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## Line dancing makes a comeback at Tenney Mountain



DONNA RHODES

Each Wednesday night, as many as 50 people join line dancing instructor Charlene Dellascio for food, fun, and great exercise at Tenney Mountain Resort's Back Country Bar and Grill off Route 3A in Plymouth.

BY DONNA RHODES  
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PLYMOUTH – Line dancing is making a big comeback these days, providing exercise and health benefits to all who come out to join local instructor Charlene Dellascio as she leads everyone through the steps, such as “Stomp,”

“Wiggle,” “Heel,” and a “Heel Split.”

While those words may be strange to a newcomer, it only takes a few minutes to catch on to what she means before the music comes on and the fun begins.

Dellascio began line dancing 30 years ago in Tewksbury, Mass., but when she and her

husband Don decided to make their cabin in Groton, New Hampshire into their year-round home eight years ago, she wanted something to do with her time.

“I never thought I would be teaching (line dancing), but I saw a need for it here and decided to make a trip over to the senior center

in Plymouth one day,” Charlene said.

After her visit, she was invited to return to teach a few simple steps. From that day forward line dancing became a big hit and it's now a part of their weekly schedule.

Her self-proclaimed “addiction” to dancing  
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## Keep the commitment — Keep The Heat On

PLYMOUTH — The board and staff of the Plymouth Area Community Closet (a non-profit organization providing area residents with financial and home heating assistance, and a food pantry), and the Keep The Heat On (KTHO) committee volunteers extend their sincere thanks to the residents and sponsors who provided outstanding community and financial support during our recent winter season fundraiser.

The fundraising event, also called “Keep The Heat On” is the major source of funding for PACC's financial fuel assistance program. The KTHO committee organizes the annual event and all the proceeds from go directly to PACC. And, with high costs for other necessities (like prescription drugs) PACC's home heating assistance clients may need additional aid. Consequently, KTHO donations are also authorized

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## Special Olympics athletes shine in state hoop tournament



JOSHUA SPAULDING

More than 40 teams from around the state descended on the Plymouth area for the Special Olympics New Hampshire State Basketball Tournament.

PLYMOUTH — Hugs, handshakes, high fives and plenty of hoops. Saturday was a fun day in the Plymouth area as Special Olympics athletes from around the state descended on four different local gyms to

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## Bristol Historical Society's museum offers a glimpse into region's past

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BRISTOL – Longtime residents, as well as new-

comers and visitors to the Newfound region, enjoy the great businesses, restaurants, and of

course, the lake and rivers that draw them here, but how many know the

history of the Town of Bristol, which was incorporated in 1819? This is the summer to learn more about it all.

The best way to find out about its storied past is by simply visiting the Bristol Historical Society this summer, located in a historic venue all its own.

Driving along South Main Street in Bristol people can spot the old Bristol Fire Station with a tower above and an

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DONNA RHODES

At the Bristol Historical Society Museum, an old news article and a preserved sample of the famous “Pin-stripes” tell the story of where the cloth for the New York Yankees uniforms originated.



An article in the old Enterprise newspaper, once printed on Spring Street in Bristol, chronicles the day then Vice-President George H.W. Bush was the Grand Marshal in Bristol's 1985 Fourth of July Parade. It, and much more, can be seen at the Bristol Historical Society museum.



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# Talk of the Towns

## News from our Local Correspondents

### Alexandria

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It certainly is nice to have some fairer weather finally! Thank you to all the workers who got power restored to those who lost it during the last two storms. Bravo to the road and emergency responder crews as well for jobs well done. All your hard work doesn't go unnoticed, or unappreciated.

### Town

Board of Selectmen meeting Tuesday, April 16 at 6 p.m. There will be a public work session at 5 p.m. in the Municipal Building.

Planning Board meeting Wednesday, April 17 at 6 p.m. in the Municipal Building.

### Alexandria UMC

Sunday, April 14, services begin at 9 a.m. with Pastor Mark Lamprey officiating. Communion will be served at an open table. Following services will be Coffee Hour and Sunday School. There will also be an Administrative Council meeting this morning, following Sunday School.

Have a wonderful week ahead! Be safe in your travels and kind in your words and deeds!

### Ashland

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Friends of the Library meeting

The Friends of the Ashland Town Library will meet at 6 p.m. this evening, Thursday, April 11, at the Library to reorganize and make plans for this year.

All About Chickens Story Time

The Town Library will hold an All About Chickens Story Time at 3 p.m. next Wednesday, April 17, open to children of all ages. There will be stories, crafts, activities and snacks. As space is limited, please call (603-968-7928) or visit the Library to reserve spaces.

Fourth of July meeting

The Fourth of July Committee will meet at 6:30 p.m. next Thursday, April 18, in the Booster Clubhouse, to plan for Ashland's biggest celebration of the year, which is just two and a half months away.

Story Walk in Whitten Woods

Don't forget the Spring Story Walk along

the main trail in Whitten Woods, which will feature "The Tea Party in the Woods" by Akiko Miyakoshi, through the end of April. The Story Walk is a joint effort of the Ashland Town Library and the Squam Lakes Association.

### Bristol

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Hopefully, this is the bare ground we will be seeing from here on out this Spring! Our Winter was rather mild, all things considered, but these past two storms were not indicative of that! It was so nice to sit in the warm sunshine and witness the eclipse with friends. Surely, we can continue to enjoy that kind of day a lot more often.

The Town of Bristol would like to thank employees who celebrate an April Anniversary Date of Hire. The following employees continue to dedicate their great work for the Town and we encourage them to keep up the good work: Kristopher Bean - Police Department - 17 years; Jeff Ford - Fire Department - 20 years; Katelyn Kilcup - Fire Department - 2 years; Jesse Lamos - Water/Sewer Department - 25 years; Kevin MacCaffrie - Fire Department - 10 years; Carrie Nyberg - Water/Sewer Department - 2 years; Athansins Orłowski - Town Beaches Seasonal - 2 years; Cynthia Rogers - Fire Department - 18 years; Raymah Simpson - Town Clerk/Tax Collector's Office - 29 years; Arthur Tanguay - Transfer Station - 3 years.

Planning a Yard Sale? Be sure to check with the Land Use Department at the Bristol Town Office regarding signage and other requirements of the Town Ordinance.

On Tuesday, April 16, the Pasquaney Garden Club and New Hampton Garden Club will jointly sponsor a special evening program at the Minot-Sleeper Library in Bristol with speaker Betz Golan, noted herbalist/farmer and educator from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Highlights of coming Pasquaney Garden Club events include a presentation on Flower Arranging by Bailey Christi, the new owner of Bristol Botanist, and field trips which will include plant farms, gardens, and several other speakers and programs. The club will continue to participate in planting and maintenance of various containers and garden ar-

reas around the greater Bristol area including their primary project, the Butterfly Garden at the MSL which has had new plantings where two dead trees were thankfully removed by Colby Property Maintenance. Pasquaney Garden Club is a not-for-profit organization with dues of \$15 annually. Information may be obtained by contacting carpenb3@gmail.com.

A Newfound Area Senior Services Bus is now available from 8 a.m. until 2 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of each week. Rides are scheduled on a first-come-first-served basis. Please call 744-8395 to reserve a ride. In order to accommodate you, please try to schedule your appointments before noon to ensure that the bus can get you home before 2 p.m.

The Events Calendar is looking for events to be included for this Spring and Summer brochure. If you are a non-profit organization holding an event in the Newfound Region between Memorial Day and Labor Day in 2024, you could be included in the next brochure printed and distributed by the Bristol Community Events Committee. Events must be open to all and either organized by or benefitting a not-for-profit organization. Free events open to the community by a for-profit business may be considered as space allows. Please send all event details: date, time, place, event name type of event, fees and your contact information to bristoltoevents@bristolnh.gov or ldion@ttccrec.org. Deadline for submission is April 12.

On Tuesdays starting on April 16 through May 21, a 6-week course on Vikings will be presented by Bruce Nilsson, Ph.D. at the Minot-Sleeper Library from 3 to 4:30 p.m. each session. Please register at the circulation desk or call 744-3352 for information and sign up.

Granite State Track and Field registration is now open for the 2024 season. Practices will be on Fridays from 6-7 p.m. and Sundays from 4-5 p.m. beginning on May 3 and going through State Meet on June 15 on the Mills Oval track at Newfound Regional High School. There is a fee of \$25 and you can register at www.ttccrec.org. Contact the TTCC for any questions.

Summer Camp registration opened on March 4! Sign up early, as the rosters fill up fast! The TTCC staff is looking

forward to field trips, swimming and playing all sorts of games and activities at the park, as well as other adventures planned at the TTCC Summer Camp.

For more information on any and all these activities, please call 744-2713 or contact the TTCC at info@ttccrec.org.

The appearance of more varieties of birds and their songs and bright colors are the more significant signs of the approach of warmer weather. Lately we have seen the return of more varieties around the house and on our trips far and near. It is heartwarming to see them all!

### Campton-Thornton

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As the hordes of people headed north to view the solar eclipse in its totality, we were happy to view it at 98.7 percent from the farm. Earlier in the day, we made the mistake of heading to Lincoln on Route 3 thinking we would avoid the traffic on the highway. Boy, were we wrong. The traffic was backed up from the Woodstock fire station and in both directions on 112!

It was pretty remarkable to see so many people entering our state at once! My daughter, son in law and grandchildren headed north in Vermont. Navigating the back roads until they found an empty church parking lot in a small town, they were able to view totality from there. As a child, I remember making an eclipse viewer out of a shoe box in school. I remember standing in the school playground being disappointed at the shadow in the box. It didn't seem real. I am so glad my grandchildren were able to view it through glasses. What a difference! I am thankful to our local libraries for provided glasses to view the eclipse.

At our farm, the noise from small planes which seemed to overtake our sky all day and the noise from I-93 all of the sudden stopped as the eclipse reached totality. We had an eerie quiet as the birds starting making their murmuring sounds, they usually make at dusk. There had been a lot in the news about the effect on animals during the eclipse, so I decided to take a time lapse video of my chickens to see what would happen. There was no change in their behavior. The cows, however, came up from the field and hung around the back door

of the barn thinking they would be let it. Although we did hear birds making their evening sounds, the birds coming to the feeder didn't stop. Many people posted pictures of the eclipse which were great, but I have to see my favorite pictures are of the people as they watched the eclipse. What an amazing experience!

Campton Historical Society program

Join the Campton Historical Society on Monday April 15 at 7 p.m. for "New England Lighthouses and the People Who Kept Them" presented by: Jeremy D'Entremont.

Everyone knows that there's "something about lighthouses" that gives them broad appeal, but their vital role in our history and culture is little appreciated. Our early nation was

built on maritime economy, and lighthouses were part of the system that made that possible.

Due to automation, traditional lighthouse keeping is a way of life that has faded into the past. Jeremy D'Entremont tells the history of New England's historic and picturesque

lighthouses primarily focusing on the colorful and dramatic stories of lighthouse keepers and their families. Jeremy D'Entremont is the author of more than 20 books and hundreds of articles on lighthouses and maritime history. He is the historian and president of the American

Lighthouse Foundation, founder of Friends of Portsmouth Harbor Lighthouses, and historian for the U.S. Lighthouse Society.

### Holderness

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Quite a bit of damage caused by the recent early spring snowstorm. Many residences in the area, including much of Mt. Prospect, lost power. As of Sunday evening, there were still quite a few outages in Moultonborough and Sandwich. You can find the outage map at @ebill.nhed.com.

Holderness Recreation is now hiring for summer beach attendants, swimmer instructor, and Summer Escape Assistant Director, and full and part time Counselors. Check the town website for more information.

Lena Moser will offer Cultivating Emotional Resilience on April 18 where you'll learn another way of being with challenging emotions and harness the change

of the season energy to mindfully explore our emotional struggles. Register online.

Summer tennis registration for adults and children is open now. If you are looking for a particular day or time, this is the time to get your choice in.

There's two spots left for Ray Lagasse's Basket Making Class on May 11. Zumba with Shannon on Fridays and Sundays starting on April 19. Lots more! Check it out.

Squam Lakes Association is offering An Afternoon Painting from Nature at the Library on Saturday, April 20 from 3-6 p.m. Space is limited to 12 adults so register soon at Squamlakes.org/calendar.

Central School students stayed late last Monday to watch the eclipse with staff and parents in attendance.

Rod Weinberg reports that the average high temperature for the month of March was 44.8 degrees and the low 24.8 degrees. This is 3.5 degrees above normal. The warmest day was 60 degrees on the 3rd and the lowest was 9 degrees on the first. Total snowfall was 35.5 inches, which is 16.6 inches above normal. Total precipitation was 8.13 inches, which is 4.13 inches above normal.

Many residents would like to know why the lake level is so high. We've certainly had a lot of rain this spring but usually the dams are opened to release the excess. As of last Sunday, levels were unusually high.

### Warren/Wentworth

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Greetings everyone. Hope you all have had a good week and survived the eclipse! Traffic was worse than any holiday I've ever seen!

WARREN NEWS—There will be a Spring Free Clothing Event at the Town Hall on April 20 through the 27th. Donations can be dropped off at the Hall starting on the 18th.

WENTWORTH NEWS—The Wentworth Market is currently seeking vendors for the upcoming 2024 season. Anyone interested can email Renee at wentworthmarket@gmail.com for more information.

Have a good week, and remember to count your blessings!

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## Dancing

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has also found her at nursing homes and fundraising events as she continues her quest to show others how fun and easy it can be. She has also hosted line dancing events at popular local spots such as the former Big Daddy Joe's in Plymouth and Kathleen's Irish Pub in Bristol.

Her latest public line dancing gatherings now take place at 6 p.m. each Wednesday night on the vast dance floor inside the Back Country Bar and Grill at Tenney Mountain Resort in Plymouth where she has not only seen a great turn out but a dedicated troop of regulars.

"They got nicknamed the 'Tribe,'" she said, "and began wearing cowboy hats so if anyone 'gets lost' with the steps they can follow along behind them if they want."

## KTHO

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to benefit PACC's other programs.

The event, which included but was not limited to dinner, musical entertainment, and a silent auction and a raffle, was held in late January at the Common Man Inn in Plymouth, thanks again to its generous owner Alex Ray. When the evening event concluded and the net proceeds were tallied, the contributions to the KTHO campaign were over sixty thousand dollars, exceeding the KTHO's financial target. Essential to the event success was exceptional community participation whether it was by ticket sales (200), sponsorships (27), auction donations and sales (150) or exquisite cuisines donated by local restaurants and chefs. And as pledged in an earlier article, we are giving a shout out of thanks to those all the culinary contributors- Biedermans, Café Monte Alto, Fugaky, LaFamilia, Mad River Tavern, Peek A Bowl, Phat Boyz, Rumney Village Store, Six Burner Bistro, Thai Smile, The Chase Street Market Cafe, The Common Man Inn, The Covered Bridge Farm Table, The Grotto, The Groovy Noodle, The Italian Farm House, The Last Chair, The Lucky Dog, The Sunset Grill, Walter's Basin, and Yamas- all the foods, from appetizers to desserts was first rate!

Perhaps you made the decision to assist neighbors in need and wrote a check. Thank you! You joined a host of local business owners, farmers, flower shops, artisans, painters, quilters, knitters, jewelry makers, individuals, and families who made donations. Some donors wrote a check, some donors wrote more, some have a history of giving, some are artisans, some love art. What matters is that the act of giving shows you care, that you are concerned and that you are committed to "doing a little good." It's a pleasure to write these words about "you", to "you." Thank you, and you, and you! Pass it on! And see you next year when we celebrate our 20th year of Keeping The Heat On.

Dellascio does all she can to make sure everyone learns the steps to the next dance she's scheduled for that night though. Before turning the music up, she will run through the steps a few times with the crowd to make sure people are familiar with them.

Participants each week are both women and men from all age groups. Recently, one couple even brought their toddler along to dance in her mom's arms. They come in everything from jeans to long skirts, as well as cowboy boots and the "Tribe's" distinct cowboy hats. Basically, whatever one is comfortable in is the dress code.

One need not be a strictly country music fan though. Besides the popular line dancing through songs like "Cupid Shuffle," "Achy, Breaky Heart" and "Boot Scootin' Boogie," Charlene likes to change

things up throughout the evening. Other songs in her large play list include pop, a bit of hip hop, and maybe even a disco tune. Even the theme from the movie "Ghostbusters" is another fun eight-step tune that is popular with her dancers.

One woman from Rumney said when she heard about line dancing nights at Tenney, she found it to be not only a way to overcome her winter boredom, but an opportunity to have some indoor fun whether it is the snow piling up outside or a rainy spring day. Others said the exercise factor, along with the chance to make new friends, was a major draw for them. Yet another added feature one couple commented on is the chance to come early to enjoy dinner at the Back Country Grill before the dancing begins.

Whatever their reasons for joining Char-

lene, one thing participants have in common is that they all leave with a smile.

Tenney Mountain Resort Marketing Manager Rich Lufkin said the owners, Steve and Lynn Kelly, love the community aspect of events like line dancing and have big plans to add others to their calendar such as music events, outdoor activities and perhaps even a movie night or two inside the spacious lodge.

"Steve and Lynn are finding really good local people who really believe in this mountain so they're excited to add new things throughout the spring, summer and fall months to give people a reason to keep coming back," said Lufkin.

Whether you are a skier or someone looking for daytime activities or night time food and drinks or entertainment, all encouraged to keep an eye on the Ten-



A self-proclaimed "addict" of line dancing, Charlene Dellascio of Groton enjoys spreading the joy and exercise of her dance moves with others every Wednesday evening at Tenney Mountain Resort's Back Country Bar and Grill in Plymouth.

ney Mountain Resort Facebook page or Web site for a list of upcoming events. But by all means, don't forget their Wednesday night line dancing.

Alexandria resident Edna Piehler is one of "The Tribe" and summed up her experiences in dancing with

Charlene at Tenney well. "This is a great place to dance, and I love it that Charlene is so enthusiastic about it," she said. "If you want to learn about line dancing, this is the time, this is the place and this is the teacher!"

## History

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equipment garage underneath. It's there that a wealth of information on the town can be discovered.

For instance (have a seat Red Sox fans)- how many know that Bristol was the birthplace of the famous pinstripes worn by the New York Yankees since the early days of baseball?

Information documented in news articles from the late 1890's show that Dodge-Davis Manufacturing Company on Lake Street in Bristol was a woolen factory that provided the cloth from which the uniforms of the Yankees (along with a few other teams) were made.

"Four generations in all saw to it that the best cloth money could buy came out of its shipping rooms, and that included, of course, major league material, for major league teams, as all fans know, always have the best, never the second best," the archived article by Bob Hilliard of the Sunday News read.

As an added note, the cloth from Dodge-Davis was then sent to a number of other companies where it was made into

the actual uniforms. Among those was the Draper and Maynard firm in Plymouth, where the "Lucky Dog" baseball gloves were made. Women in the Plymouth area were also recruited to hand stitch baseballs for the Major Leagues at their homes. The factory was even paid a visit from Babe Ruth himself who was a fan of their gloves. But, that's another story.

As for the striped-wool material, a photo in the Bristol Historical Museum shows President and Treasurer John Dole of Dodge-Davis displaying a uniform of the famed Joe DiMaggio, worn in 1940 and returned to the company as a promotional measure.

There is a whole lot more to learn at the museum though.

Items they've collected and donations they've received over the years include wartime memorabilia dating back to the Civil War; spinning wheels, old pottery and glassware. There are also numerous bits of nostalgia found in postcards and beautiful paintings of Newfound Lake. A visit can reveal how "Little Round Top" above Slim Baker Lodge got its name, while a

short hike up the trail above the lodge on New Chester Road provides a gorgeous view of Bristol, known as Inspiration Point.

BHS member Lucille Keegan said, "We also have a collection of old ice cutting tools that were donated by David Carr, who once had the ice house on West Shore Road."

Ice harvesting helped provide refrigeration for homes and camps in earlier times and an older painting of Alfred Jenness cutting ice blocks in front of the ledges on Newfound Lake can also be seen amongst their displays.

Local high school yearbooks are part of their book collections, along with many other books pertaining to the history of the area.

Central Square was a busy location more than 100 years ago so another fascinating topic to explore at the museum are the trains that not only enabled residents to travel out of town but brought all the visitors to the lake in the summer.

"Times were tough for farmers back then because they weren't making a lot of money off their crops so they

rented out rooms for visitors in the summer," Keegan explained.

Those who could afford it also stayed at a hotel in Central Square (which burned down many years ago) and many came to buy leather, tin goods and other items at the shops and millenary factories lining the streets.

Today people can head down Central Street to the parking lot on the right where they will find the trailhead for the Bristol Falls Park and the Pemi Trail, a pleasant stroll down to where the Newfound River meets the Pemigewasset River. There they will discover the remnants of the route trains took north to Bristol and see the turn around location where they then headed south to take visitors back home.

Memorabilia from 205-year-old town's celebrations over the years have a few surprises to be found at the museum as well. A more recent happening that many will remember is the 1985 Fourth of July parade. Photos, news stories and pamphlets from the day show that the Grand Marshal was none other than Vice-President George H.W. Bush who

was running for president that year.

These bits of trivia are just the tip of the iceberg for those who want to learn more about the history of the Town of Bristol and Newfound Lake though. The room is filled with interesting artifacts and the members are filled with knowledge they enjoy sharing.

Keegan said Bristol Historical Society's museum, located at the junction of S. Main and Prospect Streets, will be opening once again this June on Saturday mornings from 10 a.m. until noon, with a sign posted in Central Square to remind people to stop by and visit. It will also be open one weeknight in the upcoming season, the day and time to be announced soon. Among plans being worked on for this summer however is an open house with the town's old fire engine on display along with a special program on the early days of Bristol Fire Department.

For more information on the historical society, as well as some treasured old photos, visit their Bristol NH Historical Society page on Facebook.

## Athletes

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take part in the state basketball tournament.

Special Olympics New Hampshire (SONH) held the tournament in both Plymouth and Campton and more than 40 teams from across the state will compete on six different courts.

Competition took place in Campton at Campton Elementary

School and in Plymouth at Plymouth State University, Plymouth Regional High School and Plymouth Elementary School. The day included three-on-three and five-on-five games for both traditional and Unified teams along with Individual Skill Competition. Special Olympics Unified Sports® joins individuals with and without intellectual disabili-

ties together to compete as teammates.

Competition started at 8 a.m. at all locations except Plymouth State University (PSU) where tip-off was 9 a.m. Tournament play ran through 3:30 p.m.

"We held basketball assessments back on March 16 at Proctor Academy," said SONH President and CEO Mary Conroy. "Those

assessments had a great athlete turnout and it's obvious that they have been training for this tournament and are ready to compete."

Coaches gave Special Olympics New Hampshire an idea of their team's skill level, which allowed the organizers making the schedules to match teams up against others with the same skill level in one of the

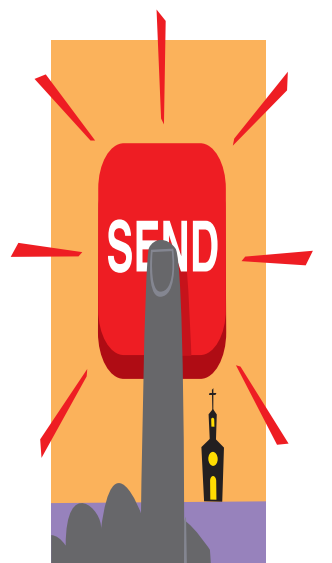
four different divisions.

Play concluded with an awards ceremony, where athletes were acknowledged for their play throughout the day.

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# Sanborn takes over strong Plymouth baseball bunch

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PLYMOUTH — The Plymouth baseball team finished last year strong, advancing to the Division II championship game and returns a strong group of players from that squad, including the two pitchers who handled almost all of the innings on the mound last year.

The Bobcats do have a new coach, as football coach Chris Sanborn moves into the dug-out and looks to a solid group of returning starters to carry the load.

“Good workouts so far, despite the difficult weather,” Sanborn said. “Pitchers have thrown a number of sessions and

hitters have gotten lots of reps in the cage.

“That’s very different than live action though and that showed in our only scrimmage,” the Bobcat coach added.

Johnny Flaherty and Logan Finkle are both back for their senior seasons and they carried the bulk of the pitching load last year, pitching all but 20 innings last season. Flaherty will also play on the left side of the infield after earning First Team All-State honors last year.

Junior Luke Diamond will return to play shortstop after earning Second Team All-State last season and Owen Cahoon returns for his senior year at both third

base and in the outfield. Tyler Dekutoski is back to work behind the plate and will also see some time as DH in his senior year and junior Thomas Daigneault returns to anchor the outfield in center. Jake Sanborn is back at first base and Trevin Stone returns to right field.

Newcomers include juniors Kyle Dodge (second base), Noah Shaw (catcher and pitcher) and Jaxon Rineer (catcher and outfield), senior Luke Bassingthwaite (pitcher and outfield) and sophomore Turner Oldenburg (first base and pitcher). Sanborn notes that Shaw has been improving on the mound throughout the

preseason and looks strong, while Diamond, Bassingthwaite and Oldenburg will also see considerable time on the mound.

Offensively, Sanborn expects Diamond, Cahoon, Dekutoski and Daigneault to continue their strong seasons from a year ago with good performances this year. Defensively, Dodge has looked good in his bid to replace Noah Dutille at second base, while Shaw, Dekutoski and Rineer have been battling to fill the spot left behind the plate with the graduation of Cam Stratton.

“Plymouth had a magical season last season,” Sanborn said, noting

that after a tough ending to the regular season that saw them finish at 9-7, they came up big in the playoffs, battling all the way to the championship game. “That energy seems to have carried over to this season and the boys are working hard, despite the 28 inches of snow we received on March 23.”

Sanborn expects that Division II will be deep this year, with St. Thomas, Souhegan and Kingswood all returning a ton of talent, defending champion Hollis-Brookline likely reloading and John Stark and Milford also expected to be in the mix.

The Bobcats will be playing two games each

with Laconia, Kingswood and Kennett and single games with Souhegan, Merrimack Valley, Con-Val, Pelham, Coe-Brown, Lebanon, Pembroke, Hanover, Bow and John Stark.

Field conditions permitting, the Bobcats were slated to open the season after deadline at Laconia on April 10, then are scheduled to be at Souhegan on Friday, April 12, at home against Kingswood on Monday, April 15, and at Merrimack Valley on Wednesday, April 17.

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# Softball Bears return solid group to the diamond

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BRISTOL — With a strong group of returning players, coach Bruce Couture knows that his Newfound softball team

has some potential and his large group of seniors have their sights set high.

“As a team, we want to be more consistent in all our games and our seniors would like to reach the Final Four,” Couture said. “Now, if the weather could ever cooperate, we will get going.”

The Bears return their battery in seniors Katie Sweeney behind the plate and Sarah Buchanan in the circle. Both are entering their fourth years as starters,

with Sweeney returning as the team’s leading hitter and strong defensive presence at catcher while Buchanan is the current leader in strikeouts at Newfound and is also a good hitter.

Emily Avery at second base is one of the team’s most improved players, while outfielder Hannah Bassett has shown improvement in both facets of the game. Four-year starter Madison Bush rounds out the senior class and can start anywhere on the

field but will mostly play third and first.

Junior shortstop Adeline Dolloff returns a big bat and a smooth defensive presence in the middle of the infield while classmate Cora Sanschagrinn returns to centerfield and continues to improve every day and has a great work ethic. Sophomore Gwen Bastarache returns to play infield and will work in the circle as needed as well.

Freshman Jayden Gilpatrick will also pitch as needed and play in the

infield while classmates Arianna Plummer, Connessa Ross and Kaiyana White will also be looking for playing time along with sophomore Tiarra Soukone and junior Casey Bush.

The Bears will play two games each with White Mountains, St. Thomas, Winnisquam and Berlin and single games against Kearsarge, Newport, Hopkinton, Belmont, Stevens, Gilford, Mascoma and defending champion Prospect Mountain.

The season was scheduled to kick off, weather permitting, at Kearsarge on Tuesday, April 9, and at home against Newport on Wednesday, April 10. The Bears are scheduled to host White Mountains today, April 11, and Hopkinton on Monday, April 15 before visiting St. Thomas on Wednesday, April 17.

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

**LEGAL PROBATE NOTICE**  
**THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**  
 2nd Circuit - Probate Division - Haverhill  
 3/15/2024 thru 3/28/2024

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

**Brale, Michael R.**, late of Alexandria, NH. Robert E. Braley, 44 NH Rte. 104, Danbury, NH 03230. #315-2024-ET-00134

**Casey, Janice M.**, late of Campton, NH. Sean P Casey, 22 O'Connor St, E. Taunton, MA 02718. Brian W. Ray, ESQ, Resident Agent, Brian W. Ray PLLC, 11 South Main Street, PO Box 369, Plymouth, NH 03264-0369. #315-2024-ET-00136

**Egloff, JR.**, Charles Gordon, late of Englewood, CO. Susan C Egloff, 2333 Midnight Pass Court, The Villages, FL 32162. Monica Smith, Resident Agent, PO Box 266, Sandwich, NH 03227. #315-2023-ET-00750

**Gunter, Louise L.**, late of Thornton, NH. Susan J McCarthy, PO Box 193, Newry, ME 04261. John Joseph McCormack, Jr., ESQ, Resident Agent, McCormack Law Office, 62 Main Street, PO Box 720, Ashland, NH 03217. #315-2023-ET-00722

**Kinsley, Neil Alvin**, late of Rumney, NH. Ethel May Kinsley, 740 Quincy Road, Rumney, NH 03266. #315-2023-ET-00602

**Quinn, John M.**, late of Maynard, MA. Gregory Quinn, 55 Concord St., Maynard, MA 01754. Elizabeth A. Lahey, ESQ, Resident Agent, Normandin Cheney & O'Neil PLLC, 213 Union Ave, PO Box 575, Laconia, NH 03247. #315-2023-ET-00805

**Woolfort, Matthew R. D.**, late of Glencliff, NH. Deborah A. Dickmann, 3 Station Road, Glencliff, NH 03238. #315-2024-ET-00094

Dated: 3/29/2024

# Newcomers, veterans ready to make their mark for Bear baseball

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING

Sports Editor

BRISTOL — With a group of freshmen already looking to make their mark on the program, second-year Newfound baseball coach Logan Belanger is excited to see where the internal competition leads the Bears after earning a playoff spot last year.

“We have a good start to the season, the work ethic has been fantastic,” Belanger said. “The surprise is how ready to contribute this freshman group is.

“It’s a good problem to have, as it creates competition everywhere,” the Bear coach noted.

The Bears return a solid group of athletes to the field, led by seniors Josh Blouin, Hayden Dolloff and Cody Laflamme along with juniors Landon Sargent, Calvin Colby, Brayden Jenkins and James Joyce. Sophomore Daniel Sherkanowski also saw time last year as a freshman and is back for his sophomore campaign.

Blouin will pitch and play at shortstop, serving as a senior leader and Belanger expects him to improve on a solid season last year. Dolloff will move to first base this season and will also pitch in on the mound while being a steady presence for the Bears. Laflamme returns to centerfield to anchor the outfield with strong defense. Sargent will pitch and play in the infield after being the team’s most consistent player last year and will look to take the next step this season.

Colby will pitch and play in the outfield as well as bring a key lefthanded bat to the lineup. Jenkins is the team’s best defensive player and will move from the infield to behind the plate while also giving the team great at-bats each time. Joyce will return to the outfield after leading the team in stolen bases last year and Sherkanowski will pitch and play in the infield in addition to being the team’s backup catcher after getting plenty of exposure last season.

The four freshmen challenging for playing time out of the gate are Abe Furtado, who will play in the infield with a great glove, Gavin Royea,

who is also an infielder who can step in on day one and contribute, Ryder Sargent, who will work in the infield, outfield and on the mound and Nate Arnold, who will see time in the outfield and on the mound. The other newcomer is senior Vinny Defosses, who Belanger calls the “heart and soul of this team.”

“Our goal is to improve on the work we started last season where we made the playoffs,” Belanger said. “As long as we continue to work hard every day, we should have a successful season.”

The Bears will play two games each with White Mountains, Winnisquam, Campbell and Berlin along with single games with Kearsarge, Hopkinton, Belmont, Gilford, Prospect Mountain, Stevens, Inter-Lakes and Mascoma.

The season was set to begin after deadline against Kearsarge and continue today, April 11, at home against White Mountains, Monday, April 15, at home against Hopkinton and Wednesday, April 17, at Campbell, all with 4 p.m. starts.

# HIGH SCHOOL SLATE

Thursday, April 11

**NEWFOUND**  
 Baseball vs. White Mountains; 4  
 Softball vs. White Mountains; 4  
**PLYMOUTH**  
 Boys’ Tennis vs. Kearsarge; 4  
**Friday, April 12**

**PLYMOUTH**  
 Baseball at Souhegan; 4  
 Boys’ Lacrosse at Bishop Brady; 4  
 Girls’ Tennis vs. Littleton; 4  
 Softball at Souhegan; 4  
**Saturday, April 13**

**NEWFOUND**  
 Track Home Meet; 10  
**PLYMOUTH**  
 Track at Newfound; 10  
**Monday, April 15**

**NEWFOUND**  
 Baseball vs. Hopkinton; 4  
 Softball vs. Hopkinton; 4  
**PLYMOUTH**  
 Baseball vs. Kingswood; 4  
 Boys’ Lacrosse at Milford; 4  
 Boys’ Tennis at Inter-Lakes; 4  
 Girls’ Lacrosse vs. Milford; 4  
 Girls’ Tennis at Kearsarge; 4  
 Softball vs. Kingswood; 4  
**Tuesday, April 16**

**PLYMOUTH**  
 Boys’ Tennis at Moultonborough; 4  
 Track at Coe-Brown; 4  
**Wednesday, April 17**

**NEWFOUND**  
 Baseball at Campbell; 4  
 Softball at St. Thomas; 4  
**PLYMOUTH**  
 Baseball at Merrimack Valley; 4  
 Boys’ Lacrosse vs. Kennett; 4  
 Girls’ Lacrosse at Concord Christian; 4  
 Girls’ Tennis at St. Thomas; 4  
 Softball at Merrimack Valley; 4  
**Thursday, April 18**

**NEWFOUND**  
 Track at Laconia; 4  
**PLYMOUTH**  
 Boys’ Lacrosse at Pelham; 6  
 Boys’ Tennis at Littleton; 4  
 Girls’ Lacrosse vs. Pelham; 4  
 Girls’ Tennis at White Mountains; 4  
*All schedules are subject to change*

# INTER-LAKES PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION IS OPEN March 13th - April 12th

Registration is open to all children who reside within Center Harbor, Meredith or Sandwich: and who will be 3 and 4 years of age by September 30, 2024.

**Applications can be picked up in person at:** Inter-Lakes Elementary School, Monday through Friday between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.

What is required with your registration packet for Preschool?

- Your Child’s Birth Certificate
- Physical Exam within the last 12 months
- Up-to-Date Immunization Forms
- Proof of Residency

\*Deadline for the applications is 3:00 pm on Friday, April 12th, 2024. Applications will not be accepted after this date. Enrollment will be Confirmed no later than Friday, April 19th 2024 by telephone.

For more information call Ronda Young or ValerieAnn Correia, Preschool Coordinators, at 279-7968.

**LEGAL NOTICE**  
**THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**  
**JUDICIAL BRANCH**  
<http://www.courts.state.nh.us>

Court Name: 2nd Circuit Family Division - Plymouth  
 Case Name: In the matter of Halley DeCosta and Curtis Cawley Sr.  
 Case Number: 669-2023-DM-00161

**MOTION FOR ALTERNATIVE SERVICE THROUGH PUBLICATION**

Halley DeCosta, state the following facts:

1. The current residence of the other party is unknown and the last known address of the other party is: Homeless
2. The following person is a near relative or friend of the other party and his/her address is: I have no information
3. The following is the name and address of a newspaper published in the city or town nearest to the other party's last known address: I have no information

Therefore, I hereby request the Court grant this Motion For Alternative Service Through Publication.

March 18, 2024  
 Telephone: 603-728-7444  
 s/ Halley DeCosta  
 Lincoln, NH 03251  
 State of New Hampshire, county of Grafton

**INTER-LAKES 2024-2025 KINDERGARTEN**  
**Kindergarten Registration: May 20 and May 24**

Registration is open to all children who reside within Center Harbor, Meredith or Sandwich; and who will be 5 years of age by September 30, 2024.

**Join us for:**

**Kindergarten Parent Night**  
 ➤ May 7, 5PM  
 ➤ Elementary School Multi-Purpose Room  
 ➤ Principal Presentation  
 ➤ Distribution of Registration Paperwork  
 ➤ Appointments will be scheduled when registration paperwork is returned to school.

**Required to register:**

- Child's birth certificate
- Physical exam within the last 12 months
- Up-to-Date Immunization Forms
- Proof of Residency

**SANDWICH CENTRAL SCHOOL  
KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION  
FOR 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR**

**REGISTRATION BEGINS  
Wednesday, MAY 15th at 5:00 PM**

Sandwich Central School is excited to announce that our annual Primary Multiage Registration evening will be on **Wednesday, May 15 at 5:00 pm.**

If your child will be five years old by September 30, 2024 or is entering SCS as first grader, and is a resident of Sandwich, Center Harbor, or Meredith, please email administrative assistant, Lucy Cunningham at [lucy.cunningham@interlakes.org](mailto:lucy.cunningham@interlakes.org)

**The presentation will include:**

- Meet the Faculty
- A Day in Primary Multiage (schedule overview)
- Special Education and Response to Instruction
- Bus Transportation
- Registration Packets

**TOWN OF CAMPTON**

**Notice of Public Hearing**

**Monday, April 22, 2024, at 4:30 PM**

The Campton Board of Selectmen will hold a public hearing in accordance with NH RSA 31:5-b on **Monday, April 22, 2024, at 4:30 p.m. in the Community Room located at 12 Gearty Way, Campton NH 03223** for the purpose of explaining as well as discussing the need to hold a Special Town Meeting, specifically to cure the procedural defect in the Annual Town Meeting held on March 13, 2024.

**TOWN OF CAMPTON**

**Notice of Special  
Town Meeting & Warrant**

**Tuesday, April 30, 2024, at 6:30 PM**

To the inhabitants of the Town of Campton in the County of Grafton in the State of New Hampshire qualified to vote in Town affairs: You are hereby notified and warned of a Special Town Meeting to be held as follows:

**Date:** April 30, 2024 (Tuesday)

**Time:** 6:30 p.m.

**Location:** Campton Elementary School  
1110 NH Rte. 175

To act on the following warrant article pursuant to RSA 31:5-b:

Article One: To see if the Town will vote, in accordance with RSA 31:5-b, to cure any and all procedural defects in connection with the posting/notice of the 2024 Town Warrant as well as the required budgetary forms and to ratify the procedurally defective actions associated with the 2024 Annual Campton Town Meeting. (Majority vote required) (The Selectmen recommend this article.)

**TOWN OF PLYMOUTH  
PUBLIC NOTICE**

The Plymouth Planning Board will review and hold public hearings on the following applications at their meeting on **Thursday, April 18, 2024, at 6:30 PM** at Plymouth Town Hall, 6 Post Office Square:

1. A continuation of a public hearing on a site plan review application received from Hess Engineering and Construction Consultants on behalf of YTN TMH, LLC to develop an approximately 6,000 sf building featuring first floor commercial space and two residential units on the second floor, along with associated site and drainage improvements, as well as site improvements to support a potential future phase two. The development is proposed for property on the east side of Yeaton Road (PID 213-014). The property lies within the Agricultural zoning district.
2. A request from BYCO, LLC for approval in accordance with the Plymouth Subdivision Regulations to modify the previously approved infrastructure in the Mountain View Farms Subdivision, by removing or not-constructing the sidewalk initially included in that development. The original approval included sidewalks along one side of Crescent St and Wildflower Ln within the development.
3. A compliance hearing to review conformity with conditions of approval placed on a conditional approval of a site plan application from Mountain Village Charter School to construct an educational facility including three classroom buildings and associated site improvements on parcel 213-031, Tenney Mountain Highway, in the Industrial Commercial Zone.
4. An application from Lafrance Hospitality for a minor subdivision of parcel 212-041, owned by T&T Mountain Investments and located at 12 Smith Bridge Road. The proposal is to divide the 40.6-acre parcel into two parcels of approximately 4.4 and 36.1 acres. The property is located in the Agricultural zoning district.
5. An application from Lafrance hospitality for site plan review to develop an approximately 18,500 square foot, 93-room hotel along with associated site and drainage improvements on a portion of present parcel 212-041, also proposed for subdivision, owned by T&T Mountain Investments and located on the north side of Smith Bridge Road in the Agricultural zoning district.

The meeting will be available electronically via Zoom and can be accessed from the Town's website ([www.plymouthnh.gov](http://www.plymouthnh.gov)). For more information, please contact the Planning & Development Department at [planning@plymouthnh.gov](mailto:planning@plymouthnh.gov) or 603-536-1731.

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**NEWFOUND AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT  
KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION  
FOR 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR**

**If you have a child who will turn 5 years old by September 30, 2024 please call or email the school in the town in which you live for registration information.**

- Bristol Elementary School 744-2761 or [jtehven@sau4.org](mailto:jtehven@sau4.org)**
  - Bridgewater-Hebron Village School (Bridgewater, Groton and Hebron) 744-6969 or [shunewill@sau4.org](mailto:shunewill@sau4.org)**
  - Danbury Elementary School 768-3434 or [jpine@sau4.org](mailto:jpine@sau4.org)**
  - New Hampton Community School 744-3221 or [adifilippe@sau4.org](mailto:adifilippe@sau4.org)**
- If you live in Alexandria, your child will attend either Bristol Elementary School or Bridgewater-Hebron Village School. Determination is made according to physical address. You may contact either school for more information.**

**Town of Rumney, New Hampshire  
Request for Proposals  
Removal and Replacement of Shingled Roof of:  
Byron G. Merrill Library  
10 Buffalo Road, Rumney, NH**

The Town of Rumney is seeking proposals from qualified contractors to furnish and install a new shingled roof on the Byron G. Merrill Library, located at 10 Buffalo Road. Scope of work:

Provide all necessary materials, labor, and equipment to complete removal of old shingles and installation of new shingles on the original portion of the roof of the Byron G. Merrill Library, that has a footprint of approximately 53' X 34' and attachment of 29' X 17', blending in with the addition installed 2015, in accordance with the following scope:

- Strip roof to bare wood on roof of the Byron G. Merrill Library Building
- Re-nail existing board as needed
- Install 1/2 OSB over entire roof using 2 1/2" ring nails
- Cover OSB with color appropriate drip edge
- Install B Grade cedar shakes, with 1 1/2" overhang along eaves
- Remove, Preserve, and re-install copper roof valleys
- Install I KO Storm Shield 6' up from eaves
- Cover remaining roof with IKO Cool Grey roof guard
- Install I KO Limited Lifetime Arch Shingles-Matching the color and design used on the 2015 addition
- Install matching color for cap
- Shingles to be installed with 1 1/2" shingle nails
- Contractor shall keep work area neat at the end of each day and contained through the duration of the job
- Work may start upon the signing of the project agreement, work must be completed by August 8, 2024.

Proposers must comply with the following submission procedures:  
Sealed proposals shall be submitted marked "Byron G. Merrill -Asphalt Shingle Bid" address to:  
Town of Rumney  
PO Box 220  
Rumney, NH 03266

Proposals will be accepted until 2:00 PM April 22, 2024. Faxed and e-mailed proposals will not be accepted.

**RESERVATION OF RIGHTS:** The Town of Rumney reserves the right to reject any and all proposals, to waive technical, or legal deficiencies, and to accept any proposal that it deems to be in the best interest of the Town.

**WARRANTY:** The contractor shall submit a copy of the manufacturer's warranty indicating the duration of said warranty and install the shingles according to the manufacturer's instructions.

**Cost/Schedule:** The bidder shall furnish a cost proposal and schedule as part of the package. The contractor shall complete work by August 8, 2024.

**Certificate of Liability:** A copy of applicable insurance certificate(s) and Worker's Compensation Coverage, in compliance with State Law, must accompany bids.

**Town of Rumney, New Hampshire  
Request for Proposals  
Removal and Replacement of Shingled Roof of:  
Former Rumney Rest Area  
2926 Rumney Route 25, Rumney, NH**

The Town of Rumney is seeking proposals from qualified contractors to furnish and install a new shingled roof on the building on the property formerly known as the Rumney Rest Area, located at 2926 Rumney Route 25.

**Scope of work:**  
Provide all necessary materials, labor, and equipment to complete removal of old shingles and installation of new shingles on the roof of the building at 2926 Rumney Route 25, that has a footprint of approximately 36' X 26', in accordance with the following scope:

- Strip roof to bare wood
- Re-nail existing boards as needed
- If roof boards need to be replaced, a change order will be needed
- Install color appropriate drip edge
- Remove the three (3) Skylight and install appropriate exterior and interior replacement sheathing
- Install new flashing around the chimney
- Install B Grade cedar shakes, with 1 1/2" overhang along eaves
- Install I KO Storm Shield 6' up from eaves
- Cover remaining roof with IKO Cool Grey roof guard
- Install I KO Limited Lifetime Arch Shingles- Color Brown
- Install matching color for cap
- Shingles to be installed with 1 1/2" shingle nails
- Contractor shall keep work area neat at the end of each day and contained through the duration of the job
- Work may start upon the signing of the project agreement, work must be completed by August 8, 2024.

Proposers must comply with the following submission procedures:  
Sealed proposals shall be submitted marked "Rumney Rest Area-Asphalt Shingle Bid" address to:  
Town of Rumney  
PO Box 220  
Rumney, NH 03266

Proposals will be accepted until 2:00 PM April 22, 2024. Faxed and e-mailed proposals will not be accepted.

**RESERVATION OF RIGHTS:** The Town of Rumney reserves the right to reject any and all proposals, to waive technical, or legal deficiencies, and to accept any proposal that it deems to be in the best interest of the Town.

**WARRANTY:** The contractor shall submit a copy of the manufacturer's warranty indicating the duration of said warranty and install the shingles according to the manufacturer's instructions.

**Cost/Schedule:** The bidder shall furnish a cost proposal and schedule as part of the package. The contractor shall complete work by August 8, 2024.

**Certificate of Liability:** A copy of applicable insurance certificate(s) and Worker's Compensation Coverage, in compliance with State Law, must accompany bids.

# CHURCHES

## Campton Congregational

Sunday, April 14  
9:30 a.m. Worship Service led by Rev. Jeff Robie  
10 a.m. Children's Sermon/Sunday School.  
Following Worship we gather for fellowship.

Tuesday, April 16  
10:30 a.m. Bible Study  
Noon BYOL Lunch  
1 p.m. Ladies Guild Meets

Campton Congregational Church recently bid farewell, to our longtime organist, Jim Tyrrell. Jim's dedication and loyalty were unwavering, his presence an integral part of Sunday worship service. We will miss the resonance of his voice filling the sanctuary each Sunday. His kind spirit and musical talent will live on. We are sad to see Jim go but also send many wishes for his future endeavors. Here's to you, Jim, may your path ahead be filled with harmony and fulfillment.

All are welcome Sunday mornings, as we come together to Wor-

ship God. Our Church is a member of the National Association of Congregational Christian Churches, a national body of churches dedicated to preserving traditional Congregational principles and practices in the world. Our Services are available on Facebook. If you are unable to be with us in person, tithes and offerings may be sent to PO Box 328, Campton, NH 03223. Please direct any questions or needs to ourccc1774@gmail.com or call 603-536-2536.

## Christian Science Society, Plymouth

We welcome everyone to join us at our Sunday services, which we hold each week at 10 a.m. in our Emerson Street building. This week's Bible lesson begins with this verse from Exodus: "...Fear you not, stand still and see the salvation of the lord, which he will shew to you today." Christian Science churches around the world will be reading this lesson, and it can be studied during the week,

including in our Reading Room study area.

We have a Sunday School at the same time as this service where children and teens learn how the truths and lessons in the Bible can help them learn to pray both for themselves, their community and the world.

Our Wednesday meetings which are held at 6 p.m. each week include short readings from the Bible and from the Christian Science textbook with thoughts to help meet personal and world needs. Then there is time for sharing with one another gratitude for healing experiences in our lives, as well as thoughts and insights from our spiritual study and prayer. Everyone is welcome.

Please visit our Web site at [www.cs-plymouth-nh.org](http://www.cs-plymouth-nh.org) if you would like to join in our services by Zoom.

The Reading Room in our church building is open Monday noon to 2 p.m. You're welcome to come in to browse, borrow books and resources which include Bible reference materials and many other books and publications. There are

free magazines which you are welcome to take as well.

At [jsh-online.com](http://jsh-online.com) there are new articles each week, many with audio. This week, there is a podcast interview on the subject "Love that really heals."

## Starr King Unitarian Universalist Fellowship

Starr King Unitarian Universalist Fellowship holds Sunday services each Sunday at 9:30 a.m., both in person at 101 Fairgrounds Road, Plymouth, and live streamed via Zoom. Nursery and childcare services are available. Religious education classes are offered every week.

April 14  
Living Well in Place  
Rev. Linda Barnes

Imagine so belonging to a place that you feel your bones were made of the very rock beneath your feet. Imagine reminding yourself

that the air you breathe comes from those trees that surround you, the greenery putting into the atmosphere exactly what you need to survive. Imagine now reciprocity, how it is that you contribute to the wellbeing of a place. Join us on Sunday as we reflect on belonging and living well in place.

Unitarian Universalism is a caring, open-minded religion that encourages you to seek your own spiritual path. Our Faith draws on many religious traditions, welcoming people with different beliefs. We are a Welcoming Congregation recognizing no distinction of class, nationality, race, gender, or sexual orientation.

For more information and Zoom link, visit our Web site, [www.starrkingfellowship.org](http://www.starrkingfellowship.org).

## Wentworth Congregational

Here is our list of upcoming speakers:

Our services are now at 10 a.m., except for the first Sunday Commu-

nion Service in West Rumney, which is at 9 a.m.

April 14—Rev. Cindy Petrie (Bible Study after service)

April 21—Joy Moody  
April 28—Rev. Lynn Morrison

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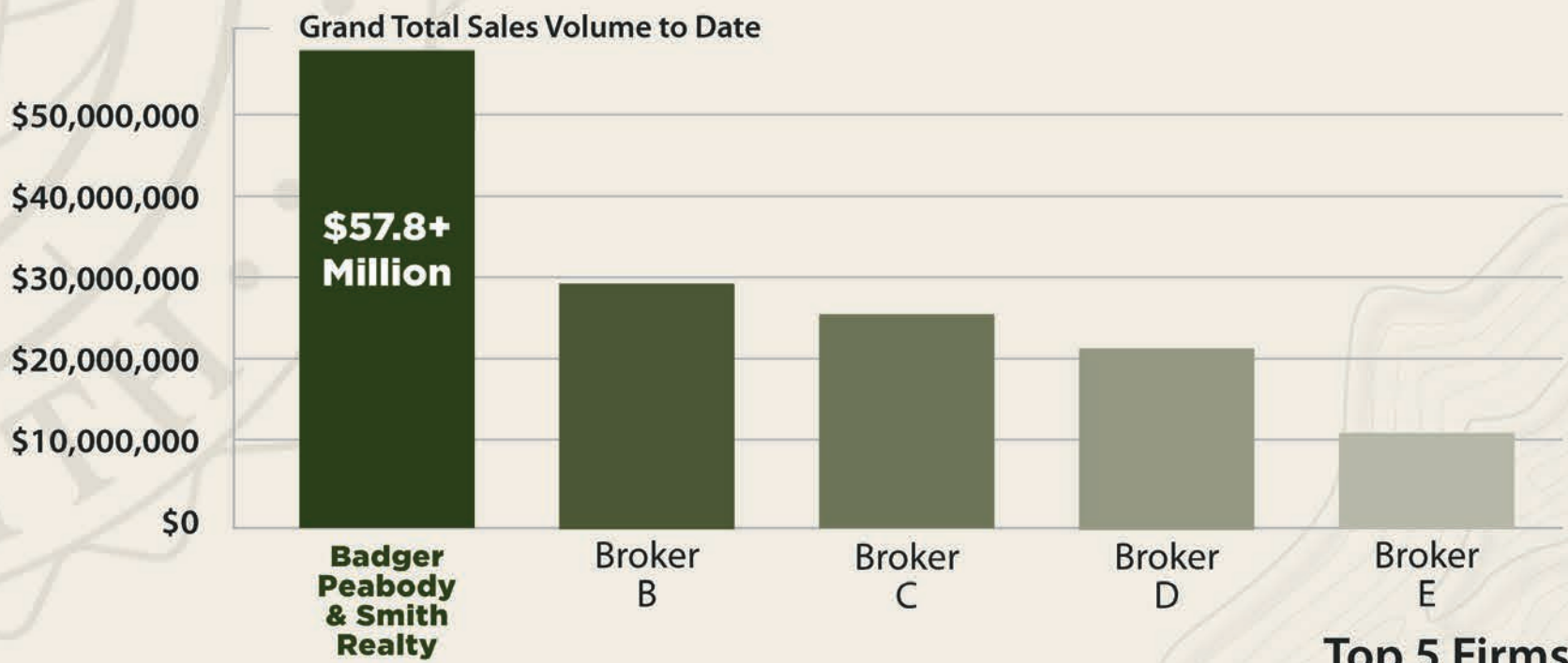
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# Ashland School Board reappoints previous officers

BY DAVID RUELL  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

ASHLAND — At their April 2 meeting, the Ashland School Board reorganized for the year, set their meeting

schedule and the calendar for the next school year and allowed the After School program students to ride the school bus. They learned of school activities.

Superintendent Mary Moriarty called the meeting to order and presided over it until a Chair could be elected. The four school board members present were comfortable with their past leadership and re-elected Steve Heath as Chair and Sandra Coleman as Vice Chair. As School Board members were unchanged from last year, the Board members were returned to their past assignments, Coleman as the representative to the Budget Committee, with Jesse Farris as the alternate; Heath on the Safety and Facility committees, Coleman on the Wellness Committee, Steve Felton and Jennifer Foote on the Policy Review Committee, and Farris as the delegate to NH School Boards Association delegate assembly. Coleman will also serve as one of the two School Board representatives on the Negotiations Committee, as a new contract with the teachers union will be negotiated in the coming year. The other Board representative will be appointed later.

Three school district offices, Treasurer, Clerk and Moderator, were not filled at the March elections, as no one ran for those positions. The most important of these is the Treasurer, who signs the checks for the school district wages and expenses. The former Treasurer Brian Chalmers has agreed to serve until June 30, 2024 (the end of the present school district financial year) or until a replacement is appointed, whichever comes first. The School Board agreed to that temporary appointment. A search will begin for a new Treasurer, preferably someone with financial experience, as well as a Clerk and a Moderator.

and end (depending on snow days) on June 10. Vacations will coincide with the regional high school vacations.

Parks & Recreation Director Ann Barney presented a request for the children in the After School program to ride the school bus from the school to the Booster Clubhouse at the end of the school day. A Parks & Recreation counselor will ride with the children. The proposal was supported by the school administrators and approved by the bus company. The School Board agreed to the ride sharing proposal.

Principal Guy Donnelly reported on school activities. The school play, featuring students from the 4th to 8th grades, was held the previous Wednesday. Ashland was well represented in the SAU48 Arts Festival. Families had played math games at the school the previous night. Spring sports were waiting for the weather to cooperate. Step Up Night, when 8th grade students from the region visit Plymouth Regional High School, was held the

same night as the school board meeting. Ashland will hold a dance for the seventh to ninth graders of the area on April 12. Movie Night, featuring "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory," was to be the following week. He asked for the donation of books to the I Love to Read & Write Week book sale, where students will be charged nominal sums for the books. An author of children's books will visit the school during that week.

The board was asked to authorize the Superintendent and the Chair to sign an agreement for a Security Action For Education grant, but Chairman Heath, who also serves as the Ashland Fire Chief, felt that might be a conflict of interest for him, so the Board authorized the Vice Chair to sign in his place. The Board approved the annual General Assurances for Federal funds. The Board ended its meeting with a non-public session to consider the nominations of the professional staff and administrators for the next year.

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The Common Man for Ukraine has provided

humanitarian aid to the victims of the Russian war since the Russian invasion began. The New Hampshire volunteers who started the effort have made eight trips to Ukraine, using truck "convoys" to deliver more than 900 tons of food, generators, sleeping bags and mental health services to the families in need. To date, it has raised more than \$3 million in relief from

3,000 donors.

A special highlight of the dinner will feature members of the Common Man for Ukraine who will have just returned from their latest trip to Ukraine in April. They will be available to discuss their experience and answer questions. The dinner will feature authentic Ukrainian food and dessert.

Tickets are \$20 and seating is limited. Tick-

ets may be purchased at the Union Congregational Church in Hebron on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm or by calling the church at 603-744-5883 to make a reservation. Please make checks out to the Union Congregational Church of Hebron and write Ukrainian Dinner on the memo line.

## Central NH Chamber announces Second Annual Scavenger Hunt fundraiser

PLYMOUTH — The Central NH Chamber of Commerce (CNHCC) is bringing back its unique road rally/scavenger hunt fundraiser on Saturday, May 18.

The Heart of 603 Scavenger Hunt, presented by Meredith Village Savings Bank, has a twist—it takes competitors on the road. Teams start the event at Legion Speedway in Wentworth and follow written, numbered instructions to complete an easy driving route

through the CNHCC service area, solving puzzles, visiting member businesses and finding items along the way that relate to the "Heart of 603." The event concludes with an awards ceremony and celebration at Tenney Mountain Resort in Plymouth.

Registration is just \$50 per team with proceeds supporting the non-profit work of the Chamber in advocating for, connecting and empowering entrepreneurs,

business owners and organizations in Central New Hampshire. There's no limit on the number of members per team; however, all teams must include at least two adults, and the entire team must fit in one vehicle and use that single vehicle throughout the event.

Coffee and baked goods will be provided at the start, bottled water will be provided for teams to take on the course and non-alcoholic beverages and snacks

will be served at the finish. Participants will have the opportunity to purchase lunch at the post-event celebration and there will be a cash bar for team members 21 and older.

First, second and third-place teams will receive trophies, and all participants will receive tickets for a door prize raffle featuring prizes donated by CNHCC member businesses.

"We're really excited to offer a fundraising event that's completely different from the usual galas, golf tournaments and silent auctions," noted Matty Leighton, CNHCC's executive director. "It's accessible to people of all abilities, and most importantly it's so much fun! This competition is perfect for friends, families with children ages 10 and up or colleagues—just about anyone can do it and have a great time."

Team registration is open at [www.centralnh.org/heart-of-603-scavenger-hunt/](http://www.centralnh.org/heart-of-603-scavenger-hunt/). Supporting sponsorships are also available.

For information about sponsoring or competing in the Heart of 603 Scavenger Hunt or to learn about the Chamber, contact Matty Leighton, CNHCC executive director, at (603) 969-7271 or [director@centralnh.org](mailto:director@centralnh.org).

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# PSU's Eagle Pond Authors' Series hosts award-winning poet Kerrin McCadden



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The Eagle Pond Authors' Series at Plymouth State University welcomes award-winning poet Kerrin McCadden to Silver Center's Smith Recital Hall for a free and public reading and book-signing on Tuesday, April 16, at 7 p.m.

PLYMOUTH — Plymouth State University (PSU) will host the last reading of the 25th Eagle Pond Authors' Series on Tuesday, April 16, at 7 p.m. Poet Kerrin McCadden will read her most recent work, American Wake, as well as two of her award-winning published articles.

New England Poet, McCadden, writes about her family's emigration to America in "American Wake." Gaining its title "American Wake" due to the Irish saying the phrase as a way to wish farewell to those who emigrate to the United States. In "American Wake," McCadden explores loss and gain, exploration of a new and old world, and a broken family patched together.

McCadden, winner of the 2022 Herb Lockwood Prize for excellence in the arts in Vermont was a finalist for the New England Book Award and the Vermont Book Award for her book, "American Wake." Her poems have appeared in American Poetry Review, Beloit

Poetry Journal, New England Review, Ploughshares, and Best American Poetry—as well as on The Slowdown and in The Academy of American Poets' Poem-a-Day series. McCadden received fellowships and awards from the National Endowment for the Arts, the Vermont Studio Center, and the Sustainable Arts Foundation. She teaches at the Center for Technology, Essex, and lives in South Burlington, Vermont.

Dr. Liz Ahl, Professor and Coordinator of English at PSU says, "I think our Eagle Pond audience will join me in admiring how Kerrin McCadden's poetry crosses literal and

metaphorical oceans as it explores loss, departure, and the various lineages and relations that constitute a home."

Series readings are free and open to the public (pre-registration required) and are followed by a reception and book signing. American Wake will be available for purchase on-site. Presentations take place at the Silver Center for the Arts' Smith Recital Hall located at 114 Main Street, Plymouth, on the PSU campus. For information and tickets, visit [plymouth.edu/silvercenter/](http://plymouth.edu/silvercenter/).

The Eagle Pond Authors' Series was founded in 1998 by former

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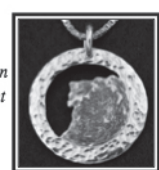
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# April is Alcohol Awareness Month

BY DEB NARO  
Contributor

According to the 2022 Central NH Youth Risk Behavior Survey, one in three high school students in our region drank alcohol in the past 30 days. Drinking today is different than parents' drinking a generation ago. We know much more today about the range of effects that alcohol can have on youth's health and safety. New research emerges daily, supporting the fact that any drinking during adolescence before the brain is fully developed, poses significant risks.

As a parent, you want to do all you can to protect your child. Many of us did not wear helmets for sports in our youth, but we now know that helmets can protect the brain. The same is true of alcohol – we know more about protecting our kids against the harms of alcohol than ever before. Chris Herren, a former NBA basketball player in long-term recovery, asks parents to think about why their children need to drink to have fun on a Friday night. He asks, "Aren't they enough just as they are without a drink or a drug?" We need to discourage teen drinking. Instead of expecting teens to experiment with alcohol, marijuana, or other substances, we should encourage alternative activities.

Depression and anxiety are significant risk factors for youth drinking. Mental health and substance use often go together: 30-45 percent of young people with mental health disorders also have a substance use disorder, and at least 65 percent of youth with a substance use disorder have a mental health disorder as well. Even if your child does not socialize much, depression, anxiety, and other mental health issues are significant risk factors for drinking and engaging in other forms of substance use. Treating mental health disorders can reduce the risk of substance use, so it is important to ensure that your child receives appropriate mental health care.

The earlier age a child starts drinking, the higher their likelihood of engaging in alcohol or other substance use and developing a substance use disorder (addiction) in the future. Adolescence is the time of peak susceptibility to developing problems with alcohol or other substances since the brain undergoes dramatic developmental changes that continue well into early adulthood. Alcohol disrupts this normal development and can produce long-lasting effects on the brain and interfere with healthy social, cognitive, and academic functioning. Even infrequent but intense drinking can lead to addiction, damage to the brain and a range of mental and physical health problems.

Less restrictive rules do not equal fewer problems in other countries. Studies from the World Health Organization show that European teens consistently report higher levels of drinking, binge drinking, and alcohol-related problems compared to youth in the United States. These differences also translate to adulthood; adults in the U.S. consume alcohol at far lower rates compared to adults in Europe. Research shows that drinking at home with parental approval is associated with higher-risk drinking, heavy alcohol use and alcohol problems later in life. Allowing kids to drink in the home sends mixed messages about the safety of underage alcohol use. Many states hold the social host or the owner of a home, responsible for underage drinking on their property often with serious legal consequences.

Talk frequently and openly. The majority of teens say their parents are the most important influence on their decisions about whether or not to use substances. Start talking early. Keep in mind that it's not about having a one-time "drug talk," but rather addressing it more frequently in natural conversations. Seize opportunities as they occur, such as when seeing an ad on television, passing a bar or being at an event where alcohol is being served. Research shows that a good parent-child relationship and healthy monitoring of children's activities can protect them from substance use, even for those with a high number of risk factors in their lives.

For more information about underage drinking, visit our website at cadyinc.org. If you, or someone you know, struggles with substance misuse or addiction, please call 2-1-1 or the Doorway at (934-8905) for help.

## CONSERVATION MATTERS

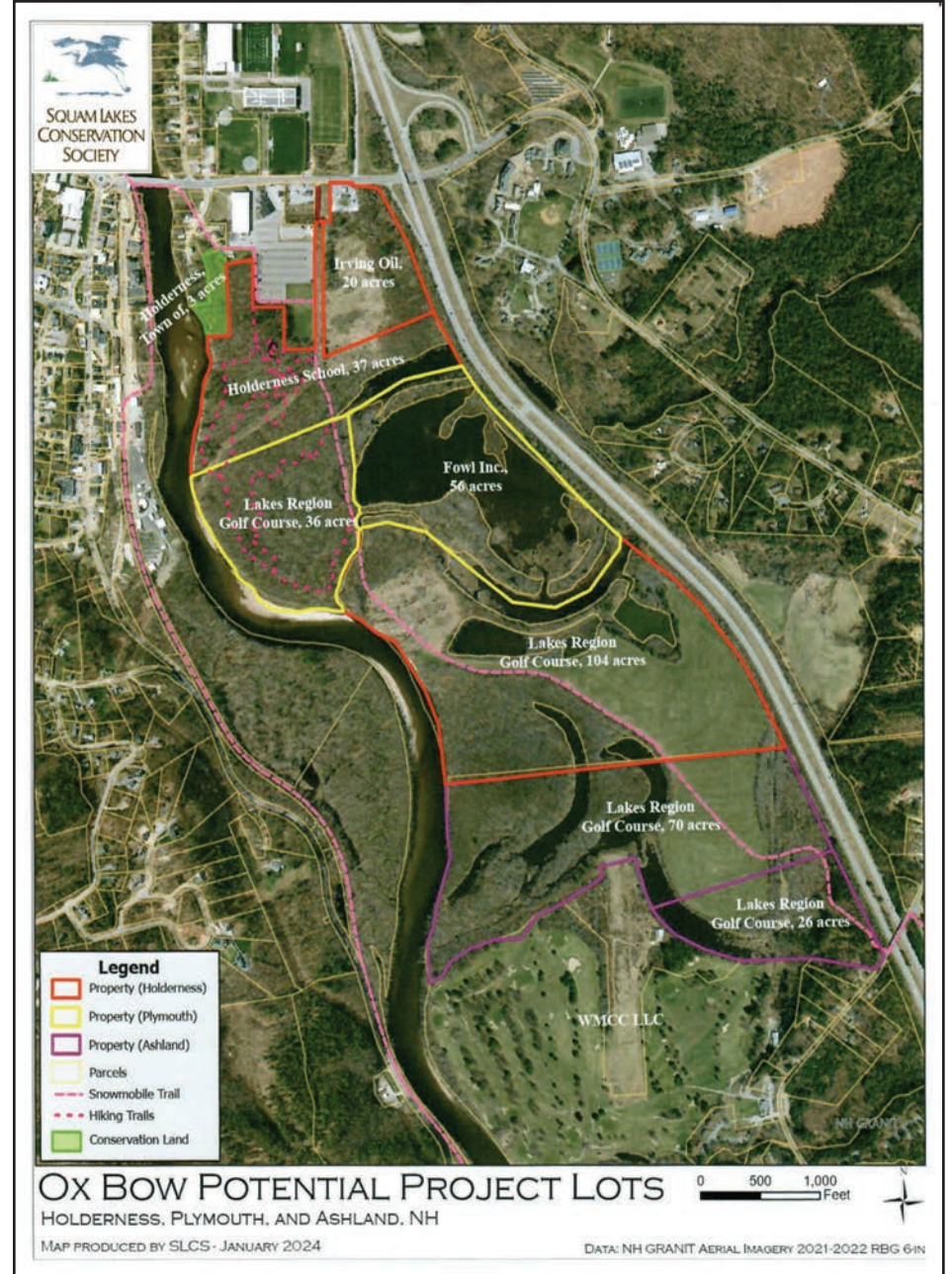
### A new preserve in Central New Hampshire

BY LARRY SPENCER  
Chair

Holderness Conservation Commission

Along the eastern shore of the Pemigewasset River, south of NH Route 175A between Holderness and Plymouth and north of the old White Mountain Country Club, is an area of floodplain containing several oxbows that represent places occupied by past passageways of the river. There are several owners of the properties composing the area: Plymouth State University, Irving Corporation, Holderness School, Plymouth Athletic Club, and Lakes Region Golf (four properties, one in Plymouth, one in Holderness, and two in Ashland).

Members of the Holderness and Plymouth Conservation Commissions have long been concerned, since none of the properties have conservation easements and there hasn't been a realistic management plan for the area. Several years ago, Larry Spencer, Chair of the Holderness Commission and Lisa Doner, Chair of the Plymouth Commission, became aware of an opportunity to submit a grant proposal to the US Land and Water Conservation Fund to conserve this important resource. An initial proposal was submitted but ran into problems at the federal level and was not granted. Then COVID-19 hit. Although we had mixed feelings about submitting the grant for a second go round, in the intervening time period we were made aware of the NH program called the Land Conservation and Heritage Investment Program (LCHIP) and decided that our proposal was a better fit for that program. We re-wrote our proposal to fit the guidelines of LCHIP and were pleasantly surprised when notified in November of 2023 that we were awarded \$210,000 to match funds from both Holderness



and Plymouth to purchase the four properties owned by Lakes Region Golf.

The properties total 223 acres, primarily in the Pemigewasset floodplain. Three of the properties are being purchased outright (one in Plymouth, one in Holderness and one in Ashland). The other is being donated by the owner of Lakes Region Golf, Philip Friel III, as matching funds. The Plymouth property has a large beach area on the Pemigewasset River and a riverine forest away from the river. The Holderness property consists of a field returning to a vegetative state and a mowed field that stretches from the river to the Interstate highway. One of the Ashland properties consists of a mowed field adjacent to the Interstate and the other property has some oxbow ponds and forests. The area today is widely

used by residents. Summertime users include mountain bikers, bird watchers and dog walkers. In the wintertime, use includes members of the Squam Trail Busters Snowmobile Club and folks either snowshoeing or cross-country skiing. The area has also been used by Plymouth State faculty for environmental studies. Because of the constant usage of the area, the two commissions have worried about the impact of humans on the natural ecosystem. As a permanently preserved conservation property, human use and preservation of the natural environment will be maintained in the preserve. The two commissions are working closely with the Squam Lakes Conservation Society to address items

on the due diligence list that need to be accomplished before the properties can be transferred from Lakes Region Golf to the Pemi Oxbow Preserve. These items include things such as title search, boundary marking, environmental assessment, natural history of the area, and a management plan. For the management plan the commissions will be involving the various stakeholders; the Pemi Area Local Advisory Committee, the NE Mountain Bike Association, the Squam Trail Busters Club, the local police, and members of the public. Our intent is to have all due diligence items completed so that transfer of the properties can take place before the end of June.

**SEND US YOUR NEWS!!!**



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# THE REAL REPORT

## RECENT REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS

Town	Address	Type	Price	Seller	Buyer
Ashland	13 Pine Arden Dr., Unit 69	Condominium	\$237,000	Daniel L. Molinari	T. & Shane Koumrian Trust
Bristol	N/A	N/A	\$110,000	Beverly A. Darwent Trust	Rickenback Renovations LLC
Bristol	N/A (Lot 19)	N/A	\$40,000	Patricia Lance	Jamie and Janet L. Russell
Campton	54 Pine Cove Rd.	Single-Family Residence	\$325,000	Christopher J. and Julie Campbell	Justin Ballew
Campton	N/A (Lot 4)	N/A	\$65,000	Ernest A. and Sally A. Hall	James S. and Emily J. Gesner
Dorchester	2139 NH Route 118	Mobile Home	\$285,000	Ronald R. and Carol A. Charrette	Christie and Matthew Hamor
Groton	17 Karkheck Lane	Res.-Mtl. Bldg.	\$364,000	Jeffrey D. McDonald	Justin P. and Tiffany A. Noviello
Hebron	W. Shore Road	N/A	\$425,000	Kristen O. and Raymond M. Reimold	Daniel J. and Nicole Harding
Holderness	Pleasant Place Drive	N/A	\$155,000	J. Garrison RET and Janet M. Maccomber	Sandra J. Sullivan and Michael J. Gulizia
Plymouth	Route 3A	N/A	\$85,000	David B. Farnham	Bruce A. Sanborn, Jr.
Thornton	161 Mill Brook Rd.	Single-Family Residence	\$300,000	Christina Bourassa	Julia N. and Aaron D. Lane
Thornton	1620 NH Route 175	Single-Family Residence	\$110,000	Sanborn Fiscal Trust and Patricia A. Sanborn	Andrew D. and Jennifer E. Guay
Thornton	Route 49	N/A	\$117,533	Uhlman Fiscal Trust and Alan E. Uhlman	Mad River Development LLC
Warren	Main Street	N/A	\$50,000	Jennifer Carter	Justin and Nancy Jolicoeur
Waterville Valley	22 Devereaux Way	N/A	\$1,004,400	Chinburg Development LLC	Brian C. and Michelle A. Pirri
Waterville Valley	22 Emmerson Way, Unit 1B	Condominium	\$530,000	Peter and Anne Millington	Wv Resort LLC

### ABOUT THE REAL REPORT

Here are recent real estate transactions in Alton and the surrounding areas. These sales summaries are informational only, not a legal record. Names shown are usually the first listed in the deed. Sales might in-

volve additional parties or locations. Prices are usually based on tax stamps and might be inaccurate for public agency sales. Refer to actual public documents before forming opinions or relying on this information. Additional publicly recorded information on these sales, prior sales and data from Department of Revenue Administration forms is available at [www.real-data.com](http://www.real-data.com)

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## Pemi-Baker Hospice & Home Health celebrates National Occupational Therapy Month



BY ANNA SWANSON  
Pemi-Baker Hospice & Home Health

PLYMOUTH — As we enter April, Pemi-Baker Hospice & Home Health is proud to recognize National Occupational Therapy Month, shedding light on the invaluable role Occupational Therapists (OTs) play in enhancing the lives of patients within the comfort of their own homes.

Occupational Therapy (OT) is a vital component of home health care that aims to help individuals of all ages achieve independence and improve their quality of life through customized interventions.

OT services provided in the home setting are particularly significant, offering patients a personalized approach to recovery and empowerment.

OTs provide a wide range of services tailored to meet the unique needs of each patient within the familiarity and convenience of their home environment. These services may include:

**Assessment and Evaluation:** OTs conduct comprehensive assessments to understand the patient's abilities, limitations, and goals, enabling them to develop personalized treatment

plans. **Adaptive Equipment Recommendations:** OTs recommend and assist in obtaining adaptive equipment and devices that promote independence and safety within the home.

**Activities of Daily Living (ADL) Training:** OTs work with patients to improve their ability to perform everyday tasks such as dressing, grooming, bathing, and meal preparation, enhancing their overall independence and quality of life.

**Home Safety Assessments:** OTs evaluate the home environment to identify potential hazards and make modifications or recommendations to ensure a safe and accessible living space.

**Cognitive Rehabilitation:** OTs provide cognitive rehabilitation techniques to help patients regain and enhance cognitive skills, such as memory, attention, and problem-solving abilities.

By bringing Occupational Therapy directly into the home, patients can experience numerous benefits, including

accelerated recovery, increased motivation, and enhanced overall well-being.

"At Pemi-Baker Hospice & Home Health, we understand the importance of providing comprehensive and compassionate care to our patients in the comfort of their own homes," said Melissa Smith, Home Health, Hospice & Palliative Director at Pemi-Baker Hospice & Home Health. "During National Occupational Therapy Month and beyond, we remain committed to empowering our patients to achieve their highest level of independence and function through our exceptional Occupational

Therapy services. Thank you to Nicole Sullivan, OT, Lindsay Hann, OT and Amanda Robinson, COTA/L for all that you do for our patients."

For more information about Occupational Therapy or Physical Therapy in the home, please contact Pemi-Baker Hospice & Home Health at 603-536-2232 or visit our website at [www.pbhha.org](http://www.pbhha.org).

Pemi-Baker Hospice & Home Health is a trusted, nonprofit agency proudly serving 32 towns in central and northern New Hampshire since 1967. Expert services include at-home health-care and physical therapies (VNA), hospice and palliative care, and com-

munity programs including: American Red Cross CPR/AED/FA, Caregiver and Bereavement Support Groups and Ask A Pemi-Baker Nurse days at your local senior centers. Providing compassionate care with experienced staff who are trained, certified professionals and also your neighbors. In your time of need, we're right where you need us.

Pemi-Baker is located at 101 Boulder Point Dr., Suite 3, Plymouth. To contact us please call: 603-536-2232 or email: [info@pbhha.org](mailto:info@pbhha.org) Like our Facebook Page: @pembakerhospicehome-health.

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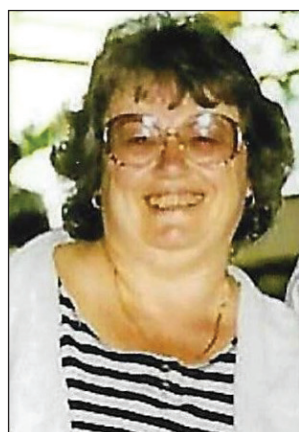
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# OBITUARIES

## Barbara Ann Van Sickle, 82



Holderness, NH—Barbara Ann Van Sickle passed away on Friday 29 March 2024 at home after spending her final days surrounded by family and those dearest to her. She was 82 years old.

She was the youngest daughter of August and Virginia Schafer born in Washington, New Jersey, and graduated from Hanover Park High School in 1959.

She always had a thing for redheads, and in 1963 she met the man of her dreams working at a service station, tying the knot with her loving husband Skip the following year and started a family soon thereafter. Together, they purchased and operated Van's Paint and Hardware in Morristown, NJ in 1974 eventually selling it in 1980 to relocate the family of five to New Hampshire. They originally had partial ownership of Riveredge Marina, before becoming sole owners in 1983. They successfully ran the business, earning a reputation for honesty and great service until they sold it to retire in 2005.

In a lot of ways, she was very traditional, but in others, not so much.

She was an excellent cook who could make

a killer meatloaf, and very good at hitting hard ground balls for her sons to practice their fielding. She was the commissioner of her fantasy football league that she ruled with an iron fist for over a decade, winning multiple championships utilizing a strategy of rejecting all trade offers and stockpiling running backs. And she would do anything for her family, including stepping in front of an out-of-control ATV that two of her kids were on to stop it.

She was feisty. She had a sharp wit, great sense of humor and a caring heart.

She enjoyed bowling, crocheting and reading time travel romance books along with playing the slot machines in Las Vegas and Atlantic City.

She was great with words and would play all sorts of puzzles, but she

was also good with numbers.

She was a champion of the underdog. She believed in second chances, but they had to be earned.

She enjoyed watching sports, especially when her kids were playing. She never missed a single one of their games, from T-ball through high school, rain or shine, home or away, pre-season, summer league, or playoff, she was always there, usually keeping score...sometime officially.

She was happiest when surrounded by her family, and when on a beach somewhere warm.

She was one of the last of her tightly knit circle of friends.

And she will be missed dearly.

She is survived by her children, Donna Lynne Ballou, Andrew David and Douglas Alan Van Sickle, along with 5 grand-children, 5 great grand-children, and her sweet, loving dog Katie.

Honoring her request, the family will have a private celebration of life at her home.

For more information go to: Dupuisfuneralhome.com

Rumney---Mark W. Davis, 72, of Water Street died on Saturday, March 30, 2024, at his home.

Mark was born on November 29, 1951, in Plymouth, NH, the son of the late Harley and Virginia (Elliot) Davis.

Mark proudly served in the United States Marine Corp and the Army National Guard. Following his service, he worked as a self-employed carpenter for many years. He also owned and operated

Davis Enterprises for many years.

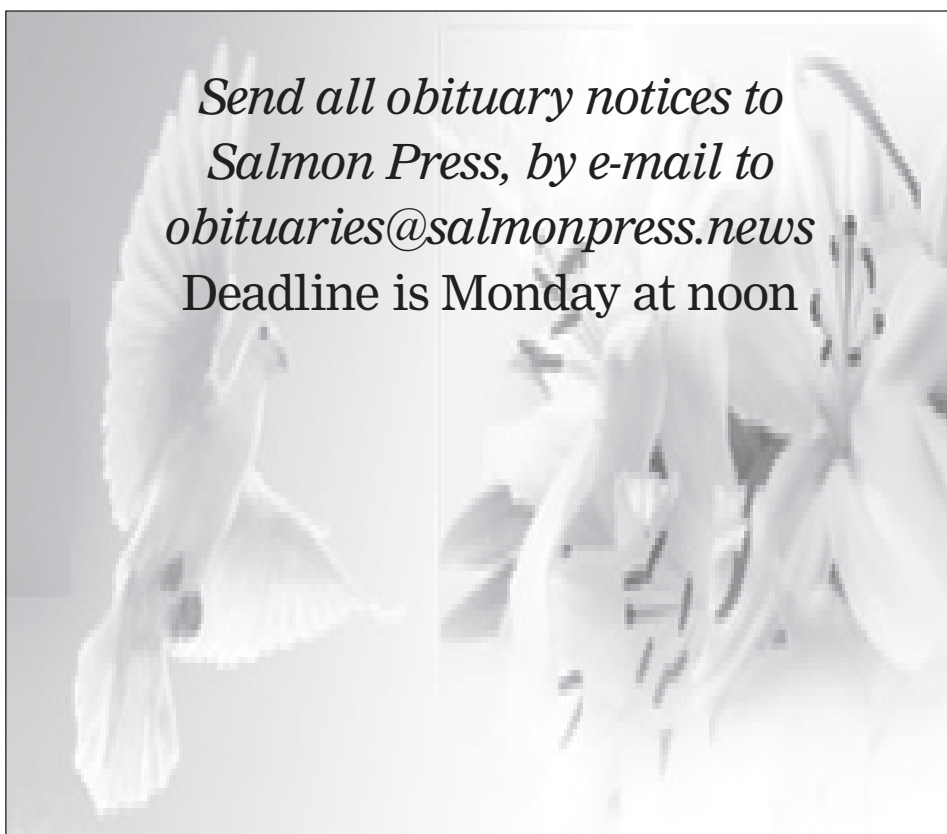
Mark is survived by his daughters, Rebecca Robinson and her husband, Adam and Vanessa Garcia and her husband, Armando; three grandchildren, Ashley, Kyle, Riley; his brother, Paul Davis, one niece, and three nephews. In addition to his parents, he is predeceased by his brother, Steven Davis, and his wife, Chris Ann Davis.

A Funeral Service

was held on Saturday, April 6, 2024, at 10:00am at the Rumney Baptist Church, 375 Main Street, Rumney, NH 03266.

Burial with military honors will be held at a later date at Highland Cemetery in Plymouth.

Arrangements are under the care of Mayhew Funeral Homes and Crematorium. To sign the online book of memories, go to mayhewfuneralhomes.com.



<p><b>ALEXANDRIA</b> <b>Alexandria United Methodist</b> 12 Washburn Rd. Alexandria Village, Alexandria 9 a.m. Sunday Worship Service Pastor Mark Lamprey • 603-744-8104 Methodist Church April 16th Easter Worship @ 9a.m.</p> <p><b>ASHLAND</b> <b>Ashland United Methodist</b> 18 Washington St., Ashland 9:30 Sunday morning Worship Service Visit our Website: <a href="https://ashlandumc.faithlifetimes.com/">https://ashlandumc.faithlifetimes.com/</a> for more information and recordings of the Services. Pastor Roger Kleinpeter 1-603-254-7796</p> <p><b>Ashland Community Church</b> 55 Main Street - Ashland (across from Shurline Market) 10:00 a.m. Worship August 18 - September 15 Teaching Series: "I Love My Church!" Toddler Zone (infants - five years old) led by Kara Hamill and Kid Zone (for K-6th grade) led by Debbie Madden. Small groups: We offer adult small groups that meet on Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday evenings. New Women's Ministry: A women's group will be starting this fall the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month beginning October 2019. Pastor Ernie Madden (603) 968-9464 accernie@hotmail.com</p> <p><b>Emmanuel Episcopal Church</b> 18 Highland Street, Ashland (603) 968-7640 9:30 am Sunday School and Worship Rev. Stephen Rugg</p> <p><b>BRISTOL</b> <b>Bristol Baptist Church</b> 30 Summer Street, Bristol, NH 03222 (603) 744-3885 SUNDAY • Worship service with music as well as the Scriptural message and time of fellowship. 10:00 a.m. <a href="http://bristolbaptistchurch.org">bristolbaptistchurch.org</a></p> <p><b>Bristol United Church of Christ</b> 15 Church St., Bristol 9 a.m. Bible Study • 10 a.m. Sunday School 10 a.m. Worship Service • Child Care Available • 744-8132</p> <p><b>Our Lady of Grace</b> (part of Holy Trinity Parish) 2 West Shore Rd Bristol, NH 03222 Mass Schedule: 9:30 AM on Sundays (this is the only Mass on Sundays year round now). Daily Masses: Tuesdays and Thursdays at 8 AM.</p>	<p>Eucharistic Adoration every Thursday after Mass until 10:00 AM. Parish office for both locations: 11 School St, Plymouth, NH 03264, Phone: (603) 536-4700.</p> <p><b>CAMPTON</b> <b>Campton Baptist Church</b> 1345 Main Street, Campton (603) 726-4662 Sunday 10 a.m. Worship Service followed by Time of Fellowship Monday 4 p.m. Bible Study Wednesday 7 p.m. Prayer Friday 5:30 p.m. Dinner &amp; Movie (free) Women's Gathering 2nd Tuesdays 10 a.m. Men's Breakfast 2nd Saturdays 7 a.m. "Digging Deeper" Service 3rd Sundays 7 p.m. Food Pantry by Appointment All are Welcome • Handicapped Accessible Pastor Chuck Green</p> <p><b>Campton Congregational</b> #495 Rt. 175, Campton 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship Service Nursery and Child Care Available 10:30 a.m. Tue. Bible Study for Youth &amp; Adults Rev. Jeffery Robie • 536-2536 Member NACCC</p> <p><b>New Light Chapel</b> Southmayd Plaza (off I-93 Exit 28) 24 Southmayd Road, Campton (Across Route 49 from Campton Mobil) 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship Service Childcare and Children's Ministry available Pastor Steven Veinotte <a href="http://www.newlightchapel.com">www.newlightchapel.com</a></p> <p><b>DANBURY</b> <b>Danbury Christian Church</b> High St., Danbury 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m. Morning Worship Tuesdays 6:30 p.m. AWANA Thursday 7:00 p.m. Prayer Group/Bible Study</p> <p><b>United Church of Danbury</b> "All Are Welcome" Rt. 104 — Near Center of Town 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship Service 9:30 a.m. Sunday School Contact: Sylvia Hill, Deacon at 768-3936 <a href="mailto:danburypastor@myfairpoint.net">danburypastor@myfairpoint.net</a></p> <p><b>HANOVER</b> <b>Our Savior Lutheran Church</b> 5 Summer Street, Hanover • 643-3703 10:30 a.m. Sunday Service of Holy Communion and Children's Church 9:15 a.m. Adult Education Hour</p> <p><b>HEBRON</b> <b>Union Congregational Church</b> Union Congregational Church 15 Church Lane, Hebron 603-744-5883 We welcome all persons The Rev. Ralph S. English Worship Service - Sunday 10am Communion is celebrated on the first</p>	<p>Sunday of each month A Coffee Hour following worship Recorded Services on website <a href="http://www.hebronchurchnh.org">www.hebronchurchnh.org</a></p> <p><b>HILL</b> <b>Hill Village Bible Church</b> 9 a.m. - Sunday School 10 a.m. - Morning Worship 11 a.m. - Coffee Fellowship 11:30 a.m. - Bible Hour 6:30p.m. - Wed. Prayer &amp; Bible Hour Teen/Childrens' Ministries Nursery provided at all services Pastor: Rev. Daniel Boyce Youth Pastor: Nathan Pelletier <a href="http://www.hillvillagebiblechurch.com">www.hillvillagebiblechurch.com</a> Look for us on Facebook</p> <p><b>HOLDERNESS</b> <b>Holderness Community Church</b> 919 US Route 3 - P.O. Box 613 Holderness, NH 03245 Worship Service - Sunday 10 a.m. Rev. 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Kulus, Pastor</p> <p><b>Christian Science Society</b> 7 Emerson St., Plymouth 10-11 a.m.-Sun. Service/Sun. School Wed. 6:00-7:00-Testimonial Meeting <a href="http://www.cs-plymouth-nh.org">www.cs-plymouth-nh.org</a></p> <p><b>Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints</b> 354 Fairgrounds Rd., Plymouth 10:00a.m. Worship Service 11:10a.m. Sunday School Tom Lopez (603) 998-4356</p> <p><b>Gateway Alliance Church</b> 9 Fairgrounds Road, Plymouth • 536-3043 Sunday School and Adult Education 9:45 a.m. Worship Service 11:00 a.m. (Nursery Care is available) Dennis Simmons, Pastor</p>	<p><a href="http://gatewayalliancechurch.org">gatewayalliancechurch.org</a></p> <p><b>Holy Trinity Parish (Roman Catholic)</b> <i>Our Lady of Grace Chapel</i> 2 West Shore Rd, Bristol <i>St. Matthew Church</i> 11 School St in Plymouth NH. Parish Office: 11 School St in Plymouth (603) 536-4700. 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Box 500, Rumney, 03266 <a href="http://www.gbctnh.org">www.gbctnh.org</a></p> <p><b>Wentworth Baptist Church Independent, Fundamental, K.J.V.</b> 260 Cape Moonshine Rd., Wentworth 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Sunday Service 1 p.m. Sunday Afternoon Service 7 p.m. Wednesday Evening Service 764-9800 <a href="http://www.wbcnh.org">www.wbcnh.org</a></p> <p><b>Wentworth Congregational Church</b> Wentworth Village Road (Common) <a href="http://wentworthcongregationalchurch.org">wentworthcongregationalchurch.org</a> Sunday services: 10:15 a.m., Sept. thru May. 9:00 a.m., May thru August 764-9081</p> <p><b>WOODSTOCK</b> <b>Pemi Valley Church</b> 1091 Rte 3 South Woodstock, • 745-6241 ALL ARE WELCOME Wednesday - 6:30 p.m. Bible Study and Prayer Group. Sunday 9-10 a.m. Worship Service and Children's Sunday School. 10-10:30 a.m. Refreshments. Reverend John Muehlke Jr.</p>
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# Columbia Distributing CEO Chris Steffanci to address undergraduates at PSU's 153rd Commencement ceremony



President and CEO of Columbia Distributing and PSU alum Chris Steffanci will deliver the keynote address at Plymouth State University's 153rd undergraduate commencement ceremony on Saturday, May 11, at 10 a.m. Columbia Distributing is one of the nation's largest malt beverage distributors.

PLYMOUTH — Plymouth State University (PSU) alumnus and Columbia Distributing President and CEO Chris Steffanci will deliver the keynote address for the university's 153rd undergraduate commencement ceremony on Saturday, May 11 at 10 a.m., which will also feature the awarding of an honorary Doctor of Business degree to alumnus Ryan Chadwick. Dave Anderson, director of education at the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests and winner of PSU's Granite State Award, will address graduates at the university's graduate commencement ceremony on Friday, May 10, at 6 p.m. Both ceremonies will be held at the Bank of New Hampshire Field House in the Active Living, Learning,

and Wellness (ALLWell) North Building on PSU's Holderness campus.

"We are honored to welcome three distinguished alumni back to Plymouth State University for our 2024 commencement ceremonies, each of whom is accomplished in their field and has lived out the PSU philosophy of Ut Prosim (That I may serve)," PSU President Donald L. Birx, Ph.D., said. "This year's graduates will hear from individuals who have walked these campus grounds and blazed their own trails after graduating, and who serve as a reminder that 'once a Panther, always a Panther.'"

Steffanci leads Columbia Distributing, one of the largest malt beverage distributors in the United States. After receiving his Bachelor of Science

in Economics degree in 1996, Steffanci began his career with Gallo Wine, a family owned global wine company before discovering that his true passion was in the beer industry. He has since held many positions for major global and domestic brewers, including roles in sales and marketing at Diageo, specifically for Guinness, senior leadership roles at Heineken and serving as the COO of Pabst Brewing Company.

In 2007, at the age of 34, Steffanci was honored with New York's 40 Under 40 award for his work as the senior vice president of sales for Heineken. Additionally, he is also a member of the Pacific Northwest Young Presidents Organization and has been featured in several beverage journals including BevNET, Brew-

bound, INSIDE Beer and more.

Serial entrepreneur and experienced restaurateur Ryan Chadwick owns or co-owns several businesses, including The Grey Lady, with locations in New York, Massachusetts and Colorado, Escobar Nightclub in Aspen, CO, and The Canary Club in New York, N.Y., to name a few.

Dave Anderson will address students who have earned graduate degrees and certificates from PSU. He will receive the university's Granite State Award for his contributions to the state of New Hampshire and his commitment to educating others on issues affecting the agriculture and forestry in New Hampshire.

After graduating from PSU in 1985 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Natural Science and Environmental Biology, Anderson began working at the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests. Throughout his more than 30-year career, he has contributed to many media outlets including the "Forest Journal," a monthly column he wrote for the Union Leader, and co-hosting "Something Wild," a nature podcast on New Hampshire Public Radio (NHPR).

Anderson received the 2014 Fred E. Beane Award for his effective, fair and balanced communications on issues affecting agriculture and forestry in New Hampshire. In 2022, he was honored with the President's Award from the New Hampshire Timberland Owners' Association, acknowledging

his outstanding work in media, education, community service, industry service and fostering collaboration among organizations.

Information about PSU's commencement ceremonies is available at [www.plymouth.edu/commencement/](http://www.plymouth.edu/commencement/).

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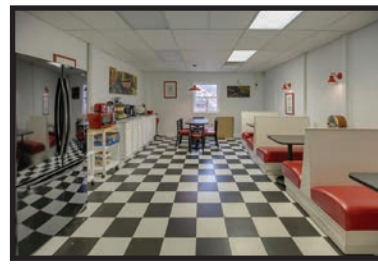
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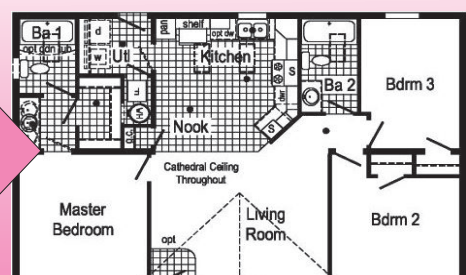
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