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New Winnisquam Career Center now recruiting for fall classes

Students from eight regional high schools are eligible to attend



TILTON - While construction on the \$10.9 million Winnisquam Career Center expansion continues, recruitment for the five new career pathway programs that will be offered this fall has already begun. Regional students and their parents can get more information, including a virtual tour of the updated career center, by checking out the center's new Web site at www. WiCC-Ed.org.

"We are excited to be offering regional high school students both a brand new facility and five new career and technical education programs designed to help them to explore different career choices and gain some on-the-job experience that will better prepared them for the choices they'll need to make after graduation," said Winnisquam Superintendent Dr. Shannon Bartlett.

The Winnisquam Career Center (The WiCC) has a 30 year tradition of connecting high school students to their career interests, passions and ambitions, and now has more than ever to offer high school students interested in a career-focused education that will give them a leg up on their postsecondary plans.

High school freshmen, sophomores and juniors

are encouraged to apply by the end of February in order to secure a seat in their first-choice program, but applications will be accepted up to the start of the new school year on a space-available basis.

New WiCC programs include:

Animal Care & Management

Cosmetology Design, Create & Fabricate (including machining and welding)

Outdoor Resources & Recreation

Plant Science & Agriculture

Students from Winnisquam Regional, Belmont, Franklin, Gilford, Inter-Lakes, Laconia, Merrimack Valley and Newfound Regional high schools, as well as home schooled, private school and public charter school students are eligible to attend. There is no cost to students for tuition or transportation.

Regional students and their families can get more information by:

Going to The WiCC website: www.WiCC-ED. org

Talking to their school counselor

Attending a WiCC informational presentation at their home school this January/February

this January/February Emailing questions

to: info@WiCC-ED.org Winnisquam Career Center

The Winnisquam Career Center (The WiCC) has been connecting students to their career passions and ambitions since first opening its doors as the Winnisquam Ag Center in 1972. An \$11 million renovation and expansion project completed in 2025 has modernized classroom, lab and shop spaces, and the five new targeted CTE programs being offered provide students with a career-focused education designed to prepare them for college, career and life success.

Franklin man arrested in connection to Fentanyl and Meth sales

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Bear girls storm past Hilltoppers

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING

Sports Edito

SOMERSWORTH — The Winnisquam girls' basketball team went on the road last Friday night and came home with a 50-29 win over Somersworth.

"Tonight was a good team win on the road with everyone contributing," said coach Mark Dawalga. "We really stayed connected on the defensive end, which led to our offense getting

some easy baskets."

Caidyn Carter led the way for the Bears with 24 points, six assists and four steals while Averill LaBranche chipped in with nine points and five rebounds. Sophia LaBranche pulled down 14 rebounds to go with her six points while Bella Soucy had six points and six rebounds.

"The kids have been really working hard on defense and we are starting to see some results," Dawalga said. "We still have lots to work on as the season winds down." The Bear coach praised the defensive work of Natalie Wolfe, Iris Viera, Abby Meunier and Kaylynn Reagan.

The Bears are slated to be at Stevens on Friday, Feb. 7, at 7 p.m. and will host Belmont on Tuesday, Feb. 11, at 7 p.m.

Sports Editor Joshua Spaulding can be reached at 279-4516, ext. 155 or josh@salmonpress.news. Franklin man is facing charges related to sales of suspected fentanyl and crack cocaine following a monthslong investigation by the New Hampshire State Police Narcotics Investigations Unit (NIU).

During the investigation, approximately 1,300 grams of suspected fentanyl, approximately 500 grams of suspected methamphetamine, two firearms and approximately \$5,000 of U.S. currency were seized.

On Thursday, Jan. 23, State Troopers arrested Michael Brownell, 39, of Franklin, on five counts of sale of controlled drugs in excess of 5 ounces, four counts of sale of controlled drugs

counts of possession of controlled drugs, transporting drugs in a motor vehicle and two counts of felon in possession of a dangerous weapon. Brownell was held at the Merrimack County Department of Corrections and arraigned in Laconia Circuit Court on Jan. 24. He remains held on preventative detention.

During the arrest of Brownell, Kaitlyn Blake (Woodbury), 32, of Belmont, was also taken into custody on outstanding electronic bench warrants out of the Plymouth Circuit Court and Laconia Circuit Court for motor vehicle related charges. Blake was booked and processed at the Franklin Police held at the Merrimack County Department of Corrections pending appearances in Plymouth Circuit Court and Laconia Circuit Court.

The New Hampshire State Police Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) team provided assistance during the investigation. This case is being prosecuted by the New Hampshire Attorney General's Office.

Anyone with information that may assist the investigation is asked to contact Lt. Shane W. Larkin of the Narcotics Investigations Unit at (603) 234-0707. Anonymous tips can be sent to nabdope@dos. nh.gov.

Bulldogs hang on for hard-fought win over Kearsarge-Plymouth

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING

Sports Editor

LACONIA — Things got a little chippy in the final period, but in the end, a scoreless third period led to a 2-1 win for the Belmont-Gilford hockey team over a scrappy Kearsarge-Plymouth squad at Merrill Fay Arena on Saturday afternoon.

Jaxson Embree and Alex Rowley had early chances for the Bulldogs that were turned aside by Kearsarge-Plymouth goalie Liam Duchesne. Shea Curley and Jake Moreau got in close for the Cats while Ben Girard made a good defensive stop for the Bulldogs on a Moreau run. Rowley got in close for another chance.

Ryder Francis and Trenton Judkins had shots turned aside by Bulldog goalie Carson McGreevy and Embree sent a shot off the post at the other end. Judkins made another run in that was turned back by Colton Byars and Evan Guerin had a centering pass for the hosts that missed sticks in front. Nathan Gerbig sent a shot wide for the Bulldogs and Duchesne made stops on bids from Sean Ellis and Max Ryder. SEE **BULLDOGS**, PAGE A8

JOSHUA SPAULDING

Kearsarge-Plymouth's Derek Swanson (15) and Nolan Johnson go after the puck with Belmont-Gilford's Aiden Stafford in action on Saturday.



LOCAL NEWS

Bank of New Hampshire installs historic style chime clock at Laconia headquarters



From left to right: A historic black-and-white photograph of the original O.B. McClintock chime clock, a blueprint of the new clock design and an image of the installation of the McClintockstyle timepiece at Bank of New Hampshire's Laconia headquarters.

LACONIA — Bank of New Hampshire is proud to announce the installation of a custom, McClintock-style chime clock at its new Laconia headquarters on Pleasant Street, a fitting tribute to the Bank's deep historic roots in the community.

The origins of the Bank date back to 1831, and it is believed that the original chime clock was installed at the 513 Main St. location around the year 1900. This original clock, built by the renowned O.B. McClintock Company of Minneapolis, became an iconic symbol of the Bank. While the original clock was tragically destroyed during the demolition of the Main Street building in 1969 under the Urban Renewal Program, its legacy continued throughout the years.

Last month, Bank of New Hampshire partnered with Electric Time Company, a respected clockmaker from Medfield, Massachusetts, to install a faithful reproduction of the McClintock chime clock. The new timepiece, affixed to the Pleasant Street side of its headquarters, features a logo panel, clock face and thermometer, all enhanced with modern technology, including GPS synchronization to ensure precision within one microsecond. This project, not only restored the tradition of a prominent timepiece in the heart of Laconia, but

it also serves as a visual reminder of the Bank's rich history and its lasting ties to the community it calls home.

"This clock is more than just a timekeeper—it is a piece of our past that connects our history with the present," said Chris Logan, President and CEO for Bank of New Hampshire. "As we enter our 194th year, we are proud to honor the legacy of our original clock and ensure that it remains a central part of the Laconia landscape for generations to come."

Electric Time Company, Inc. is a leading manufacturer of custom-designed tower and street clocks and control svstems. Founded in the late 1920s, Electric Time is renowned for its precision and reliability, blending classic design with innovative technology to create timeless pieces.

Bank of New Hampshire, founded in 1831, offers a wide range of financial services to families and businesses throughout New Hampshire and southern Maine. With 21 banking offices and assets exceeding \$2.5 billion, Bank of New Hampshire is the oldest and one of the largest independent banks in the state. For more information, visit BNH.Bank or call 1-800-832-0912.

Playwright John Cariani comes to New Hampshire with new play

LACONIA — One of the most produced playwrights in the world will be in Laconia for an exciting weekend of events Feb. 14-16. John Cariani, Tony Award nominee and writer of the hit play "Almost, Maine," will be working with Powerhouse Theatre Collaborative, the resident theatre company of the Colonial Theatre, to celebrate his body of work.

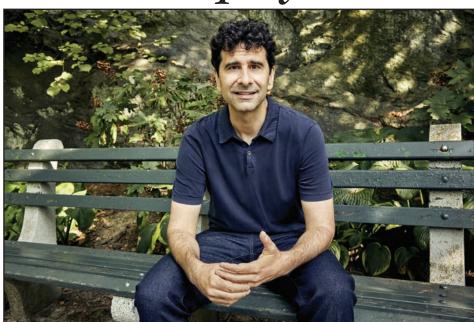
Powerhouse will be producing a full scale production of Cariani's "LOVE/SICK," and partnering with the Plym-

Set to have its world premiere this spring in Maine, Cariani's play "Darker the Night, Brighter the Stars" will be performed by PSU students at 2 p.m. on Feb. 15 at the Colonial. Cariani will be in attendance to watch the reading and participate in a talkback where audiences will have a chance to ask questions and give feedback on this work in progress. This feedback will help Cariani put the finishing touches on the script for its premiere.

Cariani's new play written especially for high schools and college theatres to perform. "Almost, Maine" became a big international hit when high schools and colleges began to produce it, but the characters in those plays were one public performance.

all in the late 20's to early 30's age range. This new collection of short plays has characters mostly in the 18-early 20's range and tackle many issues facing this age group today. It is sure to become a future staple of educational and youth theatre companies and this reading will be the first chance for New Hampshire theatre-goers to see the material brought to life.

"LOVE/SICK" is an "unromantic comedy for the romantic in all of us" and is a perfect comedy to see over Valentine's Day weekend. It will be performed Friday, Feb. 14 and Saturday, Feb. 15 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, Feb. 16 at 2 p.m. "Darker the Night, Brighter the Stars" will only have



John Cariani

outh State University theatre department on a staged reading of his newest play. Cariani will also be giving a playwriting workshop to participants in Powerhouse's winter playwriting class.

Endicott College announces local Dean's List students

\BEVERLY, Mass. — Endicott College, the first college in the U.S. to require internships of its students, is pleased to announce its Fall 2024 Dean's List students. In order to qualify for the Dean's List, a student must obtain a minimum grade point average of 3.5, receive no letter grade below "C," have no withdrawal grades, and be enrolled in a minimum of 12 credits for the semester.

Mackenzie Philippy, daughter of Chris Philippy of Northfield, an Interior Architecture major, has met these requirements.

Endicott College offers doctorate, master's, bachelor's, and associate degree programs at its campus on the scenic coast of Beverly, Mass., with additional sites online and at U.S. and international locations. Endicott remains true to its founding principle of integrating professional and liberal arts education with internship opportunities across disciplines. Through the Endicott Experiential Edge, students gain unparalleled hands-on learning experiences that prepare them for career success and lifelong personal growth. For more, visit endicott. edu.



Tickets for "LOVE/ SICK" are \$18-\$24 and all tickets for DNBS are \$10. Check out https://www. powerhousenh.org/ showstickets for all the details and to purchase tickets. Do not use third party ticket sellers who inflate the price.

Powerhouse's Producer Bryan Halperin says, "We are so excited to welcome John to our community for the weekend and to have a chance to participate in the developmental process of this new and exciting work. We hope the community will join us in coming out to the theatre and giving John a warm New Hampshire welcome."

For all the details on

Powerhouse Theatre Collaborative, auditions, and other events in the 2025 season check out powerhousenh.org or email info@powerhousenh.org. There are still opportunities available for businesses to sponsor events in the 2025 season.

Summer camp scholarships available

GILFORD — WinnAero, the STEM education for youth non-profit, is pleased to announce receipt of a unique grant.

A generous donor company, Watson-Marlow Fluid Technologies of Wilmington, Mass.) has awarded WinnAeseveral thousand ro dollars for the express purpose of attracting more young students, especially young women, to study STEM applications in aviation and aerospace. WinnAero's plan to implement the grant requirements is to offer from partial up to full tuition scholarships for girls Middle and High School aged to attend their one week summer day camps called ACE Academies.

The camps will run in the second and third weeks of July and are



COURTESY Midshipman Soleil Lamar, a proud ACE Academy graduate and now enrolled at the US Naval Academy as an Engineering student. Midshipman Lamar is from the US Commonwealth Territory of the Northern Mariana Islands in the Pacific and found WinnAero's ACE Academies while researching STEM summer camps a few years ago.

held at the Laconia Airport under the sponsorship of the Laconia Airport Authority and the FAA. A full schedule of activities and the themes for the individual sessions are available at the Web site, www. winnaero.org, along with contact information for more details.

WinnAero Education Director, Dan Caron, said "This generous grant enables us to offer a unique STEM-learning experience to young women similar to what we did for Midshipman Lamar a few years ago. We are deeply grateful Watson-Marlow's for corporate vision to increase the number of women pursuing STEM-related aviation and aerospace careers."

He added that the individual amounts awarded will depend upon how many young women apply so interested girls should download an application soon.

Powerbouse wins best musical at 2025 NH Theatre Awards

LACONIA — More 40 Powerhouse than Theatre Collaborative members were on hand in Concord on Saturday night to attend the New Hampshire Theatre Awards, presented by the New Hampshire Theatre Alliance. Each year, this organization oversees an adjudication process that sends volunteer adjudicators all over the state all year long to attend theatre productions of participating companies resulting in the equivalent of the NH Tony Awards.

Powerhouse went into the evening with 23 semi-finalists in all community division categories from the two productions it entered into the competition this year, "Tuck Everlasting" and "Fiddler on the Roof." Its production of "Tuck Everlasting" came away with the night's top prize - Outstanding Production of a Musical in the community division. "Tuck" was also recognized with Outstanding Performance by a Leading Actor (Maci Johnson as Winnie Foster) and Outstanding Direction (Bryan Halperin). Other finalists from "Tuck" included Samantha Tutasi's Set Design, Tyler Soucy's Sound Design, and Caity Hicks' performance as Mae Tuck.

"Fiddler on the Roof" was one of the two runners up to "Tuck" for Outstanding Production. Other finalists included Melissa Shakun's set design, Joel Iwaskiewicz's performance as Tevye, Emma Molloy's performance as Chava, and Olivia Martinson's performance as Tzeitel.

Another Power Player, Phoebe VanScoy-Giessler, was recognized for outstanding performance in a community play for her role in WIT for the Village Players. She plays Mrs. Dilber in Powerhouse's annual "A Christmas Carol" production.

Says Powerhouse Producer Bryan Halperin, "While of course it is lovely to be recognized by our peers around the state, the main prize is getting our theatre family together throughout the year to share stories with our Lakes Region community. The Colonial Theatre is a Lakes Region gem, and we are so lucky to do our part to support it by creating high quality productions on its beautiful stage!"

Powerhouse's 2025 season gets underway the weekend of February 14-16 with two events at the Colonial Theatre. John Cariani, Tony Award nominee and writer of the hit play "Almost, Maine" will be on hand to see a full scale production of his play "LOVE/ SICK," and a staged reading of his newest play.

For all the details on Powerhouse Theatre Col-



Director Bryan Halperin, Maci Johnson, and Assistant Director/Choreographer Meg King show off their NH Theatre Awards.

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erhousenh.org or email n info@powerhousenh.org. n There are still opportu- ir

nities available for businesses to sponsor events in the 2025 season.

Two opportunities to dive into the world of watercolor on canvas!

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tinctive medium, this class offers an inspiring and accessible experience for all skill levels.

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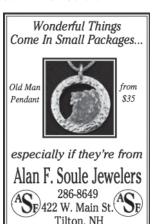
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Details:

Feb. 19, 6-8 p.m., Evening Location: Lakes Region Artist Association, 120 Laconia Rd, Tanger Outlets Suite 300, Tilton, NH https://www. mcquadefinearts.com/ art-classes

Feb. 26, 1-3 p.m., Afternoon Location: 25 Beacon St. East, Laconia, NH 03246 https://www. belknapmill.org/classes Price: \$50, payable in

advance Time: Two hours of thing beautiful, learn new skills, and maybe even discover a new hobby or passion. Sign up today and let's paint the town with color!



BELMONT POLICE LOG

BELMONT — The Belmont Police Department reported the following arrests during the week of Jan. 20-27.

Jessica Lynn Marie Suitter, age 50, of Belmont was arrested on Jan. 20 for Criminal Trespassing.

Ashley Goyette, age 33, of Laconia was arrested on Jan. 22 for Theft by Willful Concealment.

Claudia Silva, age 47, of Woburn, Mass. was arrested on Jan. 23 for Operating a Motor Vehicle Without a Valid License. Amy E. Wentworth, age 50, of Gilmanton was arrested on Jan. 24 in connection with a warrant.

Logan Michael Posey, age 21, of Alton Bay was arrested on Jan. 27 in connection with multiple bench warrants.



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It is the sole prerogative of the Editor to determine whether a submission satisfies our requirements and decency standards, and any submission may be rejected at any time for any reason he or she might deem appropriate.

Slow down technology is stealing your time

We live in a time where technology promises to make life easier, yet somehow, we have less time than ever. Every advancement, faster Internet, instant messaging, smart devices, claims to free up space in our schedules, but instead, we're drowning in notifications, endless emails, and a to-do list that never seems to go away. Life has become a constant cycle of "work, work, work," and the simplicity many of us grew up with feels like a distant memory.

Think about it: technology was supposed to cut down on the time we spend working. Instead of making things easier, it has made us always available, always connected, always doing something. The lines between work and personal time are blurred, and instead of freeing us up to enjoy life, our devices keep us tethered to obligations. We're answering emails at dinner, checking texts before bed, and scrolling through social media when we could be outside, catching up with friends, or just doing nothing for a change.

Somehow, we've been tricked into believing that productivity equals worth, that every spare moment should be filled with checking off tasks. Half the time we spend responding to "urgent" messages, organizing digital clutter, or trying to keep up with the latest trends is time wasted. The hours we lose staring at screens, overthinking schedules, and squeezing in one more thing could be spent actually living.

COURTESY

Members and friends of the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Franklin were busy again decorating their "Warming Tree" with handmade and purchased items to keep others warm this winter. Twenty-five hats, 22 pairs of socks, 17 pairs of mittens and gloves, 12 scarves, and one winter coat were collected and will be given to the Twin Rivers Food Pantry for distribution to those in need. The Twin Rivers Food Pantry is currently located at the Franklin Baptist Church, 21 Church St. (entrance is off of School Street). Their hours are Tuesdays 9-11 a.m., Wednesdays 5 to 7 p.m. and Thursdays 9 to 11 a.m. For more information call 603-934-2662. Pictured are Theo Chapple and Pat Sleeper, UUCF members.



Control yourself

Life doesn't always give us the outcomes we hope for. In those moments, it's easy to let your emotions take control. But as history shows us, cooler heads prevail. Let these stories remind you of

the power of keeping your composure, even in the most trying times.

Alexander Hamilton was a brilliant statesman and one of America's Founding Fathers, but he had a knack for making enemies. His sharp tongue and political writings made him no stranger to conflict, and one of his fiercest foes was Aaron Burr. When Hamilton's private remarks about Burr being "despicable" were published, Burr demanded satisfaction through a duel. Instead of defusing the situation, Hamilton, bound by honor and societal expectations, reluctantly agreed to face Burr on the dueling grounds. The duel, which took place in 1804, ended with Hamilton fatally shot. Burr, though victorious in the duel, saw his political career spiral into ruin due to public outrage. Hamilton's decision to defend his honor cost him everything, while Burr's inability to let go of his anger ensured his own downfall. Sometimes, swallowing your pride is better than risking everything to defend it.

"When anger POSITIVELY rises, think of the SPEAKING consequences," wrote Confucius.

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But pride isn't MOORE the only emotion that can cloud judgment-despair can be just as destructive.

Cleopatra, Queen of Egypt, was known for her intelligence and cunning, but her love for Mark Antony led her to make a devastating mistake.

After Antony's forces were defeated at the Battle of Actium, he received false news that Cleopatra had died. Overcome with despair, Antony took his own life. Cleopatra, stricken with grief and unwilling to be paraded as a trophy in Rome, ended her life soon after.

alry, was known for his boldness but also for his tendency to overestimate his abilities.

In 1876, tasked with confronting a coalition of Sioux and Cheyenne warriors led by Sitting Bull, Custer dismissed advice to exercise caution. Underestimating the size and coordination of the Native forces, he divided his already small command and advanced with only 200 men. Outnumbered nearly 10 to 1, Custer and his men were overwhelmed at the Battle of the Little Bighorn, known as "Custer's Last Stand."

turned to Jane Seymour, and Anne's enemies at court seized the opportunity to act against her.

Charged with adultery, treason, and even witchcraft, Anne was arrested and executed in 1536.

Historians agree the charges were fabricated, but her sharp tongue and ambition made her an easy target in a court where enemies were always watching.

Her story shows that unchecked emotions, no matter how justified, can erode even the stron-

Remember when life was simpler? When fun wasn't something we had to "schedule," but something that just happened? As kids, we didn't check emails or try to multitask joy. We just had fun riding bikes, playing outside, having actual conversations without checking our phones every five minutes.

It's time to reclaim some of that simplicity. Give yourself permission to step away. Carve out time not just to cross things off your to-do list, but to breathe, to laugh, to enjoy. Be deliberate about setting boundaries with work and technology. Put the phone down. Close the laptop. Go outside. Call a friend instead of sending a text. Spend an afternoon doing something just because it makes you happy.

Life isn't just about being productive. It's about being present. The world won't fall apart if you take a break. And when you do, you might just realize how much time you've been wasting trying to keep up with a pace that was never meant to be sustainable in the first place.



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Her death marked the end of Egypt's independence, as the kingdom was annexed by Rome under Octavian.

While Cleopatra's love and despair were deeply human, her fate also underscores the political stakes of her choices. Despair, unchecked, can lead even the most powerful to their knees.

"Do not let your emotions overpower your intelligence," wrote Marcus Aurelius.

Confidence is a valuable trait, but unchecked arrogance can lead to ruin.

General George Armstrong Custer, who famously led the 7th Cav-

Had Custer listened to his subordinates and taken the time to assess the situation, the outcome might have been different. His arrogance turned a preventable defeat into a tragic cautionary tale of hubris.

He reportedly said, "There are not enough Indians in the world to defeat the Seventh Cavalry"—a chilling testament to his overconfidence.

Anne Boleyn, King Henry VIII's second wife, was known for her intelligence and charm, but her fiery nature often made her enemies.

After rising to power and captivating Henry, Anne's outspoken nature and unwillingness to defer to him created tension in their marriage. When she failed to produce a male heir, Henry's affections

gest positions. Tempered words and actions often yield far greater power than fiery outbursts.

"If you can't control your temper, how can you hope to control your fate?" – Anonymous

Each of these stories—from Hamilton's Cleopatra's pride to despair, Custer's arrogance, and Anne Bolevn's fiery temper-reminds us that emotions can be powerful, but unchecked, they're destructive.

Losing your cool doesn't just impact the moment-it can change the course of your life.

Cooler heads prevail because they see the bigger picture, weigh the consequences, and act with clarity instead of impulse.

Staying in control isn't about suppressing emotions-it's about mastering them.

Is your estate plan current and properly funded?

BY ATTORNEY ORA SCHWARTZ-BERG

Plymouth

Life can change rapidly, sometimes without your noticing. Your Will, Trust or "No Plan" might have been perfect back then, but laws, people and relationships can evolve, in ways that matter.

People die and people are born. Laws change frequently.

Another thing to take into consideration is how your assets have grown or changed in form. Some of these events could cause you to want to make changes to your estate plan, whether it be, "ever so small" or major reconstructions.

Most estate plans include the following primary documents: Revocable Living Trust, Pourover Will, Financial Power of Attorney, Health Care Directives and HIPAA authorizations.

It is important that all your real estate, bank and investment accounts, are either owned by your Trust or name your Trust as a beneficiary. Retirement Accounts cannot be owned by your Trust but they can name your Trust as the beneficiary.

Once all these primary documents have been



signed by you, it is your responsibility to make sure your Trust is properly funded, and that it continues to be properly funded, for the rest of your life.

The purpose of having a properly funded trust is to avoid the expense and inconvenience for your heirs to have to probate your estate.

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theatre Kapow returns to Winnipesaukee Playhouse

MEREDITH — The award-winning NHbased theatre KAPOW (tKAPOW) continues its 17th season with Duncan Macmillan's profoundly beautiful and surprisingly immersive theatrical experience "Every Brilliant Thing," which will be in residence at the Winnipesaukee Playhouse in Meredith from Feb. 21-23.

'Every Brilliant Thing' is more than a play; it's a community event," says the play's director, Emma Cahoon.

While the play is performed by one actor who has learned the lines written in the script, the audience participates in the storytelling in a way that makes each performance unique from the one before it or the one after it.

"Macmillian is brilliant for writing it this way," Cahoon says. "The play and the story it tells cannot be done with only one person, and I think this is a great metaphor for what he's trying to



Carey Cahoon and Peter Josephson will take turns performing in theatre Kapow's production of "Every Brilliant Thing" at the Winnipesaukee Playhouse.

say about how and why we wake up every day and continue telling the story that is life."

In an often isolating and lonely world, the play's format with direct

emphasizes shared vulnerability and collective healing. This dovetails perfectly with tKAPOW's theme-conseason versation. Macmillan brilliantly breaks down barriers between peraudience participation former and audience

member reminding both of the power of community. The play's central idea is a list of 'brilliant things' that make life worth living, started by a child as a gift for their mother struggling with depression. By focus-

ing on small, everyday joys, the play offers a reminder that even in difficult times, there are reasons to hope and appreciate life. Time Out London called the play "gloriously funny and exceptionally warm."

Two actors will take turns performing this solo show. tKAPOW veterans Peter Josephson and Carey Cahoon will engage with audience members as the storyteller. Josephson will perform on February 22nd and Cahoon on February 21st and 23rd. The show is directed by Emma Cahoon and Intimacy Direction is provided by Kyrie Ellison-Keller, and the show is stage-managed by tKAPOW newcomer Kate Dugas. Frequent tKAPOW collaborator Barbara Holbrook is the costume designer.

Performances of "Every Brilliant Thing" are Feb. 21 and 22 at 7:30 p.m. and Feb. 23 at 2 p.m. at the Winnipesaukee Playhouse. tKAPOW's series sponsor is Saint Mary's Bank and the Winnipesaukee Playhouse's 2025 season sponsor is Northeast Mill Services. Tickets are available at www.winnipesaukeeplayhouse.org.

St. Joseph Church to become columbarium, chapel

ocese of Manchester, the Roman Catholic Church in New Hampshire, will

LACONIA — The Di- move forward with a plan to repair and renovate St. Joseph Church in Laconia for use as a

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columbarium, a structure for the reposition of funeral urns within niches, and a chapel.

Diocese, which The owns the St. Jonow seph Church building, is working closely with the St. Joseph Church Preservation Society and the Pastoral and Finance Councils of St. André Bessette Parish to ensure its preservation. The cost of building repairs is estimated at \$2 million, which the St. Joseph Church Preservation Society has committed to raise. St. André Bessette Parish and the Diocese of Manchester have agreed to assist, according to their capacities. Currently, the St. Joseph Church Preser-

vation Society has raised \$450,000. As a result, the Diocese has rescinded the demolition application with the City of Laconia.

The Diocese will cover the additional estimated \$650,000 to \$750,000 in costs to convert the church building into a combined columbarium and chapel. It has already assumed responsibility for its operating costs.

sworth, currently feature columbaria.

"St. Joseph Church has been an important part of the lives of the faithful in Laconia for generations, and this new use as a columbarium and chapel will continue to serve them for generations to come as a monument to our Catholic belief in the resurrection of the dead and

Normandin, President and Secretary, St. Joseph Church Preservation Society. "Our gratitude extends to all who are supporting this effort with their generous donations and dedicated prayers."

Donations to the restoration project may be mailed to the St. Joseph Church Preservation Society, PO Box 145, Laconia, NH 03247 or through its website, restorestjoes.org.

cutting for Winnipesaukee **Self Storage LLC**

GILFORD — The Lakes Region Chamber is excited to invite the community to a special Ribbon Cutting Ceremony celebrating the grand opening of Winnipesaukee Self Storage LLC's brand-new facility, located at 1477 Lake Shore Rd., Gilford, NH 03249. This exciting event will take place on Friday, Feb. 7 from 8:30-10:30 a.m., and admission is free for all attendees.

The event will feature an official ribbon-cutting moment, opportunities to explore the state-of-the-art self-storage facility, and the chance to connect with N local business professionals and community members. Guests will also enjoy light refreshments as they learn more about the services offered by Winnipesaukee Self Storage and how the facility supports the growing needs of the Lakes Region.

"The Lakes Region Chamber is proud to welcome Winnipesaukee Self Storage LLC as a valuable addition to our business community," said Karmen Gifford, President of the Lakes Region Chamber. "This event is a fantastic opportunity to celebrate local business growth, network with community members, and explore a facility that offers essential services to our region."

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Once the project is complete, hours of visitation will be offered for the columbarium. Catholic cemeteries in the Diocese of Manchester, including the Mount Calvary Cemeteries in Manchester and Somer-

as a place of prayer and reverence for loved ones who have died," said the Most Rev. Peter A. Libasci, D.D., Bishop of Manchester.

"We are pleased that St. Joseph Church will be restored and renovated for ongoing use by the community," said Linda

For more information about the Diocese of Manchester, visit www. catholicnh.org. St. André Bessette Parish is online at www.standrebessette.org.

Local student earns Dean's List recognition at Norwich University

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Belmont boys rally past Newfound HIGH SCHOOL



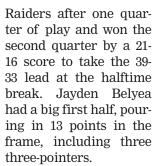
Treshawn Ray rises toward the basket during his team's win over Gilford last week. BY JOSHUA SPAULDING

Sports Editor

BELMONT — The Newfound boys' basketball team visited Belmont on Thursday, Jan. 30. and the Raiders needed a strong second half in order to come away with a win on a night when they played in honor of former Belmont student Jake Deware and raised funds for the Jake Deware Kindness Project.

Newfound took an 18-17 lead over the host

right candidate.



It was the Raiders who controlled the second half, outscoring the Bears 15-7 in the third quarter to take a 48-46 lead heading to the fourth quarter and they



Anakin Underhill looks to pass the ball during a win over Gilford last week.

outscored the Bears 16-9 in the final eight minutes for the 64-55 win. Wyatt Carroll drained a pair of huge three-pointers in the fourth quarter to help the Raiders close out the win.

Keegan Martinez led the way for the Raiders with 24 points on the evening, Anakin Underhill finished with 14 points and Treshawn Ray finished with 10 points. Belyea finished with 20 points to lead Newfound while Landon Sargent had 12 points and Calvin Colby finished with 11

points.

Belmont is scheduled to be in action again on Friday, Feb. 7, at Raymond at 6:30 p.m. and will be hosting Winnisquam at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 11.

Newfound is scheduled to be at Prospect Mountain on Friday, Feb. 7, at 6 p.m. and will be hosting Gilford at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 11.

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Friday, Feb. 7

BELMONT Alpine Skiing vs. Gunstock; 10 Boys' Hoops at Raymond; 6:30 Girls' Hoops vs. Raymond; 5 GILFORD Alpine Skiing at Gunstock; 10 Boys' Hoops at Conant; 6 Girls' Hoops vs. Conant; 6:30 WINNISQUAM Boys' Hoops vs. Stevens; 7 Girls' Hoops at Stevens; 7

Saturday, Feb. 8 GILFORD Nordic Skiing at Kennett; 10 WINNISQUAM Boys' Hockey vs. Kearsarge-Plymouth; 12 Wrestling at Exeter; 10

Sunday, Feb. 9 BELMONT Indoor Track at Plymouth State; 10 GILFORD Indoor Track at Plymouth State; 10 WINNISQUAM Indoor Track at Plymouth State; 10

Monday, Feb. 10

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Alpine Skiing at Gunstock (Girls' State Meet); 10 GILFORD

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Alpine Skiing at Gunstock (Boys' State Meet); 10 Boys' Hoops vs. WInnisquam; 6 Girls' Hoops at Winnisquam; 7 GILFORD Alpine Skiing at Gunstock (Boys' State Meet); 10 Boys' Hoops at Newfound; 6 Girls' Hoops vs. Newfound; 6 WINNISQUAM Boys' Hoops at Belmont; 6 Girls' Hoops vs. Belmont; 7 Wednesday, Feb. 12

BELMONT-GILFORD Hockey at John Stark-Hopkinton; 8 GILFORD Nordic Skiing at Hanover; 3 WINNISQUAM Boys' Hockey vs. Kennett; 5 Wrestling at Franklin; 6

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Bears can't close the gap, fall to Cougars

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING Sports Editor

TILTON — The Winnisquam boys' basketball team made a couple of good runs on Tuesday, Jan. 28, against Derryfield, but the Cougars finished strong and walked off the court with a 50-43 win.

Derryfield got the first two baskets of the game before Ethan Poole got the Bears on the board. After another Derryfield bucket, Isaac Singleton hit a hoop for the Bears. The visitors added another bucket before Travis Tibbetts got the final basket of the first quarter for Winnisquam. The Cougars added a late basket and took the 10-6 lead after one quarter.

The Cougars got the first basket of the second quarter and added two more free throws for the 14-6 lead before Singleton and Dio Kastigiannis connected on buckets and Singleton hit two free throws to cut the lead to 14-12. Derryfield then went on a 9-0 run to open the lead to 23-12.

Winnisquam closed out the quarter with a three from Tibbetts and a hoop from Carter Lloyd



Isaac Singleton rises toward the basket during action against Derryfield last week.

sandwiched around a Derryfield hoop and the Cougar lead was 25-17 heading to the halftime break.

Kastigiannis and Jacob Twombly hit baskets to start the third quarter for the Bears and after another Derryfield hoop,

Twombly connected for another basket to cut the lead to 27-23. However, the Cougars ran off a 12-0 run to open the lead back up to 39-23.

Singleton hit a hoop and Tibbetts drained another three-pointer to get the Bears back on



Jacob Twombly lays the ball up and into the net during action last week against Derryfield.

the board, however, Derrvfield closed out the third quarter with three consecutive baskets and they took the 45-28 lead heading to the final eight minutes.

Kastigiannis hit a pair of baskets to start the fourth quarter and

after another Derryfield basket, Lloyd hit a hoop. The Cougars hit another hoop before Twombly got a free throw and a bucket and Singleton finished off a steal to cut the lead to 10 with two minutes to go.

Lloyd finished off

his own steal with 38 seconds to go to cut the lead to eight and then Twombly added a basket with 10 seconds to go to cut the lead to six. However, the Cougars got a free throw to seal the 50-43 win.

finished Singleton with 10 points to lead the way for the Bears.

Winnisquam is slated to be in action again on Friday, Feb. 7, at 7 p.m. at home against Stevens and will be at Belmont for a 6 p.m. game on Tuesday, Feb. 11.

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Winnisquam 43

Kastigiannis 4-0-8, Twombly 4-1-9, Poole 1-0-2, Singleton 4-2-10, Tibbetts 3-0-8, Lloyd 3-0-6, Totals 19-3-43

Derryfield 50

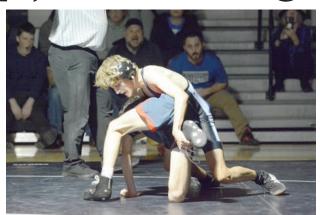
Jake 4-0-8, Keith, 3-1-7, Blake 2-0-6, Nate 4-2-10, Liam 2-0-4, Sam 6-3-15, Totals 21-6-50

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Bears come up just short against Plymouth



Carl Edwardson works for a pin during action against Plymouth last Thursday.



Gaige Buskey-Reed picked up a win for Winnisquam in last Thursday's match in Plymouth.

clinching the match. Winnisquam's Gaige Buskey-Reed finished out the match with a pin of Plymouth's Casey Pietroniro for the 38-33 final score.

Earlier in the night, the Bobcats cruised to a 68-12 win over Mascenic. with wins from Payne (106), Ciotti (157), Wenhart (165) and Osseiran (215). The rest of the wins were forfeit wins at 279-4516, ext. 155 or for the Bobcats. Plymouth is scheduled to be in action on Saturday, Feb. 8, hosting

the Plymouth Invitational and will be at Bow on Wednesday, Feb. 12, at 6 p.m.

Winnisquam is slated to be at the Exeter Quad on Saturday, Feb. 8, at 10 a.m. and will be hosting ConVal and Franklin on Wednesday, Feb. 12, at 6 p.m.

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BY JOSHUA SPAULDING

Sports Editor

PLYMOUTH — In what is surely going to go down as the best Division III match of the regular season, the host wrestling Plymouth team was able to edge visiting Winnisquam on Thursday, Jan. 30 by a 38-33 score.

Both teams had wrestlers in every weight class, meaning there were no forfeits and the match came down to the final two matches before a winner was decided.

The meet started at 120 pounds, where Plymouth's Robbie Phipps edged Ryan Cormier

of Winnisquam by a 10-5 score but the Bears evened the score at 126 pounds, where Carl Edwardson beat Gabe Sargent by a 6-1 score.

At 132 pounds, Winnisquam's Dylan Griffin got a 4-1 win over Plymouth's Kody Sawyer and the Bears upped the lead to 12-3 when Aemon Gauthier pinned Plymouth's Sebastian Sargent at 138 pounds. A pin by Winnisquam's Jameson Dunn of Plymouth's Aiden Patridge at 144 pounds gave the Bears a 15-3 lead.

Plymouth began its comeback at 150 pounds, where Jaxon Rineer came out with a major decision win over Lazar Arbutina and then in one of the best bouts the night, Plymof outh's Dom Ciotti came through with a pin late in the match to beat Winnisquam's Noah Bassett at 157 pounds, cutting the Winnisquam lead to just one at 15-14.

Plymouth's Grant Wenhart got a pin of Winnisquam's Victor Pham at 165 pounds to give the Bobcats the 20-15 lead only to see David Jean of the Bears get his team the lead back with a pin of Nolan Galvin at

175 pounds.

Plymouth's Emmit Nossaman got a pin of Andrew Field of Winnisquam at 190 pounds in just 18 seconds to give the Bobcats a 26-21 lead. Hussein Osseiran upped the lead to 32-21 with a pin of Sam Weisman at 215 pounds before Winnisquam's Louis Soyk got a pin of Drake Tautenhan at 285 pounds to cut the lead to 32-27 with just two weight classes left.

At 106 pounds, Plymouth's Jayden Payne came up with a pin of Kane St. Hilaire of Winnisquam to give the Bobcats the 38-27 lead,

Casinova and his Ladies

Rozzie May Animal Alliance is offering one free microchip at each cat and dog clinic during February in honor of World Spay Day. Too many homeleu animals... let's fix it! Facebook or rozziemay.org

PSU women's lacrosse clinics set for March 16 PLYMOUTH — The Plymouth State

University women's lacrosse program will host its annual Play Like a Panther spring clinic on March 16, head coach Becky Dale announced last Wednesday.

The program is designed for players in grades 9-12 and will take place from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Sunday, March 16. On-site registration and check-in will begin at 9:30 a.m.

Designed for players to freshen up their skills in advance of their school seasons, attendees will work closely with the back-to-back Little East Conference (LEC) champions and coach-

ing staff.

The clinic rate is \$50 per player. Athletes should bring lacrosse protective equipment including goggles, mouth guards, sticks, goalie equipment (if necessary), a water bottle, sneakers, and cleats. The clinic will include time in the Bank of New Hampshire Field House and on Panther Field, the team's game turf field.

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



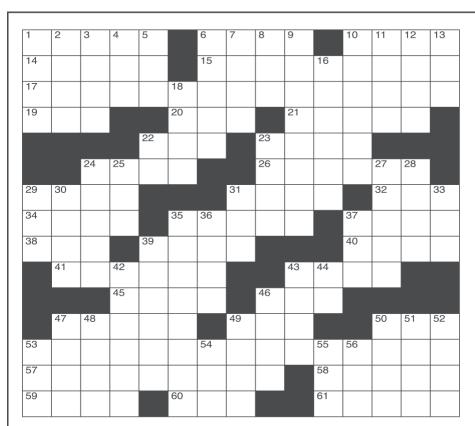
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- 20. Indefinite period of time
- 21. Excites
- 22. Males
- 23. Mongol leader Genghis
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- 6. King of Thebes
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- 8. Indicates near
- 9. More herbaceous
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- 11. Dishonest individual
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- 31. Frozen water
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- 42. Book parts
- 43. Republic of Ireland
- 44. Partner to "Pa"
- 46. Sammy ___, songwriter
- 47. Dutch colonist
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- 50. Minute arachnid
- 51. From a distance

BULLDOGS

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With 5:44 to go in the first period, Embree got open in the slot and fired the puck into the net on assists from Rowley and Ryder for the 1-0 lead. Ellis had a bid handled by the defense of Gunnar Benedict before the Cats went on the power play with 5:13 to go. Moreau sent a shot wide of the net and Guerin had a shorthanded bid denied by Duchesne.

Curley sent a shot wide of the net and then had another blocked before the Cats got a penalty and evened things up at four-on-four for 40 seconds. Byars had a shot denied by Dufresne before the Bulldogs went on the power play for 1:20. Guerin had a centering pass in front and then Magnus Nordhausen and William Spanos had good clears. Nolan Johnson made a good defensive stop on Guerin and the penalty was killed off as the first period ended with the Bulldogs up 1-0.

Corrigan Fleury sent a shot wide for the Cats to start the second and Guerin, Embree, Aiden Stafford, Rowley and Gerbig all had shots denied by Duchesne in the K-P net.

With 11:48 to go in the second period, the Cats were able to tie the game at one, as Francis found the back of the net on assists from Curley and Moreau. Embree came back with a chance that was denied by Dufresne and had another chance go through the crease. Johnson had a nice defensive stop on an Embree bid and Duchesne stopped another Embree bid.

Belmont-Gilford went on the power play with 6:48 to go and Byars had a bid denied by Duchesne. Benedict had a good clear for the Cats and when the Bulldogs took a penalty with 6:11 to go, the teams skated four-on-four.

In that stretch, the Bulldogs were able to take the 2-1 lead as Embree fired a shot from the top of the circle, with assists going to Guerin and McGreevy. The Cats went on the power play a few moments later but the Bulldogs killed it off. Embree had a bid denied by Duchesne and Jaxen Lien made a nice defensive play on a chance from Francis, who also had a shot stopped by McGreevy. Ryder had a couple of late chances in the second period and Kearsarge-Plymouth went on the power play with 43 seconds to go. The period ended with the Cats on the power play with 1:26 left when the third period began.

Benedict had a chance denied by McGreevy to start the third period but the Bulldogs were able to kill off the power play. Judkins had a chance denied by McGreevy and Gerbig made a nice defensive stop on a Nordhausen bid. Moreau had a couple of chances for the Cats but could not find the back of the net. Ethan Ellingson had a shot go wide for the Bulldogs and Isaac Son had a bid go wide at the other end. Landon Custance fired a shot on net that McGreevy stopped and Guerin made a run that was stopped by Johnson. Embree had a bid denied by Duchesne and Tyler Mull sent a shot wide for Belmont-Gilford.

Kearsarge-Plymouth went on the power play with 5:27 to go in the game and Embree had a shorthanded chance stopped while Francis had a chance the other way. Another Belmont-Gilford penalty with 3:31 gave the Cats a short two-player advantage, with one quickly killed off and an Ellis clear did a job helping to keep the Bulldogs ahead.

A Cat penalty with 3:01 to go made it fouron-four for 1:31 and Nordhausen had a shot denied by McGreevy before the penalty was killed off. Guerin and Bravden Mercier had late chances for the Bobcats and McGreevy stopped a shot from Benedict as time ran out on the 2-1 win for the hosts.

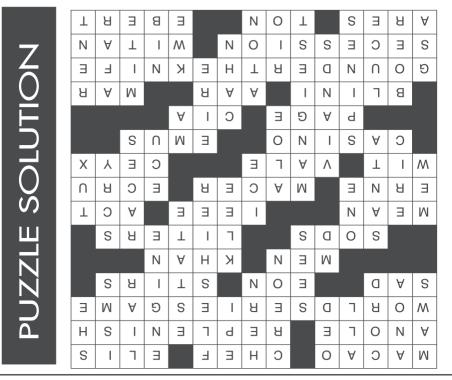
The Bulldogs will be at John Stark-Hopkinton on Wednesday, Feb. 12, at 8 p.m.

The Cats will be Laconia-Winnisat quam-Inter-Lakes on Saturday, Feb. 8, at 10:15 a.m. and will host Pembroke-Campbell on Wednesday, Feb. 12, at 5:30 p.m. at Proctor Academy.

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- 23. Paul ___, Swiss painter
- 24. Kids look for him on December 24
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Jaxen Lien moves the puck in the corner during his team's game with Kearsarge-Plymouth on Saturday.

Anestis earns All-Tournament bonors after NEWA Duels

PLYMOUTH — Following an unbeaten day with three pins at the New England Wrestling Association (NEWA) Dual Meet Championships, senior Chase Anestis (Belmont) was selected as Plymouth State University's representative on the All-Tournament Team, the organization announced on Wednesday.

Anestis has been outstanding this season, running his record to 23-2 with 12 pins and zero pins against. He hasn't lost a bout since the finals of the Ted Reese Invitational on Dec. 7, a streak of 13 straight matches that included a title at the Williams Open.

At the NEWA Dual Championships, Anestis won by fall in 1:34 in PSU's opening match against number six VTSU Castleton, then followed with a pin in 2:20 against Trinity. He needed exactly one minute to pin his competition against New England College, then closed the day without surrendering a single point in a 9-0 major decision win against Norwich.



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Special Olympics Penguin Plunge is this weekend

HAMPTON — The Special Olympics New Hampshire (SONH) Plunge weekend is this Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 8 and 9. The Penguin Plunge is the single largest fundraiser for SONH each year. This year's theme is "Alice in Wonderland," so spectators and participants

PSU volleyball announces spring and summer clinics

PLYMOUTH — The Plymouth State University women's volleyball program released the dates of its summer camps and announced it will hold two clinics this spring

ID–Specialty Clinic

Open to girls in ninth – 12th grades, the ID-Specialty Clinic is an opportunity for players to focus on their specialties (setting, hitting or defense) with focused training from the program's coaches and athletes. The three-hour clinic is scheduled for March 29 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Foley Gymnasium. Additionally, an optional campus tour and question and answer session with PSU volleyball players and coaches will provide participants with insight into Plymouth State, the volleyball program, the recruiting process, and what it takes to success physically, emotionally, and tactically as a collegiate-level athlete. Cost is \$90.

Middle school spring clinic

Open to girls in sixth eighth grades, the Middle School Spring Clinic can expect to see plenty of top hats and rabbits checking their watches. The Hampton Beach Casino Ballroom hosts plungers and volunteers for the event with an Alice-themed party. While the "Do-It-Yourself" plunge option that was created during the pandemic still exists, most participants opt for the in-person event that includes costume contests and comfort food following the plunge.

The Saturday High School Plunge will mark the 17th time that students from all over the state will converge on Hampton Beach to raise funds for the athletes and programs of SONH. Competition among schools for bragging rights about the most fundraising and the best costumes is fierce and fun.

Sunday will bring Coca-Cola Beverages Penguin Northeast's Plunge to Hampton Beach. Now in its 26th vear. SONH President and CEO Mary Conroy still marvels at the energy of those involved saying, "This is a huge undertaking for not only our incredible plungers, but for the volunteers and sponsors. During the day on Saturday and Sunday the Ballroom. boulevard and beach are transformed, and hundreds of people will be

supporting us by plunging." Traffic on a portion of Ocean Boulevard will be re-routed between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. both days this weekend. "We couldn't do this without the support and cooperation that we get from the town of Hampton and the police and fire departments," Conroy continued.

While the Casino Ballroom will be holding plunger-only events before and after plunging, spectators are welcome on Hampton Beach. The plunging is done in several waves that will start promptly at noon each day.

Special Olympics New Hampshire is still in need of volunteers to assist with the weekend festivities. While some volunteer positions are outside, there are many inside tasks available in both the Ashworth Hotel and the Hampton Beach Casino Ballroom. Information about volunteer opportunities can be found here.

Anyone interested in plunging can still sign up here. Most fundraising is done online, and most participants hit their minimums in less than 72 hours.

Those making donations can donate to a specific plunger or group of plungers (called "flocks") with an easyto-use search function.

All proceeds from the High School Plunge and the Penguin Plunge stay in the Granite State and are used to support the 2,700 athletes served by SONH in every region of the state. Donations can be made here.

The 2025 High School Plunge and Penguin Plunge are presented by Coca-Cola Beverages Northeast and hosted by Eversource. More info about all events can be found at www.SONH. org. Media inquiries can be directed to SONH Senior Manager, Multimedia Mark Ericson at MarkE@sonh.org or 603-498-5186.

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is an opportunity for players to improve their volleyball skills. Players will have the opportunity to train with PSU coaches and athletes as they focus on progressing their fundamental skills. The three-hour session is scheduled for April 5 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Foley Gymnasium. Cost is \$90.

Panther Volleyball Camp: Middle School

The Panther Volleyball Camp: Middle School is designed for girls who will be entering the sixth – eighth grades in the fall of 2025. Campers will receive individual attention from college and high school coaches and collegiate athletes. The three-day camp will run from July 28 - 30 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Foley Gymnasium. Cost is \$225.

Panther Volleyball Camp: High School

The Panther Volleyball Camp: High School is for girls who will be entering the ninth – 12th grades in the fall of 2025. The camp is designed for beginner, intermediate and advanced players who want to play and excel at the high school level. Players will be challenged to improve their fundamental skills and will learn more advanced strategies, position-specific skills, and concepts of team play. The four-day camp will run from July 28 - 31 from 1 to 5 p.m. at Foley Gymnasium. Cost is \$300.

Registration links can be found on the department website at athletics.plymouth.edu/ camps.



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Winnisquam Regional School District celebrates National School Counseling Week



National School Counseling Week is an initiative of the American School Counselor Association (ASCA). The week aims to increase awareness of the unique contributions of school counselors to their school communities.Pictured above are Southwick School Counselors Spencer Benoit and Ann MacDonald; WRHS School Counselors Jordan Durand and Laura Varon with Director of School Counseling Amanda Santoro; Sanbornton Central School Counselor Ashley Davis with Jaxon Huntoon, Hunter Cotter, Kylah Brady, Bryson Bolduc and Lindsay Johnson; WRMS School Counselors Shauna Stuart and Peter Sawitsky.

TILTON — Winnisquam Regional School District joins schools nationwide in celebrating National School Counseling Week (NSCW), Feb. 3-7. This week highlights the invaluable contributions of school counselors in supporting students' academic, social, and emotional development.

School counselors are essential members of the education team, providing comprehensive support to students, families, and school staff. They help students navigate academic challenges, develop social-emotional skills, and plan for future careers. This week, WRSD recognizes and appreciates the dedication and expertise of our school counselors.







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LRSF welcomes new Board Trustees



Left to right: Gayle Price, President, Calise House, Trustee, Christopher Banks, Trustee and Chris Guillmett, Executive Director.

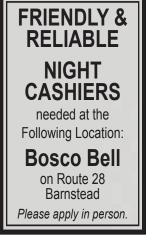
REGION — At the Annual Lakes Region Scholarship Foundation Board of Trustees meeting, held on Jan. 22, Calise Houle and Christopher Banks were welcomed as new Board Trustees.

Houle is an active member of the community and owner and manager of Happy Cow Ice Cream Shop in Laconia. Christopher Banks is a retired combat operations program manager/MQ-9 Sensor Instructor from the USAF and currently a mission program manager at Rogue Space Systems in Gilford.

The board also thanked Rebecca Beane and Joan Frates as retiring Board Trustees, both of whom have been with LRSF for nine years and having reached their term limits. Beane and Frates are both valued members of the team, sharing their knowledge, time, and expertise over the years. Joan also serving as Board President in 2022 & 2023.

These are not the only changes taking place this year. Chris Guilmett will now fill the role of Executive Director. Karen Switzer has retired from the position of Executive Director and will continue with the Foundation on a more part-time basis, as a Director. As with the previous Executive Directors, Joan Cormier and Paulette Loughlin, Switzer will still have an active role with LRSF.

Scholarship Applications for the 2025 – 2026 Academic School Year are now being accepted and are available on the Foundation's Web site at www.lrscholarship.org. The deadline for applications is April 1.





Left to right: Gayle Price, President, Rebecca Beane, Retiring Trustee, Joana Frates, Retiring Trustee, and Chris Guilmett, Executive Director.





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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE Inter-Lakes SCHOOL DISTRICT

A Public Hearing will be held for public input regarding the acceptance of donations, in accordance with School Board Policy KCD Public Gifts and Donations.

The Public Hearing will be held:

February 11, 2025 @ 6:00 p.m. Humiston Building -Conference Room 103 Main St. Meredith, NH

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Winnisquam Regional Budget Committee will conduct a public hearing on the proposed school budget for 2025-2026 on Tuesday, February 11, 2025 at the Winnisquam Regional Middle School in the school cafeteria at 7:00 PM.

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Laconia Historical & Museum Society hosting program on local rail stations



LACONIA - A presentation on the evolution of rail service in the Lakes Region, including the Laconia stations, will be held on Thursday, Feb. 6, at 6:30 p.m. in the Woodside building at Taylor Community. This free program is open to the community and is part of the Laconia Historical & Museum Society's 'Our Yesterdays 2025 Presentation Series.'

The Laconia Passenger Station has played a significant role in our community, historically serving as a vital hub for transportation and the movement of goods. The completion of the Lake Shore Railroad in 1890 connected Alton to Laconia and linked with the Boston, Concord, and Montreal lines. This development opened up transforming Laconia into a railroad crossroads. However, what was missing was a grand structure to symbolize its importance. Plans were quickly set in motion to replace the original station with "the best structure of the kind," as noted in the Illustrated Laconian in 1899.

The presentation will trace the historical timestruction of the passenger station in the mid-tolate 1800s to present-day operations.

Frank Judge's passion for railroading began while watching his grandfather's steam engine-driven commuter train arrive at the station in the early 1950s. He became captivated by the railroad during

an April 1976 tourist excursion from Laconia to Lincoln.

Judge has since purchased, restored, and operated a wooden 1914 Bangor & Aroostook Railroad caboose on the Wolfeboro Railroad until he relocated to Memphis in 1980 for his career. After returning to New Hampshire in 1986 and

acquiring another caboose, his passion for railroading continued to grow.

For additional information about this program, or to learn more about LHMS and upcoming events, please visit laconiahistory.com or LHMS on Facebook and Instagram.

Local student earns President's List recognition at Norwich University

NORTHFIELD, Vt. — Lindsey Duggan of Belmont has been recognized on the President's List at Norwich University for the Fall 2024 semester.

Full-time undergraduate students, who earned a semester grade point average of 4.0 are awarded President's List honors.

About Norwich University

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