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Local FBLA standout represents Prospect Mountain at National Leadership Conference

ALTON — Prospect Mountain High School student Stockton McKnight returned home this summer with invaluable national experience, new lifelong connections, and top honors for his school, thanks to overwhelming support from

the Alton Centennial Rotary and the local business community. McKnight traveled to San Antonio, Texas, to compete at the Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) National Leadership Conference. The mas-



eye-opening experience that I will never forget," said McKnight. "Getting to exchange ideas with thousands of driven students from all over North America opened up so many new perspectives for me. I am truly excited to share the many programs I learned about in San Antonio, and together with the PMHS FBLA team, roll them out into our community at large."

An opportunity of this magnitude requires significant resources. Recognizing McKnight's dedication, the Alton Centennial Rotary joined forces with several local businesses to sponsor his journey. Through dedicated fundraising initiatives

and direct donations, the Alton community covered the travel, lodging, and registration expenses necessary to send Prospect Mountain's representative to the national stage.

The McKnight family and the PMHS FBLA Chapter extend their deepest gratitude to the Alton Centennial Rotary and every local business owner who contributed. Their financial support and belief in youth leadership directly empowered a local student to shine on an international platform, proving once again that the Alton Barnstead community proudly invests in the success of its next generation.

Gorton takes helm for young Prospect volleyball team

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING
Sports Editor

ALTON — The Prospect Mountain volleyball team will make the move to Division III this season after spending the last couple of years in Division II, giving first-year head coach Megan Gorton a new group of opponents.

"Our goal and expectations for this year is to compete confidently," Gorton said. "I'm expecting my players to attend practices and games consistently, come prepared every day to work hard, be confident, be loud and be disciplined."

"We are a very young team, returning five varsity players and two returning swingmen," she continued. "I'm expecting our returning players to step up and play big roles within the team. I'm looking for players to find that "fight" and compete."

Returning to the court for the Timber Wolves include junior Kora MacKenzie and sophomores Shelby Lonardo and Skye Greenwood. Greenwood was the team libero last year as a ninth grader and returns to that role this year while MacKenzie will be moving to moving to outside hitter and Lonardo will step into the setter role.

Amongst the newcomers, Gorton expects that sophomore Delilah Tiede will play a big role. She plays travel volleyball and has a drive and passion for

the sport and will be challenged to step up and play a big role within the team as the starting middle hitter. Anna Sanders and Carson Blais will also be expected to step up and contribute in the new season.

Gorton noted that the team started working in open gyms in June, scrimmaged neighboring schools and attended a preseason jamboree at NHTI in the months leading up to the start of the season.

The Timber Wolves will play Homecoming against Nute on Wednesday, Sept. 30, and Gorton is hoping the students, faculty and community will come out and pack the gym for the contest.

Prospect Mountain will play single games against Hillsboro-Deering, Winnisquam, Kearsarge, Raymond, Portsmouth Christian, Trinity, Sunapee, Belmont, Mascoma, Concord Christian, Nute, Moultonborough, St. Thomas, Epping, Newfound and Farmington.

After starting the season against Raymond and Trinity, the Timber Wolves will be at Belmont on Friday, Sept. 11, will be hosting Concord Christian on Monday, Sept. 14, and St. Thomas on Thursday, Sept. 17, all with 6:15 p.m. scheduled start times.

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Southworth hat trick leads Gilford over Derryfield

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MANCHESTER — The Gilford field hockey team picked up its second win of the season with a 6-1 win over Derryfield on Tuesday, Sept. 1.

Grace Southworth led the way for the Golden Eagles with three goals while Avah Mason finished with two goals and Riley Coutts added a goal.

"Great teamwork," noted coach Joy Southworth.

The Golden Eagles will be in action on Friday, Sept. 11, at home against Pelham and Tuesday, Sept. 15, at Berlin, both at 4 p.m.

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Pumpkin & Pine Fair returns to Congregational Church of N. Barnstead Sept. 19

BARNSTEAD — Be sure to mark your calendar and save Saturday, Sept. 19, for the Pumpkin & Pine Fair in North Barnstead, 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

This church fair has been held for more than 20 years, and is a great place to meet friends for brunch or lunch at the café and to shop for unique trea-

sures or gift baskets. The colorful purses, bags, and other accessories made with fabric from Ghana will be there once again. There will be antiques and collectibles, home goods, crafts made with love, holiday items and lots of delicious baked items, including gluten free goodies. And new this year is a



private collection of tools.

The silent auction returns with many unique and useful items to bid on. Some donated items include all-inclusive gift certificates for a day at OSG Paintball, heating oil gift certificate, gift baskets of children's construction kits and holiday crafts, and much more! Come to the fair to find something for your home or start thinking of Christmas gifts.

The Congregational Church of North Barnstead is an Open and Affirming

and Accessible to All congregation of the United Church of Christ. We use our fair funds both to support the church and to extend our ministry out into the world, including to local community groups and families in need. We are located at 504 North Barnstead Rd., just above Peacham Road – follow the signs! You don't want to miss the wonderful Pumpkin and Pine Fair – we look forward to welcoming you to this charming community event.

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Alton Parks and Recreation Community Connection

Tinkergarten program — Free class Sept. 11

The Alton Parks and Recreation Department is sponsoring Tinkergarten with Miss Kim on Fridays at B&M Park from 10-11 a.m. for children ages eight and under. Try a class for free on Sept. 11. The eight-week session runs Sept. 18 to Nov. 13 (no meeting Oct. 30), \$150. Tinkergarten is an outdoor play experience that is interactive, cooperative and creative- let's play outside and explore what nature has to offer. For more information and to register, go to: <https://sites.google.com/view/learn-and-grow-with-miss-kim/home>.

and develop better balance. Bring light hand weights, a mat and water. For more information, contact parks-rec@alton.nh.gov or 603-875-0109. \$20 per month, register on site.

Dungeons and Dragons

Alton Parks and Recreation is sponsoring a weekly Dungeons and Dragons adventure on Wednesdays at the Alton Bay Community Center from 6-8 p.m. The program is free for ages 18 and older. Sign up at parks-rec-asst@alton.nh.gov or 603-875-0109 to secure your game slot. Join in the fun with friends or plan on meeting new people.

Pilates classes in Alton Bay — Tuesdays and Thursdays

The Alton Parks and Recreation Department is sponsoring Pilates classes at the Alton Bay Community Center on Tuesdays and Thursdays, 8:30-9:30 a.m. with certified instructor Donna Lee. Classes are ongoing. All level adults are welcome for a full body, low impact class that will improve muscle tone, flexibility, balance and strength. \$10 per class, cash or Venmo. Bring a mat, water and hand weights. For more information/register contact Donna at breathepilates1@yahoo.com or parksrec@alton.nh.gov.

Weight Training classes — Mondays and Wednesdays — starts Oct. 5

The Alton Parks and Recreation Department is sponsoring Weight Training Classes on Mondays and Wednesdays, with AFAA Certified Instructor Kellie Troendle, from 1:30-2:30 p.m. at the Gilman Library for adults of all ages and abilities. This program starts on October 5. Try the class for free on Sept. 21 & 23. Build strong muscles and bones, increase flexibility

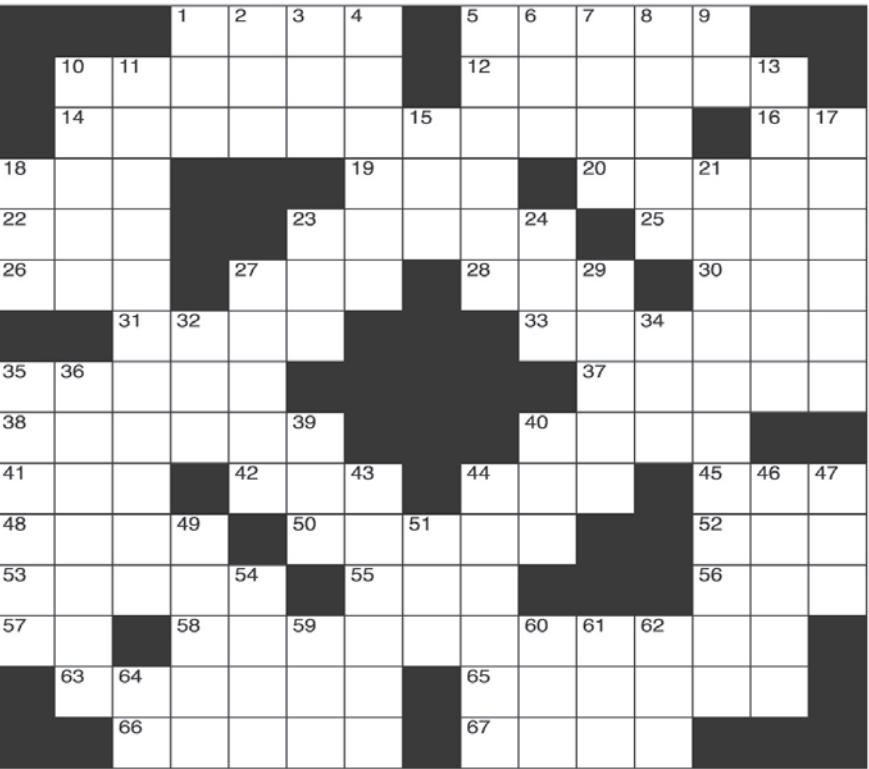
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Travel Club Trips Cowboy Country and Taste of Italy in 2027

The Alton Parks and Recreation Department is sponsoring two trips with Collette Tours in 2027. The first trip is to Cowboy Country. Trip highlights include Grand Teton National Park; Badlands National Park; Crazy Horse Memorial; Mt. Rushmore and much more. The trip includes a visit to Yellowstone National Park which is famous for its geysers, hot springs and herds of bison. Witness the impressive Old Faithful, travel over the Sylvan Pass and see Yellowstone Lake. Trip dates are June 8-15, 2027, and include airport transportation from Alton, airfare, 10 meals, hotels, and guided transportation through Cowboy Country, including walking, bus, and covered wagon tours.

Alton Parks and Recreation is also sponsoring a trip with Collette Tours to Italy in 2027. The trip highlights include Rome; Narni- Umbria Region, Chianti Region, Tuscany, and Florence. Explore an archaeological site hidden beneath the village; take a walking tour of Assisi and see views of Lake Trasimeno; visit the famous Basilica of St. Francis and admire Giotto's frescoes; take a cooking class and visit olive groves; and much more. Trip dates are Oct. 23 to Nov. 3, 2027. Includes airfare, 16 meals, hotels and transportation.

These trips are a great way to travel in a group and with a knowledgeable guide. An informational session will be held on Sept. 21 at 11 a.m. at the Gilman Library about both trips. RSVP to attend the session-603-875-0109 or parksrec-asst@alton.nh.gov.

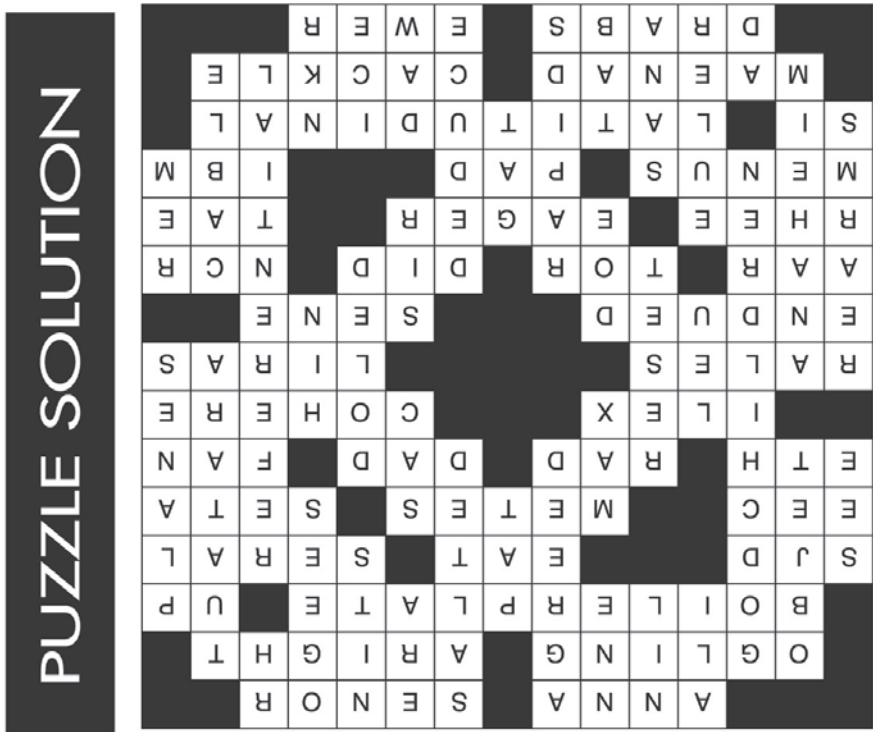


CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Longtime *Vogue* editor Wintour
- 5. A Spanish title of respect
- 10. A way of looking
- 12. Properly
- 14. Rolled steel
- 16. Not down
- 18. Law degree
- 19. Consume food
- 20. Intermediate ecological stage
- 22. Old world, new
- 23. Dispense justice
- 25. Stiff hair-like structure
- 26. Ethiopia
- 27. Cool!
- 28. Father
- 30. An enthusiastic devotee of sports
- 31. Holm oak
- 33. Be united
- 35. Rattling breaths
- 37. Supermarket chain
- 38. Provided with a quality
- 40. Samoan monetary unit
- 41. Swiss river
- 42. Hill (Celtic)
- 44. Have already done
- 45. ATM company
- 48. Syngman __, Korean president
- 50. Very willing
- 52. Arctic explorers (abbr.)
- 53. Food listings
- 55. Bachelor's place to crash
- 56. Big Blue
- 57. Sports magazine
- 58. Relating to a place north of south of the equator
- 63. Female follower of Bacchus
- 65. A type of laugh
- 66. Slovenly women
- 67. Large jug

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Boxing's GOAT
- 2. Zero
- 3. Midway between north and northeast
- 4. Concurred
- 5. Added flavor
- 6. Amount of time
- 7. Eggs of parasitic insects
- 8. S-shaped moldings
- 9. Atomic #45
- 10. __ d'art: small artistic item
- 11. A godparent's "kids"
- 13. Nocturnal burrowing lizard
- 15. Hit lightly
- 17. Aircrafts
- 18. Witness
- 21. Alluding to something
- 23. Take to the limit
- 24. Baglike structure in a plant or animal
- 27. Start over
- 29. Administered
- 32. Romanian monetary unit
- 34. Unit of liquid capacity
- 35. Equips with weapons again
- 36. Disney town
- 39. Female deer
- 40. Title of respect
- 43. A place to go rafting
- 44. A way to conclude
- 46. Type of television
- 47. Georgia rockers
- 49. Leonhard __, Swiss mathematician
- 51. Slang for gun
- 54. River in Bosnia and Herzegovina
- 59. Bar bill
- 60. Small, gray-headed crow
- 61. Frozen water
- 62. Norwegian krone
- 64. Commercial



HIGH SCHOOL SLATE

Friday, Sept. 11 BELMONT

Boys' Soccer vs. Berlin; 4
Girls' Soccer at Berlin; 4
Volleyball vs. Prospect Mountain; 6:15

GILFORD

Boys' Soccer vs. Hillsboro-Deering; 4
Field Hockey vs. Pelham; 4
Girls' Soccer at Hillsboro-Deering; 4
Volleyball vs. Sanborn; 5:45

WINNISQUAM

Boys' Soccer vs. Newfound; 4
Cross Country at Hillsboro-Deering; 4
Field Hockey at Hopkinton; 4
Volleyball at Raymond; 6:15

Saturday, Sept. 12 GILFORD

Football vs. Bishop Brady-Hopkinton; 12
Monday, Sept. 14

BELMONT

Golf at Farmington CC; 4
WINNISQUAM

Volleyball at Kearsarge; 5:15

Tuesday, Sept. 15 BELMONT

Boys' Soccer vs. Pelham; 4
Girls' Soccer at Pelham; 4

GILFORD

Boys' Soccer at Derryfield; 4
Field Hockey at Berlin; 4
Girls' Soccer vs. Derryfield; 4
Volleyball at Kennett; 6:30

WINNISQUAM

Boys' Soccer at Prospect Mountain; 4
Field Hockey at Monadnock; 4

Wednesday, Sept. 16 BELMONT

Golf at Beaver Meadow; 3:30
Volleyball vs. Epping; 6:15

Thursday, Sept. 17 BELMONT

Volleyball vs. Inter-Lakes; 6:15

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Registration now open for Lakes Region Scholarship Foundation's Annual Pumpkin Figure Contest!

GILFORD — Registration is now open for the Lakes Region Scholarship Foundation's Annual Lakes Region Pumpkin Figure Contest fundraiser.

"Get ready to let your patriotic spirit shine!" said Executive Director Chris Guilmett. "As America celebrates its 250th birthday and LRSF marks its 70th anniversary, we invite you to bring your most creative red, white, and blue ideas to life. This year's pumpkin figures will be judged on how proudly and creatively they celebrate Ameri-

ca."

Kim Lacasse, the Foundation's Assistant Director, said she is excited to build on the success of the annual Pumpkin Figure Contest. "The time participants put in, the creativity they show, and their willingness to share their creations



qualify, entrants must live in the Lakes Region, and entry forms must be received by Lakes Region Scholarship Foundation by Oct. 9. Judging will take place Oct. 15, 16, and 17. An interactive map of pumpkin figure locations will be available to download from the Foundation's website for those planning a fall outing.

To register for the Annual Lakes Region Pumpkin Figure Contest, view Harvest Gift Card Haul Wreaths, or purchase raffle tickets for the Cakes 'n Sweets Calendar Raffle or Harvest Gift Card Haul Wreath Raffle, please visit www.lrscholarship.org.

Gilford Public Library Classes & Special Events Sept. 10 – Sept. 17

- Thursday, Sept. 10**
Senior Sculpt, 9-10 a.m.
Fun and Fitness with Joyce, 10-11 a.m.
Storytime With Animals, 10:30-11:30 a.m.
You can't miss this special storytime series with different live animals!
Middle School Graphic Novel Club, 3:30-4:30 p.m.
Join Miss Rachael at the Gilford Village Store for our middle school graphic novel club! Sign up is required.
French, 4-5 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 11
Geri Fit, 9-10 a.m.
Feel Good Fitness w/ Dottie, 10-11 a.m.
The Wisdom Keeper - 8 Week Chair Yoga, 10-11 a.m.
Bridge, 10 a.m. to noon
Preschool Storytime, 10:30-11:30 a.m.
Hand & Foot, noon to 2:30 p.m.
Happy Crafters, 1:30-2:30 p.m.
Advanced Conversational German, 2:30-3:30 p.m.
Beginner Line Dancing, 4-5 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 12
Beginner Line Dancing, 10:15-11:15 a.m.

Monday, Sept. 14
Fun & Fitness with Joyce, 9-10 a.m.
Baby Storytime, 10-10:30 a.m.
Tai Chi, 10:15-11 a.m.
Bits and Bytes Comput-
- er Literacy, 11 a.m. to noon
This month's topic is general computer terminology and definitions.
Mahjong, noon to 3 p.m.
Writing Wizards, 4-5 p.m.
Mystery Book Group, 5-6 p.m.
Join us for this month's mystery book group! Betty Tidd will lead the discussion of "A Murder is Announced" by Agatha Christie. Copies of the book will be available at the circulation desk.

Tuesday, Sept. 15
Feel Good Fitness w/ Dottie, 9-10 a.m.
Senior Sculpt, 10-11 a.m.
Bridge, 10 a.m. to noon
Preschool Storytime, 10:30-11:30 a.m.
Exercise Social, 11 a.m. to noon
Come join your exercise buddies for some light refreshments and lots of laughs!
Dungeons and Dragons, 3-4:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Sept. 16
Geri Fit, 9-10 a.m.
Card Games, 10 a.m. to noon
Senior Stretch Yogaah!, 10-11 a.m.
Check out an Expert, 10 a.m. to noon
Paint Group, 1-3 p.m.
Science Seekers: Travel Through Time., 3:30-4:30 p.m.
Weed Identification and Management, 4-5 p.m.

- During this presentation attendees will learn how to identify common problem weeds and understand the traits that are important to know when deciding the best control methods. They will also learn how certain weeds can help indicate problems areas in the soil. Finally, they will learn many different mechanical, cultural, biological and, as a last resort, chemical options for not only eliminating weeds but also, and most importantly, how to greatly reduce weed populations from taking hold in the first place. Presented by Ron Trexler, UNH Extension.
- Thursday, Sept. 17**
Senior Sculpt, 9-10 a.m.
Fun & Fitness with Joyce, 10-11 a.m.
Storytime With Animals, 10:30-11:30 a.m.
Apple Cider Floats, 3-4 p.m.
Stop in for this refreshing treat, apple cider floats! Please note this snacks includes dairy.
French, 4-5 p.m.
GPL Book Discussion, 5:30-6:30 p.m.
This month's book is "Foster" by Claire Keegan. Led by Betty; books are available at the front desk.
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with the community are wonderful to see," she said. The seasonal fundraiser has become a community-wide tradition. Along with the patriotic theme, entries will be judged in several categories, with prizes awarded.

"Over the years, we have seen amazing entries from families, businesses, schools, individuals, and nonprofit organizations, and we are excited to see this year's creations," Guilmett said.

Registration is available through the Pumpkin Figure Contest tab on the Foundation's Web site. Visitors can also purchase tickets for two additional fall fundraisers: the popular Cakes 'n Sweets Calendar Raffle and the new Harvest Gift Card Haul

Wreath Raffle. Pumpkin Figure Contest participation is not required to buy raffle tickets.

The contest is open to individuals, families, schools, businesses, and nonprofits. Each pumpkin figure must include at least one pumpkin. To

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3. "Whistler" by Ann Patchett
4. "Delusional" by James Patterson
5. "Theo of Golden" by Allen Levi
6. "The Shadow Friends" by Tess Gerritsen
7. "Regime Change" by Maggie Haberman
8. "Yesteryear" by Caro Claire Burke
9. "Culpability" by Bruce W. Holsinger
10. "Mad Mabel" by Sally Hepworth
11. "Country Road Murders" by James Patterson
12. "You'll Be Sorry" by Lisa Gardner

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Course Title	Day(s)	Start date	Start Time	End Time	# weeks	Cost	Location	Instructor Name
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Introduction to Spiritual Energies	Thu	10/8/26	6:00 pm	8:30 pm	1	\$45.00	615	Brenda Paquette
Meditation 101	Thu	11/5/26	6:00 pm	8:30 pm	1	\$45.00	615	Brenda Paquette
What are Angels & How to Communicate w/them	Thu	10/22/26	6:00 pm	8:30 pm	1	\$45.00	615	Brenda Paquette
Yoga for Everyone: Beginning (Tues & Thurs) Session 1	Tue, Thu	9/29/26	5:00 pm	6:15 pm	4	\$50.00	ctc-H141	Bonnie Morin
Yoga for Everyone: Beginning (Tues & Thurs) Session 2	Tue, Thu	10/13/26	5:00 pm	6:15 pm	4	\$50.00	ctc-H141	Bonnie Morin
Yoga for Everyone: Beginning (Tues & Thurs) Session 3	Tue, Thu	11/10/26	5:00 pm	6:15 pm	4	\$50.00	ctc-H141	Bonnie Morin
Beginner East Coast Swing	Wed	9/30/26	5:45 PM	6:45 PM	4	\$95.00	LHS-Café	Juli Pruden
Beginner Country Two-Step	Wed	9/30/26	6:45PM	7:45PM	4	\$95.00	LHS-Café	Juli Pruden
Beginner Cha Cha	Wed	9/30/26	6:45PM	7:45PM	4	\$95.00	LHS-Café	Juli Pruden
Learning a skill								
Basic Woodworking*	Thu	10/1/26	6:00 pm	8:30 pm	8	\$110.00	517	Wes Anderson
Dog Obedience: Advanced	Wed	9/30/26	7:00 pm	8:00 pm	8	\$75.00	WHS-Gym	Carolyn Bancroft
Dog Obedience: Beginning	Wed	9/30/26	6:15pm	7:15pm	8	\$70.00	WHS-Gym	Carolyn Bancroft
Open Shop Woodworking	Tue	9/29/26	6:00 pm	8:30 pm	10	\$110.00	517	Ed Philpot
Intro to Intermediate Woodworking	Wed	9/30/26	6:00 PM	8:30 PM	10	\$120.00	517	Ed Philpot
Diploma Classes*								
Physical Science	Mon	9/14/26	5:30pm	8:30 PM	15 Weeks	\$300.00	LHS-901	J. Lacroix
English	Tues	9/8/26	6:00pm	9:00pm	15 Weeks	\$300.00	LHS-603	P. Mignaneli
The Odyssey	Wed	9/9/26	6:00pm	9:00pm	15 Weeks	\$300.00	LHS-304	T. Osborne
Math	Thurs	9/10/26	6:00pm	9:00pm	15 Weeks	\$300.00	LHS-611	A. Stefanik
* Additional Supply/book fee or pre-class requirement is additional in this course.								
Adult Education and Literacy Classes (AEL)**								
High School Equivalency (GED or HISET) Prep	Mon, Wed	9/14/26	6:00pm	8:30pm	12 Weeks	Free	LHS-611	A. Stefanik
English as a Second Language (ESL)	Tues, Thurs.	9/15/26	6:00pm	8:30pm	12 Weeks	Free	LHS - 604	M. Rudolf
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Some investments are obvious. Towns build roads, maintain public buildings, support schools and purchase equipment that will serve residents for years to come. Others are much smaller and can be measured in the cost of an airplane ticket, a hotel room or a registration fee.

Those smaller investments can produce returns that are difficult to measure.

Prospect Mountain High School student Stockton McKnight's trip to the Future Business Leaders of America National Leadership Conference in San Antonio, Texas, is a good example.

McKnight traveled from Alton to an event attended by more than 21,000 people, including more than 16,000 student competitors from across the United States, Canada and Puerto Rico. He participated in workshops, competed, met students from other communities and returned with ideas he hopes to put to work through Prospect Mountain's FBLA chapter and the surrounding community.

He also returned with the Gold Champion Chapter Award and an official banner recognizing the Prospect Mountain FBLA chapter for its work in chapter operations, leadership development and community engagement. That is an accomplishment worth celebrating. But there is another part of the story that deserves equal attention.

McKnight was able to make the trip because people back home decided the opportunity was worth supporting. The Alton Centennial Rotary and local businesses helped raise the money necessary to cover travel, lodging and registration expenses.

In doing so, they offered an important example of what supporting education can look like outside the walls of a classroom.

Education does not end when the final bell rings. Some of the most valuable lessons young people learn come through experiences that expose them to different people, different ideas and possibilities they might never encounter otherwise.

A student from a relatively small New Hampshire community suddenly found himself among thousands of ambitious young people from across North America. He was able to compare ideas, see how other chapters operate and discover programs that could potentially be brought back to Prospect Mountain. Those experiences broaden horizons.

The benefits also do not have to stop with the student who made the trip. When students return from conferences, competitions, internships and other educational experiences and share what they have learned, an investment in one student can become an investment in an entire school. When those ideas reach service projects, businesses and community organizations, the impact can spread farther still. That is why partnerships between schools and their communities matter so much.

Not every valuable educational opportunity fits neatly into a school budget. Travel is expensive. Registration fees add up. Families do not always have the resources to cover every opportunity that comes along. Local organizations and businesses can help close that gap.

Their support also sends students a message that may be every bit as valuable as the financial assistance itself. It tells them that adults in their community believe their ambitions are worth taking seriously.

There is something particularly fitting about a Future Business Leaders of America student receiving support from the local business community. Today's students are tomorrow's business owners, entrepreneurs, managers, civic volunteers and community leaders.

Some will eventually build their lives elsewhere. Others will come home and put what they have learned to work in places such as Alton and Barnstead.

Either way, giving a young person an opportunity to see a larger world is rarely money wasted.

McKnight brought an award home from Texas. Perhaps more importantly, he brought home experience, connections and ideas.

Alton's businesses and Rotary members helped make that possible. That is community investment in its simplest form: giving a young person an opportunity, then seeing how far he can take it.



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Save the date! On Sunday, Sept. 20, from 2-4 p.m., the Wolfeboro Historical Society's annual "Historic Figures Tea" will take place in the 1820 Barn at the Clark Museum Complex in Wolfeboro. In honor of our country's 250th anniversary, famous Revolutionary War characters (including Elizabeth "Betsy" Ross, George Washington, Benjamin Blake, General Marquis de Lafayette, Lady Frances Wentworth and Abigail Adams) will rotate from table to table, serving delicious pastries & tea and engaging with the audience. This event is our annual fundraiser to preserve the Museum's authentic one-room schoolhouse, but it's also about having fun and learning about our country's historic past! Rain or Shine. Doors open at 1:40 p.m.; the event will begin promptly at 2 p.m. To reserve tickets, please call (603) 273-8614. Visit WHS online at www.wolfeborohistoricalsociety.org.

LETTERS FROM EDWIN Science

Racing toward September, the weather has become spectacular. The way I always remember it this time of year. Warm days and cool nights. The crazy hot days seem to have passed. Like any weather-related issue around these parts, we could always get walloped at any time. We're totally used to that. It's just so pleasurable to have it just the way you'd want it.

Today I did yard work. Trimming trees and mowing grass. Fun in the sun. It's been so dry, that there wasn't a lot of grass to mow. I headed home early, but that's OK, more time at the beach. This beach is on a southwestern shore. With all the tall shoreline trees, you have to swim out a ways before you get any of the afternoon sun's rays to help with moderating the coolness of the water. Right now it's no big issue, but in a few weeks, it will certainly be a consideration.

My head was all

plugged up this morning. Foreshadowing of things to come. I usually start taking allergy pills after Labor Day to help moderate my sinuses. They are a constant problem spring and fall. In the middle of the winter, they seem to be alright, but I still can't cheat with the wheat. Especially after last year's events triggered by eating a meatball. Not again.

I'm sure that there is a term for this, I even tried looking into fluid dynamics and found myself buried in all kinds of physics and science stuff reminiscent of my college days. I no longer have that much patience. I'm sure you all can picture what I'm trying to put a name upon.

If you drop a stone in water, when the displaced water comes back together, there is usually a squirt that shoots back up from the surface. I'm sure there's a name for it. There's a name for everything. I hesitate to ask the AI "guy" in my continual attempts to

save the planet. If you know, drop me a line. Unfortunately, it won't be in time to affect this letter which will already have been written and filed away with a date code and a name. Maybe I could append it.

I remember watching close-up slow-motion videos of them. I believe it also happens every time a raindrop lands on a surface of water. There's a multiplication factor that happens where every drop produces another smaller, delayed, after drop. The way reverberation does with sounds. Same thing, different mediums.

I'll bet changing the trajectory of the projectile effects the resulting squirt somewhat. I'm sure they've got that all figured out too. Due to cohesion, the squirt transforms into another droplet flubbering around in space for a fleeting moment as it decelerates, stops, and then drops back to the surface. This is like physical science class. I always loved science. It's so cool.

Don't you understand that God gave us science as a distraction, so that we could study his creation and be totally amazed with awe. Instead, we use it to try to disprove his existence. Can't we ever get anything right?

Right now, I'm feeling rather guilty. I turned down a job today. It was a large deck

type creation that seriously needed some tender loving reconstructive surgery. I really should never have gone there this morning as I wasn't feeling quite right, and had this overshadowing desire to quit work altogether. I probably could have done the job, I'm sure of it, but this morning, it looked to me like a pond of alligators and I wasn't inclined to jump in. So be it. I drove off feeling discouraged.

After some lunch I headed off to do another job. In order to accomplish my task, I needed to invent another magical solution. And it was completed in just two hours. Sometimes I amaze myself. It feels good to find yourself successful. My work attitude shifted one hundred and eighty degrees. I still don't feel like calling the morning people back.

Looking out to my front yard, I see a few remaining Brown Eyed Susan flowers surrounded by hundreds of dried seed pods among all the dying off grass. Even the Goldenrod are calling it quits. A little early again this year. No rain.

I'm so blessed with good water, that just this morning warned me that I should take an extra square or two.

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Expansion will make Loon largest ski area in New Hampshire

LINCOLN — Loon Mountain Resort will become the largest ski resort in New Hampshire with the addition of Black Ridge, a 272-acre expansion of expert-only, in-bounds tree-skiing. The expansion will increase the resort’s total skiable terrain by 67 percent, from 403 acres to 675 acres, when Black Ridge is slated to open in winter 2027-2028.

Located off North Peak, the resort’s tallest peak, Black Ridge’s skiable terrain will feature expansive areas with dense pine forests, steep gullies, and open hardwood glades. “Black Ridge gives our most advanced guests something genuinely different — real forest character, inside our boundary, without losing what makes this terrain wild,” said Brian Norton, President and General Manager of Loon Mountain Resort.

Loon currently maintains 35 acres of in-bounds tree-skiing. Black Ridge adds 272 more — bringing the total to 307 acres, nearly eight times what the resort maintains today.

Different on purpose

Getting there will be part of the experience. Guests will access the gated entrance to Black Ridge via the North Peak



COURTESY PHOTO

With the addition of Black Ridge glades, Loon Mountain Resort will become New Hampshire’s largest ski area in the 2027-2028 season.

Express Quad. From there, skiers and riders will traverse up to 1.25 miles east where some hiking may be needed. Skiers and snowboarders can choose their own route through the vast forest, with the terrain eventually bringing them back to lift access at North Peak.

The experience at Black Ridge will be unlike any other at Loon. “Black Ridge isn’t for everyone, and that’s the point,” said Norton. “It’s a true rugged experience — natural and raw, unlike anything else we maintain at Loon today.”

Primarily west-facing, the terrain at Black

Ridge has a vertical drop of 1,350 feet and reaches 2,850 feet in elevation at the summit. This area will rely on natural snow conditions, with no snow grooming or snowmaking.

A forest partnership

The Black Ridge expansion is a collaboration with the U.S. Forest Service, following an approved expansion to Loon’s Special Use Permit Boundary within the White Mountain National Forest. The resort is focused on maintaining the area’s natural character while preparing the glades for skiing and snowboarding, a re-

flection of its commitment to improving the on-mountain experience while respecting the natural habitats and landscape of the area.

No additional chairlift access is planned for

the area, with on-mountain work for Black Ridge slated to begin in early 2027.

About Loon

Loon Mountain Resort, New England’s

most-accessible mountain destination, is located in New Hampshire’s White Mountains just two hours north of Boston. Consistently rated one of the most accessible mountain resorts in the East, Loon offers skiers and snowboarders 2,190 feet of vertical, three peaks of terrain variety, and a full progression of award-winning terrain parks. Loon also offers plenty of exciting four-season activities, including downhill mountain biking, scenic gondola rides, glacial caves, ziplines, and more.

Loon Mountain Resort is operated by Boyne Resorts, the largest family-owned four-season resort company in North America, and is located in the White Mountain National Forest, operating in partnership with the USDA-Forest Service.

Granite VNA offers Walk-In Wednesday in Wolfeboro

WOLFEBORO — Granite VNA offers Walk-In Wednesday on Wednesday, Sept. 23 from 10 a.m. to Noon at Wolfeboro Public Library, 259 So. Main St.

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The agency has offices in Concord, Laconia and Wolfeboro. Formed through the merger of Concord Regional VNA and Central New Hampshire VNA & Hospice, Granite VNA has served New Hampshire since 1899. For more information about Granite VNA, visit www.granitevna.org.

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Camp Constitution plans fall retreat in Alton Bay

ALTON BAY — Camp Constitution will hold its Fall “Fling” Retreat from Friday, Oct. 23, through Sunday, Oct. 25, at the Alton Bay Christian Conference Center.

The weekend retreat will offer participants a variety of activities, including arts and crafts, Bible studies, an evening campfire and optional marksmanship.

The cost for the week-

end is \$220 per person and includes two nights of lodging, five meals and materials for the retreat.

Camp Constitution is an organization that offers educational programs and camps focusing on American history, civics and the U.S. Constitution, along with other activities.

The Alton Bay Christian Conference Center has a long history of

hosting religious gatherings and programs in Alton Bay. The center is located along the southern end of Lake Winnepesaukee and regularly hosts conferences, retreats and other activities.

For more information about the Fall “Fling” Retreat or to request an application, contact Camp Constitution at 857-498-1309 or email camconstitution1@gmail.com.

Prospect Mountain welcomes fall cheerleading program

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING
Sports Editor

ALTON — Prospect Mountain has a football team for the first time and to go along with that, the school also has a fall cheerleading team for the first time.

“Things have been going fantastic this season, these girls have reached goals and have done things that they haven’t done before,” said coach Heather Mosher. “They work hard and of course have lots of laughs.”

“We will have a rocking halftime routine for

the October home games and we can’t wait to show everyone what we’ve been working on,” she added.

A few of the girls who are cheering this fall were part of the program in the winter season, including Amarah Ferland at main base, Kaelyn Lemire at back base, Cadie Foynes at flyer and base and Maci Manning at main base.

A few newcomers to the Prospect Mountain program cheered for the Alton and Barnstead Junior Timber Wolves middle school program. They include Charlee Ferren-

burg at base, Brynn Slayton at flyer and backspot and Autumn Smith at flyer. The team is also welcoming first-time cheerleader Kayleigh Green at base.

“My goals and expectations for this season is for them to have fun, cheer on our first official football team and to work on their skills so come winter and next year we can rock it in competition,” Mosher said.

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Building the Future While Preserving What Makes the Lakes Region Special

BY DONALD CHAPMAN
President & Co-Founder, Strong Tree Engineering

special about New Hampshire's Lakes Region. Whether it's spending a summer afternoon on the water, hiking nearby trails, visiting local businesses, or simply enjoying the quiet beauty of small town New Hampshire, this part of the state has a character that draws people back year after year.

For me, it's personal. Some of my favorite childhood memories were made at my Nana's cottage on Lake Winnepesaukee in Moultonborough. Summers were filled with swimming, boating, trips to the Old Coun-

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try Store, afternoons at Funspot, and time spent with family. Those experiences helped shape my appreciation for this region and, years later, inspired our decision to open Strong Tree Engineering's New Hampshire office in Ossipee.

Today, more families are choosing to build, renovate, retire, and invest throughout the Lakes Region than ever before. New homes are being constructed, family properties are being expanded, businesses are growing, and long-

held parcels are being developed for the next generation.

That growth is exciting - but it also comes with responsibility.

Every project, whether it's building a home, improving a driveway, replacing a septic system, creating a subdivision, or developing a commercial property, affects the land around it. Good planning protects both the investment being made today and the natural resources that future generations will enjoy tomorrow.

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sponsible development begins long before construction starts.

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The Lakes Region continues to grow because people recognize what makes it such a remarkable place to live, work, and raise a family.

Our goal is to help ensure that growth is done thoughtfully—protecting the character of our communities while

creating opportunities for generations to come.

We're proud to call the Lakes Region home, and we're honored to help our neighbors build for the future.

Donald Chapman is President & Co-Founder of Strong Tree En-

gineering, a civil engineering, land surveying, environmental consulting, and permitting firm serving New Hampshire, Massachusetts, and Connecticut. Our Lakes Region office is in Ossipee.



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MVSB supports inaugural Camp Resilience Leadership and Wellness Gala

TILTON — Camp Resilience will host its inaugural Camp Resilience Leadership and Wellness Gala on Sept. 18 at the Lake Estate on Winnisquam in Tilton. The event is open to the public and will feature inspiring speakers, live music, demonstrations, and formal presentations highlighting the extraordinary contributions of our Military and First Responder leaders. MVSB (Meredith Village Savings Bank) has supported the event as the \$2,000 Chief Table sponsor.

“The Gala is an important opportunity to bring people together to better understand the impact of our programs and the importance of supporting those who serve and have served,” said Jeff Ladieu, Camp Resilience Executive Director. “At Camp Resilience, we are focused on creating meaningful experiences that help individuals strengthen their mental, physical, and emotional well-being, while building connections that extend beyond the program and back into their families, workplaces, and communities. Support from events like this allows us to continue expanding that impact.”

The gala will shine a light on Camp Resilience’s Chiefs Wellness and Leadership Program, dedicated to supporting both mental and physical health for its participants. This innovative program provides a variety of opportunities, including



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From left, Elizabeth Mullaney, Camp Resilience Development Coordinator, Jeff Ladieu, Camp Resilience Executive Director, Sue Dagostino, MVSB Branch and Business Development Manager, Samantha LeClair, MVSB Business Development Officer, and Layla, Camp Resilience Mascot.

outdoor recreation and life skills workshops, designed to promote overall well-being. Participants benefit from fireside peer conversations, as well as mindful meditation and breathing exercises. These techniques are in-

tended to help attendees manage stress and prevent burnout. All activities are thoughtfully crafted to be adaptable to a range of physical abilities, ensuring an inclusive and supportive environment for everyone involved.

“Camp Resilience is doing important work to support first responders and others in leadership roles who face high levels of stress,” said Sue Dagostino, MVSB Branch and Business Development Manager. “We are proud to support this event and the continued growth of their programs.”

Tickets to the Gala can be purchased online at camp-resilience.org/events.

Camp Resilience (d.b.a. Patriot Resilient Leader Institute) is a nonprofit organization founded in 2014. Through

retreats and programs held in the Lakes Region, Camp Resilience focuses on improving the physical, social, mental, and emotional well-being of participants. Offerings include outdoor experiential learning, life skills training, and peer-to-peer support, helping individuals build resilience and carry those skills back into their professional and personal lives while strengthening the communities they serve.

Go to campresilience.org for more information about Camp Resilience and its programs.

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MEREDITH — The partnership between Katie Dobbins Music (Gilford) and Hermit Woods Winery & Eatery (Meredith) which has brought the monthly music series Songwriter Round-Up to the Lakes Region is set to deliver another great show at the end of this month. Held in the region’s premier listening room, The Loft located on the second floor of the Winery, this series has been giving audience members a chance to experience the original music of talented singer-songwriters from the New England area and beyond. At each show three artists share their songs and stories in a unique in-the-round style performance. This intimate series features two different songwriters each month alongside award-winning performer Katie Dobbins.

The series offers area residents and visitors an opportunity to experience the show “magic” that each new lineup creates. Winery co-founder and owner Bob Manley is thrilled to have his establishment be home to the monthly Songwriter Round-Up Series. Remarking on the success of the series, Bob reaffirms the valued partnership the Winery has



developed with Katie Dobbins Music expressing “Working alongside Katie Dobbins and her Songwriter Round-Up Series has been an absolute delight. Katie brings an engaging presence to the stage, effortlessly connecting with our audiences and showcasing incredible talent with each performance.” The next Songwriter Round-Up show takes place on Thursday, Sept. 17, featuring the Lakes Region’s own Katie Dobbins, a singer-songwriter who delivers heart-felt lyrics with beautiful vocal tones wrapped in

guitar and piano melodies; Amanda McCarthy, a New England singer-songwriter-storyteller with strong ties to Nashville whose powerful vocals are supported by a pop-rock-country blended style; and Morgan Clark, a singer-songwriter from the White Mountains of New Hampshire with a captivating stage presence and a country-rock-roots musical style. All of these artists bring their own unique life-lyrics, melodies, and styles to the stage. This is sure to be an evening of great original music and dynamic entertainment that

you won’t want to miss. Learn more about each of these artists on the Hermit Woods Winery website. A complimentary wine tasting will begin at 5:30 p.m., the Loft opens at 6pm for seating & dinner orders, and music starts at 7 p.m. Patrons can further enhance their evening by selecting from a menu of tasty items available from onsite Chef Eric Huckins. Tickets can be purchased in advance at hermitwoodswinery.com/the-loft or in-person at the Winery.

HIGH SCHOOL SLATE

Thursday, Sept. 10 KENNETT Field Hockey at St. Thomas; 4 KINGSWOOD Field Hockey vs. ConVal; 4 PROSPECT MOUNTAIN Girls’ Soccer at Kearsarge; 6 Friday, Sept. 11 KENNETT Boys’ Soccer vs. Milford; 4 Cross Country at TBD; TBD Girls’ Soccer at Milford; 4 KINGSWOOD Boys’ Soccer vs. Oyster River; 4 Football vs. Trinity; 7 Girls’ Soccer at Oyster River; 7 Volleyball at Plymouth; 6 PROSPECT MOUNTAIN Boys’ Soccer at Farmington-Nute; 4 Cross Country at Hillsboro-Deering; 4 Football vs. Newfound; 7 Volleyball at Belmont; 6:15 Saturday, Sept. 12 KENNETT Football at Plymouth; 1 KINGSWOOD Cross Country at Portsmouth Christian; 10 Monday, Sept. 14 KENNETT Field Hockey vs. Oyster River; 4 KINGSWOOD Field Hockey vs. Souhegan; 4 PROSPECT MOUNTAIN Golf at Farmington CC; 4 Volleyball vs. Concord Christian; 6:15 Tuesday, Sept. 15 KENNETT Boys’ Soccer at Leba-	non; 4 Girls’ Soccer vs. Lebanon; 4 Golf at North Conway CC; 3:30 Volleyball vs. Gilford; 6:30 KINGSWOOD Boys’ Soccer vs. Merrimack Valley; 6 Girls’ Soccer at Merrimack Valley; 4 Golf at North Conway CC; 3:30 Volleyball vs. Pembroke; 6 PROSPECT MOUNTAIN Boys’ Soccer vs. Winnisquam; 4 Girls’ Soccer at Campbell; 4 Wednesday, Sept. 16 KENNETT Cross Country at Kingswood; 4 Volleyball vs. Laconia; 6 KINGSWOOD Cross Country Home Meet; 4 PROSPECT MOUNTAIN Cross Country at Kingswood; 4 Thursday, Sept. 17 KENNETT Boys’ Soccer at Bow; 4 Field Hockey vs. Milford; 4 Girls’ Soccer vs. Bow; 4 Golf at Nippo Lake; 3:30 KINGSWOOD Girls’ Soccer at Hollis-Brookline; 4 Volleyball at Merrimack Valley; 6 PROSPECT MOUNTAIN Golf at Derryfield; 1:30 Volleyball vs. St. Thomas; 6:15 All schedules are subject to change.
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Plenty of experience for Kingswood runners

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING
Sports Editor
WOLFEBORO — The Kingswood cross country team brings back plenty of experience to the course this year and also welcomes a host of newcomers to the squad in the new season. “Some of the kids worked hard this summer and others are getting a feel for longer runs and speed work,” said coach Amy Kiley. “The goal is to commit to practice, support each other and have fun.” For the boys’ team, Jonathan Bronson, Jacob Pinard and Zach Dubuc all return to the course and will be strong competitive runners while on the girls’ side, there is even more experience with Kelsie Davis, Kaylee Pellerin, Lauren Reitler, Sophia Nichols, Willow Swenson, Erolisa Agramonte Jose, Dreya Benton, Ellie Fuller and Emerson Ingham all returning to



the course with another year under their collective belt. Among newcomers, the boys’ team is happy to welcome back David Garner from injury along with newcomers Landon Blair, Lincoln Drake, Joseph Goyette, Oliver Maran, Lars Pelletier, Max Stevens and Garrett van Gelder. For

the girls, senior Lexi Baker is out for the team for the first time and is joined by fellow newcomers Katy Castro, Brielle Dow, Lilly Cantrall and Arianna Thomas. The Knights will be hosting their lone home meet of the season at Abenaki Ski Area on Wednesday, Sept. 16. Kiley encouraged the community to come out and cheer on the runners on the tough Abenaki course.

The Knights are also running at Newfound, Portsmouth Christian, Kennett, Plymouth, Hopkinton and Merrimack during the season. After kicking off the season at Newfound, the Knights will be at Portsmouth Christian on Saturday, Sept. 12. Sports Editor Joshua Spaulding can be reached at 279-4516, ext. 155 or josh@salmonpress.news.

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Alton	N/A (Lot 11)	N/A	\$1,390,000	Shawn and Cristina Kearns	Monty and Donaciana Rudd
Alton	N/A (Lot 65)	N/A	\$1,600,000	David A. Dietrich RET	Paul A. Degeronimo Trust
Barnstead	557 S. Main St.	N/A	\$1,100,000	Valerie A. and William R. Turner, Sr.	Nafziger Fiscal Trust and Marilyn M. Nafziger
Gilford	4 Gilford Glen Rd.	Single-Family Residence	\$905,000	Charles Louis II and Alyshia Marie Casella	Casey and Tara Crumb
Gilford	292 Liberty Hill Rd.	Single-Family Residence	\$1,311,133	H. & Pamela S. Kallmerten Trust and Daniel H. Kallmerten	Richard R. Boch, Jr. RET
Gilford	176 Sagamore Rd.	Single-Family Residence	\$590,000	Paula D. Lyons	Stephen J. and Irene M. Hoffman
Gilford	30 Skyline Dr.	Single-Family Residence	\$580,000	Elizabeth S. Martino IRT and Christopher J. Martino	Greenhaigh Fiscal Trust and Daniel A. Greenhaigh
Gilford	93 White Birch Dr.	Single-Family Residence	\$725,000	James & Mary Hulbert RET	Valerie Joan and Kory Brunell
Gilford	N/A (Lot 14)	N/A	\$800,000	Mary Dellaselva Trust	Addison Fiscal Trust and Steven Valchuis
Gilford	N/A (Lot 5)	N/A	\$645,000	Kurt A. and Mary Beth Clason	Shanlee Linlee
Gilmanton	119 Deer Dr.	Single-Family Residence	\$350,000	Margot L. and Richard A. Lucas	Trenton LeClair and Sarah Thompson
Gilmanton	Gilman Road	N/A	\$225,000	Braun Fiscal Trust and Carl L. Braun III	Dean Soucy
Gilmanton	Guinea Ridge Road	N/A	\$127,533	Nancy B. Rendall RET	Dale Robert and Kristen Lynne Sanders
New Durham	166 N. Shore Rd.	Single-Family Residence	\$747,000	Jeffrey P. and Erinn L. Gilmore	Christopher and Wendy Canney
New Durham	N/A	N/A	\$1,500,000	James S. and Darcy S. Sidwell	Leo Tammaro
New Durham	N/A	N/A	\$488,000	J Two Custom Homes LLC	Lisa and Nancy Horn

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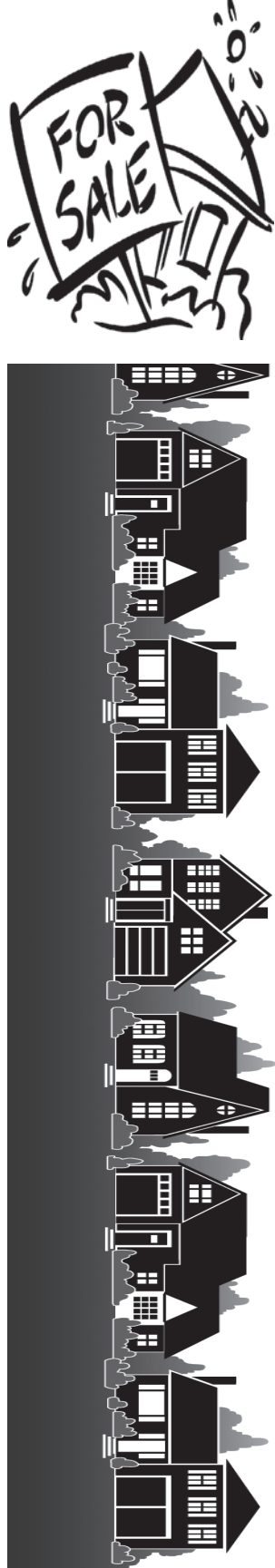
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Powerhouse offers another interactive fairytale adventure at Prescott Farm

LACONIA — Powerhouse Theatre Collaborative is back at Prescott Farm to bring a roving, interactive, story-telling experience to audience members of all ages. After the success of “Alices Adventure in Wonderland” and last year’s “Journey Through Neverland,” Powerhouse member and playwright, Tess Hodges, brings a fresh new take on the Big Bad Wolf in “Big Bad: The Trials and Tribulations of a Fairytale Wolf.”

In this adventure, the Wolf and Little Red Riding Hood will take audience members around the beautiful grounds of Prescott Farm as they attempt to find their way to Granny’s house. Along the way they will need to evade the Huntsman and get some help from some very eccentric fairytale pigs. Big Bad is sponsored by the Stonewood School.

A different Wolf/Little Red team will depart approximately every 20 minutes from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 12, and from 1 to



COURTESY PHOTO

Alice encounters the Cheshire Cat in a scene from “Alices Adventure in Wonderland,” one of Powerhouse’s previous interactive adventures at Prescott Farm.

4 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 13. There are five Wolf/Red combinations and two different casts of all the characters they meet along their journey, so if you are looking to see a particular actor make sure you sign up for a time slot they will be performing. Time slots are limited to 18 people each, so be sure to secure your space before they fill up! Tickets are only \$10 per person.

This adventure is part of Powerhouse’s 2026 Spark Series which provides entertainment opportunities around Laconia separate from its Colonial Series. The Spark Series is sponsored by the Laconia Daily Sun and Taylor Community. Powerhouse’s 2026 season is sponsored by Lavalley Middleton Building Supply, MVSB and Grappone Automotive Group.

Says Director Courtney Palmer, “It has been such a wonderful experience bringing these iconic fairytales to life over the past couple of years. They just continue to get better and better. This is such a unique way of storytelling, and our actors are amazing at performing all of these outrageous characters. I can’t wait for audiences to see this twist on the Big Bad Wolf story!”

This show is fun for people of all ages, but please be advised that you will be walking/standing around the

grounds of Prescott Farm for approximately 40-45 minutes, so this may be a challenge for those with certain mobility issues.

Check out powerhousenh.org for all the latest info on Powerhouse including ticket links for Big Bad as well as the schedule for which actors are performing in which time slots, or contact info@powerhousenh.org for more details. For more information on all the programs at Prescott Farm, go to www.prescottfarm.org.

Girls Inc. campers shift into gear with Lakes Region Community College

LACONIA — Girls Inc. is a national nonprofit with 75 affiliates across the United States and Canada, including one in New Hampshire. Through direct service and advocacy, Girls Inc. equips girls with the knowledge and skills to become leaders who change the world.

Girls Inc. of New Hampshire's Young Women in Leadership (YWL) program is an eight-week summer camp for rising seventh through ninth graders that builds confidence, leadership skills and career awareness through hands-on experiences with professionals across industries. The Lakes Region Community College (LRCC) automotive team proudly participated in the event again this year under the leadership of the state’s only female post-secondary automotive instructor, Kim Stevenson.

The program kicked off at LRCC, where campers rotated through hands-on stations covering vehicle safety and basic maintenance — changing a spare tire and identifying parts under the hood, completing a seatbelt relay challenge with the New Hampshire State Police and even crafting wiring-repair bracelets. It was a chance for girls to try new skills and see career possibilities in the automotive field firsthand.

At McGovern Toyota of Nashua, YWL campers stepped into leadership roles, helping facilitate activity stations for younger Girls Inc. participants. Campers put their newly learned automotive skills to the test and built on their confidence and communication skills while mentoring the next generation.

At McGovern Toyota of Concord, campers explored the sales side of the industry, participating in a mock sales meeting and

a simulated vehicle sale from start to finish. This introduced them to careers in sales, marketing, management, and customer relations.

The summer wrapped up with the annual Career Fair at Saint Anselm College, where campers connected with professionals, learned about career pathways and practiced mock

interviews.

From hands-on automotive experiences to mentoring and career exploration, this year’s YWL program helped girls dream bigger and lead with confidence. LRCC is proud to help girls discover their own potential — and develop the leadership skills they’ll need to reach their goals.

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Doors open at 6 p.m., the

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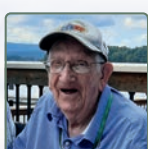
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