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Belmont Public Library announces October programs and events

welcoming the community this October with a full calendar of events for all ages. From hands-on crafts to engaging discussions, there's something for everyone at the library this fall.

On Thursday, Oct. 2 at 4:30 p.m., children are invited to Mini Pumpkin Painting, with paint, brushes, and pumpkins provided (while supplies last). The following week, Tuesday, Oct. 7 at 6 p.m., the library will host First Tuesday Artist Night, featuring rug-hooking with Kelly Rolfe, who will demonstrate her craft and share insights into her artistic process. On Thursday, Oct. 9 at 6 p.m., the AARP Speakers Bureau will present "The Scam Landscape: Staying Safe," a timely talk on recognizing and avoiding scams. Rounding out the month's highlights, families are invited to the Homeschool Toolbox on Friday, Oct. 10 at 1 p.m., where a veteran homeschooler will share tips and resources while children enjoy a simple, engaging craft.

Alongside these featured events, the library continues to offer creative spaces for adults with weekly self-guided gatherings. The Fiber Arts group meets Mondays at 10 a.m., while the Watercolor Workshop meets Mondays at 2 p.m. Both groups provide opportunities to work on personal projects, learn new techniques, and enjoy conversation.

Families can also take part in Storytime on Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m., designed for preschoolers with stories and activities. In addition, the 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten program continues to encourage early literacy for young readers.

Book lovers have plenty to choose from this month. The Nonfiction Book Group will meet on Thursday, Oct. 2 at 10:30 a.m. to discuss "You Could Make This Place Beautiful" by Maggie Smith. The Afternoon Book Group will gather on Thursday, Oct. 9 at 4:30 p.m. for "Where the Heart Is" by Billie Letts. The Friday Fiction Book Group meets on Friday, Oct. 17 at 10:30 a.m. to read Willa Cather's "My Ántonia." Finally, the Mystery Group will discuss P.D. James's "An Unsuitable Job for a Woman" on Thursday, Oct. 23 at 10 a.m. Copies of all titles are available at the library or through Libby.

Through the end of the month, Library patrons can also take advantage of discounted admission to several New Hampshire attractions, including Castle in the Clouds, McAuliffe-Shepard Discovery Center, NH State Parks, and Squam Lakes Natural Science Center.

For more information, visit belmontpubliclibrary. org, call (603) 267-8331, or stop by the library at 146 Main St., Belmont. Regular library hours are Monday and Friday 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Tuesday through Thursday 10 a.m.-6 p.m., and Saturday 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Sanbornton Historical Society to hold Annual Meeting Oct. 9



SANBORNTON — On the morning (a big change here, please note!) of Thursday, Oct. 9, Sanbornton Historical Society will hold its Annual Meeting, beginning at 10:30 a.m. at the Lane Tavern, with

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Winnisquam Career Center holds ribbon cutting ceremony



Pictured above are WRSD School Board Members David Honeman, Jason Stock, Lance Turgeon, Dr. Ernie Roy, Jennifer Tupeck, John Cormier and Sean Goodwin, Rob Berry, WRSD Director of Facilities, Myles Duncansen, WiCC teacher, Andrea Wujick, WiCC Principal, Jay Doherty, Lance Whitehead and John Brie from Lavallee Biensinger Architects, and Barrett Ryan Salta from Bonnette, Page and Stone.

TILTON — A ribbon cutting ceremony for the newly renovated and expanded Winnisquam Career Center (The WiCC) marked the official opening of the state-of-the-art facility, which currently serves 125 students from Winnisquam Regional High School and seven surrounding school districts.

"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 explore different career opportunities and gain onthe-job experience that will better prepare them for the choices they'll need to make after graduation," said Winnisquam Superintendent Dr. Shannon Bartlett.

The renovation project modernized classroom, lab, and shop spaces. The WiCC's new expanded lineup of career and technical education (CTE) programs integrates rigorous academic instruction with technical and employability skills. The five targeted CTE programs are: Animal Care and Management, Cosmetology, Outdoor Resources and Recreation, Business Enterprise and Entrepreneurship through Agriculture, Design and Create and Fabricate (precision manufacturing).

Since first opening in 1992 as the Winnisquam Ag Center, the WiCC has been dedicated to connecting students to their career passions and ambitions. These career-focused programs will prepare students for college, career, and life success.

The Winnisquam Career Center (WiCC) provides students with forward-looking career and technical education. The WiCC uses contextual learning to help students realize the relevance of what they are being taught and its connection to postsecondary education, career opportunities, and life goals. The center serves students from Winnisquam Regional High School and several surrounding school districts.

Bernardez hat trick fuels Raiders past Bears

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING Sports Editor

BELMONT —

Belmont and Winnisquam boys' soccer teams put on a solid show for the Belmont Homecoming fans on Saturday, with the Bears scoring first before the Raiders scored four goals in a row to take control. Each

team added a goal late, but it was the Raiders prevailing by a 5-2 score.

Nolan Abbott got the scoring started for Winnisquam, scoring less than three minutes into the game to give the visitors the 1-0 lead, which held up for almost 20 minutes before the Raiders scored on a corner kick, with Wyatt Bamford sending the ball in from the corner and Sam Binder headed the ball to the back of the net to tie the game just more than 30 minutes into the

Less than two min-

game.

utes later, the Raiders in the final minute of the took the lead when they were awarded a penalty kick and Gabi Bernardez stepped to the line and delivered the shot for the 2-1 lead for the

Raiders. Bamford then scored first half and the Raiders took a 3-1 lead to the halftime break.

Winnisquam had an early chance from Xavier Mondesir that was turned back by Belmont goalie Ryan Monansky

and Bernardez went the other way, with Kaito Tamaru making a solid defensive stop for the Bears. Bernardez had a cross and Kyle Waldron sent a shot wide of the net for the Raiders. see **soccer**, page a8



Belmont's Christian Edgren and Winnisquam's Jon Wright battle for the ball in action on Saturday.

Dust off your instrument the band is back together!



New Horizons Band invites you to rediscover the joy of music, one note at a time

BELMONT — Have you ever played an instrument—or wished you had? Whether your clarinet is tucked away in the attic or you're just now considering picking up a trumpet, the New Horizons Band in New Hampshire's Lakes Region is ready to welcome

This friendly com-

munity concert band brings together people from all walks of life: some who haven't played in decades, others who are complete beginners. The mission is simple make music, have fun, and build connections.

Led by retired Laconia High School music educator Debbi Gibson,

offers an encouraging, no-pressure ment where musicians of every level can grow.

"It's not just about the music," Gibson says. "It's about creating something beautiful together—and laughing along the way."

Rehearsals take place Tuesday evenings at 7 the New Horizons Band p.m. at the Music Clinic

in Belmont. Beginners are paired with mentors, and everyone receives the support they need to learn, rehearse, and ultimately share music that inspires both players and listeners.

"Being part of a band is like being part of something bigger than yourself," Gibson adds. "It's energizing for the

mind, soul, and body."

Whether you're looking to rekindle your musical spark or light it for the very first time, New Horizons Band offers a place to belong—and a chance to be heard.

Join us for our Open House Oct. 7 from 7-8 p.m. at the Music Clinic

House? Visit www.newhorizons-lakesregion. org to learn more and take your first step back into music.

Still interested but unable to attend? Reach out—we'd love to hear from you.

Graveyard Tours back for October at Castle in the Clouds

OUGH — Join team the families that lived used to live. members from Castle here and the funerary in the Clouds for a walk traditions from each around the property to view the remnants of cemeteries from long ago! This informative

MOULTONBOR- history walk will discuss buried on the property, time period. Along the journey, guests will also stop at cellar holes to see where the families, now

The Graveyard Tour ground. Guests are advised to wear appropriate footwear, dress for the weather, and bring sunscreen and bug spray

as desired. Graveyard Tours will be taking place most Mondays and Thursdays from 3 to 5 p.m. in October, as well as most October Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Registration is \$15, and can be found on our website, along with a full schedule, at https:// www.castleintheclouds. org/calendar-of-events/ category/tours/graveyard-tour/.

For more informaplease contact programs@castleintheclouds.org or visit www. castleintheclouds.org.

beautiful Lakes Region New Hampshire, Castle in the Clouds provides each visitor with a look into the past while providing contemporary comforts to make every visit memorable. Originally called Lucknow, this breathtaking 6,300-acre property was developed in 1913 by Tomas G. Plant, a wealthy shoe manufacturer, to create a luxurious lifestyle with state-of-thevisitors come from all around the world to tour the mansion and exhibit gallery, dine in the Carriage House Restaurant or Café in the Clouds, explore miles of hiking and walking trails maintained by partner organization the Lakes Region Conservation Trust, or enjoy one of our many programs and events. Operated by the Castle Preservation Society, a 501(c)(3) nonprof-

About Castle in the art amenities, beautiful it organization, Castle hand-made furnishings, in the Clouds is revered As the premier his- and a large staff to run as a cultural and eduis a two mile walk out- torical museum in the the estate. These days, cational resource. The Lucknow Estate was designated a National Historic Landmark in 2024, recognizing its national significance in architecture and landscape architecture. Castle in the Clouds is also available as a fairytale wedding location and versatile private event rental venue. For more information about Castle in the Clouds, visit www.castleintheclouds.org.

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Birches & Boats exhibit celebrates New Hampshire's iconic Autumn beauty

October landscapes, the Lakes Region Art Association proudly presents the Birches & Boats Exhibit at the Lakes Region Art Gallery, located in the Tanger Outlets, 120 Laconia Rd., Tilton. This special exhibition will be on view from Oct. 2 through Oct. 26, showcasing a collection of fine art that celebrates two of the state's most iconic and beloved symbols.

From the shimmering white bark of birch trees lining woodland trails to the timeless charm of boats gliding across autumn-kissed lakes, Birches & Boats brings together painting, photography, and mixed media to reflect the natural elegance and cultural heritage of New Hampshire's forests and waterways.

The public is warmly invited to attend a free Artist Reception on Friday, Oct. 11, at 2 p.m., where guests can meet the artists, enjoy light refreshments, and share in the inspiration behind their work.

"This exhibit is a tribute to the landscapes and traditions that define our region," said Sherwood Frazier, Association President. "We hope visitors will not only be moved by the beauty of birches and boats but also discover a deeper connection to the places and stories that make New Hampshire so special."

Event details:

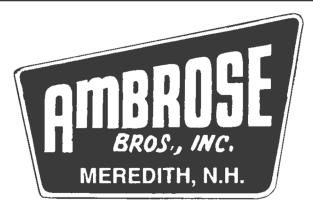
Exhibit Dates: Oct. 2 – Oct. 26

Artist Reception: Friday, Oct. 11, 2 p.m.

Location: Lakes Region Art Gallery, Tanger Outlets, S-300,120 Laconia Rd., Til-

Admission: Free & Open to the Public

For more information, please visit https://www.lakesregionartgallery.org/ or follow us on Facebook and Instagram @LakesRegionArtGallery.



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Eastern Propane and Oil returns as Runaway Pumpkin 10K and 5K sponsor

LACONIA — Eastern Propane and Oil returns this year as the presenting sponsor for the 10th annual Runaway Pumpkin 10K and 5K Run/ Walk - a community fundraiser for the WOW Trail - at Opechee Park on Saturday, Oct. 25, as part of the New Hampshire Pumpkin Festival.

"We're thrilled to lace up our sneakers and join the celebration for the 10th annual Runaway Pumpkin 10K and 5K," says Whitney Cloutier, brand and marketing manager at Eastern Propane and Oil. "There's something truly special about watching the Lakes Region come alive with energy and community spirit - all in support of the WOW Trail's continued growth. As a family-owned business, supporting events that bring people together is at the core of who we are. We can't wait to see familiar faces and new ones alike on Oct. 25, soaking up the fall magic that only New England can deliver."

In addition to sponsoring the event to show its support for the WOW Trail, its team also shows up and adds fun to the family-friendly event. "We really value their enthusiasm and partnership," says Jennifer Bee-



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The Runaway Pumpkin 10K and 5K will take place in Laconia on Oct. 25.

tle, event director/WOW Trail Board member.

Beetle adds, "It's a great way for the whole family to get out and big hit. We also invite all

supporting the WOW Trail. The Kids Fun Run, put on annually by the Downtown Gym, is a

een costume or just wear orange for fun." Participants are en-

couraged to register by Oct. 10 to receive a Meredith Village Savings Bank sponsored longsleeve tech shirt. For event details and

online registration, visit wowtrail.org. For more information, e-mail info@wowtrail.org.

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have some fun while ages to come in a Hallow-Holycow! Music Productions is new Pub Mania team



Jeff Lines, co-captain of Pub Mania's newest fundraising team, Holycow Music Productions, DJ-ing at last year's Pub Mania.

GILFORD — This year's Pub Mania fundraiser, to be held by Patrick's Pub & Eatery on Thursday, Dec. 11, will also welcome a new Pub Mania team - Holycow! Music Productions with team captains Jeff Lines and Wanda Keenan.

"Jeff Lines has long been a part of the Patrick's Pub family as part of our music entertainment and he's also been involved with Pub Mania from the beginning," said Allan Beetle, co-owner of Patrick's and the "Head Referee" of Pub Mania. "It's great to see him heading up a

team with Wanda." The team's first fundraiser will be a Holycow! Music Bingo game on Friday, Oct. 10 at Pub 23 in Alton from 7-9 p.m. Holycow! Music Bingo is easy to play with fun prizes for Bingo winners. Game cards are \$10 each, with all proceeds going to Pub Mania and the Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction. For more information, email holycowband@

BELMONT POLICE LOG

BELMONT — The Belmont Police Department reported the following arrests during the week of Sept. 15-22.

Zoltan Gregory Stefan, age 21, of Gilford was arrested on Sept. 19 for DUI-Impairment and Unlawful Activities-Litter Control.

Kevin Justin Thibaudeau, age 41, of Laconia was arrested on Sept. 21 in connection with multiple bench warrants.

gmail.com. Last year, Pub Mania teams raised a record total of \$386,722, all to support charities providing assistance and opportunities for children of the Lakes Region and their families. To learn more about Pub Mania and the charities it supports, go to https://www.patrickspub.com/pubmania.

Granite VNA offers Caregiver Connection in Belmont

BELMONT — Granite VNA offers Caregiver Connection on Wednesday, Oct. 15 from 9:30 to 11 a.m. at Tilly Market Café at the Belknap Marketplace, located at 96 Daniel Webster Highway.

Join us and connect with other family caregivers, while enjoying an opportunity to unwind and have discussions rich in empathy and resources.

Pre-registration is not required. For more information, call (603) 224-4093 or (800) 924-8620, ext. 85664 or visit www.granitevna.org. This program is offered at no charge.

About Granite VNA

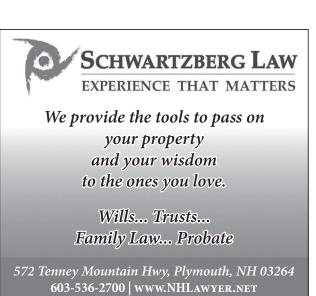
Granite VNA is a not-for-profit licensed and certified home health and hospice care provider. The agency serves people of all ages in 72 communities across the Greater Capital Region and Central New Hampshire by providing home care, hospice care, pediatric and maternal child health services, and wellness programming. 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 Hamp-

shire since 1899. For more information about Granite VNA, visit www. granitevna.org.



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LRAA announces Artists of the Month

LRAA members have the opportunity to enter a piece of artwork into the Artist of the Month Program at each monthly Member Meeting. Winners are able to display and sell a single work for a month in various public venues throughout the Lakes Region in participating Banks and Libraries or Local Businesses. Pictured, left to right, are the September Artists of the Month — Back Right: Sherwood Frazier, James Cryan; Front Row: Melanie Kray, Gail Brunt, Susie French, Martha Aucoin, Sally Hibberd. The winning artists' artwork will be on display in locations in the Lakes Region until the third week of October. Martha AuCoin, this month's First Place winner has the distinct honor of displaying several pieces of her artwork at Annie's Cafe & Catering in Laconia NH. Warm up with some scrumptious homemade soup and sandwiches and enjoy the art while you eat! The art pieces for the Honorable Mention artist will be on display through the third week of October in the following locations: Sherwood Frazier - Gilford Library; Gail Brunt - Camden Bank, Meredith; Susie French- Camden Bank, Tilton; Melanie Kray- Franklin Savings, Gilford; Sally Hibberd - Laconia Public Library; James Cryan - Franklin Savings Bank, Franklin.

Small-town festivals,

When autumn settles across the Winnisquam Region, it brings more than crisp air and fiery leaves. It brings neighbors out of their homes and into the shared spaces that define us—church halls, school gyms, library lawns, and fairgrounds. From Tilton to Sanbornton, our calendars are filling with harvest suppers, scarecrow contests, and craft fairs. These events may seem simple, but their impact is anything but.

Local festivals and gatherings give residents a chance to connect in ways that digital life never will. A raffle at the Belmont library funds new programs for children. A bean supper in Northfield helps keep a historic church heated through the winter. A school PTO fundraiser in Laconia pays for field trips that students will remember for years. Every dollar raised, every ticket sold, and every pie auctioned ties directly back into the health of our community.

Equally important, these events introduce neighbors to one another. A first grader from Tilton might meet a retiree from Sanbornton while painting pumpkins. A new family in Belmont may find themselves welcomed into a circle of longtime residents at the cider press. The bonds created in these small, informal settings make our towns stronger when challenges come-whether it's a budget debate at town meeting or a snowstorm that knocks out the power.

There is also the matter of pride. When out-oftown visitors arrive for a fall fair, they see a community that cares for itself. Volunteers staffing booths, children performing music, and local businesses donating prizes all showcase a spirit of generosity and resilience. That impression matters; it is part of what makes the Winnisquam region attractive not only for tourism, but for families and employers considering a place to call home.

These next few weeks are an invitation. Attend the events. Buy the raffle tickets. Bring a friend. It may not feel like a grand gesture, but your presence adds to the sense of belonging that is so easily lost in modern life. In small towns like ours, showing up is what turns a collection of households into a community.

Psychic driving!

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expecting treatment for anxiety, depression, everyday struggles of the mind. What many them encountered instead was the work of Dr. Ewen Cameron, a psychiatrist with an outsized reputation and a dangerous obsession with "reprogramming" the human brain. Cameron believed he could break down a person's mind and rebuild it from scratch. His methods were as crude as they

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walked into Mon-

treal's Allan Me-

morial Institute

patients

In

1950s,

were cruel. He called it "Psychic Driving." Patients were put under heavy sedation, often for weeks at a time, and then forced to listen to negative phrases looped again and again through speakers or headphones. Sometimes the messages ran

for 16 hours a day.

The results were devastating. Patients developed crippling fear, confusion, and dependency. Families reported that their loved

ones came home like strangers-haunted not by their original illnesses, but by the relentless flood of negative suggestions that had hollowed them out.

One former patient described her experience years later. She recalled being placed in a hospital room, sedated, and wired to a tape recorder that played commands, accusations, or statements of worthlessness, repeated until they carved themselves into her mind like grooves in a record. "You are weak. You will never get better. You're worthless!" Hour after hour, day after day, the messages ran until they became the background noise of her mind.

While most of us were never subjected to cruel experiments, many of us know what it's like to live with words that cut deep. Some of those words

didn't come from strang-

ers in a lab coat, but from

the people closest to us.

The child who was told 'you'll never amount to anything" grows into an adult who whispers the same phrase to themselves before every job

The athlete who was told, "you always choke under pressure," starts to believe it, replaying the line before every big game until it becomes a self-fulfilling prophecy.

interview.

The student who constantly hears "you're not smart enough" can carry that soundtrack into adulthood, replaying it in moments of stress until it feels like the truth.

I recall a history teacher in high school who would stand in front of the class and call us "a bunch of losers." He didn't just say it oncehe said it often, as if repeating it might make it accurate. Thankfully, I'd been raised to believe otherwise.

For years, psychologists have documented what happens when people are repeatedly exposed to harsh or abusive words. Over time, those external voices get internalized, turning into the person's own inner critic.

Researchers UCLA found that repeated negative self-talk actually reshapes the brain. The brain begins to treat your own words like weapons. A single negative phrase repeated often enough rewires your entire system of motivation, and the only way to cope is to shut down and

detach. But here's the good news-those stories aren't permanent. Psychic driving can work both ways. As hard as it feels at the moment, you can interrupt them.

The next time you catch yourself repeating the same old phrases, flip the script. Tell yourself: "I'm a winner. I'm strong. I'm healthy. I am loved. I'm rising higher. I have what it takes."

You won't believe it at first; it will feel fake, as if you're lying to yourself. But keep saying it—because the more you speak life over yourself, the more your mind and spirit will begin to believe it. You'll feel empowered; you'll see opportunities where you

once only saw dead ends. Repetition works both ways. If negative words can burrow deep and take root, then positive ones can heal, strength-

en, and grow. While we can't all be star athletes or famous actors, every one of us carries strengths that no one else can duplicate. It may be your creativity, kindness, or ability to solve problems in ways

others can't. When you begin to recognize and honor those gifts, you stop measuring yourself against someone else's spotlight and start shining on your own. That's when success becomes inevitable—not because you copied anyone else's path, but because you walked on your own with confidence. I believe in you. Now it's your turn to think the same.

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Goodlander convenes roundtable at Franklin Middle School on impacts of cuts to education funding

FRANKLIN — Last week, Congresswoman Maggie Goodlander convened a roundtable at Franklin Middle School with students, educators, parents, principals, superintendents, school board members, and advocates from across New Hampshire who have been impacted by the Trump Administration's decisions to cut millions in education funding promised to communities across New Hampshire. These cuts are hitting the hardest-hit schools in our state, in-

cluding in Franklin, Claremont, Pittsfield, Stewartstown, Lisbon, Berlin, Newport, and Nashua. During the twohour discussion, Goodlander heard directly from the dozens of Granite Staters about what these cuts mean for their communities and their futures.

"The lives of thousands of Granite Staters across generations have been changed for the better because of the very programs that the Trump Administration has put on the chopping block," said Goodlander. "These cuts are truly tragic and utterly senseless. They will hurt communities that are counting on us most — from Franklin to Stewartstown, Claremont to Lisbon, Pittsfield to Berlin, and Newport to Nashua. I will not stop working to deliver every penny that was promised to New Hampshire."

impacted by the Trump Administration's decisions to cut millions in education funding for New Hampshire are GEAR UP and TRIO, which collectively serve 5,500 students across the state. GEAR UP is a career exploration, tutoring, and mentorship program for low-income students starting in middle school, focused on increasing their college

and career readiness. TRIO programs are designed to help students disadvantaged from backgrounds thrive in the academic pipeline and be successful beyond high school, in college and in pursuing higher education.

"Eliminating highly successful program will be a major loss families," explained Nicole Shedd, Project Director of GEAR UP New Hampshire. "This decision will drive up the cost of college for students who need help the most. It will also do damage to our efforts to prioritize workforce development in our state. We have almost no time to urge Secretary McMahon to reconsider this decision, so we must act fast. You cannot make this kind of decision with little to no advance notice, not when you are shuttering a program that supports New Hampshire students most at risk of failing."

"GEAR UP has been honored to walk alongside over 8,000 students statewide since 2016, providing college and career readiness opportunities that make a real difference: academic support, mentoring, caregiver engagement, financial literacy, workforce development, and so much more," explained Stephanie Lesperance, Chief Strategy Officer at the Education Alliance for Hampshire. "To-New gether, we have seen firsthand how these services open doors for students who might otherwise feel hopeless. Losing this funding would be a devastating setback. Without GEAR UP support, many may lose access to resources that help close achievement gaps and support their transition beyond high school. The inequities we have worked so hard to lessen will only deepen."

HIGH SCHOOL

Two of the programs

Thursday, Oct. 2

Girls' Soccer vs. Gilford; 4 Girls' Soccer at Belmont; 4 WINNISQUAM Field Hockey vs. Sanborn; 6:30 Friday, Oct. 3

BELMONT

Cross Country at Kearsarge; 4 Volleyball at Farmington; 6:15 WINNISQUAM Volleyball vs. Fall Mountain; 6

Saturday, Oct. 4

BELMONT Boys' Soccer at Gilford; 11:30 **GILFORD** Boys' Soccer vs. Belmont; 4 Field Hockey vs. Newfound; 12 Football vs. Campbell; 7 Girls' Soccer vs. Campbell; 1 Volleyball vs. Kingswood; 4 WINNISQUAM

Football at Mascoma; 2 Monday, Oct. 6

BELMONT Golf at Farmington Country Club; 4 **GILFORD** Golf at ConVal; 4

Tuesday, Oct. 7

BELMONT Cross Country at Gilford; 4 **GILFORD**

Cross Country Home Meet; 4 Field Hockey at Hopkinton; 4 WINNISQUAM

Boys' Soccer vs. Prospect Mountain; 4

BELMONT Boys' Soccer vs. Berlin; 4 Girls' Soccer at Berlin; 4 Volleyball vs. Farmington; 6:15

Girls' Soccer vs. Newfound; 4 Volleyball at Winnisquam; 6 **WINNISQUAM**

Volleyball vs. Gilford; 6

Thursday, Oct. 9

GILFORD Boys' Soccer at Somersworth; 4 WINNISQUAM Boys' Soccer vs. Newfound; 4 Field Hockey vs. Hopkinton; 4 Volleyball at Prospect Mountain; 6

All schedules are subject to change.

Local students contribute through Emmanuel Day of Service

BOSTON, Mass. — More than 360 first-year students at Emmanuel College to make an immediate impact in the community through the New Student Day of Service.

Rising early on the last day of summer vacation, the students volunteered at food shelves, homeless shelters, and other organizations that meet vital community needs through the day of service. The following local students participated:

Madelyn Besegai of Belmont

Broc Pelchat of Tilton

In addition to encouraging new students to embrace Emmanuel's rich history of serving the common good, the day of service helped them connect with Boston and each other.

"By engaging with the city from day one, our new Saints began their Emmanuel journey grounded in service, connection, and purpose," said Emmanuel VP of Mission & Ministry Fr. Federico Cinocca. "It sets the tone not only for their year, but for their entire Emmanuel experience."

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Rising talent

Rebecca Turmel

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Rebecca Turmel

FRANKLIN — The Franklin Opera House, in partnership with the NH Music Collective, announces singer/songwriter Rebecca Turmel will perform live at the Franklin Public Library on Saturday, Oct. 11. Brendan Gill, a longtime friend and fellow New England musician, will join in on a handful of tracks, bringing his own guitar flair to the performance.

Turmel, a Franklin native, first caught national attention in 2022 with her debut single "Am I Missing Something." track quickly topped 10,000 streams on Spotify, signaling the arrival of a fresh voice capable of pairing infectious hooks with relatable storytelling. Since then, she has issued four singles in 2023 and built a reputation for relentless touring, playing hundreds of shows each year across the region.

"I feel my success is a result of my grit," she told Nashville Voyager in an August 2023 interview. "I just keep persevering despite how challenging and exhausting it can all be. Chasing your dreams is hard work, but I force myself to continue because this is what I am passionate about. I have hope that if I keep moving forward, it will all be

worth it in the end. Music is my heart and pul. What else would I do?"

Tickets can be purchased FOHNH.org, adults \$1,8, stude Saturn 60 In Case Company 10 Company 1

Tickets at the door will be \$20.







Speare Expands Breast Cancer Education During Awareness Month

PLYMOUTH, NH
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Awareness Month, a
time to spotlight the

importance of early detection, advanced treatment, and ongoing support for women and families facing breast

priorities come together in both the technology offered in our women's imaging center and in the educational resources we are working to provide for our community.

Accredited by the American College of Radiology, Speare's imaging center offers 3D mammography

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morial Hospital, those

American College of Radiology, Speare's imaging center offers 3D mammography image-guided breast biopsies, giving patients access to the latest tools in early detection and diagnosis. Image-guided biopsy is a minimally invasive procedure that allows radiologists to pinpoint suspicious areas of breast tissue with precision. Compared to traditional surgical biopsy, this approach is faster, safer, and less stressful for patients.

But care does not patients

end with diagnosis and treatment. Many women struggle with questions about how to live well after breast cancer—managing side effects, reducing the risk of recurrence, and rebuilding strength both physically and emotionally.

To meet this need, Speare is developing new educational materials focused on two areas:

Image-guided breast biopsies—to help patients feel informed and reassured before undergoing the procedure.

Living healthy after cancer treatment—resources that offer guidance on wellness during survivorship.

"We know that information can be empowering," says Linda Nestor, director of imaging services at Speare. "When patients understand only

their procedures and have the tools to take care of themselves after treatment, it makes a real difference in their confidence and recovery."

This October, Speare is inviting the community to help bring these educational efforts to life. Donations will directly support the printing and distribution of these materials, ensuring patients and families have access to clear, compassionate information when they need it most.

Those interested in supporting this project can visit www.speare-hospital.com/donate/breast-cancer-aware-ness/ or scan this QR code.

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Join League of NH Craftsmen Gallery for Fungi Fun with Patsy Frasier

MEREDITH — Join artist Patsy Frasier at the League of NH Craftsmen - Meredith Fine Craft Gallery on Saturday, Oct. 11 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. for a Fungi Fun Class.

Learn the art of needle felting and create your own felted mushrooms in this fun one-day workshop. Transform wire and wool into a beautiful three dimensional mushroom. Once you make one mushroom you'll want a foraging basket full! Students will learn to felt over a simple armature for the stem, and then will create the mushroom cap and add special effects. Great for beginners and experi-

enced felters as well. Tuition is \$45 per student with an additional materials fee of \$20 paid by cash or check to the instructor at the time of

Space is limited and pre-registration is required. Those who wish to attend MUST sign up by Wednesday, September 10th.

the class.

To register for this workshop, please call the League of NH Craftsmen - Fine Craft Gallery at (603) 279-7920 or stop by the gallery located at 279 Daniel Webster Highway in Meredith.

For more details, visit our Web site at http:// meredith.nhcrafts.org/ classes/ and our Facebook page at http://www. facebook.com/nhcraft/.

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- 10. Classroom tool
- 12. Rods
- 14. One who renews
- 16. They start the alphabet
- 18. Periodical (slang)
- 19. Smooth singer Cole 20. Dorsal sclerites in insects
- 22. One from Utah
- 23. The world of the dead
- 25. Singer Redding 26. Mafia head
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- 31. Dark olive black
- 33. Places to sit and eat
- 35. Made a mistake
- 37. Damp

- 38. Banned fuel type
- 40. Actor Damon
- 41. What thespians do
- 42. A polite address for a woman
- 44. Disallow
- 45. Swiss river
- 48. A banana has one
- 50. Afrikaans
- 52. Relative biological effectiveness (abbr.)
- 53. Agave
- 55. Journalist Tarbell
- 56. One-time tech leader
- 57. Incidentally (abbr.)
- 58. Intestinal bacterium
- 63. Loose sheats around the spinal cord
- 65. Accompanies nook
- 66. Vogue
- 67. Highly excited

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Witch
- 2. Utilize
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- 5. Becomes less intense 6. Consume
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- 8. "Horsetown, U.S.A."
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- 11. Brings back to life 13. Humorous critiques
- 15. Cool!
- 17. Worst
- 18. Wet dir

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- 21. Useful 23. Hebrew unit of liquid capacity
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- 49. Surgeon's tool
- 59. Local area network

- 64. Distance to top

- 29. City in India
- 34. Chat responder
- 36. What consumers are given
- 39. Digital audiotape
- 43. Disfigured
- 47. Georgia rockers
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MEETING

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brunch at 11 a.m. Hosts are the SHS board. We are at Lane Tavern, 520 Sanborn Rd., Sanbornton. Same side of the street as the nearby Post Office.

Come and eat/enjoy for free, for the companionship. We'll have the Annual Meeting with election of officers, followed by (successful other years and fun!) "Attic Treasures." Everyone attending who can, bring something significantly "ancient" from your life that you can offer for puzzlement or with story. A courting letter from another century (the 1800s) was highly popular one year. One year, a locally-made/vintage woolen hunter's outfit. We may also show off historical. newly acquired items. If you come up with nothing, just bring yourself.

We need new members! Have a new neighbor who's home at this early part of the day? Bring along a potential new member. That's a great help to us. All are welcome.

Call program director Linda Salatiello with any questions at 603-286-4526. Let her phone message run a bit, and she'll probably be on her way to pick up.

SOCCER

CONTINUED FROM PAGE A1 Braeden Perrault made a run for Winnisquam that was stopped by the defense of Aarvn Durand for Belmont. Derik Matthews also had a nice clear for the Raiders.

Belmont upped the lead to 4-1 with 33:55 to go in the game, as Evan Martinez sent a nice ball in to Bernardez and he buried the ball for Belmont's fourth goal. Brennen Geoffrey had a nice defensive stop for the Raiders and Waldron made a good run the other way. Perrault had another run into the zone that was turned back by Durand and Brock Smith also had a nice defensive stop for Belmont.

Winnisquam

ie Jacoby Keith came out for a big booth and Mondesir just missed connecting with Perrault. Abbott made a run into the zone that was turned back by Smith and Durand did another nice job stopping a run from Perrault. Mondesir had a direct kick go wide of the net as well.

Winnisquam their second goal of the game with 26:10 to go, as Mondesir ripped a shot to the back of the net to cut the lead to 4-2. The Bears continued to pressure, with Perrault sending a shot high and then sending a cross into the middle that Brady Fysh cleared out. Belmont came back with a Bernardez bid that Noah Bassett cleared out. Brody Ennis had a direct kick go wide of the net for the Raiders as well.

The final goal of the game came in the final minute, as Bernardez put the ball in off a corner kick for the 5-2 final score for the Raiders.

The Bears are scheduled to be in action on Tuesday, Oct. 7, at home against Prospect Mountain and Thursday, Oct. 9, at home against Newfound, both at 4 p.m.

Belmont is scheduled to be in action on Saturday. Oct. 4. at 11:30 a.m. at Gilford and will be hosting Berlin at 4 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 8.

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Kyle Waldron pushes the ball up the field during action Saturday against Winnisquam.



Xavier Mondesir races up the field with the ball in action against Belmont on Saturday.



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Mountaineers push past field hockey Bears

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING

Sports Editor

TILTON — The Winnisquam field hockey team's Homecoming matchup was about as tough as you can get in Division III, as the Bears welcomed Berlin to town on Saturday morning. Sept. 27.

The Mountaineers scored two goals in the first half and then pulled away with five goals in the second half to take the 7-0 win.

The Bears got in the zone first, with Berlin's Emma Rancloes clearing the ball out of the zone. Zariah Moore had a run in the zone for the Bears but Berlin came back with a shot from Harmony Horne that was stopped by Winnisquam goalie Autumn Smith, who then stopped the rebound shot from Olivia Richard. Caitlin Kelley had a shot for the Mountaineers that was stopped by Denessa Williams in the Bear defense.

The Mountaineers got on the board with 10:42 to go in the first quarter, as Emily Smith scored on an assist from Kelley on a corner for the 1-0 lead, as Smith backhanded an elevated shot past Smith and into the net. Rancloes and Kennah Scott teamed up on a corner bid that went wide for Berlin and Winnisquam's Camilla Cote stopped a nice run from Horne in the circle. Iris Viera went the other way for the Bears, finding Williams with a bid, but Kelley did a nice job clearing the ball. Horne came the other way, with Mylie Keith making a solid defensive stop for the Bears.

bid denied by Autumn the 3-0 lead. The Moun-

ie also stopped the rebound shot from Kelley. Viera had a shot denied by Berlin goalie McKenna Kelley and Berlin came back with bis from Caitlin Kelley and Emily Smith that were turned away. Williams had a nice defensive stop for Winnisquam and Emily Smith had a bid turned back by Keith. Williams and Moore combined on a chance that McKenna Kelley stopped in the Berlin goal and the first quarter ended with the Mountaineers up 1-0.

Emily Smith and Horne combined on a shot that went wide for the Mountaineers and Berlin had a corner chance that was stopped by the defense of Brianna Gammon and Williams. Viera and Taylor Dearden also had solid defensive plays for the Bears and Kelce Hayes turned back a run from Marlee Wedge for the Mountaineers. Richard had a shot denied by Autumn Smith and Cote had a rip that Caitlin Kelley cleared out of the zone.

The Mountaineers doubled the lead with 5:56 to go in the first half, with Wedge poking the ball home after solid pressure in front of the net for the 2-0 lead. Winnisquam had a corner chance that was turned back by Rancloes and Ava Sargent had a nice defensive stop for the Bears as the first half ended with the Mountaineers up 2-0.

The Mountaineers scored their third goal with 11:47 to go in the third quarter, as Caitlin Kelley sending a nice cross to Emily Smith, who buried the shot for Smith and the Bear goal- taineers continued to



JOSHUA SPAULDING

Berlin's Harmony Horne and Winnisquam's Denessa Williams go after the ball in action on Saturday morning.



Winnisquam goalie Autumn Smith kicks the ball out of the circle during action Saturday against Berlin.

pressure, with Caitlin Kelley and Rose Kelley coming up with chances.

With 9:13 to go in the third, Wedge found the back of the net for the 4-0 lead and Cote just missed connecting with Brooke Gammon at the other end of the field. Moore and Brooke Gammon had runs in for the Bears, but the Berlin defense held tight.

With 3:58 to go in the third quarter, Caitlin Kelley found the back of

outside for the 5-0 lead.

Berlin had a couple of corners and connected on the second of the two, with Wedge scoring her third goal of the game in the final seconds of the third quarter and the teams went to the fourth quarter with Berlin up by a 6-0 score.

The Mountaineers scored the final goal of the game just 1:11 into the fourth quarter, with Rose Kelley scoring for the 7-0 lead. Winnisquam

ting four corners in a row. Cote and Sargent had good chances, with McKenna Kelley making the saves in the Berlin net. Williams sent a shot wide and had another de-

later in the quarter, get-

Berlin had two late corners, with Scott getting off a chance in to Rancloes, who had her shot blocked and time ran out on the 7-0 win for the Mountaineers.

nied by the Berlin goalie.

Winnisquam is slated to be in action Thursday, Oct. 2, at 6:30 p.m. against Sanborn and will be hosting Hopkinton at 4 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 9.

Berlin is slated to be in action Wednesday, Oct. 1, at Kennett at 4 p.m. and will be hosting Kearsarge on Tuesday, Oct. 7, at 4 p.m.

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Play Like a Panther lax clinic set for Oct. 26 at PSU

PLYMOUTH — Plymouth State University women's lacrosse head coach Becky Dale announced the program will hold its annual Play Like a Panther clinic for high school players this October.

The popular clinic for girls in ninth-12th grades will take place from 12 to 3 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 26, at Panther Field, with on-site registration and check in beginning at 11:30 a.m.

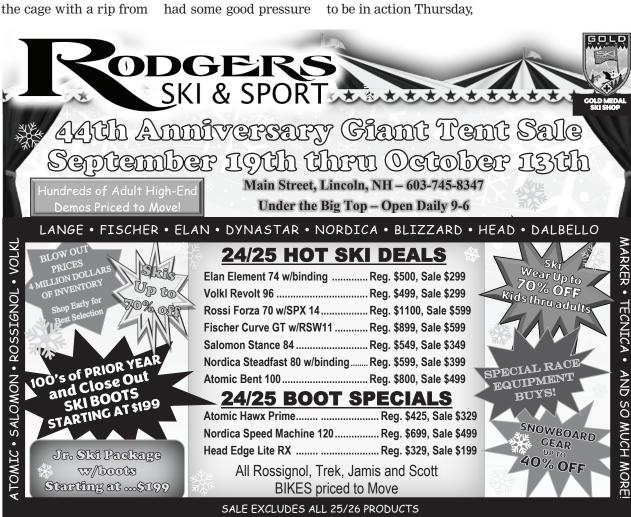
Designed for players interested in competing at the next level, attendees will work one-on-one with the PSU coaching staff and current student-athletes. The clinic will take place outdoors, so attendees are encouraged to bring weather-appropriate clothing, lacrosse protective equipment - goggles, mouth guards, goalie equipment - sticks, cleats, and water

The clinic rate is \$50 per player. To expedite the check-in process, athletes should also bring printed, signed waivers.

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PSU softball sets dates for fall and winter clinics

PLYMOUTH — The Plymouth State University softball program will host its annual pitching, hitting and defensive clinics this fall and winter. head coach Mike Bernier announced on Thursday.

The fall pitching clinare scheduled for three Sundays in November - Nov. 2, 9, and 16 – at the Bank of New Hampshire Field House at ALLWell North. Open to players in grades 6-12 of varying ability levels, the sessions will cover proper warm-up drills, pitch grips, and the mental approach to pitching. Clinics run from 2 to 4 p.m., with on-site registration beginning at 1 p.m. Pitchers should bring a personal catcher. The cost is \$75 per session, with discounted rates available for athletes who register for multiple sessions. In-

The hitting and defense

clinics will be held in February – Feb. 1, 8, and 15 – also at the Bank of New Hampshire Field House. Designed for students in grades 6-12, the sessions will focus on throwing, fielding, hitting, and base-

door footwear is required.

running, with instruction provided by PSU coaches and players. Clinics run from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., with on-site registration opening at 10:45 a.m. The cost is \$80 per clinic, with discounts available for multiple sessions. Participants should bring gloves, bats, sneakers, and water. For more information and links to the mandatory online registration and waiver forms, please visit athletics.plymouth.edu/





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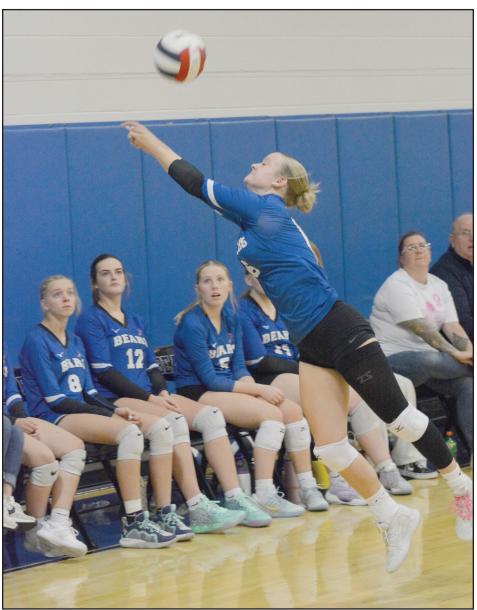
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Volleyball Bears battle past Manchester West for Homecoming win



Joshua Spauld

Caidyn Carter stretches out in front of her teammates on the bench to reach the ball in action last Wednesday evening.

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING hattled back and scored tip at the net and add-

Sports Editor

Sports Editor
TILTON — The Winnisquam volleyball team battled to a hard-fought win to celebrate Homecoming on Wednesday, Sept. 23, defeating Manchester West 26-24, 18-25, 25-14, 25-10.

Danica Weymouth got the Bears out to a great start with a trio of service aces while Caidyn Carter added a hit as Winnisquam got out to the 4-0 lead. After the Blue Knights put a couple of points on the road. Alexis Mingolla added a service ace. West fought back and cut the lead to 7-6 before Anna Drinkwine had a nice tip at the net and then added a pair of service aces to open the lead to 12-6.

Manchester West slowly battled back into the game, cutting the lead to 14-12 and 15-13 before Weymouth got a key point for the Bears. The Blue Knights were able to rally again and got it to 18-15 before Carter made a couple of nice plays on the same point. West was able to pull even at 20 and took a 24-20 lead to get to within one point of the opening set win.

However, the Bears

battled back and scored six points to walk off with the 26-24 win and the 1-0 lead.

Weymouth had another ace to start the second set and Drinkwine also added an early ace. Avrill Labranche had a key kill as the Bears opened up a 7-3 lead before West came back with a good run, taking the 17-7 lead before Carter got the Bears back on the board. Addie Bernier added a couple of service aces as the hosts tried to claw their way back in, cutting the lead to 19-15 with an ace from Abby Meunier.

Mingolla had a nice tip at the net and added a hit for a key point but the Blue Knights were able to close out the 25-18 win to tie the match at one.

Labranche Carter, and Weymouth had key points early in the third set before Carter added a pair of aces to give the Bears an early 8-3 lead. Weymouth added a nice tip and Mingolla had a hit to up the lead to 10-4. The two teams went back and forth and the visitors cut the lead to 16-14 before Labranche had a key hit and Drinkwine added a service ace.

Labranche had a nice

tip at the net and added a nice shot down the line while Carter had a pair of hits and Mingolla chipped in with an ace as the Bears closed out the

25-14 win for the 2-1 lead. Mingolla helped get the Bears off to a 5-1 lead and Carter also added a hit early in the fourth set. The Blue Knights battled back to cut the lead to 5-3, but Carter added a hit and then stepped to the service line and chipped in a pair of aces. Drinkwine had a nice tip at the net as Winnisquam went up 11-4.

Labranche added another hit before Bernier settled in with three service aces to up the lead to 16-5. Weymouth had another hit and then Mingolla added two service aces to increase the lead. Carter and Labranche then helped finish out the 25-10 win with hits and Winnisquam had the 3-1 win.

Earlier in the week, Winnisquam struggled in the third set after splitting the first two on Monday, Sept. 22, and Hanover finished with the 3-1 win over the Bears.

"Hanover is a very good team," said coach Mark Dawalga. "I



Danica Weymouth goes up for a hit during Homecoming action against Manchester West last Wednesday.

thought tonight we really matched their intensity."

The two teams split the first two sets by identical scores, with Hanover winning the first set 25-18 and Winnisquam winning the second set 25-18. Hanover dominated the third set by a 25-4 score but Winnisquam did bounce back in the fourth set, making it a close battle before

falling 25-19.

Carter had five kills, three aces and seven digs, Weymouth had three kills, four digs and three aces, Drinkwine had seven assists, Meunier had four assists, Mingolla had six digs and Bernier, Labranche, Alyssa Jean and Kinzie Nelson all played well for the Bears.

The Bears will be back in action on Friday, Oct. 3, at home against Fall Mountain and will be hosting Gilford on Wednesday, Oct. 8, both at 6 p.m.

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THE SEARCH IS ON FOR TILTON'S OLDEST RESIDENT

Town Officials are searching for the oldest Tilton resident so that they can present that person with the Boston Post Cane, continuing the tradition that began over 110 years ago. The last cane was presented to Cecile Robert in 2019. Cecile passed away earlier this year at age 97.

One of the criteria set by the Board of Selectmen is that the recipient has been a resident of Tilton for at least 10 years in order to be eligible.

When the cane is presented, the recipient will receive a certificate noting that he or she is the oldest resident, along with a replica of the Boston Post Cane. A name plaque honoring the recipient will be added to the cane's case at Town Hall, where the original Boston Post Cane is on display.

Anyone knowing of an eligible candidate for oldest resident must submit a nomination form to the Tilton Town Clerk at 257 Main Street or email ksowles@tiltonnh.org. The submission must include the nominee's name, date of birth, and an original or certified copy of the nominee's birth certificate. Also, please include the nominator's contact information.

Nominations must be received by Wednesday October 15. Nomination forms can be found on the Tilton website www.tiltonnh.org and at Town Hall. If you have any questions please contact Kim Sowles, at 286-4425 ext. 104.



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Witty whodunit fundraiser to benefit Franklin Opera House.

FRANKLIN — Franklin Opera House presents its annual Murder Mystery Dessert Theatre, with three performances on Oct. 24, 25 & 26, and all proceeds benefit Franklin Opera House.

Members of Franklin Footlight Theatre share their talents in this event to benefit Opera House operations. The fun takes place at the Franklin Elks Lodge, where the Company Halloween party is in full swing. But real estate tycoon Roy "Takeover" Tackett has "crashed" the party and announced his plans to buy a local landmark business. Afraid for his own safety, he has hired his own security detail. His young bride, Bobbie, is upset to find that her former lover and ice dancing partner, Robbie, is among the guests. The "home office" has sent its best troubleshooter, Marshall Monroe, to head off disaster, but to no avail.

Spoiler alert: Someone dies. And the audience is enlisted to help identify the killer. Interacting with the characters, guests will try to figure out which one of them had the greatest motive for murder! Join your friends for a night of intrigue, entertainment, and community spirit. Desserts this year are catered by Lady Liberty's Confectionery. Tickets are limited and must be purchased by Oct. 19. Performances Friday and Saturday, Oct. 24 and 25, start at 6:30 p.m., and a Sunday matinee on Oct. 26 at 2 p.m. Doors will open 30 minutes before showtime.

Visit www.FOHNH.org for tickets, or call (603) 934-1901.





