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Keeping an eye on Paris

Prospect Mountain graduate helping keep the Olympics secure

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING

Sports Editor

PARIS, France — If the Olympics have shown Kristine Adams one thing, it's that numerous governments and numerous government agencies can all work together for the good of everyone.

"It's really fascinating learning about what all these other agencies do," said the Prospect Mountain graduate. "It really is the gold standard for U.S. government interagency cooperation."

Adams, who graduat-

ed from Prospect Moun-Gilford working on phone, electricity, and other services

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GILFORD — The town has been working through a number of different changes and agreements with different technology services including the future community power program, the phone conversion and domain conversions, and the

with Breezeline. Town Administrator Scott Dunn gave the selectmen updates on several different topics during the July 23 meeting, including updates on different technology

agreement

and utility providers. The town has been working to switch phone carriers to Consolidated Communications, though process ran into a brief snag after the worldwide computer glitch on July 19.

On the morning of July 19, a faulty update involving the security company CrowdStrike and Microsoft systems resulted in mass computer glitches and outages that caused disastrous results across the globe.

Dunn said the glitch impacted Consolidated Communications' ability to port phone numbers for an extended pe-

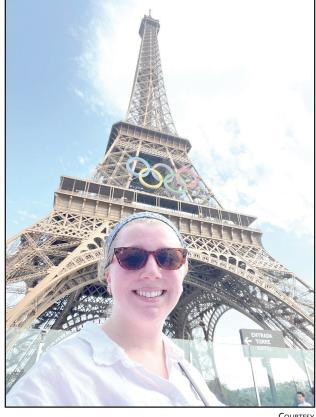
riod of time. Attempts to call Consolidated at the time resulted in being told they were swamped with calls because of the glitch. The problem was resolved by the end of the day and the process continued as usual.

The selectmen will further discuss the community power plan during the meeting on Aug. 28. Dunn said representatives from the Community Power Coalition of New Hampshire. Right now the town is looking to launch the community power program in October. At the moment the cheapest rate available to Gilford residents is 8.6 cents per kilowatt hour, about 17 percent less than Eversource and a few cents less that NH Electric Co-op.

"It would be a great deal for folks and it's coming and there will be more information at the selectmen's meet on Aug. 28," Dunn said.

Efforts also continue to convert the town's web domains to .gov. The town is aiming to have the domain converted for most town offices except for the library by mid August.

Dunn said he had a SEE TECH, PAGE A9



While working in Paris for the Olympics, Prospect Mountain graduate Kristine Adams did get a chance to see some of the landmarks, including the Eiffel Tower.

tain and Saint Anselm College, went on to work for Senator Kelly Ayotte before moving on to the Department of Homeland Security for a spell and

now works for the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) as a Regional Desk Officer for Europe in TSA's International Operations.

No, she will not be checking your baggage for knives that you may have accidentally left in the bottom of a suitcase as you board your flight at Boston Logan. The TSA's breadth and scope is a little bigger than what the everyday person sees.

And that includes helping to keep the Paris Olympics secure.

"Basically, I work on transportation-specific bilateral engagement in Europe, France is one of the countries in my area of responsibility," she said, noting she works to support TSA's seven attachés in Europe advance shared strategic priorities with trusted foreign counterparts. "I work from Washington D.C. to support the team in Europe."

Adams came to TSA from Homeland Security during the pandemic in 2020. She found that she was one of only a few people around her who didn't get their start in the organization, as she notes that

many people start in airports around the country and move up the ladder to higher positions within the organization.

"A lot of people start in the airports, they're people that have known each other for years," she said. "As an outside hire, I didn't know anyone, there is a lot of long-term people there, which is great for career progression for our field personnel but can be hard to break in to."

And while she routinely is tracking transportation in and around Paris as part of her job, she had never been to the French capital until the chance to work at the Olympics came up.

The Department of State's Diplomatic Security Service (DSS) is the security lead for the United States presence at the 2024 Olympic and Paralympic Games and DSS established a joint operations center at the U.S. Embassy in Paris.

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Alton Old Home Week starting this Friday

BY ERIN PLUMMER mnews@salmonpress.news

ALTON — Celebrate the town and the 125th anniversary of the Old Home Day tradition

during Alton's Old Home Week this coming week.

The theme for this year's Old Home Days is "A New Hampshire Tradition" celebrating the 125th anniversary of the state's Old Home

Day tradition. In 1899, as people were leaving the eastern states in droves to settle out west, Gov. Frank Rollins founded the Old Home Day celebration with the aim of bringing more people back to the state. That year, 44 different towns held



FILE PHOTO

Alton Old Home Week starts this weekend with the parade returning on Saturday.

celebrations and over Home Day the years the practice grew. By 1901 neighboring states were

tions as well.

Alton's celebrations will start on Friday,

ty at B&M Railroad Park from 5-8 p.m. Activities will include holding their own Old Aug. 9, starting with a touch-a-truck, music, an appearance by Wildlife Encounters, food available by do-

> nation, and more. Saturday, Aug. 10, will be filled with activities, especially in Alton Bay.

the Family Block Par-

The 5K Road Race will start at 9 a.m. with awards going on at the gazebo.

The Antique Boat Show will be on display at the docks from 9 a.m.-noon.

The Old Home Week Craft Fair will run on Saturday from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and continue on Sunday from 10 a.m.-3

See the floats, vehicles, and marchers at the Old Home Week Parade starting at 11:30 a.m. The parade lines up at Letter S Road and Jones Field

Gilford holds successful Household Hazardous Waste and Island Cleanup events

BY ERIN PLUMMER

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GILFORD annual Household Hazardous Waste collection and Gilford Island Cleanup Day events were a big success this year with a lot of people participating and helping out.

Household Hazardous Waste Day and Island Cleanup Day took place this year on July 27.

The Gilford Public Works Department posted on its Facebook Page that Household Hazardous Waste Day and Island Cleanup Day were both big successes

this year. The Lakes Region



DPW staff and volunteers help out at Gilford Island Cleanup Day.

Planning Commission is hosting Household Hazardous Waste collection events throughout the summer in different Lakes Region communities. Residents and taxpayers of 21 different communities can bring up to 10 gallons or 50 pounds of waste from the list of accepted materials.

The collections are only open to residents and taxpayers of Alexandria, Andover, Bridgewater, Bristol, Center Harbor, Effingham, Franklin, Gilford, Gilmanton, Hill, Holderness, Hebron, Laconia, Meredith, Moultonborough, New Hampton, Sanbornton, Sandwich, Tamworth, Tilton, and Tuftonboro.

place on July 27 at the solid waste facility. Public Works re-

Gilford's event took

ported that 214 vehicles came through the facility for the event, 147 of which were Gilford residents and the remaining 67 were from other communities. This year's event had 30 percent new attendees.

"We appreciate all participating residents making the effort to wait in line and properly dispose of their HHW, which protects the environment and our solid waste attendants by keeping this dangerous waste out of the transfer station,"

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and will continue up Route 11 to Alton Bay. SEE ALTON OHW, PAGE A9

Alton Parks and Recreation Community Connection

Alton Bay Concerts at in Alton Bay on Aug. 10 the Bandstand 2024

Summer Concert Schedule: 7-9 p.m. at the Alton Bay Bandstand, Alton Bay

Aug. 10- Bittersweet-Classic Rock-Fireworks to follow at 9 p.m.; Aug. 17- EZ Band- Classic and those destined to be; Aug. 24- Saxx Roxx is back by popular demand; Aug. 31- Got It Covered Band-Cover Songs.

Alton Bay Old Home Week Craft Fair

The Old Home Week Craft Fair will be held

& 11. New England artisans with handmade wares will be displaying their crafts at the Alton Bay Community Center and Railroad Square Park. Unique offerings include custom-made jewelry, fine wood crafts and furniture, maple products, soaps, skin honey, fabrics, totes, bags, pet treats and toys, skin care, quilts, baskets, photography, runners, wall hangings, pottery, jams, dips, spices, candles, and more. Saturday, Aug. 10-9 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sunday,

Aug. 11 – 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Admission is free.

Alton Old Home Week 5K Road Race

The Old Home Week 5K Race will be held on Aug. 10 at the Alton Bay Bandstand, start time is 9:00a.m. Co-Sponsored by Meredith Village Savings Bank. USATF Certified Course through Computerized timing with bib chip; results posted online. Scenic/lake and river views, slight varying course, flat/downhill with one moderate incline, paved. Prizes, refreshments, water stops, traffic control and raffle for racers. Race information and map available at www. alton.nh.gov. Race day registration starts at 7:30 a.m. at the Alton Bay Bandstand.

Alton Old Home Week Cribbage Tournament

Join in the Old Home Week Cribbage Tournament on Sunday, Aug. 11 at 1 p.m. at the Alton Bay Bandstand and play outside by the lake. Register in person at 12:45 p.m. at the Bandstand. Prizes will be awarded to winners. All ages are welcome.

Alton Trails- All Star

Alton Parks and Recreation is sponsoring a get outside and hike program in 2024. Hike seven local trails, and receive an Alton Trails All Star sticker. All you have to do is take a photo on each trail, and send the photos to parksrec-asst@ alton.nh.gov. Trails include: Mike Burke Trail; Knight's Pond; Trask Swamp and Fort Point Woods Conservation Area; Gilman Pond; Mt. Major, Pine Mountain and Cotton-Hurd Brook.

Water Ski Show Sponsored by Water

Bandstand Committee

Aug. 24 — Water Ski Show at 3 p.m. in Alton Bay, rain date is Aug. 25.

Pick Up Play in the Park- Court Sports

Community members

18 years and older interested in playing Basketball, Tennis or Beach Volleyball on Thursday nights from 6-7:30 p.m. and/or Pickleball on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8-11 a.m. are invited to sign up for Pick Up games at Liberty Tree Park Courts. www.altonparksandrecreation.com to sign up through SignUpGenius. Bring your own equipment and make it a game; try it once or play every week.

Local, Guided Hike to Pine Mountain **Summit**

The Alton Parks and Recreation Department is sponsoring a free hike on Friday, Aug. 16 to the top of Pine Mountain at 1:30 p.m., weather permitting. Meet at the Mike Burke Trail parking lot, bring a friend or hike solo. Hike will be approximately 45-70 minutes, round trip. For more information and to pre-register by Aug. 14 contact parksrec-asst@alton.nh.gov or 603-875-0109.

Pilates Classes in Alton Bay- Tuesdays

and Thursdays The Alton Parks and Recreation Department is sponsoring Pilates classes at the Alton Bay Community Center on Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9:30-10:30 a.m. with certified instructor Donna Lee. All level adults are welcome for a full body, low impact class that will improve muscle tone, flexibility, balance and strength. Pre-registration is \$10 per class or \$15 drop in. Bring a mat and water. For more information/ register contact Donna at breathepilates1@yahoo.com or parksrec@ alton.nh.gov.

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Bacteria advisory issued for Alton town beach

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ALTON — An advisory was posted at the town beach for high levels of fecal bacteria with resampling scheduled for this week.

The NH Department of Environmental Services posted an advisory for the Alton Town Beach warning of high levels of fecal bacteria. The state

tested the water on July 31 and issued the advisory on Aug. 1. Swimming and wading in the water is discouraged and people and animals should not ingest the water.

A resampling took place on Aug. 5, with results expected on Aug. 6 (after this week's press deadline).

The DES' Beach Inspection Program monitors waterbodies for the presence of fecal bacteria and cyanobacteria. The presence of fecal bacteria in waterbodies can potentially lead to serious illnesses and the state monitors bacteria levels to prevent the spread of different diseases.

According to the DES, advisories are issued

the numbers set as the state standards of Most Probable Number of microorganisms per milliliter (MPN/mL).

For freshwater bodies like Winnipesaukee, fecal bacteria comes in the form of Escherichia coli (E. coli) and an advisory is issued when one sample exceeds 158 MPN/100 mL.

E. coli is a bacteria found in the intestines of warm-blooded animals and is usually harmless. but different forms can cause illness. According to the Centers for Disease Control, some forms can cause conditions such as diarrhea and urinary tract infections to more serious issues such as pneumowhen bacteria exceeds nia, sepsis, and others.

People at increased risk of infection are children under 5, people age 65 and over, people with weakened immune systems, and international travelers.

On coastal waterbodies, the state monitors for enterococci and issues an advisory if one exceeds sample MPN/100 mL.

After an advisory is issued, resampling will take place the next day and will continue until the levels are lower than the state standard.

According to a fact sheet from DES, fecal bacteria in waterbodies might be caused by failing septic systems, wastewater treatment plans, and waste from wild and domesticated animals.

God took a day off after creating us.



But you can find Him here all summer.

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

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

Saturday afternoons:

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

Sunday mornings:

Mass at church at 7:00, 8:30, and 10:30. Mass online at 10:30 at stkdrexel.org.

Monday evenings:

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

Friday mornings:

Eucharistic Adoration in church from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Weekday mornings (except Thursday):

Mass at 8:00.

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Reece Sadler makes Bentley University President's List

WALTHAM, Mass. — Reece Sadler, a Finance & Economics major at Bentley University from Gilford, has been named to the Spring 2024 Presi-

dent's List. Sadler is a 2022 grad-

uate of Gilford High School and is the daughter of Casey and Lori Sadler from Gilford.

The President's List at Bentley University is a prestigious academic honor that recogniz-

es full-time students who complete at least 12 course credits in a semester with a qualifying, unrounded grade point average of 3.7 or better and with no grade below B.





Gilford Community Church welcomes new members

GILFORD — The Gilford Community Church continues to grow, recently welcoming 11 new members, including Karissa, Chris & Charlotte Avery, Sue Belanger, Debbie & Tom Brady, Betsy Bright, Christy & Steven Cegelski, Ed Finch and Linda French.

Betsy Bright decided to join after several years of attending GCC.

"I have always liked how involved the church is in helping others," said Bright.

"Michael was very kind to me when I lost my husband at the end of January. Even though I



Pictured: front row, left to right — Ed Finch, Karissa Avery holding Charlotte Avery, Christy & Steve Cegelski, Linda French. Back row,

left to right: Sue Belanger, Betsy Bright, Debbie & Tom Brady. was because I do not bewasn't a member then, he called me several times

those first few difficult months," she added. "My main reason for

having delayed in joining

and met me once during

lieve many of the tenets of the church. I am a sceptic but really like the many good works the church embraces," she said.

"Recently, Michael said

in a sermon that the most important word in Gilford Community Church was not church but community. Every week in the church program, all welcome whether they are believers, atheists, or skeptics. I finally feel comfortable joining the church family and look forward to becoming involved," added Bright.

Expressing enthusiasm for the new members, Pastor Michael Graham said he hopes more people, locals and those who visit the Lakes Region in the summer, can give GCC a chance.

"We are not just a building," he said. "We are an inclusive, open community that welcomes people from all denominational and cultural backgrounds."

Located in Gilford at 19 Potter Hill Rd. and viewable live on Facebook, Sunday service takes place at 10 a.m.

"Bye Bye Birdie" auditions set for Aug. 20 and 21

WOLFEBORO — As the Village Players gear up for the summer production of Wyrd Sisters, the local community theater group is also getting ready for auditions for the fall musical, "Bye Bye Birdie."

Rehearsals for the musical will begin in earnest in early September and auditions are being scheduled for Tuesday, Aug. 20, and Wednesday, Aug. 21, at 6 p.m. at the Village Players Theater in downtown Wolfeboro.

Veteran Village Players director Kathleen Hill is excited to bring this show to the stage. "Bye Bye Birdie" is set in the time of bobby socks, poodle skirts and

innocence, has great music, a fun plot, and lively dances. Cast members and audience members alike will go home humming the songs and tapping your toes.

For the audition process, each auditioner should prepare a musical selection that shows off the character of their voice. Bring sheet music (pianist provided) or a backing track (no voices) and you can Bluetooth to the stereo or bring a CD but do not plan to sing acapella.

A video of the dance audition and the portions of the script that each person will be asked to read from will be posted on the Village Players web site at village-players.com.

Also on the Village Players Web site is a link to register for the auditions, which will help move things along the night of auditions.

With roles for everyone from teenagers to adults, all are welcome at Village Players auditions. Questions can be directed to teacheractress@gmail.com.

Auditions are Tuesday, Aug. 20, and Wednesday, Aug. 21, at 6 p.m. and performances are Nov. 1, 2, 3, 8, 9 and 10, all at the Village Players Theater, located at 51 Glendon St. in downtown Wolfeboro.

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Country Bookseller welcomes author of "Stephen King's Maine"

WOLFEBORO — New tion. England author Sha-The Country Bookseller Saturday, Aug. 10 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. to sign copies of her new book, "Stephen King's Maine: A History & Guide."

Drawing on historical materials and conversations with locals and people who know King. Kitchens sheds light on daily life in places that set the scene for many of Stephen King's works including, "Carrie," "Salem's Lot," "The Dead Zone," "Cujo," "It," and "11/22/63." Whether a fan of King or not, "Stephen King's Maine" serves as a history of the state that will add some local flair to any collec-

Kitchens has lived in 6030. ron Kitchens will be at Maine for a couple decades. Every week she can be seen carrying an armload of library books. She loves hanging out in cafés eating chocolate croissants and sipping lavender lattes. Her fondness for Patti Smith's poetry is matched only by her love of Taylor Swift's lyrics. She is a cat and dog person. Sometimes she blogs at mysterydetectionclub.blogspot.com and she recently started a Substack newsletter https: deliciousmusings. substack.com.

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Making the last of summer count

As the calendar flips to August, there's a collective realization that summer is winding down. For students, the end of the season brings the inevitable return to school, while those heading off to college face a life-changing transition. It's a time filled with anticipation, excitement, and a touch of bittersweet nostalgia. Before we all dive back into the routine of school schedules and academic responsibilities, it's crucial to hang on to the last days of summer and make the most of this precious time.

August is the perfect time to squeeze in all those summer activities we've been meaning to do. Whether it's a beach day, a family picnic, a hiking adventure, or simply lounging in the backyard with a good book, these moments are fleeting and should be cherished. The beauty of summer lies in its carefree nature, the long days that invite exploration and relaxation. As the final full month of summer, August offers a last chance to bask in the sun.

For high school graduates heading off to college, August marks a significant farewell to the familiar comforts of home. It's a time to soak in the presence of family, savor home-cooked meals, and engage in the simple joys of being surrounded by loved ones. The transition to college is exciting, but it also comes with the reality of leaving behind the everyday connections that define home. Students should take this time to bond with their families, sharing laughs, stories, and experiences that will stay with them as they venture into new territories.

For soon-to-be college students, it's about preparing for a new chapter filled with independence, new friendships, and academic challenges. This preparation doesn't have to be all work; it can also involve exploring the excitement of new beginnings, whether through shopping for dorm essentials or planning future adventures.

While it's important to enjoy the final days of summer, it's equally crucial to approach this time with balance. Packing too much into August can lead to stress and exhaustion, defeating the purpose of a relaxing summer break. Instead, prioritize activities that bring joy and fulfillment. Whether it's a spontaneous road trip or a quiet evening at home, focus on experiences that truly matter.

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Water under the bridge

Residents on Miller Road in New Durham saw this sight for a bit longer than anyone anticipated, but now the new bridge is fully installed and traffic patterns are back to normal.

Let's Talk. That Thing.

BY PAMELA MOTT

What it means to communicate and be understood in a community is a pretty unique thing to a local. Locals get it. Locals get the underground nuances of what it really means to live in a small town like ours. To thrive in a connected way while respecting the ability to agree to disagree. What a craft we have, and boy do we actually love each oth-

er in our own unique way.

The Thing about us locals is that we have some great stories to tell because we do some fun things. Even if those things are rumbling just below the surface. Bring us together and it is a good time. I'm not talking about the good times that stay at camp. I'm talking the good times in the company of each other, just spending time looking around. Just looking around, what a great place to be. Stay all day.

Aug. 31 is just around the corner. That Thing is happening, Alton Bay, noon-5 p.m. No one is going to sell you anything, bring a picnic or visit one of the local restaurants. Spend the day in the Bay with locals. Let's have some fun. Local belly dancers will be offering a family friendly opportunity to belly dance at the Bay noon – 3 p.m. A local young artist will be creating a community mosaic with the community noon-5 p.m. on the porches. Come artistically express yourself. Park and Recreation will be offering corn hole and chalk. Who doesn't like corn hole?

Thing about a local is that they are pretty playful when they come together with that great skill of respecting one another and being able to respectfully disagree and come together.

Let's Talk. Come check it out.

LETTERS FROM EDWIN

Foreboding

My bathroom light just burned out. That kind of thing is always unexpected. It was one of those new LED types, and was installed in August of 2015. I know this because seeing as they claim that they will last for fifteen years, I write the date on each bulb when I put it into service. This one made it almost nine years. Not too bad, I guess. I wonder if the money I saved on the power that didn't get used by this intermittent light source in that time came close to the ini-

tial cost of the bulb? The bulb in the shower has been there since it was installed, in the early nineties. It's an old incandescent one that when you throw it away, you are only throwing away a small amount of metal, glass and cement. Relatively natural stuff. Each LED bulb has a heavy little power supply in the base filled with all kinds of manmade who knows what. At least there's no mercury as is in all the florescent bulbs. I look at things in total.

That's progress. Sit back and watch this crazy constant change we all spend our years living through. I guess

that things are im- he promised never to proving, but are they really? All lighting will soon be LED. They use less power but also provide less than full spectrum illumination. The science guys will tell you otherwise, or if they admit it, will claim that it doesn't make a difference. But from someone who works using their eyes, there is certainly some inequivalency.

The added physical waste per bulb is multiple, as are the resources used to make them in the first place. Any energy saved is instantly gobbled up by other technologies such as cloud computing and artificial intelligence. Both suck up incredible amounts of electric power and also produce equally vast amounts of heat. And isn't heat what we've been preached to for decades is going to destroy the planet? There's no win-win. And I haven't even touched upon battery powered vehicles and things. Actually, it's all re-

ferred to in the Bible if you care to research it. The first time God destroyed the planet was by water. A great flood wiped out almost everything, after which

do that again. The next time though, will be by fire, which as we know, results from to much heat. Whether that will be from the sun going super nova, us unleashing our nuclear weapons upon each other, or the slow boil produced by all our life improving technologies, I can't say. It's kind of our choice, but it's going to happen. Just nobody knows when.

I'm not going to worry about it. In fact, I just finished planting my potatoes. It's been a tough spring, but I plan to make it through to the fall when I can dig them up and enjoy fresh organic spuds. If either of the first two of those options happens first though, it certainly won't matter that I wasted a few hours playing in the dirt. There are certainly many less desirable activities I could have devoted my time to this afternoon. Unfortunately, I will then miss getting to dig up prebaked potatoes.

There is still space in the garden to plant more, and I'm tempted to, but there are so many other activities vying for my time. After trying to check out an automotive failure,

and failing at that, I threw in the towel and spent a couple of hours stacking wood. Sometimes mindless activity is therapeutic. The woodshed is now three fifths full. I'm getting

there. My car was getting pretty crappy looking, so having some time yesterday, I decided to wash it. Wouldn't you know that it had a mechanical breakdown on the way home from the gig last night. My friend said that I shouldn't have washed it. We both laughed. I wonder if that had anything to do with it? No, how could it?

When I turned on my computer this morning and checked my emails, I was alerted to my account being below minimum balance, with a big button to click to access my account. Had they finally gotten to me? I was skeptical and logged into my bank and checked my balances. No problems there. Looking back at the sender, they left out the word "bank" from the address. Those slime devils. Thank you, Lord, for my skepticism.

E.Twaste

Correspondence welcome at edwintwaste@gmail.com

Great Waters presents David Brighton's "Space Oddity": The Quintessential David Bowie Experience



MOULTONBOR-OUGH — The most significant moments of David Bowie's constantly metamorphosing career will come to life when David Brighton's "Space Oddity" The Quintessential David Bowie Experience is performed live on stage at the Castle in the Clouds on Saturday, Aug. 17 at 7:30 p.m. This performance marks the end of a very successful 2024 Concerts

in the Clouds series in Moultonborough.

Experience the timeless classics such as dance floor mega-hits like "Fame." "Let's Dance," and "China Girl," as well as renditions of rock anthems "Changes" and "Rebel Rebel" during this live multi-media spectacle. Brighton and the very talented musicians of his backup band will

most exciting moments in the history of Rock and Roll. You won't want to miss this theatrically staged and elaborately costumed performance.

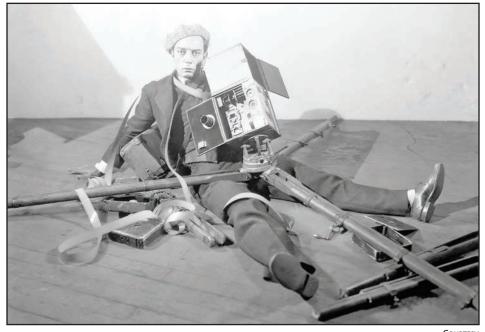
Also at this performance will be the drawing of the 2024 winning raffle tickets. Haven't you bought any yet? Look for ticket sellers at all concerts. Items include a paddleboard from Dive Winni, a ponbring to life some of the toon Sunset Cruise for

eight from Melvin Village Boat Rental, a pair of two-hour water ski lessons by Nationally Ranked Champions Becky and Aaron Bartlett, a private floral design Tour and Workshop for four from Full Moon Farm, GOLD season tickets to Great Waters 2025, and a Barbeque Tonight package from Mill Street Market.

Tickets for this performance, as well as the last performance of the Concerts in Town series at Brewster Academy in Wolfeboro and the Great Waters Gala, can be purchased online at www.greatwaters.org or by calling the office at 603-569-7710. On Wednesday, August 21, the Great Waters Gala will feature an exceptional

performance by Grammy Award nominee and Drama Desk Award winner Abby Mueller, star of Broadway's "Beautiful: The Carole King Musical," and on Saturday, Aug. 24, the Toomai String Quintet will close out the 2024 performance season when they perform at the Pinckney Boathouse.

"The Cameraman" to screen with live music at Alton Town Gazebo



Buster Keaton stars in "The Cameraman" (1928), a classic silent comedy to be screened with live music on Friday, Aug. 16 at dusk at the Alton Town Gazebo in Alton Bay. All are welcome to this free family-friendly event, which will start at dusk. Attendees are encouraged to arrive no

later than 8 p.m. ALTON — He never smiled on camera, earning him the nickname of "the Great

Stone Face." But Buster Keaton's comedies rocked Hollywood's silent era with laughter throughout the 1920s. See for yourself

with a screening of "The Cameraman" (1928) one of Keaton's landmark feature films, on Friday, Aug. 16 at 8:30 p.m. at the Alton Town Gazebo in Alton Bay.

All are welcome to this free family-friendly event, which will start at dusk. Attendees are encouraged to arrive no later than 8

Movie-goers are encouraged to bring lawn chairs and enjoy 'The Cameraman' under the stars.

The screening, part Alton's annual "Old Home Week" celebration, will feature accompaniment by Jeff Rapsis, a New Hampshire-based composer who specializes in creating music for silent films.

"The Cameraman" tells the story of a young man (Keaton) who tries to impress

the girl of his dreams (Marceline Day) by working as a freelance newsreel cameraman.

His efforts fail spectacularly, but then a lucky break gives him an unexpected chance to make his mark. Can Buster parlay the scoop of the year into a secure job and successful romance?

"The Cameraman" sic Keaton sequences, including a disastrous first date at a public swimming pool, an unusual baseball sequence filmed at Yankee Stadium, and a dramatic water rescue following a boat accident.

"The Camera-In man," Keaton uses the movie business itself to create comedy that plays with the nature of film and reality.

"Keaton's films are favorites, audience and people continue to be surprised at how engrossing and exhilarating they can be when shown as they were intended: in a theater, and with live music," said accompanist Jeff Rapsis, who performs at more than 100 screenings each year at venues around the nation and abroad.

Rapsis, who lives in Bedford, improvises live scores for silent films using a digital synthesizer to recreate the texture of the full orchestra.

"It's kind of a high wire act," Rapsis said. "But for me, the energy of live performance is an essential part of the silent film experience.'

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Pursuit ends in Barnstead man's arrest

CONCORD — Four people were taken into custody last week following a pursuit that began in Concord and ended in Manchester.

At 11:36 p.m. on Monday, July 29, a State Trooper from the New Hampshire State Police Troop D barracks attempted to stop a 2011 Subaru Outback on Hall Street in Concord. The driver of the Subaru refused to stop and drove off.

The driver continued southbound on Route 3A into Bow and eventually traveled toward the center of town. Additional Troopers responded and were able to successfully deploy a controlled tire deflation device on Robin- the driver and three passon Road, deflating two of the vehicle's tires. However, the operator of the Subaru continued to drive, despite having two flat tires, toward Dunbarton.

Troopers from the Troop B barracks were able to intercept the vehicle as it crossed into Goffstown and a tire ployed again. Though a third tire was deflated, the driver still refused to stop and continued to operate erratically toward Manchester and Interstate 293.

The driver of the Subaru ultimately stopped on S. Main St. in Manchester, where Troopers took

sengers into custody.

The driver of the Subaru has been identified as Michael Gruette, 46, of Center Barnstead. Gruette is charged with reckless driving, disobeying an officer, multiple counts of reckless conduct, and operating after suspension; and was found to have additional warrants out of Concord. Gruette's three passengers also had warrants for their arrest.

Anyone with information regarding the pursuit is asked to contact Trooper Joshua Farmer at (603) 223-4381 or-Joshua.A.Farmer@dos. nh.gov.

Barnstead Historical Society salutes veterans

BARNSTEAD — The Barnstead Historical Society is excited to be joining the Salute to Veterans at Old Home Day on Aug. 10 on the historic Parade grounds beginning at 9 a.m.

Barnstead Parade was originally by the military for drills and inspections that were held in May and September, by one or more compaHampshire military system existed. This system required service for all competent males between the ages of 18 and 45 years of age. The last official military use of the Parade was for the muster of the NH National Guard. The troops marched to the train station and boarded a train to Hoboken, N.J. From

nies, so long as the New there, they departed for Europe and Word War I, becoming part of the US Army Yankee Division in 1917.

Old Home bookets, with a complete schedule of events, are available at the Farmers Market, Parks and Recreation concerts and a variety of other businesses. Stop and visit

St. John's-on-the-Lake welcomes **Rev. Campbell Lovett**

MEREDITH — On Aug. 11, St. John's-onthe-Lake, on Bear Island, welcomes the Rev. Campbell Lovett. Campbell, a third-generation pastor, recently completed an interim pastorate at Congregational Church Laconia. Previously, he served the South Central and Michigan Conferences of the United Church of Christ and served in both historic and new churches in

New England and North Carolina. In addition to leadership positions at Association, Conference and National settings of the UCC, Campbell has served on the boards of agencies promoting food independence and community organizing.

Campbell and his spouse, Eileen, a quilter and creator of liturgical stoles, reside in Holder-

St. John's, an historic

building, is located on the highest point of Bear Island. Services are held at 10 a.m. The chapel is reached by a well-marked footpath from the church docks in Church Cove near Dolly Island. In addition, there is a free "taxi boat" service from Meredith Neck; email us at bear.island.church.ferry@gmail.com. For more information, check the Web site, www.stjohnsonthelake.com.

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Sports

Plenty to see and do as Paris Olympics continue along



By JOSHUA SPAULDING

Last week's column left off before I headed off to the Eiffel Tower for beach volleyball. That venue turned out to be incredible, as the media tribune sits directly across the court from the Eiffel Tower, so our view was absolutely amazing. In fact, all night long random spectators came up the stairs next to where I was sitting to take their selfies with the tower.

Monday morning, I boarded the train and headed out to the rowing venue. I had been there

the day before for the whitewater event ,so I had a good idea how to get there and get around. I had made contact with Brett Johson of US Rowing and let him know I wanted to talk to Brewster graduate Chris Carlson, who was racing in the eight boat. His boat won its heat to advance directly to the finals on Saturday. From there I finished out the night with a trip to the Bercy Arena to see the men's gymnastics team competition, where New England's Stephen Nedoroscik helped the US clinch its first medal since 2008 with a great pommel horse performance.

The next day I headed



Roland Garros was one of the places on the bucket list to see in Paris and I got out there last week.

to the Pont Alexandre for the triathlon, only to find that it was cancelled moments before I got there due to the water quality (they competed the next day). After a quick break I made my way to the urban sports park, which is located at the Place de

Concorde. It was incredibly hot, so I spent some time in the venue media center, watched a little BMX park and 3v3 basketball. I also did a couple of interviews with locals working at the Olympics, including Ed Strapp, a trainer with Team USA and Kristine Adams, who works for TSA.

Wednesday, I started the day at the new aquatics center to see Dover's Jessica Parrotto in the platform diving competition. After she and her partner won a silver medal in Tokyo, they came up a bit short of a medal this time around, finishing in sixth place. From there, I made my way across town to the Paris South Arena to see the US women's volleyball team and when that was over, I made my way across the same arena complex to see a little table tennis to close out the day.

I wanted to see the beautiful fencing venue, Grand Palais, so I headed there on Thursday morning and it was indeed, gorgeous. After watching the US women beat China in the first round of the team competition (they went on to win gold), I wanted to see another venue, so headed out to Roland Garros to see some tennis. This was another spot on the bucket list of famous sports venues that you want to see when in Paris. I finished up the day with a trip to Bercy Arena again, this time to see the women's all-around, where Simone Biles earned gold with an incredible performance.

Friday, after the glamorous task of finding a laundromat, I made my way out to Golf National to see a little of the golf competition. It was a beautiful day to sit in the stands for a little while and watch the golfers move around the course. I made another short trip to the BMX track to see some racing and get in another local interview, this time with Dr. Tamara Lovelace, who is working with the US Cycling team.

There was plenty of stuff still to come over the weekend, with more rowing, a first few trips to track, more triathlon and gymnastics heading into the final week of my stay in Paris.

For updates on the trip, follow the blog at salmonsportsguy.blogspot. com or on social media (X and Instagram) at SalmonSportsGuy as there are multiple updates a day out there to see.

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Is there a more iconic Olympic venue? I'd say not

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING

Sports Editor

PARIS, France — The stadium was literally rocking.

As the in-house DJ urged the crowd to jump and sway, both the woman next to me and I let out a gasp at almost the same time. The temporary stadium seating we were perched on high above the beach volleyball court at the Paris Olympics was literally swaying and it kind of caught us off guard.

That being said, there was nothing about the beach volleyball venue that was going to spoil the atmosphere on Sunday, July 28, as the United States team

of Kelly Cheng and Sarah Hughes opened their Olympic tournament.

When Paris announced the locations for their sports in the 2024 Summer Olympics, they wanted to include the iconic sites that people come to the city to see. Equestrian is at Palace of Versailles, the urban sports park is built in the Place de Concorde, archery takes place at Invalides and the triathlon and marathon swimming take place in the heart of the city in the River Seine.

But no venue is more iconic than the temporary stadium they built at the foot of the Eiffel Tower where beach volleyball takes place. Sunday night was my first trip to the stadium and despite once again making a detour through the spectator entrance instead of the media entrance. I found my way to the media center and then up to the media tribune.

Without a doubt, this was probably the most incredible place I have ever sat and watched a sporting contest. The media tribune sits high above the volleyball court looking directly at the Eiffel Tower. In fact, the view was so iconic that a countless stream of people made their way up the stairs next to the media tribune to take pictures with the monument in the background.

At times, it was hard to even remember that there



The Eiffel Tower serves as the backdrop for the beach volleyball stadium at the Paris Olympics.

was a beach volleyball where I was sitting and the fact that what I was doing was in fact work.

In addition to seeing some of the best athletes in the world doing their thing, it's things like this that make these

trips truly memorable. game going on that night, There is no doubt in my as I was just taken in by mind I will ever forget sitting at the Eiffel Tower watching beach vollevball as the bleachers swayed under me.

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Sports

Biles back on top of Olympic podium

US women win pair of medals in all-around competition



IOSHUA SPAUL

Simone Biles (left) and Suni Lee celebrate their medals in the women's all-around at Bercy Arena in Paris last week.

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING

PARIS, France — Simone Biles is used to having all eyes on her. As one of, if not the best gymnasts in the world, she knows what the pressure to perform is like and she knows how to keep calm.

However, in the allaround finals at Bercy Arena on Thursday, Aug. 1, she also had to know that teammate Suni Lee and Brazil's Rebeca Andrade knew how to perform under that same pressure.

But in the end, all eyes were indeed on Biles, as she was the lone athlete left on the floor of the arena as she prepared to do her floor routine in the final rotation of the night. Lee and Andrade had just finished their floor exercises and currently stood in third and second place, respectively.

Biles proceeded to score a 15.066 on floor, the best of any gymnast in the all-around finals, and became the first woman to win an individual Olympic gymnastics medal twice in non-consecutive Olympic Games

secutive Olympic Games.
"It's been eight years,"
she said, referencing the
all-around title she won
at the Rio Olympics in
2016. "It feels amazing.
I was a little bit naive in
the process, so I appreciate my craft a little bit
more."

Her score of 59.131 was 1.199 more than Andrade, who received a 57.932. Lee, the reigning Olympic all-around champion after Biles had to bow out in Tokyo thgree years ago, won the bronze medal for Team USA, scoring 56.465. It is the first bronze medal for Team USA in the event, to go along with six gold and three silver medals.

Biles joins Larisa Latynina of the Soviet Union and Vera Caslavska of Czechoslovakia as the only three women to win Olympic all-around titles twice. With five Olympic titles, Biles trails only Latynina (who has nine) and Caslavska (seven) with opportunities to add to her total in

the apparatus finals.

Biles recorded the highest scores in three of the four events, scoring 15.766 on vault, 14.566 on balance beam and 15.066 on floor exercise. Andrade ranked second on vault (15.100) and floor (14.033), while Lee had the second-highest score on uneven bars (14.866) behind the 15.533 from Kaylia Nemour of Algeria.

"I just couldn't believe that I did it. I know that I did it, but I don't think it's hit me just yet," she said about her final tumble on the floor exercise. "It will probably hit me whenever I go back to the Village.

"I'm just ecstatic with my performances tonight. And we still have three finals left for me," she said. "Now it's time to have fun and the hard part is over."

"I went out there and told myself to not put any pressure on myself. I didn't want to think about the past Olympics or even try to prove to anybody anything," Lee said. "I just wanted to prove (to) myself that I could do it because I didn't think (in the first place) that I could.

"It has taken a lot. I am very grateful I had my coaches," she continued. "Also, having Simone here today definitely helped me a lot because we're both freaking out. It wasn't out there freaking out by myself.

"I told Simone I didn't even know how to do math in my head (to calculate scores) and then Simone said, 'Me neither.' It was great to be out there with her (Simone) and do it the right way

this time."

After her highly-publicized withdrawal from the all-around in Tokyo three years ago, Biles said she didn't know if she'd make it back to the podium.

"Three years ago I never thought I'd step foot on a gymnastics floor again, because of everything that had happened," Biles said. "But with the

help of Cecile and Laurent (Landi, her coaches), I got back in the gym and worked really hard mentally and physically.

"All in all, I'm super proud of my performance and the fight I've had for the last three years, mentally and physically, to get back competing on a world stage," she continued. "The Olympic Games is an amazing

experience, so I couldn't be prouder. "To see where I've grown from Tokyo (2020) and even the 19-year-old from Rio (2016) is amazing. I'm proud of (myself) for putting in the work and never giving up."

The win for Biles continues a stellar run for the US women in the all-around at the Olympics. Before Lee in 2021

and Biles in 2016, Gabby Douglas won in London in 2012, Nastia Liukin won in Beijing in 2008 and Carly Patterson won in Athens in 2004.

"I'm super excited to go home and celebrate with family and friends," Biles stated.

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New Englanders help US men clinch gymnastics team bronze Medal is the first for US team since 2008

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING

Sports Editor

PARIS, France — Stephen Nedoroscik had one job.

After sitting around for the entire gymnastics team competition on Monday, July 29, at the Bercy Arena, the Worcester, Mass. resident was tasked with straddling the pommel horse as the final member of the American team in the final rotation of the night and a medal hanging in the balance.

The United States men, who hadn't won a medal since the 2008 Beijing Games, were in third place heading to the final rotation, where Paul Juda, Brody Malone and finally, Nedoroscik, put on clean pommel horse routines to keep the US men in third place and earning them that sought-after medal. Japan took gold and China, leading going into the final routine, finished in second place.

"I had my coach by my side and he does a great job of taking the nerves out of (me) and he hypes me up," Nedoroscik said. "But these guys hit every routine before me and I have a statistic - when people hit before me, I also hit (my routine). So, I went out there and did my job and I enjoyed the moment.

""It was a really long day, and I sat in our room and thought about how I get to be the last person (competing for the USA team), and I framed that in my head as a positive - that I can be the exclamation point," he continued. "I saluted (after his dismount) and looked at these guys (his teammates), and they were jumping up and down, and it was the greatest moment of my life."

That moment was the culmination of a lot of work for the team with the ultimate goal of breaking the cycle of not medaling at the Olympics.

"We got here with our director (Brett McClure)



JOSHUA SPAULDING

Bercy Arena was the site for gymnastics at the Paris Summer Olympics.

having basic strategies to try to do things and push in the direction of building the difficulty - really raising the standard of who we are, not just to be Olympians, but to bring medals home," said fellow Massachusetts resident Fredrick Richard, who won the US Olympic Trials on his way to Paris. "Every routine has the potential to push us in the right direction and build that energy that makes us keep getting better and better and doing amazing, and that's what we did."

The Americans started the night on rings, and posted a higher score than they did in qualifying, with Asher Hong, Brody Malone and Richard putting the US in fifth place.

That fifth place didn't last long, as huge Juda and Malone back-to-back stuck efforts followed by a tremendous performance by Hong, which propelled the American team to the lead. Malone, Richard and Hong then competed on parallel bars and their consistent scores had the team in second place halfway through the competition

After some struggles in qualifications on high bar, Team USA had a strong performance, with Juda kicking things off with a solid performance and Richard delivering a huge routine and Malone ended things with another stuck landing. The US stood in third place heading to the final two rotations.

Juda, Hong and Richard gave the very pro-American crowd plenty to cheer about in the floor exercise and the team remained in third heading to the final rotation, the aforementioned pommel horse.

After Juda and Malone delivered solid performance, Nedoroscik emerged from the shadows, did his job and the medal was in the hands of Team USA.

"You start competing with this fire in you that says, It's going to happen, trust the process, trust your gymnastics and believe in your brothers, too," Richard said. "When they (his teammates) were going, I believed every ounce that it was going to come out a great routine, and it did every single time.

"All of us had a role to add to it, and it really worked and made us keep going like that throughout the whole thing," he added. "My goal was to show the US getting stronger and stronger. I'm getting stronger and stronger."

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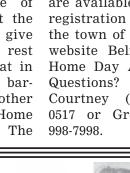
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Belmont 10-Mile Road Race is Saturday

BELMONT — Time is fast approaching for the 55th running of the Belmont 10-Mile Road Race. As one of the oldest road races in New Hampshire, it's a challenging course for the experienced runner with curvy back roads and plenty of hills tossed in to keep it interesting. It makes for a "great story" bucket list item, or a chance to try out long distance running for exercise.

The race will take place on Saturday, Aug. 10, and has an early start time of 7:30 a.m. to beat the August heat and give participants the rest of the day to float in a pool, attend a barbecue, or enjoy other Belmont Old Home activities. The \$25 registration fee includes race entry and a t-shirt to commemorate the achievement of a challenging 10mile run. Organizers are excited to offer online registration for the first time this year (RunSignup Belmont 10-Miler). Pre-registrations are appreciated, however, day of registrations are also accepted starting at 7 a.m in the Belmont Middle School parking lot on School Street/ Memorial Drive. Other registration options are available (refer to registration form on the town of Belmont's website Belmont Old Home Day Activities. Questions? Contact Courtney (603) 707-0517 or Gretta (603)



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The July VSM feaerans Cemetery at Boscawen. Mr. Buck discussed the eligibility and procedures for vet-

DuQuoin Education erans and their dependents to be interred at the cemetery.

Shawn Buck addresses VSM attendees at the Wright Museum

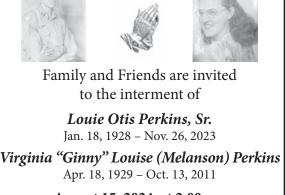
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If you have any questions or if you would like to discuss the VSM Meeting project, please contact Tom Southern, Commander, American Legion Post 18, (317) 432-1517.

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Wright Museum hosting lecture, book signing

WOLFEBORO — On Tuesday, Aug. 13, the Wright Museum will welcome author Alex Kershaw. This is the tenth program of the Wright Museum's 2024 Education Series.

General George Patton needed a miracle. In December 1944, the Allies found themselves stuck. Rain had plagued the troops daily since September, turning roads into rivers of muck, slowing trucks and tanks to a crawl. A thick ceiling of clouds had grounded American warplanes, allowing the Germans

to reinforce. The sprint Pray alone. Pray with to Berlin had become a muddy, bloody stalemate, costing thousands of American lives.

Patton seethed, desperate for some change, any change, in the weather. A devout Christian. he telephoned his head chaplain.

"Do you have a good prayer for the weather?" he asked.

The resulting prayer was soon printed and distributed to the 250,000 men under Patton's command. "Pray when driving," the men were told. "Pray when fighting. others. Pray by night and pray by day. Pray for the cessation of immoderate rains, for good weather for Battle. . . Pray for victory... Pray for Peace."

Educated at Oxford University, Alex Kershaw is the widely-acclaimed, prize-winning, New York Times best-selling author of twelve books.

Doors open at 6:00 p.m., the program begins at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 6 at the Wright Museum's DuQuoin Education Center, 77 Center St. in Wolfeboro. Admission is \$5 for members and \$10 for non-members. Reservations are strongly encouraged and can be made online at https:// wrightmuseum.org/lecture-series or by calling 603-569-1212. Books may be purchased in advance

at the Country Bookseller or at the lecture at the Museum.

The region's leading resource for educators and learners of all ages on World War II, the Wright Museum features

more than 14,000 items in its collection that are representative of both the home front and battlefield. For more information about the 2023 Lecture Series, or museum, visit wrightmuseum.org.



The Alton Old Home Week 5K Will get underway this Saturday morning.

Kayla Yates of New Durham graduates from Roger Williams University

BRISTOL, R.I. — Roger Williams University is proud to announce that Kayla Yates, of New Durham graduated with a B.S. in Architecture in May as part of the Class of 2024.

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ALTON OHW

(continued from Page A1) Bittersweet will perform at a concert ay the bandstand from 7-9 p.m., followed by fireworks at 9 p.m. over

the Bay. On Sunday, Aug. 11. the Alton Police and Fire Departments will compete in a softball game at Joes Field a.k.a. "Little Fenway" starting at noon.

The Cribbage Tournament will get underway at 1 p.m. at the Alton Bay Bandstand.

Activities will go on throughout the week.

The Community Church of Alton will host a spaghetti supon Wednesday, Aug. 14, at 5 p.m. followed by a concert. Enjoy dinner for a suggested \$10 donation.

On Friday, Aug. 16, four-legged friends will show their skills during the Dog Show starting at 6:30 p.m. at the Alton Bay gazebo. The competition will include agility and obedience demonstrations and a costume contest.

Enjoy some sweet treats at the Ice Cream Social on Friday, Aug. 16 at 7:30 p.m.

The Silent Movie will follow at 8:30 p.m. with live musical accompaniment by New Hampshire performer and composer Jeff Rapsis.

The Alton Fire Department will hold a Chicken BBQ at the central fire station on Saturday, Aug. 17, at 4:30 p.m.

Later that day, EZ Band will take the stage at the Alton Bay bandstand from 7-9

Old Home Week will close out on Sunday, Aug. 18, with the Car Show from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Antique and classic vehicles will be on display in the town center with awards given out in several categories. While checking out the cars, enjoy live music and check out the food trucks.

For a full brochure and listing of events https://www. alton.nh.gov/sites/ default/files/press-release/files/2024%20 Alton % 20 Old % 20 Home % 20 Days.pdf.



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Residents from Gilford and several other Lakes region communities dropped off their household hazardous waste during the Household Hazardous Waste event in Gilford on July 27.

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book post.

Future HHW collections will be in Laconia on Sept. 28, and Tuftonboro on Sept. 26. Any resident of the 21 participating towns can drop off their house-

That same day was Island Cleanup Day where island proper-

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ty owners could bring trash and debris to the Glendale docks to have

that several people helped out that day and eased up the load. The post gave special recognition to the DPW staff who worked to unload several boats Chan Eddy who volunteers at the event every

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as well as selectman

TECH

(continued from Page A1) meeting the day of the meeting on the conversion. The town, however, will not be working with the state grant program and will instead go with Mainstay Technologies, which is the town's current technology provider.

The town is working out its franchise agreement with Breezeline with some conflicts about part of the town's request.

Dunn said the town sent an agreement to Breezeline, which he said "pretty much mirrors" the one the town has with Comcast. On the agreement, the town requested that Breezeline have a customer service office in the Lakes Region, though Dunn said Breezeline has repeatedly objected to this. The town sent the latest edition of the agreement and are waiting to hear from Breezeline.



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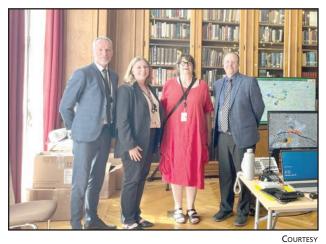
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The operations center gathers U.S. interagency partners in one room to share real-time, comprehensive security and intelligence information that helps ensure a safe and secure environment for Team USA, U.S. delegations, U.S. citizens, and U.S. corporate stakeholders attending or participating in the Games.

Adams is working in the joint operations center during the Olympics, where TSA is serving alongside representatives from the Department of Defense, the State Department, the Department of Justice, and other DHS agencies.



Kristine Adams (second from left) poses with the TSA Attaché to Paris and their French government counterparts inside the US Embassy in Paris.

"We're monitoring the security of the Games," she said, pointing out that the United States has nearly 600 athletes, thousands of credentialed media members and thou-

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sands of fans in Paris all at the same time. "Our mission is to protect all of them.

"If you get in trouble, we work to get you out," she said.



Prospect Mountain graduate Kristine Adams is in Paris as part of her job with the

Transportation Security Administration.

The arson attacks on French train systems outside of Paris just prior to the official start of the Olympic Games were a test right away for the agencies involved, as



The Joint Operations Center run by the State Department at the US Embassy in Paris.

monitoring the transportation system is a main part of what she and her fellow workers are doing. They're also working with U.S. airlines on aviation security and making sure that U.S. air marshals can fly in and out safely.

"It's joint operations center runs 24-7," Adams said, noting that she has been working nights, which means she's gotten to see a lot of the surfing events that are happening in Tahiti on the television screens in the office.

The operations center is also working with their French counterparts to make sure every U.S. asset in Paris is safe, as DSS has special agents at every Olympic venue and embedded with select Olympic teams, providing security for Team USA athletes.

"So, there's a lot of people in a very old embassy," Adams said with a laugh. "It's surreal to sit in such an old space conducting high-tech information sharing."

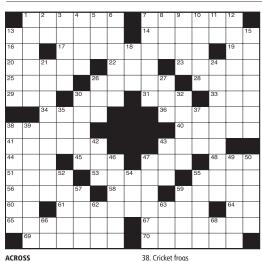
She noted the fact that what she and her colleagues are doing is so very modern and technologically advanced and is happening in such a historic place is certainly unusual. At the same time, she's in the same building where Benjamin Franklin, John Adams and Thomas Jefferson once worked and that in and of itself is amazing for someone who has always enjoyed history and politics.

While the work schedule kept her plenty busy, Adams did have a few days off in Paris and was able to get around the city and see the Eiffel Tower and visit several museums.

And if you wanted to know the location of a certain rapper-turned Team USA super fan while he was in Paris, she might've been able to help you.

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

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August at Gilman Library

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Special Programs this month include, "Danny K. Kila" on his Hawaiian lap steel guitar, every Thursday from 11 a.m.-1 p.m., just through Sept. 12. He will also pay a special visit to the Sm-Ar-Ti-Es Kids Science Club at 4 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 8, as he demonstrates

contestants.

the connection between music and science. Sm-Ar-Ti-Es Kids Science Club meets at 4 p.m. on the second Thursday of every month.

Other regular programs during August, include 'Story Time with Nanny Rosebud' at 10:30 a.m., on the first and third Wednesdays (Aug. 7 and 21), "Family Trivia Night' on Thursday, Aug. 15 Third Thursday Event, 'Sit and Stitch Saturdays" from 10 to 11 a.m., every week, and 'Read with Rylee,' (our tail-wagging tutor) – call for 15min appointment times to read to her.

The newest books added to our collection this past week, include two books by Bill O'Reilly: "Killing the Witches" and "The United States of Trump." We also have "All the Broken Places" by John Boyle and "The Rule of Four" by Ian Caldwell and Dustin Thomason.

Popular books this month include "The Women" Hanna, still place since June, "Hush Hush" by Stuart Woods, and "Dark Angel" by John Sandford. You can reserve these or other titles and view our en-

tire catalog by going online to gilmanlibrary. org and clicking the Menu Tab for CATA-LOG. Once there, please

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for updates about Gilman Library at 100 Main St., Alton, here in the coming issues of The Baysider or check our Web site. See you at the library!

NHEC board appoints two new members

PLYMOUTH — The New Hampshire Electric Cooperative (NHEC) Board of Directors has appointed new members to fill two vacancies on the 11-member board.

Peter Laufenberg of Thornton and John Goodrich of Littleton were selected by the board to finish the terms of two former members, Sharon Davis of Campton and Madeline McElaney of Plymouth, who recently resigned in June.

Laufenberg was one of nine candidates running for election to the board this year finishing sixth in voting. Only the top four who received votes from Co-op members were elected to the board of the nonprofit cooperative. Goodrich previously ran for election to the board in 2022 and participated in the Nominating Committee this past election.

"We are delighted to have recruited two highly qualified individuals to serve as Board members who have demonstrated a strong commitment to the New Hampshire Electric Cooperative and its members," said NHEC Board Chair William Darcy.

Following the appointment of Laufenberg and Goodrich, the NHEC

Board also announced its slate of officers:

William Darcy - Chair Alana Albee – Vice Chair

Jeffrey Morrill - Secretary

Jerry Stringham – Treasurer

Thomas Mongeon -**Assistant Treasurer**

For more information about the Board of Directors, visit the board's page at nhec.com.

Masons to kick off Old Home Week with ham and bean supper

ALTON — The Masons of Winnipisaukee Lodge in Alton are pleased to announce a Ham and Bean supper to be held on Saturday, Aug. 10, at the Lodge at 40 Suncook Valley Rd., a quarter mile south of

the Alton traffic circle on Route 28 south.

The ham is from Tiede Farm Smokehouse and Frank Alden will be doing the beans. There will also be cole slaw, rolls, and watermelon slices. For those who would prefer, we will offer a couple of hot dogs.

Don't want to have to get dressed up for supper? We have that covered as well. There will be take out available to those who want to bring home supper for the fam-

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Moose Mountain Jazz Band makes triumphant return to Cate Park on Saturday

WOLFEBORO — The Moose Mountain Jazz Band has traditionally been one of the most popular offerings on the Friends of the Wolfeboro Community Bandstand summer concert series. After a few years away, the band returns this year to entertain audiences on Saturday, Aug. 10.

The Moose Mountain Jazzband is a full seven-piece band that consists of the traditional instrumentation of cornet, trombone, clarinet, piano, banjo, drums and tuba. They play a foot-tapping style of music that was born in New Orleans and popularized in the early 20th century by jazz greats like Louis Armstrong.

The members of this band are all excellent individual musicians, but playing together as one band, they create an excitement with this music which is greater than the sum of its individual parts. "Dixieland Jazz is a celebration of music," said band leader Lance MacLean. "We want the people to leave the show feeling uplifted. We like to have fun with the music."

The band does some sing-alongs and performs numbers that feature the various

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players. Dixieland Jazz has many influences, including gospel and blues music. "When the Saints go Marching In" is one popular favorite, that was often used and still is in New Orleans as a funeral march. This tune is played as a dirge, or slow, sad music on the way to the graveyard, but the band plays happy, upbeat music for the mourners returning back to celebrate life.

In addition to MacLean on banjo, the band features Bob McInnis on clarinet, Neil Flewelling on cornet, Steven Piermarini on trombone, Mike Hathaway on piano, Mike Chatigny on drums and Albi Bernard on tuba.

Moose Mountain Jazz Band will take to the Wolfeboro Community Bandstand from 7 to 9 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 10. The concert is free to the public, though a pass-the-hat offering is taken at intermission to help the Friends of the Wolfeboro Community Bandstand support the continuation of the concert series each summer.

The concerts are subject to weather conditions. If bad weather is threatening and the concert has to be postponed, there will be a sign posted at the park



(Left) MOOSE MOUNTAIN JAZZ BAND performs this Saturday, Aug. 10, at 7 p.m. at the Wolfeboro Community Bandstand.

entrance near the town docks and will be posted online at wolfeborobandstand.org and on the group's Facebook page.





Rebecca Robbins The Oscar Songbook WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. Brewster Academy

From timeless classics to contemporary hits, The Oscar Songbook features 21 Oscar-winning songs sung by Broadway's Rebecca Robbins.

This West Virginia native is a Broadway actress, headliner vocalist, cabaret artist, and regional theatre performer.

All shows, unless indicated, are approximately 90 minutes long





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David Brighton's "SPACE ODDITY"

The Quintessential David Bowie Experience

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.Castle in the Clouds

SPACE ODDITY is a live, theatrically staged, elaborately costumed multi-media spectacle that transports audiences on a musical journey through the constantly metamorphosing career of David Bowie.

All shows, unless indicated, are approximately 90 minutes long. Lawn Seats are General Admission and you must bring a chair or blanket to sit on.



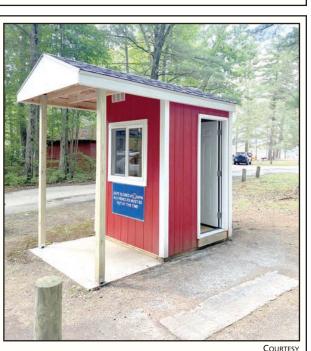


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exhibitors, with a fabulous chain saw demonstration on Saturday by Buck Ridge. Don't miss his amazing talents! Some of the other exhibitors will include awesome signs of Lake Winnipesaukee, beautiful pottery, sublimation art, handsome soy candles, amazing wildlife photography, cedar wood furniture, handsome alpaca products, personal care products, gourmet oils & vinegars, kettle corn, amazing metal creations with nuts & bolts, laser engraving, home decor & signs, cribbage boards, CBD products, canoe/kayak & paddle decor, fabric creations, NH maple syrups, beautiful wooden spoons & ladles, hats/tee shirts, beautiful tie dye clothing, inlaid wooden tables & mirrors, fine art paintings, essential oil & lavender, & lots more! Music. Food. Rain or shine under canopies. Friendly, leashed dogs welcome. Free admission & free parking. GPS address: 80 Academy Drive, Route 28, Wolfeboro. Live music with North River on Saturday and Sunday. For more information, call Joyce at

(603) 387-1510. See you there!



The Gilford Parks & Recreation Department would like to extend a huge thank you to The Gilford Community Church's 'One Community Project' and the amazing group of volunteers that built our new gatehouse at Gilford Beach. The gatehouse that was replaced had been at Gilford Beach since the mid-'80's and was built by a group from the Huot Technical Center at Laconia High School. The new gatehouse is beautiful, and we look forward to having it at Gilford Beach for years to come!



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