serviceberry” (pp 75-76): “Evolutionary biologist David S. Wilson has found that competition makes sense only when we consider the unit of evolution to be the individual. When the focus shifts to the level of a group, cooperation is a better model, not only for surviving but for thriving.”
Think about it. Cooperation as a better model could form the bedrock of future letters to the Editor, foregoing tit for tat to be replaced with a simple exchange of ideas.

Margaret
A. Campbell
Wolfeboro

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Almanac

“We meet aliens every day who have something to give us. They come in the form of people with different opinions.” — William Shatner

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BY BILL SWAFFIELD				
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OBITUARIES

Hope Elaine Kirby, 87

Hope Elaine Kirby, known as “Nana” to many, of Windham, Maine, passed away peacefully on May 18, 2026, at the age of 87.

Hope was born on June 23, 1938, in Middleboro, Massachusetts, to Tekla Halunen and Homer Griffith. She grew up in Worcester, Massachusetts alongside her three brothers, where life was filled with laughter, mischief, and the kind of teasing only siblings can get away with—including the occasional snake placed in her bed, a prank she never quite forgave and a fear she carried throughout her life.

At just 14 years old, Hope met the love of her life, Robert “Papa Bear” Kirby. Their love story spanned a lifetime. They were married on September 6, 1958, and together they built an extraordinary life filled with love, laughter, and countless memories. They loved to gather, celebrate, and have a good time, creating a home filled with laughter, where



everyone felt welcome.

Hope was a loving mother, a cherished grandmother, and a proud great-grandmother. Though she held many jobs throughout her life, her most treasured roles were those of Mom and Nana. She embodied everything a grandmother should be—warm, caring, fun-loving, and always ready to make those around her feel special. There was nothing she loved more than gathering family and friends, and cooking something delicious. She was adored by her sons, granddaughters, and great-granddaughter, and the love they shared with her was immeasur-

able.

Nana had a spirited personality and a wonderful sense of humor. She was always up for anything—you could often find her with a gin and tonic in one hand and a “secret” cigarette in the other, laughing and joking while surrounded by those she loved most.

She is survived by her sons: Robert Kirby of Windham, Maine; Todd Kirby (Terri) of Brookfield, New Hampshire; and Dana Kirby (Christy) of Bradenton, Florida. She also leaves behind her beloved granddaughters, Ashley Kirby of Windham, Maine and Amanda Kirby of Chelsea, Massachusetts; and her cherished great-granddaughter, Ella Muehle of Windham, Maine.

A Celebration of Life will be held on June 13th, from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Indian Mound Golf Club, 33 Route 16B, Ossipee, New Hampshire.

In the words of Nana: “Be yourself or don’t be.” Hope leaves behind a legacy of love, laughter, and unforgettable memories that will be cherished by all who knew her.

Margaret Elizabeth Schuller Ricci

Margaret Elizabeth Schuller Ricci was born October 4, 1939 in Warren, Ohio and was called home to be with her Lord on May 31, 2026.

Maggie attended Lake View High School in Chicago, Illinois, one semester at Miami Senior High School, and worked for Pan American World Airways from 1959-1990 in Miami, Florida.

Married to Albert Ricci on April, 26 1980, they owned antique shops (Treasure Hunt) in both Florida and New Hampshire. Maggie and Albert purchased their home in Tuftonboro where they spent many years restoring it and filling it with antiques. She was a talented artist, excelling in ceramics and painting, and loved hosting neighborhood gatherings and parties.

Maggie’s faith was an important part of her life. She attended the Melvin Village Community Church where she participated on many committees, played in the Bell Choir, and volunteered with the Fair and Auction where she treasured spending time in the barn



collecting items with her friends.

She was “Mom” to several sets of Schnauzers and other beloved dogs and cats. She also cherished her international travels, especially the trips she took with Albert to Rome, and a special trip with her father.

Maggie is survived by her stepchildren, Christina Ricci, Lisa Ricci, and Anthony Ricci; and her nieces and nephews, Linda Abdulhadi, Saher Abdulhadi, John Pearce, Dian Hogget, Valerie Pearce, Tim Schuller, and John Schuller (some of whom affectionately called her “Aunt Honey”). She is also survived by many friends, including her dear friend Sherry Benditt and her

husband, Steve.

She was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Albert; her parents, John and Marie Schuller originally from Transylvania; and her siblings, Robert Schuller, Ellen Pearce, Lane Pope, and Frank Schuller.

A Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, June 27th at 11:00 am at the Melvin Village Community Church, Melvin Village, NH. All are encouraged to wear something bright and colorful if you choose.

We are grateful to the staff at Taylor Back Bay, Wolfeboro for their love and care, and where Maggie will be remembered for her special red lipstick, nail polish, and spicely wit.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her memory to her favorite non-profit, Tunnels to Towers Foundation www.t2t.org which delivers mortgage-free homes to the families of America’s fallen heroes.

If you wish to express condolences or leave a fond memory please visit, www.lordfuneralhome.com.

“God Bless the Cook!”

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

No bugs, no birds, no morning song

To the Editor:

This morning, coffee in hand, I stopped to listen. The birds outside my porch were singing so beautifully that, for a moment, everything else disappeared. Their music filled the trees. A few flew past the screen. I just sat there in awe.

And then I thought about what was missing.

There are still birds. There is still song. But not like years ago. New Hampshire has lost nearly one-third of its birds in the last 50 years. That’s three out of every 10 birds, gone from our skies.

Where did they go? The answer isn’t simple, but part of it is right outside our doors.

Birds don’t have the food they need — and I don’t mean birdseed. They need insects.

Doug Tallamy’s research found that 96 percent of North American land birds feed insects to their young. A single nest of chickadees needs thousands of caterpillars to survive. No caterpillars, no chickadees. So that begs the question: Where did the caterpillars go?

Once I understood that, lawn spraying looked different to me. When we spray pesticides to kill “pests,” we’re also killing the food baby birds depend on. The spray can’t tell the difference between a nuisance mosquito and the caterpillar a mother bird needs for her chicks. It removes them all.

A yard can look green and still be starving the life around it.

And this doesn’t stop at the edge of the lawn. When rain falls, those pesticides

that a “good” yard meant no weeds and no bugs. Many of us hired companies because we thought we were doing the responsible thing. I did. Remember when we were told DDT was safe... until it wasn’t?

But now we know more. And once we know more, our choices can change.

But there are better ways. Mosquitoes can be deterred with something as simple as a fan on the porch. They’re terrible flyers. Or make a mosquito bucket: a five-gallon pail, some grass clippings, water, and a mosquito dunk from Bradley’s. It keeps them away for a month.

Worried about ticks? The CDC says spraying yards doesn’t lower the risk of Lyme disease. Tuck your pants in, use repellent on yourself with deet, and do a tick check when you come inside. You’ll still have bees, butterflies, and the beneficial insects our birds need.

And if someone says the product is “natural,” remember this: if it kills insects, it’s an insecticide. It kills bees. It kills butterflies. It kills the caterpillars baby birds depend on. It drifts into neighboring yards and washes into our lakes.

Bees don’t know property lines. A bee feeding safely on my pesticide-free native flowers can fly next door and be killed by spray. You can plant milkweed for monarchs, but if insecticide is sprayed nearby, you can kill the monarch caterpillars you were trying to save.

That’s why one yard alone can’t fix this. We talk to our neighbors — politely, with the simple truth: birds need insects, and pesticides kill insects.

This is how Wolfeboro changes. Yard by yard. Shoreline by shoreline. Neighbor by neighbor.

Protecting the natural world isn’t separate from protecting our town. Clean water, birdsong, loons, dragonflies, and wild beauty aren’t extras. They’re the wealth of this place. They’re why people come here, live here, and stay here. They protect our lakes. They protect property values.

I want that for my grandkids. I want them to hear the morning chorus. I want them to see fireflies light up the dark.

The good news? This isn’t hopeless. We can bring life back. We can stop poisoning the food chain.

So tomorrow morning, when you hear birds outside your window, listen closely. Then tell someone what you learned.

The birds need insects. Pesticides kill insects. And our choices matter.

Bob Eaton
Wolfeboro

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Hypocrisy on parade

To the Editor:

In July 2018, Donald Trump nominated Brett Kavanaugh to fill the seat of retiring Supreme Court justice Anthony Kennedy. During confirmation hearings, Democrats brought forward Christine Blasey Ford, who claimed that Kavanaugh had assaulted her decades earlier when they were both in high school.

While Ford's claims might have been true, no hard evidence was provided to support her claims. On the other hand, Kavanaugh's claims to the contrary were supported by denials from several of Kavanaugh's childhood acquaintances, saying that the abuse never took place. No other reports of sexual abuse were brought forward to strengthen the case against Kavanaugh. During the confirmation vote, Sen. Elizabeth Warren, (yes, the same person who wrote "American Indian" on a job application) said, "The fix is in," and she excoriated fellow Senators who refused to believe the uncorroborated, decades-old claims of Ms. Ford. Sen. Sheldon Whitehouse (D-Rhode Island) said, "Today I stand with women who are brave enough to come forward with their stories of abuse and mistreatment," as he cast his vote against Kavanaugh.

Today in Maine, Democrats are about to nominate Graham Platner to run for Senate against moderate Republican Susan Collins. Platner has a Nazi symbol tattooed on his chest. His own former campaign manager (a woman) has gone public with information Platner and his wife were trying to hide verifying that during his marriage, Platner "sexted" numerous women. Several former girlfriends have come forward with stories of sexual and personal abuse, including tales of violence and being locked in a room, as reported

Honest, experienced, ready—the clear choice for New Hampshire's First District

To the Editor:

Eight months from the midterms, our district needs a proven leader — after researching and meeting candidates, Maura Sullivan stands out as clearly the best to fight for Granite Staters.

A Marine Captain who re-upped to serve in Iraq, Maura has never shied from tough fights—whether in Fallujah, confronting institutional failure at the VA after the deaths of veterans, or standing up to senior leaders in the Pentagon to defend women's reproductive rights. She served as Assistant Secretary at the VA, she worked to improve care for the nine million veterans who rely on the system.

Her leadership is rooted in real-life experience: she earned college education by excelling scholastically on an ROTC scholarship while juggling three jobs, took on student debt, and knows what it means to worry about bills, housing and work. She's spent her adult life in service and now offers to represent us in Washington.

Her Unrig Washington plan—banning corporate PACs, ending congressional

by the New York Times. In Reddit posts, since deleted, Platner said sexual assault victims should "just take some responsibility for themselves" to avoid attacks and they should "act like adults, for f__k's sake." He went on to say that women should avoid alcohol so they don't end up in a "compromising situation." Apparently liberal Senators, like Warren and Whitehouse, have had a change of heart over the past eight years. Warren has made numerous personal appearances in Maine on Platner's behalf, and she continues to actively support his campaign even after all this has come to light. Whitehouse, a wealthy Senator, is a major donor to Platner's campaign, and he has said he is "unimpressed" by the allegations of multiple women, saying it "seems like a lot of nothing." Hypocrisy on parade.

Here in Wolfeboro, we can see hypocrisy on parade every Saturday. Older, retired folks who write impassioned letters to the Grunter outraged having the word "aging" used to describe them, people who write incessant letters promoting left-wing ideology who object strenuously to being called "liberal," and people who run for office as Democrats, objecting to being called a Democrat, all standing shoulder to shoulder with people holding signs, labeling President Trump "Hitler" or comparing him to a farm animal or carrying signs of outrage against the workings of ICE, when the same head of ICE, Tom Homan, was awarded by their beloved Obama for doing the very same things they now object to, people who are protesting the "loss of our Democracy," when a democratic election brought to power the very man they despise. Hypocrisy on parade.

Carl Lehmann
Wolfeboro

stock trading, strict recusal rules, and barring financial criminals from office—aims to restore truth, respect, and accountability. She'll lower costs for healthcare, housing, and education so Granite Staters can afford stable homes, quality care, and a real chance to get ahead.

I've attended "Meet the Candidate" events, was deeply impressed with her, took notes, and spoke with her afterward—her answers and resolve convinced me she will fight for our communities, our rights and freedom!

I encourage you to meet her in person—ask questions; her answers reveal an unwavering commitment you can both hear and feel. This election is about us—our communities, security, and future. Skills are much more important than name recognition. Maura served us well in the past, you can bet she'll do just that in the future, that's why I'm proudly supporting her.

Sincerely,

Linda Burnap
Wolfeboro

The response we receive speaks volumes

To the Editor:

Recent letters have suggested that the Wolfeboro Area Peaceful Protest group's Saturday gatherings may offend both tourists visiting our town and the residents who call Wolfeboro home year-round. While everyone is entitled to their opinion, the reaction we observe from the public tells a different story.

One of our regular participants recently began keeping a tally of responses from passing motorists. With pen and paper in hand, he counted positive reactions—waves, cheers, honks, and shouted words of encouragement—and compared them to negative responses such as thumbs-down gestures, obscene gestures, or critical remarks.

This week's count recorded 140 positive responses and just 10 negative ones. That 14-to-1 ratio is not unusual; it is consistent with the results from previous months that we see whenever tallies are taken.

While a small number of people clearly disagree with our message, the overwhelming majority of those who choose to express an opinion do so in support of our presence and our right to peacefully demonstrate. Far from driving people away, our protests appear to resonate with many residents and visitors alike.

Part of that support may reflect growing public concern about issues affecting everyday Americans. Many people are increasingly focused on rising prices and the continuing impact of inflation on family budgets. Others are concerned about the possibility of deeper U.S. involvement in conflicts abroad, including tensions involving Iran. We also hear concerns about government spending priorities, including the proposed \$1.766 billion Anti-Weaponization Fund, plans for taxpayer-funded ballroom projects, and proposals such as a \$100 million "Arc de Trump." Whether one

agrees with these concerns or not, they reflect a broader frustration among citizens who are struggling to afford groceries, gasoline, housing, and other necessities.

Peaceful protest has long been an important part of civic life in America. Whether people agree with our views or not, the strong positive response we receive each week suggests that many in our community appreciate seeing fellow citizens exercising that right.

Will some readers be skeptical of this 14-to-1 ratio? If so, we invite you to come next Saturday to see and count for yourself.

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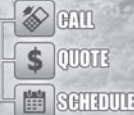
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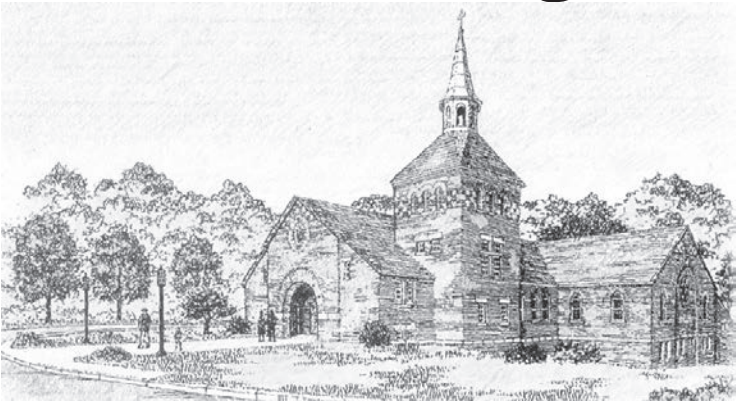
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Genesis 2 tells us, "On the seventh day God completed the work he had been doing; he rested on the seventh day from all the work he had undertaken."

This summer your own vacation from work need not be a vacation from your faith. Here are a few of the regular events at our church—*your* church—this summer. You are welcome to join us for any or all of them:

Saturday afternoons:
Confession at church at 3:00. Mass at church at 4:00.

Sunday mornings:
Mass at church at 7:00, 8:30, and 10:30.
Mass online at 10:30 at stkdxel.org.

Monday evenings:
"Discovery Group" discussion at church at 7:00 p.m.

Friday mornings:
Eucharistic Adoration in church from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Weekday mornings (except Thursday):
Mass at 8:00.

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All Saints Church gearing up for Summer Fair

WOLFEBORO — With spring cleaning season fully underway, we encourage community members to consider donating their gently used items to our fundraising event. In preparation for the 64th Annual All Saints Summer Fair, we are seeking donations. We will be

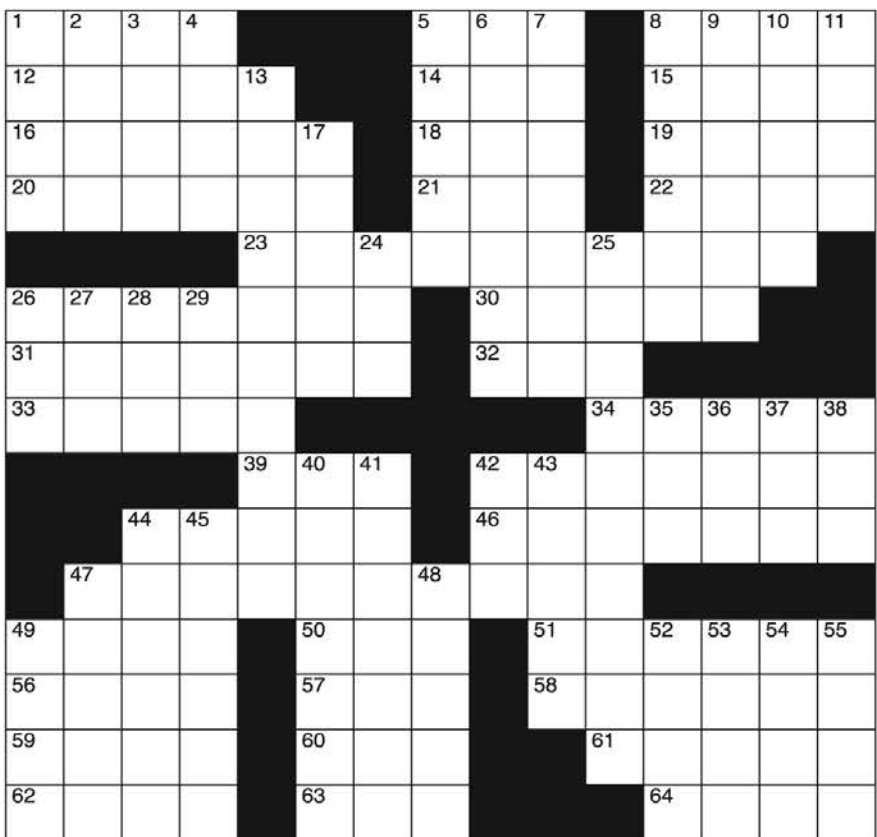
collecting donations from Monday, June 15 through Monday, July 13. During these dates, you can drop off your donations in the Church Hall. Acceptable donations include: toys, children’s sporting goods, glassware, collectibles, dishes, home goods, linens, fabric, craft

supplies, books written on or after 2000, jewelry, hand and power tools, and not-so-large Silent Auction items. We do not accept adult sporting goods, textbooks, encyclopedias, rugs, infant and children car seats, magazines, curtains, decorative and bed pillows, fabric scraps, elec-

tronics, furniture and pet supplies. The Summer Fair will be held on Saturday, July 18 from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The Summer Fair is an All Saints Church tradition that helps serve the community of Wolfeboro and the Lakes Region. The fair also offers baked goods

and delicious food options. This year we invite you to visit our new labyrinth in the courtyard along with an opportunity to receive prayer requests. Proceeds from the Summer Fair help support the outreach and service ministries of All Saints Church. Bring along your

shopping bags and be sure to check out the Summer Fair this year. It is a wonderful opportunity to have fun as we gather as a community of faith to support those throughout the Lakes Region.



CLUES ACROSS

1. Sealed with a kiss

5. Large sandwich

8. Swiss city

12. Japanese persimmons

14. When you hope to get somewhere

15. Wings

16. A name of God

18. Elected official (informal)

19. Abnormal breathing

20. “Seinfeld” character

21. Yearly tonnage (abbr.)

22. Something for sale

23. Gets rid of

26. One who touts

30. Blemished

31. Less than exciting

32. Born of

33. N. German town
34. Notes

39. Move away from land

42. Vulcanite

44. More ignoble

46. Child actor Kirk

47. Written works

49. Sea vessel

50. Residue

51. Engraved

56. Having sufficient skill

57. One and only

58. Erase

59. Broad inlets

60. Nightmarish street

61. Play again

62. Formerly (archaic)

63. Add a color to change the color

64. Move swiftly and lightly

CLUES DOWN

1. Scottish island

2. River in the Netherlands

3. Asian people

4. Fuzzy fruit

5. Ninth month (abbr.)

6. An idealistic social reformer

7. What you owe

8. Colorless mineral

9. Overjoyed

10. Rattling breaths

11. Tropical Old World tree

13. A citizen of Senegal

17. Greek mythological beauty

24. Wrath

25. Instrument to measure wind speed

26. Luxury carmaker

27. Bitterly regret

28. Not or

29. Google certification
35. Midway between northeast and east

36. Space station

37. Relating to the ears

38. Congressman

40. Yelled at

41. Rudely assertive

42. Defunct European money

43. Shared one’s soul

44. Onion rolls

45. A way to state clearly

47. Relating to a lobe

48. Underlying message

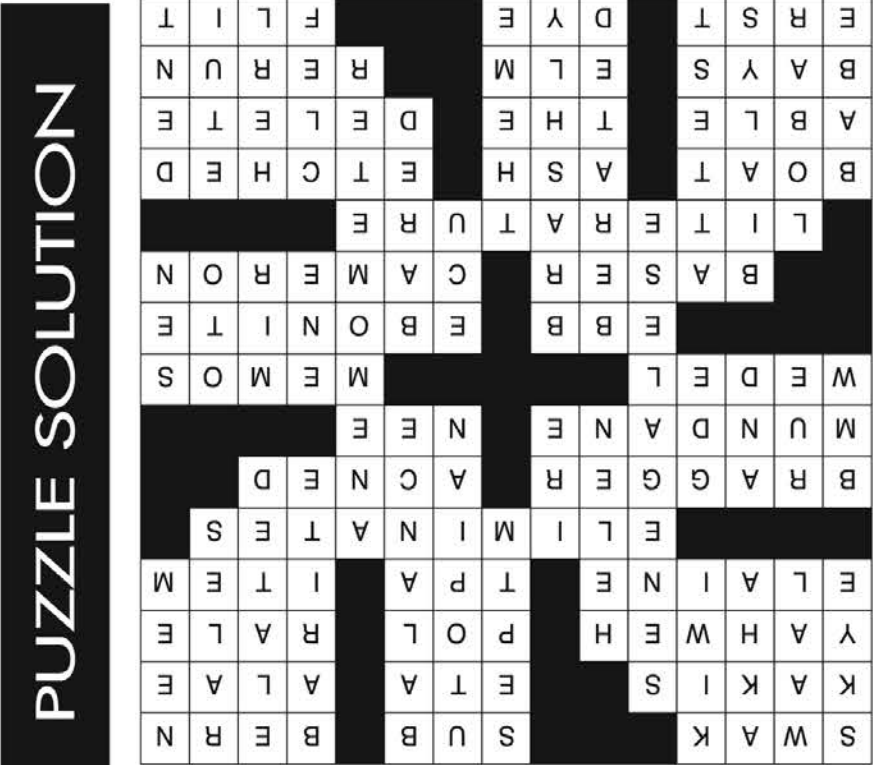
49. Hollywood pig

52. Indicates pitch

53. Filament of a feather

54. Small ornamental ladies’ bag for small articles

55. Diminish



Homes For Our Troops hosts volunteer day to landscape specially adapted home for injured Army veteran

TUFTONBORO — Homes For Our Troops (HFOT), a national non-profit that builds and donates specially adapted custom homes for severely injured post9/11 veterans, will host a Volunteer Day on Saturday, June 13, with check-in at 9:30 a.m. at the Tuftonboro Town House, 247 Middle Rd. Community members are invited to take part in this hands-on event to help complete landscaping for Army Corporal Paul Hedge’s new, mortgage-

free home. Although CPL Hedge received his home in February, winter conditions delayed the final outdoor work. CPL Hedge sustained severe injuries while serving in Afghanistan. His specially adapted home is designed to restore independence and ease daily living, featuring more than forty major accessibility modifications—including widened doorways, rollunder countertops and sinks, and a fully accessible rollin shower.

CPL Hedge is available for media interviews to discuss the impact of his new home and the difference it has made in his recovery and everyday life. Please let us know if you plan to cover this event. Learn more about CPL Hedge: <https://www.hfotusa.org/hedge/>. We want to extend a special thank you to our Community Sponsors, Cornerstone Building Brands, SODCO, and Harvey Windows + Doors.

Wright Museum hosting lecture and book signing by Christopher Gorham

WOLFEBORO — On Tuesday, June 16, the Wright Museum will welcome Christopher Gorham. This is the fourth program of the Wright Museum’s 2026 Education Series. Matisse at War is a vivid portrayal of the advancement of fascism and war into French life and culture during World War II through the lens of one of the country’s most celebrated post-impressionists and his family. Drawing on intimate letters and a multitude of other sources, Christopher C. Gorham illuminates

this momentous stage of Matisse’s life as never before, revealing an artist on a journey of reinvention, wrenching meaning from the suffering of war, and holding up the light of human imagination against the torch of fascism to create some of the most exciting work of his career, of the 20th century, and in the history of art. Doors open at 6 p.m., the program begins at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, June 16 at the Wright Museum’s DuQuoin Education Center, 77 Center St. in Wolfeboro. Admission is

\$8 for members and \$12 for non-members. Reservations are strongly encouraged and can be made online at <https://wrightmuseum.org/lecture-series> or by calling 603-569-1212. The region’s leading resource for educators and learners of all ages on World War II, the Wright Museum features more than 14,000 items in its collection that are representative of both the home front and battlefield. For more information about the 2026 Lecture Series, or museum, visit wrightmuseum.org.

Wolfeboro Centre Community Church announces 2026 Summer Services and Speakers

WOLFEBORO — The Wolfeboro Centre Community Church hopes you will join us this summer for the following services and speakers: Monday, June 22, 6:30 p.m., our speaker will be Mary Hunter speaking on the “Life Stories of Revolutionary War Soldiers Buried in Our Area.” Sunday, July 12, at 4 p.m., Pastor Allison Thatcher from the Centre Harbor Congregational Church will lead worship. Monday, July 27, at 6:30 p.m., Maggie Stier will speak about “The Oldest Summer Resort in America – The Real Story.” Sunday, Aug. 9, at 4 p.m., the Rev. Elizabeth Preysner from All Saints Episcopal Church will be our guest pastor. Monday, Aug. 10, at 7 p.m., Kim Altamare will share a “Native American Show & Tell.” Monday, Aug. 24, at 6:30 p.m., speakers Bruce Stuart and Noreen MacDonald

will tell us all about “The Cotton Valley Rail Trail.” Sunday, Aug. 30, at 4 p.m., Pastor Joe Cardamone from the Wolfeboro Baptist Church will lead a “Patriotic Service.” The Wolfeboro Centre Community Church is located at 18 Governor Wentworth Highway, Route 109, in Wolfeboro. All event parking is at the Krause Accounting Firm next to the church. The historic church stands in the geographical center of Wolfeboro. In the mid-1800s, this area was home to a school, a blacksmith shop, a cooper’s shop, a sawmill, and Wolfeboro’s first meetinghouse. Founded in 1841, it was funded by selling pews and built by volunteers. The building is one of the least-altered 19th-century community churches in eastern New Hampshire and one of the few remaining historic churches in Wolfeboro still in use. It was listed on the

National Register of Historic Places in 1984 and was recently honored with a “2026 Heritage Award” from the Wolfeboro Heritage Commission. With grants from the Land and Community Heritage Investment Program (LCHIP), the 1772 Foundation, and individual donors, ongoing preservation efforts are underway to replace shutters, perform foundation repair, and upgrade the grounds. The church is a registered 501(c) (3) non-profit organization, and donations are still needed. For more information on how you can assist with these and other projects, inquire about using the historic church for baptisms, weddings, art shows, concerts, discussion groups, other events, or to join the mailing list, contact the Board of Directors at wccc1841@gmail.com, or WCCC, c/o PO Box 449, Wolfeboro, NH 03894, or by calling 603-569-5463.

Cate Park Band begins rehearsal season

WOLFEBORO — The Cate Park Band (the Eastern Lakes Region’s summer band) begins rehearsals for its 31st season at the Wolfeboro Community

bandstand. The band is an all-volunteer group of musicians who gather each

Wednesday in July and August to give a free concert in the park. They typically rehearse from 7 to about 7:50 p.m., followed by a break, and then present an hour-long concert beginning at 8 p.m.

The audience gathers with lawn chairs or picnic blankets; children, dogs, folks enjoying a breeze by the lake makes for a true Norman Rockwell type evening.

Their “pick-up band” form of membership makes for a very fluid roster; some members come for one or two weeks per summer, others come every week. Director Scott Lounsbury never knows which instruments he’ll have available on any given

week, so that can be a challenge.

“We do a lot of marches, show tunes, classic rock, big band, and a lot of patriotic pieces,” said Lounsbury. “We welcome all comers; even if you haven’t touched your trombone since high school, we’ll have you back in top form within a couple of weeks.”

Sponsored by the Wolfeboro Parks and Recreation Department, the group rehearses for a few weeks prior to their opening concert on July 4. The celebration of the 250th anniversary of the USA warranted a significant investment in some new band arrangements this year. The group began re-

hearsing on May 27, and will hold rehearsals on Wednesday evenings from 7-9 p.m. at the Kingswood Regional Middle School band room.

Director Scott Lounsbury has been conducting the band for more than 25 years, and said, “Independence Day is a pretty busy day for us, beginning with the parade in the morning, and ending with a concert just prior to the Fireworks display. We’re always excited to welcome new members!” For further information, see the Cate Park Band Facebook page, or better yet, “just show up with your instrument ready to go!”



Keller Williams volunteers give back during annual RED Day at The Nick

WOLFEBORO — Despite rainy weather and soggy fields, more than 70 volunteers from Keller Williams Coastal and Lakes & Mountains Realty brought enthusiasm and dedication to The Nick Recreation Park for their annual RED Day of service on Thursday, May 14.

Each year, Keller Williams associates dedicate the second Thursday in May to Renew, Energize, and Donate (RED), a company-wide initiative focused on giving back to the communities they serve. This year, volunteers chose The Nick and made a visible and meaningful impact across the organization’s 32-acre park.

Armed with ponchos, rakes, and plenty of determination, volunteers tackled a variety of projects. Teams refreshed the playground by spreading new wood chips, while others distributed more than 11 yards of bark mulch around the track and throughout tree and garden beds. Another group installed a new bike rack near the pavilion, providing an added amenity for cyclists visiting The Nick.

Indoors, volunteers organized sports equipment, office supplies, and other materials, helping improve efficiency and prepare resources to meet The Nick’s needs.

Thriving Together



The Nick creates and maintains recreational facilities to foster a healthier, more connected community. As a 501(c)3 nonprofit, The Nick relies not just

on donations and private funding, but the charitable volunteer efforts of our community members. Thanks to the generosity and hard work of the Keller

Williams team, The Nick’s grounds are refreshed, reinvigorated, and ready to welcome all for another fun summer!

To support The Nick’s

outdoor park, and help complete the new indoor facility, visit www.thenick.org/donate. Read more about The Nick at www.thenick.org.

ACTS Service Dogs receives \$31,067 from Revo Casino Charitable Gaming

CENTER CONWAY — ACTS Service Dogs (Assistance Canine Training Services), a nonprofit organization dedicated to training and placing highly skilled assistance dogs, is pleased to announce it has received \$31,067 through charitable gaming proceeds from Revo Casino in Conway, New Hampshire.

The funds were raised during ACTS’s recent participation in Revo Casino’s charitable gaming program, which supports nonprofit organizations across the state. This generous contribution will directly support ACTS’s mission of providing expertly trained

service and facility dogs to individuals and organizations in need throughout the Northeast.

“We are incredibly grateful to Revo Casino and their charitable gaming program for this meaningful support,” said Kathy Metz, Executive Director of ACTS. “These funds play a critical role in helping us train and place assistance dogs that change lives every day.”

Training an assistance dog is an intensive, multi-year process requiring significant resources, including professional training, veterinary care, and ongoing support for

clients. Funds from charitable gaming help ensure that ACTS can continue to provide these life-changing dogs while keeping costs manageable for the individuals and organizations they serve.

Revo Casino’s commitment to community impact through charitable gaming has made a significant difference for nonprofits across New Hampshire. ACTS is proud to be a partner in this program and appreciates the opportunity to further its mission through this collaboration.

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Who was John Stark? Find out at next Freedom Historical Society meeting

FREEDOM — The Freedom Historical Society continues its 2026 speaker series on June 17 with a program entitled “Who Was John Stark?” by George Morrison. It is made possible by a generous grant from New Hampshire Humanities.

While many are familiar with New Hampshire’s state motto “Live Free or Die,” few might know about the man, General John Stark, who uttered these words. Ransomed captive, Ranger officer, road-builder, lumberman, husband and father, militia Colonel, Continental General... this biographical sketch reveals the man whose phrase has become synonymous with our state – from license plates to tourist trinkets. Dispensing with myth, and reaching back nearly three centuries into our colonial past, George Morrison invites you along a journey of re-discovery.

George Morrison earned a B.A. degree in History at the University of New Hampshire and had a 27-year career as a high school teacher. George has contributed to the work of numerous aviation historians and artists in several countries. He is a lifelong photographer, historian, and motorcyclist.

The Freedom Historical Society is a non-profit organization that shares and preserves the stories of Freedom’s history. The public is invited to join us on June 17 at 7 p.m. The program is free and will be presented in person at the Freedom Town Hall, 16 Elm St. For more information or questions about the program, please call (603) 491-8347.



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Granite VNA Hospice Home & Garden Tour returns to Lakes Region July 15

Five waterfront properties will be showcased to support community hospice services



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Home one, on the edge of Roberts Cove, is a spacious, open-concept home with large living area, a four-season porch, and scenic water views. The home features a walk-out game room, stone patio, and private beach with docks offering direct lake access and a view of Rattlesnake Island.



Home four offers a spacious sitting area filled with plants overlooking Roberts Cove.



Home five houses home four's off-site art studio and temperature-controlled vintage racing boat workshop.

REGION — Granite VNA's Hospice Home & Garden Tour has become an annual can't-miss summer event in the Lakes Region. This year's tour showcases five beautiful, historic properties in Alton and Wolfeboro that are sure to "wow" visitors. The self-guided tour takes place Wednesday, July 15, from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m., and welcomes attendees to stroll through lush gardens, enjoy elegant interiors, and explore the history behind each unique property.

"Whether you are visiting the Lakes Region for the day or a week, or if you live here, this tour should be on your calendar! Experiencing these unique homes, gardens, and beautiful surroundings is simply the perfect way to spend a summer



The kitchen of home two features soapstone counters that complement antique light fixtures, one of the many treasured and unique items featured throughout the property. "We are incredibly grateful to the property owners who open their doors to visitors and support Granite VNA community hospice services. We also owe a big thank you our more than 75 volunteers, sponsors and others, who make the tour possible. We can't wait to welcome you into these gems of the Lakes Region."

2026 Hospice Home & Garden Tour featured homes:

Home one, on the edge of Roberts Cove, offers a stunning interior featuring furnishings and décor from the southeast United States. The open-concept home features large living areas with scenic water views and a four-season porch providing a comfortable herb garden overlook. The home accommodates 18 people and comfortably welcomes large gatherings for relaxation in the walk-out game room or on the stone patio adjacent to the private beach where two docks offer direct lake access and a view of Rattlesnake Island.

Home two, a warm lakefront retreat, blends crafts-



This spacious living room in home three features exposed beams from the original Camp DeWitt cottage.

tures, and ample sunlight that dapples every room.

Home four is a lakeside getaway, also situated on the site of Camp DeWitt. Since the home was last featured, the first floor has been refurbished to expand the living space, the kitchen has been updated to accommodate a breakfast bar and comfortable seating, and a screen porch has been transformed into a sunroom for year-round enjoyment. The home showcases the owner's acclaimed artwork created in her off-site studio, and is thoughtfully decorated with photos of antique boats, a collection of banjos, and a gorgeous piano.

Home five, just two miles from home four, houses home four's off-site art studio and temperature-controlled vintage racing boat workshop. The owner's artwork focuses on abstract landscapes done with watercolor on Yupo paper, a synthetic plastic surface that allows for bright colors and flexible techniques. In the boat workshop, visitors will find three vintage speedboats - Illusion and Compulsion, replicas of Gar Wood race

boats originally built in the 1930s, and Sassy, a Jersey Speed Skiff.

Tickets for the Hospice Home & Garden Tour are on sale now for \$55 each and guests are encouraged to purchase tickets in advance – the tour often sells out. Tickets are available online and at Black's Paper & Gift Shop (cash sales only), 8 South Main Street in Wolfeboro. All proceeds benefit Granite VNA community hospice services.

In 2025, Granite VNA made 111,331 visits to 6,096 home care patients in their homes, facilities, and retirement communities, as well as 28,176 visits to 799 hospice patients in their homes, assisted living communities, retirement communities, and skilled nursing facilities, and 11,507 visits to 419 patients at Granite VNA Hospice House in Concord. Proceeds from the Hospice Home & Garden Tour directly benefit this work.

For additional information about the 2026 Hospice Home & Garden Tour, and to purchase tickets, visit www.granitevna.org/hometour.

Freedom's Anya Nicoll completes intensive capstone research project

WORCESTER, Mass. — Anya Nicoll, a member of the class of 2026 majoring in Mechanical Engineering at Worcester Polytechnic Institute (WPI), recently completed a senior thesis that is required of all graduating seniors as part of the university's distinctive project-based educational experience. Anya's Major Qualifying Project (MQP),

a research-driven, professional-level project that challenges students to solve the kinds of problems they would typically encounter in their professional discipline, was titled "Alternative Materials & Designs for Motorcycle Body Armor".

"It's inspiring to see the creativity and skills that our students bring to these

projects, as well as the professionalism with which they present their research," says Arne Gericke, interim dean of undergraduate studies and director of the Office of Undergraduate Research. "Their experience managing a major project like this-including identifying a problem and researching all of the implications and possible solutions while

also managing team dynamics over an extended period of several months-sets them up well for success not only in their first jobs after graduation but throughout their careers."

WPI's innovative undergraduate education is centered around project-based learning, a hands-on approach that offers students opportunities to apply their

scientific and technical knowledge to real-world, open-ended problems. These projects produce tangible results that affect the quality of people's lives, an experience that changes both the student and their world.

MQPs are usually team-based and often focus on specific issues or needs of an organization that has

partnered with the university to sponsor the students' work. In addition to providing practical work experience that proves valuable to future employers, MQPs often lead to publications in peer-reviewed journals, presentations at regional and national conferences, patents, and entrepreneurial ventures. Others become useful innovations and products for their corporate sponsors.

About Worcester Polytechnic Institute

Worcester Polytechnic Institute (WPI) is a top-tier, STEM-focused university with an R1 research classification and global leadership in project-based learning. Founded in 1865, WPI's distinctive approach integrates classroom theory with real-world practice, preparing students to tackle critical challenges through inclusive education, impactful projects, and interdisciplinary research. With more than 70 bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degree programs across 18 academic departments and over 50 global project centers, WPI advances knowledge and innovation in fields such as life sciences, smart technologies, advanced materials and manufacturing, and global innovation. Learn more at www.wpi.edu.

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GMCG offers activities for all ages during Pollinator Week



Artwork from the recent Pollinator Crankie created by community members celebrates actions like “No Mow May,” leaving leaf litter and stems, and building bee houses that can help support pollinators in our backyards. GMCG will host a bee house building workshop for Pollinator Week this year.

EFFINGHAM — Pollinator Week is an annual celebration dedicated to supporting pollinator health, initiated and led by the Pollinator Partnership, featuring events and programs by organizations around the world. It’s a time to raise awareness about the essential role pollinators play in our ecosystems—and to inspire action to protect them.

This year, GMCG is hosting programs for all ages at its Conservation Center located at 236 Huntress Bridge Rd., Effingham. Participants can learn about pollinators, how to create pollinator habitat, and how to contribute to community science efforts to learn more about them and support conservation efforts.

Pollinators include bees, beetles, flies, mosquitoes, moths, wasps, butterflies, bats, birds, ants, mammals

and reptiles. Pollinators are responsible for one third of all food production, perform many ecosystem services, considered ecosystem stabilizers, essential for agriculture. Many pollinators are in decline and we are losing biodiversity due to habitat loss, pesticides, invasive spp., parasites, diseases and climate change. So what can you do to help? You can learn more about pollinators and contribute to community science and monitoring efforts and protect and provide habitat for pollinators with things like rain and pollinator gardens which in turn provide habitat for other wildlife, water filtration and improve water quality, erosion control, and increase biodiversity. In addition to some in person programs, there will also be a bioblitz all week long for Pollinator Week that GMCG is hosting with

the Appalachian Mountain Club. You can participate in the bioblitz from anywhere- your backyard, a town forest, a national forest, or conservation land. Simply join the Pollinator Interactions on Plants (PIP) of the Northeastern U.S. project on iNaturalist and take/ upload photos of pollinators and the flowers they are visiting to the project on the iNaturalist app. Your observations will help scientists better understand pollinator-plant relationships and track changes in biodiversity over time, both locally and globally. If you are interested in getting more hands-on instruction in iNaturalist and pollinator monitoring, you can also attend programs during the week at GMCG.

There are two opportunities to learn more about native pollinators and monitoring with the Pollinator Program and Bioblitz

being held Monday, June 22 from 10-11 a.m. and again on Wednesday, June 24 from 1-2 p.m. with GMCG staff and Carroll County Extension Forester for UNH Cooperative Extension Wendy Scribner. On Wednesday, June 24 from 2-3:30 p.m. there will be a Bee House Building Workshop with educator and beekeeper Tim Walsh (suggested donation of \$20/house). On Thursday, June 25 from 10-11 a.m., kids can enjoy a Children’s Bee Story Hour at Effingham Library. On Friday, June 26 from 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m. there will be a Nature Journaling and Field Sketching program with educator and poet Barbara Bald. Programs are by donation. Please register online at gmccg.org in advance, as space is limited.

Purity Spring Resort supports End 68 Hours of Hunger with Salsa Challenge donation

MADISON — The Fifth Annual Salsa de Mayo event fundraiser brought plenty of salsa lovers to the front porch of Traditions Restaurant, Cafe & Pub on May 3 to taste test a dozen entries, all in the name of raising crucial funds for End 68 Hours of Hunger. This public non-profit effort confronts the approximately 68 hours of hunger that some school children experience between the free lunch they receive in school Friday and the free breakfast they receive in

school Monday. Purity Spring Resort President Steven Hoyt recently presented Mandy MacDonald, representing the local chapter of the organization, with a check for \$1,000.

Hoyt stated, “We are thrilled to support the End 68 Hours of Hunger’s vital work in support of our community. This donation aligns perfectly with the Hoyt Family vision commitment to foster relationships and build commu-

nity. We believe in their mission to support and help the children facing food insecurity in the Valley.”

Donations were collected from those attending, tasting, and voting in the salsa challenge. An additional matching donation was made by Purity Spring Resort, contributing to the total funds raised.

For more information, visit them online at <https://www.purityspring.com/dine>.



COURTESY
End 68 Hours of Hunger Conway Program Coordinator, Amanda McDonald receives a donation from Purity Spring Resort. 2026 marks the fifth year that Purity Spring Resort and its Salsa Challenge event has raised funds for the non-profit. From left to right: Matt White, Events and Sales, Purity Spring Resort, Amanda Buswell General Manager, Purity Spring Resort, Mandy MacDonald, Family Support Liaison/KMS, Steven Hoyt, President, Purity Spring Resort.

Tuftonboro Hikers award scholarships

WOLFEBORO — On Thursday, June 4, at Kingswood Regional High School’s Awards Night, the Tuftonboro Hikers awarded scholarships to seven graduating seniors:

- Ayden Bernier: Criminal Justice at Central Maine Community College
- Graham Burke: Marine Systems at Lakes Region Community College
- Malcolm Clark: Jazz Trombone Performance at The Eastman School of Music, University of Rochester
- Isabelle Fournier: Business and Marketing at the University of New Hampshire
- Colby Hewitt: Collision Repair Technology at Nashua Community College
- Emma Lyons: Nursing at Saint Joseph’s College
- Brendan MacPhee: Criminal Justice at Plymouth State University

Scholarships were also awarded this spring to returnee applicants currently pursuing higher education: Sarah Bushman, Amber Dolliver, Abigail Fournier, Samuel Frazier, Lauren MacPhee, Ella Santulli, and Aidan Thompson.

The Hikers organization is dedicated to scholarship, service, and hospitality. Founded by a group of women in Melvin Village who hiked to meetings before transportation was readily available, the group has awarded scholarships to local students since 1946. Thanks to funds bequeathed by Bertha Shepard, Marion Robie, Inez Wood, and Dorothy Barwis, as well as ongoing fundraising, the Hikers have granted over \$220,000 to 220 applicants in the past sixteen years.

The Hikers next fundraiser will be a bake sale on Saturday, June 27, from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the Melvin Village Post Office. Please join us to show your support for the Hikers and our local students.



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Danforth Bay Camping & RV Resort celebrates 25 years with Labor Day Weekend anniversary celebration

FREEDOM — Danforth Bay Camping & RV Resort marks a quarter century of hospitality in 2026. To celebrate this milestone, the resort is planning for a multi-day “Cheers to 25 Years” anniversary event taking place Labor Day Weekend, Sept. 3-6. The weekend will celebrate 25 years of family traditions, camping memories, community, and hospitality with a full lineup of activities, entertainment, and special events for guests of all ages.

Since opening in 2001, Danforth Bay has welcomed generations of families to the Lakes and Mountains Region of New Hampshire, and has grown into one of the region’s premier camping and RV destinations. The anniversary weekend is designed to honor both longtime campers and new families who continue to make Danforth Bay part of their traditions year after year.

In addition to the Labor Day Weekend celebration, special anniversary activities, giveaways, themed events, and entertainment will be offered throughout the 2026 camping season as part of Danforth Bay’s yearlong 25th anniversary celebration.

The multi-day Labor Day Weekend celebration will pack the resort with family-friendly fun, kicking off with a festive Golf Cart Parade and rolling through a full lineup of activities for all ages — from a Craft Fair and Food Trucks to Tie-Dye and Ce-



COURTESY

Family campers round a campfire at Danforth Bay Camping & RV Resort.

ramics Painting. Guests can test their luck at Candy Bar Bingo, show off their skills in a Cornhole Tournament, and cool off at not one but two unforgettable pool parties: a daytime splash with DJ Ram Jam and a magical Glow Pool Party after dark. The festivities will also include an Ice Cream Social featuring familiar faces from Danforth Bay’s 25-year history, and cap off with a spectacular Dueling Pianos performance that’s sure to be foot-stomping fun.

Guests can also enjoy nostalgic photo displays, anniversary merchandise and reunion opportunities with former staff and long-time campers. They’ll also give special recognition to families and individuals who have helped shape the Danforth Bay community over the years.

“This weekend is about celebrating the people who made Danforth Bay what it is today,” said Amanda Buswell, Regional General Manager for Danforth Bay Camping & RV Resort. “For 25 years, families have created traditions, friendships, and memories here that span generations. We are incredibly grateful to everyone who has been part of that journey and excited to celebrate this milestone together.”

The anniversary celebration will take place throughout Labor Day Weekend, Sept. 3-6, 2026, with activities scheduled from Thursday through Sunday. Additional event details, schedules, and entertainment announcements will be released throughout the season.

A history of property upgrades

Since being purchased by the Hoyt Family in 2000, Danforth Bay Camping & RV Resort has undergone significant improvements. The family bought what used to be the old Shawtown campground, with its half-mile of frontage on Ossipee Lake and more than 300 campsites, rebuilding it from scratch into a full-service resort offering a variety of activities, especially for families with children.

In 2005, they underwent the \$3.5 million development of the Bluffs at Danforth Bay. In 2023, the resort announced extensive upgrades to the resort’s amenities, including a six-figure investment in a new swimming pool facility. The new heated outdoor pool features kiddie slides,

a splash fountain and a walk-in entry.

“It’s exciting to be part of a family of businesses that is so deeply committed to reinvesting in their properties,” said Amanda Buswell, Regional GM for the Hoyt family businesses. “The Hoyts have been in the hospitality industry for over 100 years, and their ongoing focus is to ensure that as technology, guest expectations, and aesthetics evolve, our facilities evolve right along with them. These upgrades are part of a long-term vision to continue offering high-quality experiences that our guests can count on year after year.”

About Danforth Bay Camping & RV Resort

With over 300 roomy sites spread over 185 forested acres and a half-mile

of lake frontage, Danforth Bay Camping & RV Resort is truly a natural playground. Guests have access to incredible outdoor activities like hiking, biking, fishing and boating ... all without leaving the resort.

Danforth Bay is big-rig friendly, with wide roads and spacious, wooded campsites. In fact, Danforth Bay has more than 100 campsites that can accommodate even the largest of recreational vehicles. Among those sites are 24 pull-through sites with easy-in, easy-out convenience.

In addition to roomy sites, Danforth Bay also has smaller, more intimate sites situated along a winding brook — perfect for tents and pop-ups. Many campsites are along the half-mile shoreline, or atop rolling hills overlooking Danforth Bay.

Danforth Bay also offers guests the opportunity to stay in one of ten camping cabins or one deluxe cottage. Three rustic cabins sit on the shore of Danforth Bay, one deluxe cottage on a wooded site, and seven deluxe 4-season cabins are located near The Depot store and pools. Danforth Bay is frequently voted as one of the top campgrounds in New Hampshire by viewers of WMUR.

For more information, visit them online at danforthbay.com/about-resorts.

2026 Household Hazardous Waste events are starting up

REGION — The Lakes Region Planning Commission will be hosting its annual Lakes Region Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) collections again in 2026.

This year’s event will feature six collection dates and nine collection sites that all participating residents may attend. The season will kick-off on June 20 with collection

sites in Franklin and Wolfeboro. The collection season will end on Sept. 19 with the final collection in Laconia. This year, the collections will be open to residents and taxpayers in 22 participating Lakes Region communities.

There is a variety of toxic and harmful materials that can be found in Lakes Region homes. These tox-

ic materials are known as hazardous waste substances that can poison or contaminate our local environment like surface, ground or drinking water. Materials may include flammables, corrosive or reactive substances that can be found in your household, gardening supplies, garage, workbench or art supplies. Toxic materials that pose ground water contamination

threats are not allowed at local

transfer stations. This is important for protecting human health and the water quality upon which the Lakes Region economy depends.

In addition to the Saturday, June 20 collections in Franklin & Wolfeboro, collections will also be held on Saturday, July 25 in Gilford & Meredith; Saturday,

Aug. 1 in Alton & Moultonborough; Thursday, Aug. 27 in Tuftonboro; Thursday, Sept. 3 in Bristol; and Saturday, Sept. 19 in Laconia. Saturday collections will run from 8:30 a.m. — noon, and Thursday collections will run from 2 — 6 p.m. All collection sites will be hosted at the same locations as our 2025 collection event.

Residents and residential taxpayers in the 22 participating communities may bring up to 10 gallons

or 50 pounds of household hazardous products in for safe disposal at the collection site that is most convenient for them. Participating communities for the 2026 collections are Alton, Alexandria, Andover, Bridgewater, Bristol, Center Harbor, Franklin, Gilford, Gilmanton, Hebron, Hill, Holderness, Laconia, Meredith, Moultonborough, New Hampton, Sanbornton, Sandwich, Tamworth, Tilton, Tuftonboro, & Wolfeboro.

Christopher Cox of Alton Bay named to Assumption University Dean’s List

WORCESTER, Mass. — Assumption University has announced that Christopher Cox, of Alton Bay, has been named to the University’s Dean’s List for the spring 2026 semester. Students named to the Dean’s List must achieve a grade point average of 3.5 for a five-class, 15-credit semester to be included on the prestigious list, which is announced at the completion of the fall and spring semesters.

“Earning the right to be named to the Assumption University’s Dean’s List is an extraordinary accomplishment and we congratulate those students who demonstrated exemplary academic excellence this semester,” said Assumption University President Greg Weiner, Ph.D. “These students have demonstrated a deep commitment to the pursuit of truth in the company of friends that lies at the heart of the Catholic liberal education Assumption provides.”

About Assumption University

Assumption University, founded in 1904 by the Augustinians of the Assumption, is a premier New England university for high-quality education, integrating career preparation and education of the whole person, drawing upon the best in the rich and centuries-long tradition of Catholic higher education. Assumption’s graduates are known for their intellectual seriousness, thoughtful citizenship, and devotion to the common good. The University offers 37 majors and 49 minors in the liberal arts, sciences, business, nursing, professional studies, and other areas, as well as graduate degrees and professional credentials. For more information about Assumption University, please visit assumption.edu or follow us @ AssumptionUMA.



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The following Kingswood Regional Middle School students received the May Super Knights Award for “Citizenship.” In the first row are Summer Creighton, Gabe Giessler, Joanna Kerin, Aleah Favorite, and Tennyson Whyte. In the second row are Kellan Reed, Isabella Proulx, Rodrigo Lozada, Lilyan Thurston, and Beau Taylor.

Master furniture maker Richard Oedel shares talent at Makers Mill

BY SUSAN FERBE
WOLFEBORO — Think of the most talented person you’ve met lately. Now add a generous measure of kindness, curiosity, and a quiet sense of humor. That begins to capture what it’s like to meet Richard Oedel.

A world-renowned furniture maker, Oedel didn’t begin his career in a woodshop. Originally from Massachusetts, he trained as an engineer and spent years working in mechanical engineering and controls before running his own plastics business for two decades. In the 1980s, he and his wife, Marie, bought a second home in Wolfeboro. Then in his forties, he made a deliberate shift, one that would define the rest of his life.

“I wanted to make something with high intrinsic value,” he says, “rather than something disposable.”

That decision led him back to school, into apprenticeships with skilled woodworkers, and eventually into the world of one-of-a-kind, museum-quality furniture. Today, Oedel creates bespoke pieces for clients around the globe, each one blending craftsmanship, history, and artistry.

Come “Plant a Seed and Read” with the Gafney Library this summer

WAKEFIELD — The Gafney Library is excited to announce its 2026 Summer Reading Program, themed “Plant a Seed and Read!” — rooted in the concept of farm to table. A farm grows food that nourishes our bodies; a library grows ideas that nourish our minds. This dynamic six-week program runs from June 23 to Aug. 1, and offers fun and enrichment for all ages, from babies to adults.

Youth Program (Ages 12 and under): Children are encouraged to log their reading minutes each week. For every 100 minutes read, they’ll earn a prize and those who complete all six weeks will receive a larger prize. For each 100 minutes a participant reads, they will have an opportunity to enter their name into the grand prize drawing.

Teens and adults: Teens and adults will join in the fun by doing a fun plant themed book challenge! As they complete reading prompts, they’ll also earn entries into their own grand prize drawings.

Each week will spotlight a new farm to table-themed focus, featuring activities and programs around animals, nature, and food. Youth and teen participants can also look forward to a weekly program, themed craft, and activity sheets.

Week 1 (June 23–27): Farming
We’re launching the summer

Youth LEGO Club Barn Building
Three Little Pigs Challenge- Can you build their homes?
Youth Movie
Teen Bean Mosaic Craft
Teen Movie Night
Teen Farm & Food Scavenger Hunt

Upcoming Themes Include:
Food Week (June 30- July 3)
Farm Animals Week(July 7-11)
Garden Week (July 14-18)
Pollinators’ Week (July 21-25)
Nature Week (July 28- Aug 1)

Last day of Summer Reading – Aug. 1
We’ll wrap up our Summer Reading Party with a community tie-dyeing event! Shirts and dye will be provided—first come, first served. Participants are also welcome to bring their own item to dye.

With dozens of programs and activities planned this summer, there’s something for everyone. Stay up to date by visiting our website, following us on Facebook, or picking up the Gafney Gazette and our Summer Reading brochures, available at the library.

Come “Plant a Seed and Read” with us this summer—it’s going to be a season of reading, creativity, and community fun!

For more information, visit www.gafneylibrary.org or call Library Director Amy Swanson at 603-522-3401.

ers Mill began long before its doors opened. Nearly 20 years ago, he crossed paths with Makers Mill Executive Director Josh Arnold during a solar panel installation at his home. A friendship took root and, years later, when Arnold began envisioning Makers Mill, Oedel became a natural sounding board. When Arnold acquired the building that would become Makers Mill, Richard helped design the woodworking shop. By the time Richard and Marie moved to Wolfeboro full-time, the Mill had become more than a concept, it was a resource he genuinely needed. Downsizing from a 5,000-square-foot professional shop to a modest garage workspace meant leaving behind essential equipment.

“I had a lathe with an eight-foot bed,” he explains. “That’s just not going to work up here.”

So he joined Makers Mill and, when the available lathe proved too small for his needs, Richard found a solution. Through his connections with the Guild of New Hampshire Woodworkers, where he serves on the board, he helped locate a larger lathe and the Guild contributed funds to bring it to the Mill. “I tend to go to the wood

shop at the Mill when it’s quiet,” he says with a laugh. “But it’s always nice to see and talk to people. Though I learn a lot talking to myself, too.”

At Makers Mill, Richard isn’t just a member, he’s a resource. When a family donated a collection of antique molding planes, tools once essential for shaping decorative woodwork, Richard immediately recognized both their historical value and their potential to inspire others. He organized a talk at the Mill explaining how the tools were used, demonstrating sharpening techniques, and exploring what could be created with them.

The event drew about 40 people. By the end of the session, roughly half the planes had been sold, with proceeds benefiting Makers Mill. Richard has continued selling the remaining pieces online, quietly funneling additional funds back into the organization.

Sometimes, Richard’s presence at Makers Mill feels almost serendipitous. One day, he wandered into the shop and was asked to look at a damaged wooden box left behind at a Repair Café event. At first glance, it seemed like a simple repair, but to Richard, it was something far more extraordinary.

“For the past 15 years,” he explains. “I’ve been working on 17th- and 18th-century European caskets. Not the kind you bury people in, but the kind for jewelry.”

That “esoteric, tiny niche” turned out to be exactly what was needed.

The broken box was one of these rare historical pieces. And by remarkable coincidence, one of the few people in the country capable of properly restoring it just happened to walk through the door.

Richard brought in his specialized tools, designed specifically for museum-level restoration, and painstakingly rebuilt the piece using traditional methods with some of the other Mill members.

“We put it all back together and gave it back to the owner,” he says.

The owner had inherited the box from her father, an antiques dealer, without ever knowing its significance. Richard not only restored it, he gave her its story.

Ask Richard if he has a favorite type of wood, and he smiles.



COURTESY

A world-renowned furniture maker, Richard Oedel, pictured here repairing a chair while volunteering during Makers Mill’s monthly Repair Café. When he’s not volunteering at the Mill, Richard creates bespoke pieces for clients around the globe—each one a blend of craftsmanship, history, and artistry

“It depends on what you’re doing,” he says. “If you’re carving, basswood is wonderful, it’s so clean. And old-growth Cuban mahogany, if you can find it... that’s something special.”

He recently rediscovered a piece of that very material in his own collection, an old tabletop dating back to the late 18th or early 19th century. Originally overlooked, it revealed its true character only when he began working with it. “I hadn’t seen mahogany this good in twenty years,” he recalls.

That rediscovered wood is now part of a finely crafted table that will be auctioned at an upcoming Currier Museum gala.

And while his work is undeniably beautiful, Richard doesn’t cling to it.

“It’s easy to let it go,” he says. “You want to buy a piece of furniture? I’ll create one for you. I can always make another.”

His wife, he admits with a smile, feels differently. She grows attached to the pieces that fill their home, each one carrying

its own story and reflecting years of skill, imagination, and craftsmanship.

At Makers Mill, Richard Oedel represents something larger: the power of experience shared generously. His knowledge, his willingness to teach, and his quiet contributions have become invaluable to the organization.

In many ways, his journey from engineer to master craftsman to community mentor mirrors the spirit of Makers Mill itself: a place where ideas are shaped, skills are passed on, and unexpected connections lead

to something remarkable.

But you don’t have to be a master craftsman to volunteer at Makers Mill. There are opportunities for all skill levels and interests, including everything from covering shifts at the front desk to welcome guests and answer phone calls, to shop upkeep and organization, light cleaning or construction, assisting a class instructor, and more. To learn more about Makers Mill and volunteer opportunities, contact Executive Director Josh Arnold, at josh@makersmill.org or call the office at 603-569-1500.

Swedberg, of Moultonborough, earns degree from Clark University

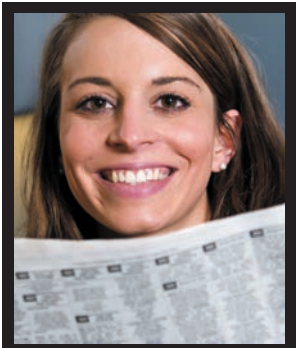
WORCESTER, Mass. — Megan R. Swedberg, of Moultonborough, received a degree during Clark University’s Commencement exercises on Monday, May 18. Swedberg graduated with a Master of Arts in Teaching.

Founded in 1887, Clark University is a liberal arts-based research university that prepares its students to meet tomorrow’s most daunting challenges and embrace its greatest opportunities. Through 33 undergraduate majors, more than 30 advanced degree programs, and nationally recognized community partnerships, Clark fuses rigorous scholarship with authentic world and workplace experiences that empower our students to pursue lives and careers of meaning and consequence.



COURTESY

The following students received the After School Allstars Award at Kingswood Regional Middle School. In the first picture is Alyson McKenna for her leadership and dedication in softball. In the second picture is Matthew Sawyer for his leadership and dedication in baseball. Congratulations!



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Unified Knights compete in track state championships



JENNIFER PINARD — COURTESY

The Kingswood unified track team competed in the state championships on Tuesday, June 2, in Hudson.

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING
Sports Editor

HUDSON — Kingswood’s first unified track team took part in the state championships on Tuesday, June 2, at Alvirne High School in Hudson. Unified sports is an inclusive program that combines individuals with intellectual disabilities (athletes) and peers without disabilities (partners) on the same team. By training and competing as equals, the program aims to break down stereotypes, foster meaningful friendships, and promote social inclusion through sport. In the 100 meters for

girls, Joy Peterson finished in 18.07 seconds, Emma Pinard finished in 23.14 seconds, Chloe Laing finished in 25.19 seconds. For boys in the same event, Matt Tibbetts finished in 16.28 seconds and Will Santulli finished in 18.86 seconds. For girls in the 200 meters, Peterson finished in 41.49 seconds and Pinard finished in 57.58 seconds while for the boys, Tibbetts finished in 33.36 seconds and Santulli finished in 41.13 seconds. The Kingswood boys competed in the 4X100-meter relay and

finished in 1:09.62. Peterson jumped nine feet, 5.5 inches in the long jump with Laing leaping four feet, 10.25 inches. For the boys, Tibbetts jumped 11 feet, .5 inches and Santulli jumped four feet, 3.5 inches. In the shot put for the girls, Peterson threw 13 feet, eight inches, Laing threw the same distance and Pinard threw 12 feet, three inches. For the boys, Tibbetts threw 25 feet, six inches and Santulli threw 12 feet, two inches. For partners, Bristol Richard finished the 100 meters in 16.98 seconds

and Rebecca Peterson finished in 19.6 seconds while in the 200 meters, Richard finished in 36.04 seconds. In the partner long jump, Richard jumped seven feet, 5.25 inches and Rebecca Peterson jumped five feet, 10.5 inches. Rebecca Peterson threw the shot put 19 feet, four inches and Richard threw 15 feet, one inch.

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Emma Pinard and Chloe Laing line up for the 100 meters during the unified track state championships on June 2.



Matt Tibbetts prepares to fire the shot put during state championship action in Hudson on June 2.

Big bats propel Kingswood over Sanborn in quarterfinals



JOSHUA SPAULDING

Lainey Miller slides home with a run during action against Sanborn in the Division II quarterfinals on Saturday.

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING
Sports Editor

WOLFEBORO — It wasn’t the prettiest of quarterfinal games, but the Kingswood softball team did what it needed to do in order to advance to the Division II semifinals, picking up an 18-8 win over Sanborn on Saturday, June 6. The game was moved up to a morning start and both teams seemed to be ready to go, as the visitors scored two runs in the top

of the first and Kingswood answered with three in the bottom of the inning. Sanborn took the lead with three in the top of the second and Kingswood plated four in the bottom of the inning. After the visitors cut the lead to one with a run in the top of the third, Kingswood scored four times in the bottom of the third for the 11-6 lead. Sanborn plated two in the top of the fourth and Kingswood answered with six in the bottom of the fourth and added



Kenzie Boisvert gets a hand from assistant coach Danny Smith after scoring a run in quarterfinal action on Saturday.

one in the fifth for the 18-8 final score. A pair of walks, a hit batter and a single gave the visitors their first two runs in the top of the first. Anna Johnson reached on an error to open the bottom of the inning and stole second. One out later, Ella Smith walked and a single from Lily Scott scored both runners to tie the game. Courtesy runner Zoe Scripture scored when Cassidy Libby reached on an error and Kingswood had the 3-2

lead. Sanborn used a walk, three singles and a double to plate their runs in the top of the second for the 5-3 lead and Kenzie Boisvert led off the bottom of the inning with a walk. One out later, Johnson had a bunt single and a Caelynn Blattenberger single loaded the bases. A groundout from Smith plated Boisvert and Scott reached on an error to drive in Johnson. Libby singled home Blattenberger for the 6-5 lead and Mer-



Ella Smith rounds third on her way to scoring for Kingswood during Saturday’s quarterfinal battle with Sanborn.

row singled home Scripture to make it 7-5 before the inning ended. The visitors got a solo homer in the top of the third to cut the lead to one but Kingswood opened things up again in the bottom of the inning. Boisvert singled and Maloney doubled to put two runners in scoring position. Both Boisvert and courtesy runner Lainey Miller scored when Johnson reached on an error and a Blattenberger groundout scored Johnson. Smith doubled and scored on a double from Scott for the 11-6 lead after three. Merrow took over for Maloney in the circle to start the top of the fourth inning and a pair of singles and a wild pitch brought in two more runs for the Indians to make it 11-8. Miley Boisvert led off the bottom of the fourth with a base hit and Kenzie Boisvert followed with her own base hit. One out later, Johnson beat out a bunt hit to plate one run and a Blattenberger walk loaded the bases. A Smith base hit drove in two runs and Blattenberger

scored on a double steal for the 15-8 lead. Libby then doubled home Smith and Merrow singled home Libby for the 17-8 lead after four. Merrow retired the side in order in the top of the fifth inning and Kingswood added a run in the bottom of the fifth. With two outs, Johnson had a bunt hit, stole second and scored on a base hit from Blattenberger. Merrow then worked around a leadoff single in the top of the sixth and the Indians worked around singles from Libby and Merrow in the bottom of the inning. Merrow then retired the side in order in the seventh to send the defending Division II champs back to the Final Four. The Knights were in action on Tuesday, June 9, against Coe-Brown in the semifinals. The finals are set for Saturday, June 13, at 4:30 p.m. in Holderness.

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Area residents named to dean’s list at Quinnipiac University

HAMDEN, Conn. — Abigail Brewster of Conway and Spencer Ogren of Freedom were named to the dean’s list for the Spring 2026 semester at Quinnipiac University.

To qualify for the dean’s list, students must earn a grade point average of at least 3.5 with no grade lower than C. Full-time students must complete at least 14 credits in a semester, with at least 12 credits that have been graded on a letter grade basis to be eligible. Part-time students must complete at least six credits during a semester. Names followed by an asterisk denotes with honors.

About Quinnipiac University

Quinnipiac is a private, coeducational institution located 90 minutes north of New York City and two hours from Boston. The university enrolls 9,700 students in more than 100 degree programs through its Schools of Business, Communications, Education, Computing and Engineering, Health Sciences, Law, Medicine, Nursing and the College of Arts & Sciences. Quinnipiac is ranked 51st in The Wall Street Journal/College Pulse “2026 Best Colleges in the U.S.” and is also recognized by U.S. News & World Report and The Princeton Review’s “The Best 391 Colleges.” The university is expanding innovative programs for both traditional and adult learners and developing dynamic corporate partnerships. Quinnipiac recently completed a significant capital expansion on its main campus, including a state-of-the-art new School of Business and an interdisciplinary science and innovation hub. For more information, please visit qu.edu. Connect with Quinnipiac on Facebook and Instagram and follow Quinnipiac on X @QuinnipiacU.

Peacock nets 100th goal as Knights win first-round game



KATHY SUTHERLAND

Thomas Benker moves the ball up the field during his team's first-round tournament game with Souhegan last week.

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING

Sports Editor

WOLFEBORO — The Kingswood boys' lacrosse team put on a good showing for the home fans during the opening round of the Division II tournament, cruising to a 15-5 win over visiting Souhegan on Thursday, June 4.

The Knights were led by four goals and an assist from ninth grader Parker Gilpatrick while Keller Peacock



Ryker Booth runs up the field with the ball during action against Souhegan in the opening round of the Division II tournament.

had three goals, including his 100th career goal and also added two assists. Collin Pelletier had three goals and an assist, Dylan Ivester added three goals and Brady Walston and

Reid Swinerton each put in a goal. Myles O'Keefe picked up three assists on the day.

Goalie Atley Rollins made seven saves in the net for the win.



Collin Pelletier moves the ball around a Souhegan defender in Division II tournament action last Thursday.

The win sent the Knights into the Division III quarterfinals, where they fell to second-seeded Derryfield by a 20-7 score. The Knights finished the regular season at 8-6 to

earn the seventh seed in the Division II tournament.

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Eagle girls edged in back and forth quarterfinal battle



JOSHUA SPAULDING

Goalie Charlotte Jerome makes a save in the Kennett net during quarterfinal action last week in Goffstown.

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING

Sports Editor

GOFFSTOWN — The Kennett lacrosse girls put up a heck of a battle in the Division II quarterfinals in Goffstown on Thursday, June 4, but the Grizzlies scored in the final two minutes of the game and held tight for the 9-8 win.

Letty Zipf got the Eagles on the board less than two minutes into the game for the 1-0 lead but the Grizzlies answered just 24 seconds later to tie the game at one. Zipf had another chance stopped by the defense and then had a free position shot that

missed the mark.

The hosts got their first lead of the game with 7:15 to go and Adeline Blair had a solid defensive stop for the Eagles. Goffstown sent a shot over the top of the net and another shot wide of the net before putting another ball off the post.

Zipf tied the game with a free position shot with 53 seconds to go in the first quarter and she had another shot stopped by the defense. Macie Marcotte had a nice defensive interception and the game went to the end of the first quarter with the score tied at two.

Goffstown scored just



Myra Johnston races the ball through the middle of the Goffstown defense in quarterfinal action last week.

50 seconds into the second quarter and then added another goal with 10:13 to go in the first half for the 4-2 lead. After Summer Laine had a chance denied by the Goffstown goalie, Zipf scored her third goal of the game with 9:10 to go to cut the lead to one.

Emma Dziedzic had a chance go wide of the net and with 6:54 to go, Adelyn McAllister fired off a great shot in a crowd of defenders, tying the game at four. Goalie Charlotte Jerome stopped a Goffstown chance before the Grizzlies went top shelf with 5:08 to go for the 5-4 lead.

Myra Johnston scored on a free position shot with 2:51 to go in the first half to tie the game at five and the Kennett defense held tight in the final minutes to send the game to the half with the score knotted at two.

The Grizzlies had a shot go wide of the net to open the third quarter and they took the lead with 9:28 to go in the third with their sixth goal of the game. The Grizzlies had a number of solid chances that Jerome was able to stop and Zipf scored with 4:49 to go to tie the game at six.

Kennett took the 7-6



Letty Zipf tries to knock the ball away from a Goffstown attacker in action in the Division II quarterfinals.

lead with 3:48 to go when Johnston finished a nice pass to Laine, who buried the ball for the Eagles. The Grizzlies then pulled even with one minute to go in the third quarter and the teams went to the final 12 minutes with the score tied at seven.

Jerome turned away a shot from the Grizzlies and they sent another shot wide of the net. Johnston then gave the Eagles the lead, working her way through the defense to give Kennett an 8-7 lead with 8:32 to go.

Zipf and the Eagles had some more pressure in the zone but they were held off

by the Goffstown defense and the Grizzlies scored with 3:37 to go on the power play to tie the game at eight. Jerome stopped another shot and the Grizzlies scored with 1:13 to go and held tight for the 9-8 win.

Kennett finished the regular season at 10-6 to earn the sixth seed in the Division II tournament and earned a first-round bye to the quarterfinals.

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Pelletier leads locals at Meet of Champions

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING

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DURHAM — The best track athletes from around the state headed to Oyster River High School for the Meet of Champions on Saturday, June 6.

In the long jump for the boys, David Walker of Inter-Lakes took the win at 23 feet, six inches and Prospect Mountain's DJ Scarpa finished in 12th place in 20 feet, 6.5 inches while for the girls, Gilford's Pearl Marvel was first at 17 feet, 8.25 inches, Pelletier was fourth at 17 feet, 3.25 inches and Newfound's Autumn Blackman was seventh overall at 16 feet, nine inches.

For the boys in the 100 meters, Kingswood's Graham Scully was 14th overall in 11.56 seconds while for the girls, Belmont's Ava Lacasse was fifth in the preliminaries in 12.74 seconds and fifth in the finals in 12.76 seconds.

In the 200 meters for the boys, Winnisquam's Kyle Douglas finished in a time of 22.89 seconds for seventh place and

Scully finished in eighth place in 23.02 seconds. Lacasse was fourth for the girls in the 200 meters in 25.8 seconds.

For the girls in the 400 meters, Macy Sawyer of Gilford placed second in 57.06 seconds and Olivia Lorenz of White Mountains Regional finished in eighth place in 1:00.17. For the boys, Plymouth's Lucas Van De Moere was seventh in 50.05 seconds and Kingswood's Evan Thurston was 11th in 50.92 seconds.

In the 800 meters for the boys, Newfound's Brady Harker was seventh in 1:59.35, Plymouth's George Sutherland was 14th in 2:05.42 and teammate Tate Hayman was 15th in 2:05.91.

For the girls in the 3,200 meters, Elli Englund of Plymouth finished in eighth place in 11:30.75. In the 1,600 meters, Gilford's Maria Tilley was sixth in 5:13.67 and Moultonborough's Hailey Watts was 15th overall in 5:30.73.

In the 300-meter hurdles for the boys, Winnisquam's Nolan Abbott

finished in ninth place in 41.36 seconds and in the 110-meter hurdles, Winnisquam's Taber Haggett finished in 16.17.

For the girls in the 100-meter hurdles, Kingswood's Norah Pelletier was fifth in the preliminaries in 15.66 seconds and fourth in the finals in 15.03 seconds. Profile's Isabel Lawton finished in 12th place overall in 16.76 seconds. Pelletier was also fourth in the 300-meter hurdles in 47.08 seconds, Emily Aguiar of Gilford was sixth in 48.41 seconds and Belmont's Cora Takantjas was 10th in 49.68 seconds.

Dayton Brigante of Winnisquam was fifth in the pole vault at 11 feet, six inches and Abbott was ninth at 10 feet, six inches.

In the shot put, Brady Filteau of Belmont was third at 47 feet, one inch, Max Colby of White Mountains Regional finished in ninth place at 43 feet, 9.75 and Ethan Rivera was 15th at 39 feet, 8.5 inches. Colby was also seventh in the javelin at 147 feet, five inches with

Brayden Robinson of Inter-Lakes in ninth place at 141 feet, six inches. For the girls in the javelin, Plymouth's Hadassah Crane finished in 11th place at 92 feet, 11 inches and Brooke Laflamme of Berlin finished in 16th place at 87 feet, one inch. For the boys in the discus, Gilford's Gunnar Marvel was fifth at 143 feet, three inches, Filteau was 11th at 124 feet, six inches and Jonah Katz of Kennett finished in 16th place at 113 feet, three inches.

The Winnisquam boys' 4X400-meter team finished in ninth place in 3:29.19 while the Plymouth 4X800-meter boys finished in third place in a time of 8:16.04. The Gilford 4X400-meter relay girls finished in fifth place in 4:10.81. The Newfound 4X100-meter girls finished in 13th place in a time of 52.15 seconds and the Kingswood 4X100-meter boys finished in eighth place in 44.41 seconds, a new school record for the quartet of Ewan Nicoll, Thurston, Ben Johnson and Scully.

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Walk-off win ends Kennett's baseball season

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING

Sports Editor

PETERBOROUGH — It was a wild ending to the season for the Kennett baseball team, as the ConVal Cougars walked off with a 5-4 win in the opening round of the Division II tournament on Wednesday, June 3.

The Cougars got on the board first, plating three runs in the bottom of the second inning before the Eagles scored two in the top of the third inning. ConVal responded with a run in the bottom of the third inning and Kennett scored two in the top of the fourth inning to tie the game at four. The score remained that way until the bottom of the seventh when the Cougars scored a run to walk off with the win.

A pair of walks led off the bottom of the seventh for the Cougars and a sacrifice bunt moved both runners up. One out later, a dropped third strike wild pitch allowed the winning run to scamper home and ConVal had the 5-4 victory.

Sergio Espezua led the Kennett offense with a double and a single and a run scored and Caleb Aker had a pair of hits and scored a run. Cooper Coleman added two hits and Blake Royer and Guillermo Chavarria Burns each added a hit.

Espezua started on the hill for the Eagles and pitched into the sixth inning, allowing three hits and no earned runs while striking out eight and Bowen Brown pitched the final two innings, giving up just one earned run while striking out three.

The Eagles finished the regular season at 7-11 to earn the 11th seed in the Division II tournament.

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Deep elite fields to challenge on Mount Washington

PINKHAM NOTCH — The 65th Delta Dental Mt. Washington Road Race will consist of a deep and accomplished field as world-class athletes and every day runners prepare to tackle the daunting challenge of the legendary Mt. Washington Auto Road.

Headlining the men’s field is Joseph Gray, 42, of Colorado Springs, Colo., who is considered one of the greatest American mountain runners of all time. Gray, an eight-time winner at Mt. Washington, has a resume a mile long cluttered with top finishes and podiums and has to be considered the favorite again in 2026.

Joining Gray is reigning Mt. Washington champion Alexandre Ricard, 37 of Squamish, BC, who won the 2025 shortened version of the race in a sprint with Gray. Ricard’s explosive climbing speed has made him a standout in vertical racing formats. Ricard continued his rise with a podium finish at the Défi des Couleurs MSA Vertical and remains one of the favorites in steep mountain races. The question remains if Ricard has the stamina to hang with Gray if the race goes to the top.

Canadian standout Remi Leroux, 29 of Waterloo, QC, enters the race after a strong start to 2026 that included a top 20 finish at the Black Canyon 50k. His versatility across both mountain races and technical trail ultras makes him a dangerous contender on Mt. Washington’s unforgiving grades.

Veteran mountain specialist Eric Blake, 47 of West Hartford, Conn., continues to prove age is no barrier to elite performance. Blake captured victories at both the Crown King Scramble 50k, and Mount Baldy Run to the Top in 2025, and delivered yet another top 10 performance at Mt. Washington, demonstrating the precision, durability, and stamina that have defined his long career.

Also competing is Philip Royer, 35 of Boston, Mass., whose recent transition into longer endurance events has helped build exceptional strength and stamina. Royer earned notable finishes at the Gorge Waterfalls 100k and Tamalpa Headlands 50k last season and will look to translate that endurance to the relentless climb of Mt. Washington.

Rounding out the men’s elite contenders is Jean-Philippe Thibodeau, 35 of Saint-Ferréol-les-Neiges, QC, who enters 2026 in top form after winning the Jackpot Ultra Running Festival 100k and finishing second at the Quebec Mega Trail 50-miler. His endurance pedigree and climbing power make him a serious threat on race day.

The women’s race promises equal excitement with an exceptionally strong lineup led by Anne-Marie Comeau, 30 of Saint-Ferréol-les-Neiges, QC. Coming off a breakthrough 2025 season that included an 18th-place finish at the World Mountain and Trail Running Championships, Comeau combines elite marathon speed with world-class climbing ability. After reaching the podium at Mt. Washington last year, she enters 2026 as one of the top favorites.

One of the most explosive uphill athletes in the field, Hali Hafeman, 34 of Golden, Colo., arrives after a dominant 2025 campaign highlighted by national titles in Vertical and Mixed Relay at the USA Skimo Championships. Hafeman’s aggressive climbing style and standout performance at the Broken Arrow Ascent position her as a major contender.

Former world champion Kasie Enman, 46 of Huntington, Vt., returns once again to the Auto Road as a perennial podium threat. A multiple-time Mt. Washington winner, Enman continues to deliver elite performances and remains one of the sport’s most respected veterans thanks to her experience and deep familiarity with the mountain.

Endurance specialist Hannah Rowe, 34 of Boston, Mass., enters the race with momentum from strong performances at the Sunapee Scramble and Vermont 50. Her background in ultra-distance racing could prove critical during the grueling final miles of the climb.

Also returning is New England mountain racing standout Haley Heinrich, 34 of Newbury, who enjoyed a remarkable 2025 season with victories across some of the region’s toughest mountain events, including the Chocorua Mountain Race, Baldface Scramble, and Kilkenny Ridge Race. H

Sponsored by Delta Dental, the race ascends the Mt. Washington Auto Road from Pinkham Notch, N.H., to the 6,288-foot summit of Mt. Washington. Runners can expect to be challenged by the unrelenting grade (averaging 12 percent), Mt. Washington’s famously high winds, precipitation, and unpredictable temperatures which makes this race truly one of a kind. Prizes include \$1,000 apiece for the first male and female finishers, smaller cash prizes for the next five men and women and the top three male and female masters (over 40), prizes for the first male and female finishers from New Hampshire, and a \$500 bonus for setting a new course record.

Sarah Arbour named to Western New England University Dean’s List

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. — Western New England University (WNE) is proud to recognize Sarah Arbour of Wolfeboro as one of 805 students who have earned a place on the Spring 2026 Dean’s List, reflecting their dedication to academic excellence, perseverance, and commitment to achieving their educational goals.

The WNE Dean’s List honors students who earned a semester GPA of 3.30 or higher and who have demonstrated exceptional academic performance

during the semester. Their achievements exemplify the hard work, determination, and intellectual curiosity that define the Western New England University student experience.

WNE congratulates these outstanding students for their accomplishments and applauds their continued pursuit of academic success.

Western New England University (WNE) is a private, nationally ranked, comprehensive institution with a focus on preparing work-ready and

world-ready graduates. Founded in 1919 in Springfield, Mass. as a division of Northeastern College, WNE’s 215-acre suburban campus serves more than 3,500 students, including more than 2,500 full-time undergraduates. More than 50,000 alumni have earned degrees through its more than 90 undergraduate, graduate, and professional programs at Colleges of Arts and Sciences, Business, Engineering, Pharmacy and Health Sciences, and School of Law. Students come from 26

U.S. states and territories and 7 countries. Of 45,104 living alumni, 30% remain within the region, residing in the four Western Massachusetts counties and northern Connecticut.

WNE is classified among nationally ranked universities in US News and World Report, and among the Top 100 Undergraduate Engineering programs, and in the Doctoral/Professional Universities category in the Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education.

Ringling of historic bell will celebrate local connection to Paul Revere’s foundry

WOLFEBORO — Did you know that the bell in Wolfeboro’s Town Hall is a historically significant artifact, one of approximately 300 bells in the United States cast by Paul Revere’s Foundry? It links Wolfeboro to one of the most famous American bell foundries of the Colonial and early republic periods.

In a commemoration organized by the Wolfeboro Historical Society (WHS), the bell will be rung 25 times on Thursday, July 2, at 4 p.m.

sharp. On this same date, 250 years ago, the Continental Congress declared independence from Great Britain.

The bell’s origins trace back to the early 19th century. When the original Wolfeborough-Tuftonborough Academy opened in 1821, the building featured a large, pillared structure with a bell tower housing a bell cast by the son of Paul Revere. This bell was later requisitioned by the town’s selectmen when the present town hall was built at 84 S.

Main St.

Additional upcoming WHS events include:

July 1 – Opening Day! Stop by the Clark Museum from 10 am to 4 pm for free admission, cookies, and lemonade.

July 2 – Wolfeboro Town Hall Bell rung 25 times at 4 PM sharp.

July 1-18 – Antique Quilt and Clothing Exhibit -- Ruby Grace-Bacon, textile preservationist, historian, and owner of Ruby’s Rags, will showcase WHS’s special collection of

preserved and restored textiles.

July 4 - Town of Wolfeboro’s “We The People” Parade begins at 10 am on Main St. “Paul Revere,” sponsored by WHS, will lead the way.

To discover more fascinating local history, research links and photos, visit www.WolfeboroHistoricalSociety.org. To become a member or volunteer, contact wolfeborohistoricalclub@gmail.com.

Wolfeboro Garden Club volunteers keep town gardens blooming



WOLFEBORO — Residents of Wolfeboro enjoy colorful gardens, thriving planters, and welcoming public spaces throughout the summer months thanks to the efforts of dedicated volunteers from the Wolfeboro Garden Club. Working throughout the growing season, Club members create and maintain ten public gardens that enhance the beauty of the community and contribute to Wolfeboro’s welcoming character.

Under the leadership of Beautification Chair Martie Lincoln, each garden is cared for by a team of Garden Club members led by a chair or co-chair. From spring planting to fall cleanup, volunteers devote many hours planting, watering, weeding, deadheading, pruning, and tending the gardens to keep them healthy and attractive.

The Club’s gardens include Dockside Garden, Smith River Planters, Members Memorial

Garden, Clark Park Historical Garden, Mary McBride Garden, Patricia Booth Memorial Herb Garden, Hallock Commemorative Garden, Post Office Garden, and the Bean Park Gardens, which include the Water’s Edge Garden and Rain Garden.

While the flowers and plants are easy to admire, the ongoing work required to maintain public gardens often goes unseen. Garden teams regularly monitor their gardens, respond to changing weather conditions, and work together to ensure these community spaces remain beautiful from spring through autumn.

“The success of our town gardens is the result of many dedicated volunteers working together,” said Lincoln. “Each garden team takes great pride in maintaining these special spaces for our community to enjoy.”

The Town Gardens program is one of the Wolfeboro Garden Club’s most visible community service projects and reflects the Club’s long-standing commitment to beautification, horticulture, and civic pride.

Residents interested in exploring the gardens can find a Town Gardens Walking Tour Map on the Wolfeboro Garden Club website. The map provides locations and information about each garden and offers an enjoyable way to discover these community treasures.

For more information and to view the Town Gardens Walking Tour Map, visit www.wolfeborogardenclub.org/our-town-gardens.

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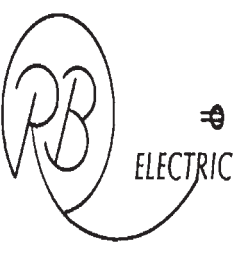
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Artwork by Priscilla Burlingham on exhibit at Cook Memorial Library

TAMWORTH — The Cook Memorial Library hosts six exhibits each year featuring art by local artists. In June and July 2026, paintings and drawings by Priscilla Burlingham will be on exhibit. A reception with the artist will be held on Tuesday, June 16 from 5 to 8 p.m., and the public is invited to attend.

Priscilla Burlingham has been an artist “as soon as I

could pick up a pencil” at age two. She was graduated from the School of the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston in the 1950s, soon after World War II, when the mood of art teaching moved from Impressionism to Expressionism. Her work has been much saluted: “Oh! I’ve shown on fence posts and in museums,” she says with typical vigor. She found it very valuable to work

at artist colonies, Yaddo and Ragdale, where every care was taken to leave one to concentrate entirely on one’s own work. She has worked all her adult life at Fenway Studios of Boston, the first space which allowed artists to live where they worked, and spends increasing

Priscilla Burlingham, whose artwork will be exhibited at Cook Memorial Library in June and July. “I am just a dot. I am lucky to be alive, and working, happy in my 90s—what a surprise!” she says.

amounts of time locally.

The Cook Memorial Library is located at 93 Main St. in Tamworth Village. Call the library at 603-323-8510 for more information.



COURTESY

Jonathan Lorentz Group featuring Jason Palmer to perform in Center Ossipee



CENTER OSS�PEE — The NH Music Collective will present the Jonathan Lorentz Group on Thursday, June 18 for a dinner & concert experience at the Sap House Meadery. Tenor saxophonist Jonathan “Lockjaw” Lorentz leads an energetic and dynamic quartet that features acclaimed trumpeter Jason Palmer, upright bassist Brendan Dowd, and drummer Tim Gilmore.

Tenor saxophonist Jonathan “Lockjaw” Lorentz finds inspiration in the full gamut of jazz

history, demonstrating that he’s made of equal parts blues, jazz tradition, and a genuine curiosity to explore tonality. Originally from Vermont, a move to New York City 25 years ago proved to be a turning point as he found opportunity to perform at venues ranging from the Bitter End, Joe’s Pub, and GBGBs, to Smalls, the Blue Note, and Radio City, all the while working towards a PhD in jazz studies at NYU. Now based in New Hampshire, Lorentz dedicates himself to keeping real human-made music alive where

ever the real listeners are.

At the Sap House, Jon will be joined onstage by trumpeter Jason Palmer, a phenomenal original artist with seemingly endless energy. Hailing from North Carolina, Palmer moved to Boston where he studied and played amongst a thriving jazz community. Now a NH guy, Jason is a Berklee Professor and touring musician, with recent credits including the Village Vanguard.

Tickets are available as a Dinner & Concert package at www.SapHouseMeadery.Square.Site.

Doors open at 5:30 p.m. for a “Mead & Mingle” mead-sampling and social time.

Dinner is served at 6pm in three-courses. Dietary needs can be accommodated with notice. Non-Alcoholic drinks, soda, coffee, and tea are complimentary. Cocktails, beer, wine and mead will be available for purchase.

Concert starts is at 7 p.m., and will be followed by more social time and an opportunity to get to know the musicians.

Local students named to Clarkson University Dean’s List

POTSDAM, N.Y. — Students have been named to the Dean’s List for the Spring 2026 semester at Clarkson University

Eric Baughn of Hales Location
Ryan Meade of North Conway

Clarkson University is a proven leader in technological education, research, innovation and sustainable economic development. With its main campus in Potsdam, N.Y., and additional graduate program and research facilities in the Capital Region and Hudson Valley, Clarkson faculty have a direct impact on more than 7,800 students annually through nationally recognized undergraduate and graduate STEM designated degrees in engineering, business, science and health professions; executive education, industry-relevant credentials and K-12 STEM programs. Alumni earn salaries among the top 2 percent in the nation: one in five already leads in the c-suite. To learn more, go to www.clarkson.edu.

Glen resident graduates with honors from James Madison University

HARRISONBURG, Va. — Abigail Novak of Glen graduated Magna Cum Laude with a degree in Psychology - BS from James Madison University during commencement exercises in May 2026.

Novak was among 4,737 students who received undergraduate and graduate degrees.

Congratulations to all graduates and their families!

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Kalled Gallery music nights continue with Audrey Drake

WOLFEBORO — The Kalled Gallery’s music nights continue with Audrey Drake Saturday, June 27 from 5-8 p.m. KALLED GALLERY MUSIC NIGHTS CONTINUE WITH

Treat your soul to an unforgettable evening of music as the Kalled Gallery continues its summer series, featuring the talents of singer-songwriter Audrey Drake. Audrey Drake strikes a perfect balance between formal classical training and real-life experience in her music. With a love of authenticity, her musical influences include Patty Griffin and Lori McKenna. Her poetic lyrics combined with her haunting melodies, transport the listener to magical places. We are excited to welcome her to the gallery and share an evening of music!

Bring friends and enjoy great music, tasty snacks, and refreshments at 33 N. Main St., Wolfeboro.

Missing man finds own way back to safety

HARTS LOCATION — On Monday, June 1, shortly after 10:30 p.m., New Hampshire Fish and Game was notified that a man had gone missing in the area of the Sawyer Rock picnic area. The man was Wayne Hendrickson, 64, of Auburn, Mass.

Along with Conservation Officers members of the Bartlett Police Department Carroll County Sheriffs Office and a volunteer drone operator responded. The initial overnight search failed to locate Mr. Hendrickson.

Additional searchers from New England K9 and the Upper Valley Wilderness Response Team arrived after daylight on Tuesday, June 2. Shortly before 11 a.m., Hendrickson found his way back to the road and was uninjured.

New England K9 and the Upper Valley Wilderness Response Team are highly skilled volunteer search and rescue organizations whose members work hard to maintain the skills and equipment necessary to carry out rescues across the state. Anyone can donate to NE K9 or UVWRT through the New Hampshire Outdoor Council at www.nhoutdoorcouncil.org. Donations are fully tax deductible. Outdoor enthusiasts are also encouraged to purchase a Hike Safe card at www.wildnh.com/safe. The card helps support Fish and Game search and rescue activities. For safe hiking tips and a list of essential gear, visit hikesafe.com.



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THE REAL REPORT

RECENT REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS

Town	Address	Type	Price	Seller	Buyer
Alton	654 Alton Mountain Rd.	Farm	\$690,000	Boberin LLC	Forest Tall Trust and Heather Clark
Alton	63 Baxter Pl.	Single-Family Residence	\$30,000	Joseph P. Fisichelli and Jennifer Labrecque	Joseph P. Fisichelli
Alton	111 Dewitt Dr.	Single-Family Residence	\$399,000	Jennifer D. Gemberling and Charles S. Carrier	Jennifer D. Gemberling RET
Bartlett	24 N. Ledge Rd.	Single-Family Residence	\$1,300,000	Sorella North Ledge LLC	David J. Sanchez, Jr. and James P. Donlon
Bartlett	Route 302	N/A	\$297,500	Pacelli Realty LLC	Jessica Lee Rounds
Bartlett	Summit Vista Lot 8 Condo 6A-3	Condominium	\$445,000	Chalet in The Sky LLC	Catherine Campbell LT
Bartlett	W. Side Road	N/A	\$1,600,000	Billy Stella RT and James M. Markey	Thomas Kucera
Brookfield	Pike Brook Road	N/A	\$425,000	Garry W. and Denise Perkins	Melissa Greer Solomon
Brookfield	N/A	N/A	\$2,200,000	David A. Guttadauro	Kevin M. Connolly Trust
Conway	6 Main St.	Mixed Use (Commercial/Other)	\$1,100,000	Six Main Street LLC	Lustgarten Realty LLC
Conway	Transvale Road	N/A	\$10,066	Ronald Collins	John S. Briand and Ronald Collins
Conway	Transvale RoadN/A	N/A	\$37,600	Ronald Collins	John S. Briand and Ronald Collins
Conway	W. Side Road	N/A	\$10,600	John S. Briand	John S. Briand and Ronald Collins
Conway	W. Side Road	N/A	\$508,000	Lauren James	Matthew C. and Jenna D. Lostocco
Conway	W. Side Road	N/A	\$10,066	Ronald Collins	John S. Briand and Ronald Collins
Conway	262 N/A (Lot 16)	N/A	\$595,000	Erik J. and Maureen A. Barry	Serpa Fiscal Trust and Michelle Serpa
Conway	N/A (Lot 13)	N/A	\$409,000	Stephen R. and Lynn D. Crouch	Isabella Ann Lacarbonnara and Joseph Rosario Pino
Conway	N/A (Lot 98)	N/A	\$154,000	Guy E. and Christine E. Lavoie	T.D. Bates Fiscal Trust and Timothy D. Bates
Effingham	Old Range Road	N/A	\$130,000	Merle Brannonier	Alice M. Mooneyhan
Freedom	Shawtown Road	N/A	\$185,000	Davidson Fiscal Trust and Richard G. Davidson	Ralph D. Floria RET 1998
Jackson	N/A	N/A	\$217,533	River Properties LLC	Nathan J. and Leah Lyons
New Durham	8 Old Bay Rd.	Single-Family Residence	\$320,000	Kaylee Beth Downs	Cody Stanton Kenyon and Kyra B. Strong
Ossipee	6 Wellington Ct.	Residential Open Land	\$549,933	Tukcor Re. & Dev. Co. Inc.	Earl Leighton IV and Meghan Rae Lund
Ossipee	N/A	N/A	\$1,050,000	Dianne G. Quimby RET	Aaron L. and Susan J. Dibella
Tamworth	N/A	N/A	\$375,000	Jason Harrison	Kimberly Marie Bowles and Sheldon Ryan Billings
Wakefield	419 Belleau Blvd.	Single-Family Residence	\$410,800	Nadine R. Hickey	Evan M. and Lauren A. Lowry
Wakefield	Hill Road	Residential Open Land	\$485,000	Richard A. & J.M. Tiney RET	Jessica Noelle Rush and Scott Austin Haynes
Wolfeboro	19 Cotton Mountain Rd.	Single-Family Residence	\$803,533	K.J. Cereghino and N.L. McDonald and Kenneth J. Cereghino	
Wolfeboro	4 Percy Dr.	Single-Family Residence	\$690,000	John L. Crowley RET and Sharon C. Allard	Zachary J. Roetzel and Marilyn Fajardo Ortiz

ABOUT THE REAL REPORT

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

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AWARDS

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Anne Blodget and Phil Holberton – 11 Brook Crossing

The house at 11 Brook Crossing represents the Blodget family’s deep commitment to Lake Wentworth and represents an outstanding adaptation to year-round lakeside living for its third-generation owners.

Anne and her husband, Phil, stepped up to take over stewardship of this 1930s home from Anne’s parents, Tod and Margie Blodget, after a bad storm caused significant damage.

They made the necessary changes on the inside and kept the exterior as it had always been. New windows replicated the originals, and other exterior repairs were made as needed to preserve and retain the home’s historic layout, porch, and other distinctive features.

Winnepesaukee Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR)

The DAR identified and cleaned more than 50 headstones of Revolutionary War patriots and their families who had been laid to rest in Wolfeboro and the organization continues to research and promote these patriots’ stories.

Fifteen DAR chapter members devoted hundreds of volunteer hours to the nearly decade-long project, working in Wolfeboro’s Lakeview, South Wolfeboro, Wolfeboro Center, Townhouse, and Hersey Cemeteries, including cleaning the gravestone of Boston Tea Party participant Samuel Nowell, and the stones of 15 of his family members buried in Lakeview Cemetery.

Ken and Christine Franson

When the Fransons noted damage and neglect of headstones in Wolfeboro’s public cemeteries, they acquired the necessary

and cleaned many others in cemeteries on Middleton Road, Pine Hill Road, North Line Road, Stoddard Road, Pork Hill Road, in North Wolfeboro, and the Brewster cemetery near Kingswood High School.

In addition to cleaning the stones, they used a tripod chain fall to lift overturned stones, and a special epoxy to bind pieces of broken stones together.

Jeremy Martin of Lakes Region Design Group – 2 Pleasant St.

This re-use of a 19th-century structure to create a 21st-century home maintained the continuity of the surrounding historic

neighborhood, preserved historic interiors and materials, and kept demolition waste out of the landfill.

Jeremy’s renovation retained many of the original interior elements while expanding the living space of the original home. The mix of sustainable materials, updated design, and retention of original interior features and finishes respects the area’s residential character yet offers modern features and contemporary styling.

The Wolfeboro Centre Community Church Board of Directors – Route 109

Under the auspices of a new nonprofit, a deter-

mined group of volunteers is reviving this once-shuttered church by spending countless hours doing clean-up, presenting programs, coordinating significant rehabilitation, and raising the necessary funds to revive this National Register of Historic Places landmark.

Volunteers, including members of the Winnepesaukee Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution, have cleaned the interior of this church which was built in 1841. Others have overseen the scraping and painting of the exterior and the installation of a new roof and replacement shutters. The group has also brought back programming including lectures and hymn-sings.

Maggie Stier

Maggie’s love and life’s work have always been connected to historic preservation. At her urging and through her hard work, the Wolfeboro Heritage Commission was created by voters in 2016 to help town government manage, recognize, and protect historical and cultural resources. Therefore, it was appropriate that the Commission honored Maggie on the 10th anniversary of the Commission that she was instrumental in creating.

Maggie was also the driving force in creating the annual Heritage Awards, wanting to honor members of the Wolfeboro community who lead by example.

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KNIGHTS

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from Brendan MacPhee. MacPhee stole third and one out later scored on a base hit from Cloos for the 2-0 lead.

The Generals were able to take advantage of a trio of walks, a bunt and an error to plate one in the top of the third but Kingswood

answered in the bottom of the frame. Moulton doubled to lead off the inning and took third on a sacrifice fly from Brown. He scored on a sacrifice fly from Mason Beaulieu for the 3-1 lead.

Brown set the side down in order in the top of the fourth and couldn't capitalize on an Eidson single in the bottom of the inning. Brown again set

the side down in order in the top of the fifth inning and Kingswood added to the lead in the bottom of the fifth. Moulton walked with one out and Brown and Beaulieu also worked walks to load the bases. One out later, Tavin Herget walked to force home a run and Eidson was hit by a pitch to push across another run and Kingswood led 5-1 after five innings.



Kolby Brown fires a pitch during action in the Division II quarterfinals on Saturday afternoon.



Tavin Herget fires a throw to first after fielding a John Stark bunt in action on Saturday in the Division II quarterfinals.

The Generals got their only hit of the game in the top of the sixth inning, but Brown also had a pickoff in the inning to keep the Generals off the board. Cloos worked a one-out walk in the bottom of the sixth and stole second, Moulton reached on an error and Cloos scored on a passed ball for the 6-1 lead. Brown then worked around an error in the top of the seventh and King-

swood had the 6-1 win. The Knights moved on to the Division II semi-finals against Hanover,, which took place after deadline on Wednesday, June 10, at Memorial Field in Concord. The finals are set for Saturday, June 13, in Manchester.

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

CONFERENCE

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order Conference, a free, community-focused event.

“Recovery is not a straight line, and for many parents it does not begin when a child is born,” said Kristina Day, a Peer Recovery Partner with MaineHealth’s MaineMOM program and presenter for the event. “What makes a difference is having providers and community partners who are willing to meet people with compassion, challenge stigma, and walk alongside them through every stage of recovery.”

The conference, organized by Carroll County Coalition for Public Health (C3PH), in collaboration with the MaineHealth Memorial Hospital and White Horse Recovery, will take place on Saturday, June 20 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Mount Washington Valley Adult Day Center, 987 East Main St. (Route 113), Center Conway. Doors open at 9:30 a.m. Lunch is included.

“At the heart of comprehensive addiction medicine is a simple but powerful truth: when we meet people with compassion, evidence-based care, and continuity of support, recovery becomes possible,” said Dr. Jennifer Smith, Associate Medical Director of Comprehensive Addiction Medicine, MaineHealth Memorial Hospital. “Events like this conference bring our community together to strengthen that approach and ensure people are supported at every stage of their recovery journey.”

This conference brings together community members, healthcare and behavioral health providers, social service and prevention professionals, educators, first responders, and individuals and families to talk openly about substance use disorder, recovery, and how Carroll County can better

support one another. The event is free and open to all.

“Carroll County has incredible people doing this work every day — in treatment rooms, in recovery centers, in living rooms, and in communities across this region. This conference is an opportunity to bring people together, break down the stigma that still keeps too many from seeking help, and make sure that anyone touched by substance use disorder knows they are not alone and that support is available right here in Carroll County,” said Catalina Kirsch, Continuum of Care Facilitator, Carroll County Coalition for Public Health.

Conference programming will feature presentations and interactive workshops led by local experts and community members with lived experience. Attendees will have the opportunity to hear firsthand accounts of recovery, explore

the continuum of care, and connect with local organizations offering treatment, peer recovery supports, and family services.

“Substance use disorder touches nearly every family in Carroll County, and no single organization can address that alone. White Horse Recovery is proud to stand alongside MaineHealth Memorial Hospital and the Carroll County Coalition for Public Health to bring this conference to our community. When we come together — provid-

ers, peers, families, and neighbors — we create the kind of connection and understanding that makes recovery possible. That is what this day is about,” said Mitchell Henderson, Peer Recovery Director, White Horse Recovery.

A special focus of this year’s conference is the impact of alcohol, tobacco, and other drug use during pregnancy on maternal and infant health outcomes. Programming will examine how early intervention, harm reduction, and peri-

natal support can make a meaningful difference for parents, babies, and families throughout Carroll County.

Upon completing the conference, participants will be able to describe the scope and impact of substance use disorder on individuals, families, and communities; identify contributing factors to substance use; recognize the effects of stigma and strategies to reduce it; understand perinatal health impacts of substance use; and identify local resources available for treatment, recovery support, and family services.

Registration is free. For more information and to register, visit www.c3ph.org/newsevents/events.

MIRROR LAKE PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING

Invitation for residents in, on and around Mirror Lake.

9:00am-10:00am Saturday June 27, 2026

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PUBLIC NOTICE TOWN OF WOLFEBORO VOTERS

The Supervisors of the Checklist will be in session:

Tuesday, June 23, 2026

7:00-7:30 PM

at the Wolfeboro Town Hall. Enter by parking lot on Union St.

The purpose of this session is to review the voter list for any voter that did not vote in any election in the past five (5) years preceding the annual verification, in accordance with NH State Law RSA 654:39.

Voters that meet these criteria shall be sent notices stating that they will be removed from the checklist and are required to reregister if they wish to remain on the checklist.

Supervisors of the Checklist

- Rosemary Lounsbury
- Jillian Luby
- Thomas J. Zotti

LEGAL PROBATE NOTICE THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

3rd Circuit - Probate Division - Ossipee 5/8/2026 THRU 5/21/2026 APPOINTMENT OF FIDUCIARIES

Notice is hereby given that the following fiduciaries have been duly appointed by the Judge of Probate for Carroll County. All persons having claims against these decedents are requested to exhibit them for adjustment and all indebted to make payment.

Adamowski, Patricia Ann, late of West Ossipee, NH. Karen P. Leclair, PO Box 432, West Ossipee, NH 03890. #312-2026-ET-00140

Begley, Ann Mary, late of Glen, NH. Timothy H Begley, 201 Haviland Mill Rd, Brookeville, MD 20833. Ellen E Begley, Resident Agent, 419 North Sandwich Rd, Sandwich, NH 03227. #312-2026-ET-00104

Johnson, Sandra M., late of Wolfeboro, NH. Heather A. Barnhart, 2206 North Glen Wood Drive, Tampa, FL 33602. Thomas Randolph Walker, ESQ, Resident Agent, Walker & Varney PC, 26 N Main St, PO Box 509, Wolfeboro, NH 03894. #312-2026-ET-00147

Lopes, Daniel N., late of Fairhaven, MA. Antone P. Lopes, 33 Brook Drive, Fairhaven, MA 02719. Donald M. Smith, ESQ, Resident Agent, Sager & Smith PLLC, 5 Courthouse Sq, PO Box 385, Ossipee, NH 03864-0385. #312-2026-ET-00159

Powell, Agnes Theresa, late of Wolfeboro, NH. L Phillips Runyon, III, PO Box 674, Peterborough, NH 03458. #312-2026-ET-00164

Rafferty, JR, Denis Francis, late of Wakefield, NH. Deborah Rafferty-Maple, 162 Oxford Road, Charlton, MA 01507. David Roberts, Resident Agent, Registered Agents Inc, 221 Main Street, Str R, Nashua, NH 03038. #312-2026-ET-00076

Vasconcellos, Gloria Jeanne, late of Intervale-conway, NH. Diane Van Amersfoort, 48 Social Dr., Warwick, RI 02889. Rodney L. Stark, ESQ, Resident Agent, Law Office of Rodney L. Stark PA, 121 Middle Street, Manchester, NH 03101. #312-2026-ET-00142

Wilcox, Jr., John Edwin, late of North Conway, NH. Marilyn Nasuti, 255 Stevens Street, Marlborough, MA 01752. Josey Lyne Payne, ESQ, Resident Agent, The Law Offices of Josey Lyne Payne, PO Box 745, Conway, NH 03818. #312-2026-ET-00151 Dated: 5/22/2026

LEGAL PROBATE NOTICE THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

3rd Circuit - Probate Division - Ossipee 5/22/2026 THRU 6/7/2026 APPOINTMENT OF FIDUCIARIES

Notice is hereby given that the following fiduciaries have been duly appointed by the Judge of Probate for Carroll County. All persons having claims against these decedents are requested to exhibit them for adjustment and all indebted to make payment.

Chamberlain, Hazel A, late of Wolfeboro, NH. Cynthia M. Spence, 284 Forest Road, Wolfeboro, NH 03894. #312-2026-ET-00175

Collins, JR, Kenneth R., late of Stoneham, MA. Carolyn M. Low, 29 Parkway Road, Stoneham, MA 02180. Carla Vercellone, ESQ, Resident Agent, Donohue, Beasley & Ferber, 55 Hall St, Concord, NH 03302-2463. #312-2026-ET-00126

Eastman, Allen Wayne, late of Bartlett, NH. Karen Leach, 38 Leach Road, Fryeburg, ME 04037. John Pierce Kalled, ESQ, Resident Agent, Kalled Law Offices PLLC, 15 Courthouse Square, P.O. Box 130, Ossipee, NH 03864-0130. #312-2026-ET-00130

Johnson, Roger Alan, late of Mirror Lake, NH. Debra L. Parsons, 211 South High Street, Bridgton, ME 04009. Jon S.B.C. Hanson, ESQ, Resident Agent, Jon S B C Hanson d/b/a Hanson Law Office, PO Box 2014, Wolfeboro, NH 03894-2014. #312-2026-ET-00123

Mcginly, Virginia A, late of Brookfield, NH. Cathleen Fallon-Evans, 23 Hemlock Hill Road, Amherst, NH 03031. #317-2025-ET-01005

Noyes, JR, Frank R, late of East Wakefield, NH. Barry D Noyes, 6 Spruce St, Wakefield, MA 01880. Margaret A. Demos, ESQ, Resident Agent, Upton & Hatfield LLP, 1 Mill Plz, Laconia, NH 03246. #312-2026-ET-00146

Patrick, Robert, late of Moultonborough, NH. Eric Patrick, 173 Greenleaf Drive, Florence, MA 01026. Kathryn Elizabeth Dumais, ESQ, Resident Agent, Chisholm Persson & Ball PC, 755 N Main St, PO Box 712, Laconia, NH 03247-0712. #312-2026-ET-00201

Skarnulis, Elizabeth A, late of Wolfeboro, NH. Edward G Gillespie, PO Box 1047, Wolfeboro Falls, NH 03896. #312-2026-ET-00178

Somkeaw, Panitpicha, late of Banpong Ratchaburi, Thailand. Sutasinee Somkeaw, 48 Moo 4, Don Kra Bueng, Ban Pong, Ratchaburi 70110, Thailand.

Winai Somkeaw, 48 Moo 4, Don Kra Bueng, Ban Pong, Ratchaburi 70110, Thailand. Leslie Hughes Johnson, ESQ, Resident Agent, Law Office of Leslie H. Johnson PLLC, 46 Holderness Road, PO Box 265, Center Sandwich, NH 03227. #312-2026-ET-00026

St. James, Jeremy Preston, late of Moultonborough, NH. Lauren H. St. James, PO Box 260, Moultonborough, NH 03254. #312-2026-ET-00160

Warren, David C, late of Wolfeboro, NH. Phillip Marbury, ESQ, PO Box 2122, Wolfeboro, NH 03894. #312-2026-ET-00199

Warren, Rae Lynn, late of Wolfeboro, NH. Phillip E. Marbury, ESQ, PO Box 2122, Wolfeboro, NH 03894. #312-2026-ET-00198

Wright, Brian, R, late of Tamworth, NH. Matthew B. Wright, 144 Robinhood Road, East Wakefield, NH 03830. #312-2025-ET-00524

Dated: 6/5/2026

TOWN OF WAKEFIELD, NH LEGAL NOTICE

The Wakefield Board of Selectmen will conduct a public hearing on Wednesday, June 24, 2026, beginning at 7 p.m. in the Town Hall conference room, 2 High Street. The purpose of this hearing is to consider amendment/rescission of the Hawkers/Peddlers Permit Ordinance.

TOWN OF TUFTONBORO BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that a hearing will be held at 7:00PM on June 17th at Town Office, 240 Middle Rd. concerning a request by:

1. Peter & Jenna Dancy for a variance concerning article 4.2 section 1V if the zoning ordinance. Applicant proposes to construct a deck within front setback in the lakefront zone on property located at 167 Federal Corner Rd.
2. Edward Allen for a variance concerning 4.2 section 1V of the zoning ordinance. Applicant proposes to extend a deck within side setback and add a deck partially within front setback on property located at 30 Caverly Point Rd. in the lakefront zone.

Alicia Gettman
Chairman, Board of adjustment

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