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COMPLIMENTARY

Local community members travel to Vermont to view eclipse

LYNDONVILLE, Vt. — In a remarkable display of community spirit and celestial enthusiasm, Plymouth Regional High School's Astronomy Club, led by astronomy teacher David McKenney, embarked on a memorable journey northward to Kingdom Campground in Lyndonville, Vt. Alongside them, about 50 locals from Plymouth and surrounding towns eagerly joined the pilgrimage in hopes of witnessing the much-anticipated totality during the Great American Eclipse on Monday, April 8.

The trip, which brought together club members, their families, as well as other members of the PRHS faculty and friends, exemplified the power of shared experiences and the joy of exploring the wonders of the universe together.

Upon their arrival at Kingdom Campground,



The Astronomy Club. Left to right: Gaham Sevigny, Emily Gustafson, Loki Kulakovich, David Kizer, Daniel Richard, Connor Maddocks, Lila Biddle, Anthony Sousa, Jackson Bouchard, Connor Heidenreich, Mr. McKenney, Maxine MacDonald, Addison Shamansky, Nick Ring, and Rachel Pamplin.

hosts Tina and Jake Simpson, along with their children Kendalyn and Wyatt, extended a warm welcome to the visitors from Plymouth. With popcorn, hot chocolate, and coffee ready to

fuel the excitement, the Simpsons' hospitality set the stage for an unforgettable eclipse viewing experience.

The group was able to enjoy a cookout, kickball, and a jam session

led by club member Daniel Richard on the guitar while they waited for the big event. As anticipation mounted and the sky began to darken, the assembled group gathered under the open

skies, armed with telescopes, protective glasses, and cameras, eagerly awaiting the moment of totality. With each passing minute, the sun's brilliant light dimmed, casting an ethereal glow



over the landscape.

As the moon gradually obscured the sun, the atmosphere at Kingdom Campground was charged with a sense of wonder and awe. Cheers and exclamations of amazement filled the air as the eclipse reached its peak, and daylight turned to night for 2 minutes and 9 seconds.

For David McKenney and his Astronomy Club, witnessing the Great American Eclipse amidst the company of friends, family, and fellow astronomy enthusiasts was a truly unforgettable experience.

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Downtown fire prompts evacuation of Flying Monkey

BY DONNA RHODES
Contributing writer

PLYMOUTH — Plymouth Fire-Rescue received a dispatch from Lakes Region Mutual Fire Aid at 9:10 p.m. on Saturday, April 20, for

the report of multiple buildings on fire from 41-45 Main St. in downtown Plymouth. Firefighters responded in minutes from the Plymouth station, where they found heavy smoke coming from two commercial



(Left) Flames could be seen breaking through the roof of Downtown Pizza on Main Street in Plymouth last Saturday night as multiple fire companies from around the region rushed to the scene, where two buildings were involved and the neighboring Flying Monkey Theater was threatened by the blaze.

buildings, the former Peppercorn Natural Food Store and Downtown Pizza.

Situated right beside the restaurant is the Flying Monkey Theater, which had approximate-

SEE FIRE PAGE A14

Newfound Science Pub explores restoring streams for brook trout

BRIDGEWATER — Join the Newfound Lake Region Association (NLRA) at the Newfound Lake Inn on Wednesday, May 15 at 5:30 p.m. for Newfound Science Pub, an engaging way to connect with experts in science and conservation over food and drinks.

Drs. Brigid O'Donnell and Amy Villamagna, professors at PSU, and audience members will share their perspectives on stream restoration, connect to Brigid & Amy's work monitoring brook trout after habitat restoration, and explore the connection between healthy brook trout populations and a healthy watershed. Discuss current issues, ask your burning questions, and share your own perspective in a casual, social atmosphere. This event is free; attendees purchase food and drinks. Registration is required. Register by visiting NewfoundLake.org/events or calling 603-744-8689.

Dr. Brigid O'Donnell is a professor in PSU's Biological Sciences department. As a developmental biologist, she focuses on freshwater species including mayflies, fish, and crustaceans. Dr. Amy Villamagna is a professor in PSU's Environmental Science & Policy department. In her research, she investigates how ecosystems respond to changes in climate and land use. Both Brigid and Amy are involved in long-term monitoring of brook trout and associated habitat in the Beebe River following restoration work there.

The NLRA's mission is to protect Newfound Lake and its watershed. The Association —

SEE TROUT PAGE A14

Three more wins for Plymouth baseball boys

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING
Sports Editor

PLYMOUTH — The Plymouth baseball team continued its strong start to the season with three more wins last week.

The week began with a rematch of last year's Division II semifinals, as the Bobcats hosted Kingswood and captured a 3-1 win.

The Knights got on the board first with a run in the top of the first inning but in the bottom of the second inning, the Bobcats got two runs to take the lead. Noah Shaw doubled with two outs, plating Johnny Flaherty with the tying run and a passed ball eventually scored Jake Sanborn with the second run. The Bobcats added a little insurance in the bottom of the sixth inning.

Logan Finkle got the win on the mound, going six innings, giving up just one hit and one run and striking out seven while Flaherty got the save in the seventh inning, striking out one.

On Wednesday, April 17, the Bobcats made the trip to Merrimack Valley and picked up a 4-1 win over the Pride, scoring two runs in each of the last two innings to earn the win.

The Pride pushed across an unearned run in the bottom of the first inning against Flaherty, who pitched into the seventh inning, striking out 11 and allowing just one hit and the one unearned run. Luke Diamond came in with two outs in the bottom of the seventh and two runners in scoring position and promptly got a groundout from the Pride's number three hitter to end the game and earn the save.

The Bobcats took the lead with two runs in the top of the sixth inning, with Turner Oldenburg driving in both runs with a pinch-hit groundout. Plymouth

added two more runs in the top of the seventh inning.

"Diamond was dynamic in the three-hole," said coach Chris Sanborn, noting he had three hits in four at-bats, including a double, drove in two runs and scored a run.

The Bobcats closed out the week with a sloppy 8-7 win over Con-Val on Thursday, April 18.

"Ugly game in wet weather but the boys found a way to win," Sanborn stated. "Definitely not our best performance."

Bobcat pitching allowed 11 walks and the defense committed six errors, making things a bit more difficult.

Con-Val scored two in the top of the first inning against Shaw, who settled down and didn't allow a run in his next three innings. Con-Val plated a run in the top of the fifth inning for the 3-0 lead before the Bobcats scored two in the bottom of the fifth inning. Plymouth then rallied for six in the bottom of the sixth for the 8-3 lead before allowing the Cougars back into it, as the visitors scored four times in the seventh before Diamond got the final outs.

Kyle Dodge had two hits to lead the offense, driving in three runs and scoring one run while Thomas Daigneault had a triple and a walk, scored two runs and drove in a run, Luke Bassingthwaite had a hit and a walk and scored two runs and Diamond had a base hit and a walk.

The Bobcats are scheduled to be in action on Monday, April 29, at Kennett and Wednesday, May 1, at home against Lebanon, both with 4 p.m. scheduled starts.

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COURTESY

The Friends of Fairgrounds have record turnout for cleanup!

Sunday, April 21, was the perfect day for picking up trash, and we had 24 neighborhood volunteers to help us do that just. Breaking up into teams, we covered all of Fairgrounds Road, some of the side streets, Smith Bridge Road, and Quincy Road to Longview Farm. It was a successful and satisfying Earthday activity, which has been going on for more than a decade. We started with coffee and donuts donated by Dunkin Donuts. Girl Scout Troop 20183, led by Ange Paris, joined the effort. A big thank you to everyone who pitched in — many hands make light work.

Holderness Recreation upcoming programs

Bird Walk with Lena Moser May means migration!

One of the greatest joys of spring is the return of migratory birds of all shapes, sizes, colors, and sounds. Do you love stepping outside to a chorus of birdsong or catching a glimpse of bright yellow flashing through the trees?

When you learn to identify birds and get to know their unique habits and natural history, your appreciation of your feathered kin grows exponentially, as well as your enjoyment! May offers the perfect opportunity to study the greatest diversity of birds because many migrants are either returning to their nesting grounds or passing through on their way to other breeding areas

This bird walk is a fantastic way to enjoy the local trails of Holderness while learning first-hand from an experienced birder. Using her trained eyes and ears to find and identify birds, Lena will share her knowledge, enthusiasm, and tips for exploring bird life outdoors. Come learn about our local bird migration while picking up some fun outdoors skills!

When: Thursday, May 23 & Tuesday, May 28
Time: 7-9 a.m.

Where: A location in Holderness to be announced
Cost: \$20 per person per date - limited to 8 people

Equipment: Please bring a good pair of binoculars for an optimal experience. Please register by May 21 & May 24

Summer Tennis Lessons with Bill Aronson

We are very excited to have Bill back again for the 11th summer. He is a great instructor who truly loves the game of tennis and sharing his craft with others. He is a Certified USPTA and PTR Tennis Professional and Certified by USTA in High Performance Coaching and Quick Start for juniors.

Below, you will find a variety of classes that are available this summer. Classes must have a minimum of 4 players and a max of 6-8 depending on the level. Sessions are 4 weeks long. Lessons are rain or shine and will be held unless it is pouring or thunder and lightning.

Youth Racquets:

Youth racquets are available to borrow at no cost. Please contact the recreation office to make arrangements.

Class Descriptions Children Clinic ages 4-7

This class introduces tennis using the USTA Quick Start Method, and focuses on improved racquet skills, hand-eye coordination, balance and movement. Participants will play games to develop skills, modified scoring, and rally play. The goals of this class are to provide a fun and enjoyable experience while teaching how to play tennis using the correct size equipment and courts. A 36-foot court and compression balls will be used. Racquets between 19 and 23 inches are required.

Wednesdays 3:30-4:30 p.m. or Saturdays 2-3 p.m.

Youth Beginner Tennis ages 8-16: Great for youth seeking to improve and have fun. Participants can be a total beginner or getting back into game. Wednesdays 4:30-5:30 p.m. or Saturdays 3-4 p.m.

Adult Beginner—Ages 17 and up: This program is for the beginner to advanced beginner level adult wanting to learn the fundamentals of the game. The class will cover racquet positioning, stroke production, court positioning, shot placement and games. Wednesdays 5:30-6:30 p.m. or Saturdays 4-5 p.m.

Adult Intermediate & Advanced: This program is for the intermediate and advanced players that are looking for a more competitive approach to improving his / her game. Players should expect to receive high quality instruction geared to improving performance. Wednesdays 6:30-7:30 p.m. or Saturdays 5-6 p.m.

Zumba® with Shannon Griffiths

Zumba mixes low-intensity and high-intensity moves for an interval-style, calorie-burning dance fitness party. This class offers a combo of cardio, muscle conditioning, balance and flexibility!

When: Starting April 19, Fridays 5:30-6:30 p.m. & Sundays 11:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

Where: Holderness Town Hall

Cost: \$85 / 8 classes or \$12 drop in.

Shannon has lived in the area for a little over a decade and is an alumna of Plymouth State. Aside from being a licensed Zumba instructor, her professional background is in communications and marketing. As a lover of Zumba for many years, Shannon is excited to offer Zumba in Holderness. Anyone can do it, all you have to do is have fun!

Please note: preregistration is requested so we know how many are coming.

Classes are held at Holderness Town Hall unless noted otherwise. More information can be found at www.holderness-nh.gov on the Recreation Department page. You may also call 603-968-3700 or email recreation@holderness-nh.gov to find our more.

Ashland resident inducted into Honor Society for first-year success

MANCHESTER — Saint Anselm College student Abigail Frankauski of Ashland, a Biology BS major in the class of 2027, has been accepted into Alpha Lambda Delta, a national honor society for first-year success, for the 2023-2024 academic year.

To be eligible for invitation, students must be enrolled full-time at an institution with an active chap-

ter of Alpha Lambda Delta and have a 3.5 grade point average or higher in their first semester or first year.

Alpha Lambda Delta was founded in 1924 by Maria Leonard, the Dean of Women at the University of Illinois, to recognize academic excellence among freshman women. One year prior, Dean Thomas Arkle Clark had founded Phi Eta Sigma, an honor society to recognize academic excellence among freshman men. Both groups became coeducational in 1976 in response to Title IX. Alpha Lambda Delta has grown to over 280 chapters and has initiated over one million students.

Spring brings special events to TTCC

BRISTOL — As we roll into another month with mud season sliding out and bug season smack dab upon us, we have a lot to share with you as we will be holding two fundraisers in June, as well as our annual Opening Day Baseball, Softball & T-Ball Ceremony on May 4 that unofficially kicks off the Summer Season.

Please join us on Saturday, May 4 as we begin the better weather with our Annual Opening Day ceremonies. Wells Field is ready, as we'd like to thank everyone for the fundraising over the years that helped fund this project. Project #3 starts next week and then on to fundraising for future projects. This year's home run derby is back, plus cash calendars. Whoever raises the most money can win Red Sox tickets at Fenway. We are always looking for donations to better the youth baseball program. Checks can be sent to: Tapply Thompson Community Center, 30 North Main St., Bristol NH 03222. Thank you to everyone involved and to the parents and kids who have raised money over the year.

On June 11 and 12, we will be holding a special on-line fundraiser known as NH Gives. This is the easiest way to support your local nonprofit organization, as your donations help us operate programs such as our Every Child is Ours - Weekend Food Supplement Program, our Operation Warm - Winter Clothing Drive, and our Afterschool and Summer Camps Programs. Stay tuned for more information on how you can give over this 24-hour period as part of a statewide effort to highlight and help our nonprofit organizations.

On June 22, we will be holding our 14th annual "Tee it up 'Fore' the Kids" Golf Classic fundraiser, as this is a super fun event that is a perennial favorite. Last year, we had an amazing group and a very successful tournament, as we are looking for event sponsors, prize sponsors, players and more to make this year the best ever. If you can lend a hand, donate a sponsor prize or try your luck on the links, we'd love to hear from you. Registration is now open for teams of four people, -register soon as spots fill up fast.

If you would like to join our team as a volunteer or community partner, please let us know as we'd like to hear from



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April 11, 2024

The Tapply-Thompson Community Center is proud to announce that one our Camp Counselors, Logan Hinton, has won first place in the NH Parks & Rec Association's photo contest. Logan caught this amazing shot of a high-five encounter while on a field trip, as the TTCC Summer Camp was jammed packed with photo-worthy events occurring almost every day.

COURTESY

you. We are currently looking for umpires and other volunteers for the

upcoming ball season. For more information on how you could help,

please call (603) 744-2713 or email us at info@ttccrec.org.

CADY teams with DEA for National Prescription Drug Take Back Day

PLYMOUTH — On Saturday, April 27, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Communities for Alcohol- and Drug-Free Youth (CADY) and the Drug Enforcement Administration will host DEA's National Prescription Drug Take Back Day at locations across the country. DEA and its partners will collect tablets, capsules, patches, and other solid forms of prescription drugs.

For more than a decade, the event has helped Americans easily rid their homes of unneeded medications—those that are old, unwanted, or expired—that too often become a gateway to addiction.

Take Back Day offers free and anonymous disposal of unneeded medications at close to 5,000 local drop-off locations nationwide.

What:
National Prescription Drug Take Back Day

When:
Saturday, April 27, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Where:
Ashland Police Department: 20 Highland St., Ashland
Campton Police Department: 12 Gearty Way, Campton
Lincoln Police Department: 148 Main St., Lincoln
Plymouth Police Department: 334 Main St., Plymouth
Thornton Police Department: 16 Merrill Access Rd., Thornton
Woodstock Police Department: 165 Lost River Rd., North Woodstock

In partnership with local law enforcement, Take Back Day has removed 8,950 tons of medication from circulation since its inception.

Collection sites will not accept syringes, sharps, and illicit drugs. Liquid products, such as cough syrup, should remain sealed in their original container. The cap must be tightly sealed to prevent leakage.

For more information and to find a collection site near you, visit www.DEATakeBack.com.

PRHS Quiz Bowl team to compete in national championship tournament

PLYMOUTH — With its strong finish at the Bishop Ludden Invitational, the quiz bowl team from Plymouth Regional High School proved themselves worthy to play on a national stage. On Friday, April 26, the team will represent their school in a 143-team national competition: National Academic Quiz Tournaments' Small School National Championship Tournament.

Quiz bowl is a competitive, academic, interscholastic activity for teams of four students. Quiz bowl teams use buzzers to answer questions about science, math, history, literature, mythology, geography, social science, current events, sports, and popular culture. The matches feature a blend of individual competition and team collaboration, since no individual player is likely to be an expert in all subject areas. Participation in quiz bowl both reinforces lessons from the classroom and encourages players to develop new intellectual interests.

Plymouth has attended the Small School National Championship Tournament six times before. Most recently, in 2023, they made the playoffs and finished in 21st place.

The SSNCT is the only quiz bowl national championship pitting small schools against each other.

It has one division containing non-selective public schools with 500 or fewer students in their top three grades, and another division for other schools with 350 or fewer students in their top three grades.

The team comes in with some nationals experience: Khalil Dakhliya, Norman Sackett, and Reagan Sutherland played the 2023 Small School National Championship Tournament in Rosemont, Illinois (near Chicago); Khalil Dakhliya played the 2023 Individual Player National Championship Tournament in Rosemont, Illinois (near Chicago); and Khalil Dakhliya and Ethan Savage played the 2022 Small School National Championship Tournament in Rosemont, Illinois (near Chicago).

The team, in the Traditional Public Schools Division, will be captained by Reagan Sutherland, who will be joined by Khalil Dakhliya, Paul Mason, Norman Sackett, and Ethan Savage. The team will be coached by Jay Fogarty, who will be assisted by Troy Harris.

Tournament results will be updated throughout the three days of competition at <http://www.naqt.com/go/stats/14701> so everyone can follow along and see how the team does. You can also follow #ssnct on Twitter.

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Opinion

'The unity of freedom has never relied on uniformity of opinion.' John Fitzgerald Kennedy

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CADY Corner

Legalization of cannabis is not inevitable

BY DEB NARO
Contributor

Most of you are familiar with CADY's strong position against marijuana legalization. We take this stance for several reasons: first and foremost, we promote a health-first approach to protect our children from the harms of all substance misuse, including THC poisonings, mental health crises, suicide risks, and addiction. Secondly, in 2017, New Hampshire decriminalized the possession of small amounts of marijuana eliminating criminality and social justice related issues. Lastly, the only individuals incarcerated in New Hampshire are drug dealers and others with multiple drug charges. House Bill 1633 is being heard before the Senate Judiciary Committee on April 25. This bill seeks to legalize cannabis under state agency run outlets. We have learned from data from legalized states that more of an addictive drug on the ground increases harm to youth and public health and safety issues for citizens of their state. The following is text from a letter I sent to NH Senators last week regarding HB1633:

"As executive director of a prevention non-profit serving Central NH, co-founder of SAM NH, former legislator (2000-2006), and a member of last year's Cannabis Legalization Study Commission, I am writing to provide you with fact-based information, supported by science, to help inform your decisions on marijuana legalization bills coming before the Senate this session.

"SAM NH's primary focus is educating the public and policymakers about the harms of marijuana legalization—believing many are naïve to the real harms of today's high-potency THC. To inform your deliberations I have enclosed several fliers created by SAM NH and NH Drug-Free Communities coalitions citing science-based facts and data.

"Several subject-matter experts from legalized states testified before the Cannabis Study Commission and agreed there are no legislative guardrails that can protect the most vulnerable among us. We heard from a Neuroscientist from Massachusetts; a Psychiatrist from Boston Children's Hospital; and a Recovery specialist from Maine—they all urged NH to avoid legalization, whether in a state-run franchise or a private enterprise model. I am happy to provide their full testimonies for your review.

"Let's consider drug-endangered children. In 2021 NH Poison Control received calls regarding 22 children under the age of five who were exposed to marijuana. Four of those calls were toddlers from the Plymouth region admitted to the emergency room of our local hospital in THC-induced comas following the ingestion of high-potency THC edibles. If we cannot keep THC out of the hands of toddlers, how will we ever protect our teens? With legalization, more cannabis will be on the ground than ever before regardless of the sales outlet.

"Finally, the issue of inevitability is often used to justify legalization and commercialization. This is a false premise—the only certainties in life are death and taxes. Everything else can be influenced through hard work and courage. We are faced with the largest recorded number of overdose deaths in our nation's history as well as a surge in mental health crises and suicides. We are moving way too fast in this country to legalize a non-FDA addictive drug without considering the consequences of such harmful policies. We need to slow down. The only people benefiting from the rush to legalize are a small number of investors. Let's not place profits and addiction ahead of our children, public safety, and public health. More stoned people on our streets and roadways will not help the quality of life in New Hampshire as legalized states have realized too late. With commercialization we have a lot to lose—we can expect to see more addiction, more mental health crises, and more deaths through suicide and car crashes. There will be no turning back. Let's learn from the mistakes of others and promote good public policy that protects and prioritizes our children and state. Thank you for your consideration, leadership, and service."

For more information on substance misuse prevention and the harms of cannabis, visit cadyinc.org or learnaboutsam.org.



COURTESY

A community gives you a sense of belonging and a feeling of pride. Contributing within the community shows a genuine human regard for others and for the environment. Last week, a large pine tree fell on top of the nature center at Quincy Bog Natural Area. Board members met and discussed the situation. The removal of the tree was too risky for us to undertake on our own. We reached out to obtain quotes from local tree services. Kurt Schuler and Alexandra Disney, owners of Pemi Tree Works, offered to remove the tree and to donate the work. It was a process! It took Kurt, Ryan Goldsmith, and Gus Whitcomb several hours of assessing, planning, designing, rigging, securing, and finally executing a flawless tree drop. Their professionalism, attention to safety, and expertise made the task look easy. It was an impressive understanding of geometry and physics and a lot of gear, and no heavy equipment. We are truly grateful and appreciative of their generous contribution and support of our organization. It certainly would have made our founder, Joe Kent Jr., immensely proud. We have a pretty awesome community.

Letters to the Editor

If you believe future lies with our children, CASA needs you

To the Editor:

Have you ever read a story or heard a report on the evening news about child abuse and neglect here in New Hampshire and thought to yourself, "I wish there was something I could do?" Me too! That's why I chose to investigate becoming a Court Appointed Special Advocate – a CASA.

What I found was a wonderful group of people, dedicated to the welfare of abused and neglected children, who provided me with training and support. Throughout my years of being a CASA, I have felt prepared and supported. I love this work and often tell people it is the best work I've ever done – and

it is volunteer!

Being a voice for a child dealing with the impacts of trauma allows me to be true to my values, to walk the talk, and to pay it forward. I know from my own life experience that a caring person can make a profound difference in the life of a child. Now, more than ever, children are in crisis here in New Hampshire. If, like me, you too believe our future lies with the children, then I encourage you to visit www.casanh.org or call (603) 626-4600 for more information.

Lawrence Wylie
New Hampton

Campton voters deserve an explanation for delayed start of Town Meeting

To the Editor:

I am writing regarding the unfortunate delay of 45 minutes before the commencement of the recent Campton Town Meeting on March 13. According to the meeting minutes, this disruption was caused by the absence of necessary supplies for secret balloting, which were supposed to be provided by the Town Clerk, an elected official responsible for overseeing the voting process.

It is important to note that, according to the minutes, the required materials, including voting boxes, voting cards, and secret ballots, were present in the Town Clerk's vehicle parked at the venue. The delay occurred as the Town Clerk initially arrived without

these supplies.

While the specific reasons behind this oversight remain unclear, the impact on attendees was significant. Many individuals had to wait outside in the cold, and the provided childcare service covered only a portion of the extended meeting, forcing some participants to leave well before the completion of voting.

Despite this unfortunate incident, it is commendable that, apart from the delay, the meeting itself was conducted with utmost professionalism and adherence to protocols, as noted by many present.

As a community, we must strive to prevent such disruptions in the future and ensure that our democratic processes run smoothly. I urge the Town Clerk to provide a transparent explanation for the circumstances that led to the delay and outline measures to prevent similar occurrences, ensuring the efficient operation of our town's decision-making processes.

Sincerely,
Ellen Broderick
Campton



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

Plymouth Regional High School honor roll

PLYMOUTH — Plymouth Regional High School has released its honor roll for the third quarter of the 2023-2024 school year.

Seniors

High Honors: Briana Beaman, Taylor Bourne, Janelle Comeau, Reese Hall, Kelsey Maine, Lily O'Brien, Grady O'Leary, Jadyne Read, Emma Smith, Violet Towers, Sydney Valenti

Honor Roll: Kailey Aguilar-Burt, Maddox Allain, Anya Barach, Samantha Barnsley, Lia Bisson, Owen Cahoon, Sabina Casale, Kody Coburn, Jasmine Comeau, Caiden DiGiacomo, Alex Domenichello, Leo Ebner, Adrianna Elfstrom, Addison Englund, Logan Finkle, John Flaherty, William Foisy, Eliza Foote, Jacklyn Francis, Andrew Frazier, Ainsley Girouard, Gage Godin, Abey Gor-

don, Carver Grasso, Hailey Guilbert, Brennan Johnson, Ekaterina Kambina, Kaelynn Lang, Carl Levin, Lincoln Manson, Kayley Merrifield, Richard Miller, Abigail Mudgett, Avery Noyes, Jack Swanson, Jyllian Thurston, Kerry Tole, Adeline Trevino, Chance Twomey, Declan Ulricson, Baily Veasey, Dylan Webster

Juniors

High Honors: Thomas Daigneault, Brooke DiNatale, Nolan Galvin, Leah Ines, Rylie Langford, Annaliese McClain, Vincent Moccio, Shelby Montague, Emmitt Nossaman, Jolene Read, Nicholas Ring, Norman Sackett, Noah Shaw, Reagan Sutherland, Evan Tyler, Tavari Wilms

Honor Roll: Iris Adams, Malia Aviles, Leela Bakshi, Lila Biddle, Anna Boyer, Katie Campbell, Cameron Ciech, Reming-

ton Cormiea, Owen Cote, Elijah Crane, Jamie Crowley, Brynn Daigle, Lucas Diamond, Harrison Dixon, Joanna Doyle, Alex Fleury, Nathaniel Gervez, Morgan Gilpatric, Sophia Giovan, Mason Glew, Viviana Goodbout, Sophia Hamnett, Heron Hannon, McKenzie Huckins, Ryan Killion, Hannah Latulippe, Lukas Legacy, Samuel Liebert, Gordon Love, Alexis Lucas, Nathan Lyons, Grady Marunowski, Skyla McNamara, Jane Price, Bryanna Rogers, Margaret Roper, Corbin Ross, Jacob Sanborn, Chloe Sargent, Max Shamansky, Evelyn Sidor, Drake Tautenhan, Devyn Williams

Sophomores

High Honors: Amanda Ahern, Alexander Ballou, Jackson Bouchard, Graeme Burtis, Caleb Dutille, Elizabeth Englund, Tate Hayman, Lucette Keene, Camdyn Learned, Yiseul Lee,

Turner Oldenburg, Courtney Sabato, Isabella Son

Honor Roll: Addison Alain, Layla Ansaldi, Michael Aprilliano, Amelia Avery, Finnian Bellamy, Isaac Benton, Alyx Boulanger, Ashlyn Brennan, Isabell Bushaw, Erica Currier, Jeffrey Doherty, Sebastian Eisenbarth, Alyssabeth Fuller, Sydney Fullerton, Hailey Garnsey, Gabriel Goldman, Connor Heidenreich, Tegan Hershey, Blaine Hiltz, Nolan Johnson, Sophie Kelsey, Jacob Kostelak, Darcie Lucas, Cooper Mack, McKenzi Melanson, Claire Miller, Emily Nichols, Hassan Osseiran, Margarette Pitman, Harper Preston, Lucia Sakin, Mia Simpson, Nellie Stanley, Riley Stephens, Trista Strickland, Elliot Sutherland, Madison Tobine, Avery Tuttle-Wilcox, Benjamin Valenti

Freshmen

High Honors: Rory Com-

tois, Olivia Currier, Benjamin Daigneault, Niko Furbish, Katherine Hancock, Rylee Hinkley, Shelby McDonald, Colby Savage, Addison Shamansky, Jael Simons, Mikayla Walker, Amy Watto

Honor Roll: Issac Ahearn, Ezra Amsden, Jadd Belcher, Nenah Billin, Olivia Brown, Maggie Demler, Gracie Dube, Emma Franz, McKenzie Gardner-Lewis, Claire Gervez, Shyanne Greene, Emily Gustafson, Ava Hamnett, Abraham Hankens, Alexis Harrington, Mackenzie Haungs, Johnny Hu, Declan Kenneally, Isabella Klofac, Jasper Majersky, Jaydin Marsh, Leanna Marsh, Cullen McNair, Evan O'Leary, Colin Oglebay, Lily Palombo, Yuriy Paul, Rhianna Pino, Ava Plummer, Daniel Richard, Lucy Rideout, Piper Roberts, Graham Sevigney, Isabella Silva, West Thompson

Squam Lakes Association presents guided hike to Eagle Cliff

HOLDERNESS — Join the SLA on April 27 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. to enjoy the beautiful spring weather on this midday hike up Red Hill. We'll listen for birds, look for new wildflowers, and enjoy lunch with beautiful views from the historic fire tower at the hill's summit. The Eagle Cliff trail is considered challenging, with nearly 1,900 feet of elevation gain more than 2.4 miles, so come prepared to work for the reward! Please bring normal hiking equipment, including boots that can get wet and muddy. The bottom part of this trail is fairly steep, so trekking poles may be desirable. Please also pack a lunch to en-

joy at the summit. This hike is open to everyone, although parts of this trail are considered challenging. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Eagle Cliff is owned by the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forest, the Lakes Region Conservation Trust holds the conservation easement, and the Squam Lakes Association helps maintain the trails. Red Hill is owned by the Lakes Region Conservation Trust, and the SLA helps maintain the trail.

Throughout the year, the Squam Lakes Association offers free programs open to the public

on a variety of nature and conservation related topics. The Adventure Ecology programs are presented by the Lakes Region Conservation Corps members who perform important conservation work in support of the Association's mission. To register for this Adventure Ecology Program, head to squamlakes.org/calendar.

The Lakes Region Conservation Corps (LRCC) is an AmeriCorps service program that develops skills and experiences for conservation professionals. LRCC members are the driving force behind the Squam Lakes Association's conservation efforts. The program

provides hands-on conservation work experience and numerous certifications over a broad range of areas, which ensures that LRCC members are capable of independently approaching a variety of tasks in the

environmental conservation field. Members remove invasive species from the Squam watershed, manage and act as caretakers at our backcountry campsites, maintain the SLA's 50-plus miles of trails, ed-

ucate the public on local and regional conservation initiatives, spearhead reports on conservation efforts, lead SLA volunteer crews and ensure the daily functioning of the Squam Lakes Association's programs.

5.5.24
3:00

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What's new at the Squam Lakes Natural Science Center

HOLDERNESS — Squam Lakes Natural Science Center is preparing for opening day of the 2024 trail season which begins Wednesday, May 1. Regular hours are 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. (last trail admission is at 3:30 p.m.). Trail admission rates are \$26 for adults; \$24 for seniors (age 65+); \$20 for youth (ages three to 15); free for children two and under and for Science Center members.

Since 1966, Squam Lakes Natural Science Center has educated and enlightened visitors about the natural world through spectacular live animal exhibits, natural science education programs, guided Squam Lake Cruises, public gardens, and a nature-based Montessori early learning center.

In late 2023, the new Grandpa's Pollinator Garden was completed, located between the White-tailed Deer Exhibit and Kirkwood Gardens. The garden reclaimed a space that was overgrown with invasive plants and vines. A large amount of earthwork was done, new soil was brought in and amended, and new plants that benefit pollinators were installed. There are benches for visitors to sit and enjoy the surroundings. The garden

also features custom artwork in the shape of butterflies painted as murals including native plants by artist Jennifer Houle (@jennhoulestudio). The butterfly wing murals are displayed as human-sized so visitors can measure up their own wingspan with a butterfly.

Another big event for 2024 is the return of the dinosaurs! Dinosaurs Return will feature four spectacular, gigantic, animatronic dinosaurs that look, move, and sound like the real thing. Plus, one dinosaur spits water – a past favorite! There will also be a Parasaurolophus located just past the Admissions area that visitors may sit on to take photos. The Dinosaurs Return exhibit will be open beginning July 1 and will remain open through November 1. Dinosaurs Return is part of the live animal exhibit trail and included in regular trail admission.

Also new for 2024 is the Science Center's brand new indoor rental space. The former Trailhead Gallery, which many visitors were familiar with, has received a facelift and renovations to be used for private rentals for groups and events. Many familiar exhibit artwork pieces have been utilized in

the space. Learn more at https://nhnature.org/programs/room_rental.php.

Squam Lakes Natural Science Center trails are a great way to get outdoors to connect with and enjoy the natural world. The live animal exhibit trail and all hiking trails open for the season on Wednesday, May 1 and will be open daily through November 1 from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. (last trail admission at 3:30 p.m.) Squam Lake Cruises begin in mid-May and run through mid-October. Visit www.nhnature.org for more information.

PETS OF THE WEEK



Roxie

Meet Roxie! She recently arrived from Texas in search of her forever home. She is an energetic playful pup who has lots of fun going on adventures in the woods. Roxie takes to training very well, and we are working on her manners with her. Roxie loves to play outside, run around, and make new friends. She would do best in a home that goes on adventures and has lots of space to run around and play in the sun. Come get to know Roxie now; she'll steal your heart!



Sokka

Meet Sokka! Sokka recently arrived from North Carolina in search of his forever home. He is incredibly affectionate and will roll around when he greets his human friends for attention. Sokka will provide lots of love to his future family. He may do best as the only cat in his next home.



What's the Difference?

There are four differences between Picture A and Picture B. Can you find them all?



Answers: 1. Dog rolling in grass 2. Flower in blue flower pot 3. Missing plant on cart 4. Tree has an extra branch

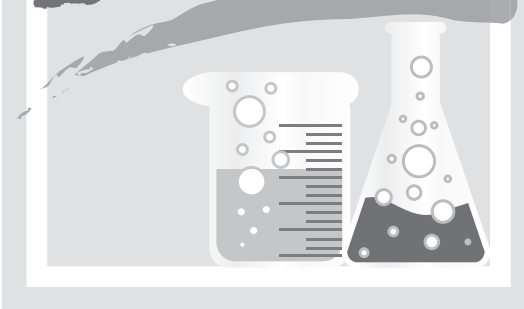
THIS DAY IN...



HISTORY

- **1803:** THOUSANDS OF METEOR FRAGMENTS FALL FROM THE SKIES OF L'AGLE, FRANCE. THIS CONVINCES SCIENTISTS THAT METEORS EXIST.
- **1900:** FIRES CONSUME THE CANADIAN CITIES OF OTTAWA AND HULL, DESTROYING THEM IN 12 HOURS.
- **1954:** THE FIRST CLINICAL TRIALS OF JONAS SALK'S POLIO VACCINE BEGIN.

SCIENCE FACT!



THIS COMMON OUTDOOR PLANT CAN HELP PREVENT SOIL EROSION, MAKE A HOME LOOK NICE, AND CLEAN THE AIR.

ANSWER: GRASS

New Word

LAWN

an area of short, mown grass in a yard

How they SAY that in...

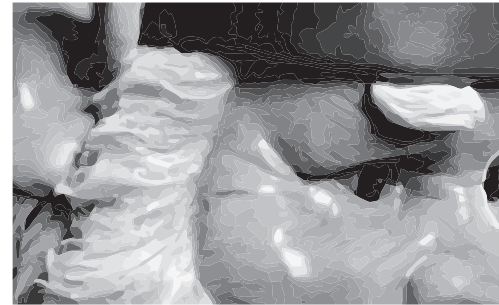
- ENGLISH:** Mow
- SPANISH:** Cortar
- ITALIAN:** Falciare
- FRENCH:** Tondre
- GERMAN:** Mähen

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CENTRE COURT AT WIMBLEDON IN ENGLAND IS THE MOST EXPENSIVE LAWN IN THE WORLD. THIS TENNIS COURT REQUIRES A LOT OF UPKEEP.



GET THE PICTURE?



Can you guess what the bigger picture is?

ANSWER: GARDEN GNOME

CRYPTO FUN

Determine the code to reveal the answer!

- Solve the code to discover words related to lawn and garden. Each number corresponds to a letter. (Hint: 8 = S)
- A. 5 2 23 9 13 25 8**
Clue: Colorful plants
 - B. 15 25 4 8 8**
Clue: Lawn plant
 - C. 2 4 22 16 8 17 4 24 13**
Clue: Visual features on property
 - D. 10 23 9 13 25**
Clue: Cuts grass

Answers: A. flowers B. grass C. landscape D. mower

SUDOKU

7	6	5						
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Level: Intermediate

Fun By The Numbers

Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

4	9	7	1	8	6	3	2	5
2	8	6	5	3	4	9	7	1
3	5	1	9	7	2	4	8	6
9	6	5	4	3	7	1	8	2
7	4	8	1	5	6	2	4	9
8	3	1	7	9	2	8	5	6
6	9	4	3	7	1	5	2	8
5	2	7	8	6	4	9	3	1
1	8	2	3	9	7	5	6	4

ANSWER:

OBITUARIES

Priscilla Anne Hixon, 75,

Priscilla Anne Hixon, 75, passed away at her home of natural causes on April 12, 2024, with her family at her side. She was born in Syracuse, New York, the daughter of Allen and Jane Poole. Priscilla grew up in Syracuse, summering on Skaneateles Lake in New York and sailing in Cape Cod. She attended high school at Foxhollow School in Lenox, Massachusetts where she excelled in sports being Captain of the sports she participated in. She also became an accomplished horse rider and participated in many shows jumping horses. Following high school Priscilla attended Syracuse University.

Priscilla came to New Hampshire and became a ski instructor and this is where she met her husband, Peter. They settled in a beautiful old schoolhouse with a pond in New Hampton and this is where she raised her three sons. Being the athletic and hard-working person Priscilla was, she coached many youth sports, taught swim lessons, and gave horseback riding lessons while raising the boys. She took the Ashland High School volleyball team all the way to state finals championship, also coached soccer and skiing at New Hampton School. Priscilla was a ringmaster of horse shows at the Plymouth State Fair. Priscilla became a Paraprofessional at Holderness Central School and fell in love with the Town of Holderness and moved the family to a beautiful



farmhouse with acreage. She then worked at Squam Boat Livery for 30 years.

Priscilla loved her home more than anything. Her home brought her peace after a long day of working on the lake or after a chilly day of working outside in the winter. Priscilla was a very creative person and she put a lot of that creative energy into her home and her gardens. She loved having an evening beer and being surrounded by the things she loved which were nature, her home, and her dog Sailor.

Priscilla is predeceased by her parents Allen Poole and Jane Bugden, her sister Linda Mumford and her brother Allen "Butch" Poole. She is survived by her son Christopher and his wife Pamela, her son Corey, and her son Casey and his wife Sara. She had four grandchildren Dylan, Kendall, Logan, and Nathaniel.

A private celebration of life is planned. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Memory of Priscilla to Pemi-Baker Hospice, 101 Boulder Point Road, Plymouth, NH 03264. For more information go to Dupuisfuneralhome.com.

REGION — The 100-voice Pemigewasset Choral Society (Pemi Choral) presents its 50th anniversary May concert series, "Sweet Rivers."

The two concerts will be performed on May 4 at the Colonial Theatre in Laconia and May 5 at the Silver Center in Plymouth. The Pemi Choral Society is very grateful to the Laconia Putnam Fund for its generous sponsorship of the 50th Anniversary Concert Series.

The concerts will feature a commissioned work celebrating the chorus's 50th anniversary, composed by internationally recognized New England composer Moira Smiley. Her commission, "I Soared without Regret," is based upon the poem "Flying" by former Plymouth State University professor Jane Babin, who died from ALS in 2015. Accompanied by an 11-piece chamber orchestra, the concert also features the beautiful Franz Schubert "Mass in G" with soprano soloist Janet Poisson and bass soloist Michael

Gallagan.

"Shawn Kirchner's composition 'Sweet Rivers' provided the title of the concert," says Music Director Will Gunn, who fell in love with this piece when he first heard this arrangement. "Its hymn song style reflects early New England musical styling while also honoring the chorus's connection to the Pemigewasset River that flows prominently through this area."

The Abenaki word Pemigewasset means "swift current coming from the side," describing the joining of the Baker River to the Pemigewasset.

"Pemi Choral is well-known for the wide range of musical genres it has performed over the past 50 years that include Broadway, classical, folk, standard and modern choral pieces, and holiday favorites," says Gunn. "This concert honors the chorus' broad repertoire with a diverse program of choral works that celebrate the joy music brings to our lives and the future of community sing-

ing."

Pemi Choral has a long history of presenting its concerts in several surrounding towns in central New Hampshire. This is the first time the chorus will perform in the Laconia Colonial Theatre, and they are thrilled to have the opportunity to do so and engage new audience members.

Pemi Choral is a 100-voice regional community chorus based in Plymouth, with a wide-ranging musical repertoire. Members come from 27 communities throughout the Lakes Region, Central New Hampshire, and the White Mountains. The chorus boasts a diverse range of ages from high school students to beyond 80. They perform concerts in December and May, and welcome new members at the beginning of each semester. For more information, please visit pemichoral.org, find us on Facebook and Instagram, or email us at pemichoral-society@gmail.com.

Ben Kresge receives WPI's Class of 1879 Prize

WORCESTER, Mass. — Ben Kresge of Holderness, a member of the class of 2024 majoring in Computer Science, is one of three student winners of Worcester Polytechnic Institute's (WPI) Class of 1879 Prize for outstanding work in the Humanities and Arts, with a project titled, "Having it Both Ways: Can I be a Moral Omnivore?"

The Class of 1879 Prize is awarded by the Humanities and Arts Department yearly for excellent work in the culminating project for the Humanities & Arts Requirement. These projects must demonstrate exceptional creativity and skill in conceiving, developing, and expressing a theme within any discipline in the humanities and arts.

WPI has recognized exemplary work in the humanities and arts since 1872, when the department of English and Modern Languages established an award for the best paper in composition classes. At its reunion in 1900, the Class of 1879 endowed this prize for a paper "on a topic of general interest." The endowment was continued by Spencer Miller 1879, who wanted "to encourage graduates of the Institute to develop the art of clear and lucid English in the discussion of engineering subjects." The Class of 1879 Prize was then awarded annually to the best term paper in the departments of English, History, and Languages until the adoption of the WPI Plan in 1970. In 1983, the department of Humanities & Arts began to award the Class of 1879 Prize to the best Humanities Requirement Projects.

The Class of 1879 Prize has evolved alongside WPI. Today's prize-winning projects rarely concern engineering subjects, and some aren't even traditional essays. But we still honor the spirit of Mr. Miller's prize, to encourage and reward the highest achievements of human expression.

About Worcester Polytechnic Institute
WPI, a global leader in project-based learning, is a distinctive, top-tier technological university founded in 1865 on the principle that students learn most effectively by applying the theory learned in the classroom to the practice of solving real-world problems. Recognized by the National Academy of Engineering with the 2016 Bernard M. Gordon Prize for Innovation in Engineering and Technology Education, WPI's pioneering project-based curriculum engages undergraduates in solving important scientific, technological, and societal problems throughout their education and at more than 50 project centers around the world. WPI offers more than 70 bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degree programs across 18 academic departments in science, engineering, technology, business, the social sciences, and the humanities and arts. Its faculty and students pursue groundbreaking research to meet ongoing challenges in health and biotechnology; robotics and the internet of things; advanced materials and manufacturing; cyber, data, and security systems; learning science; and more. www.wpi.edu



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Talk of the Towns

News from our Local Correspondents

Alexandria

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If you happen to see Joe Kraemer in your travels out and about, be sure to wish him a Happy 90th Birthday! Joe's family and friends gathered at the Town Hall on April 13 to help him celebrate, and his actual birthday is April 19.

Town

Board of Selectmen meeting Tuesday, April 30 at 6 p.m. in the Municipal Building. There will be a public work session at 5 p.m.

Alexandria UMC

Sunday April 28, services will begin at 9 a.m., with Pastor Mark Lamprey officiating. Sunday School will begin at 10:15 a.m.

Save the date! Saturday, Aug. 10 will be the Annual Church Fair! If you wish to be a vendor, please leave a message at (603)744-8104, with your name and contact information.

Time to shuffle off into the great outdoors! Sure is nice to have the sunshine and warmer days. Have an awesome week ahead!

Bristol

Al Blakeley
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If you know the answer to this puzzle, please let me know. In this column you will see two spellings for a road and a cemetery. Keyser Cemetery is on Keezer Road, which I find puzzling. Why would a cemetery on a very short road not have the same spelling as that road?

A second public hearing on the purchase of property known as "Parsonage and Parking Lot" will be held on Thursday, May 2 in the town Office Meeting room at 5 School Street. The hearings are held under RSA 41:14-a to address purchase of the portion of Tax Map 114, Lot 091 known as the "parsonage and parking lot."

The Minot-Sleeper Seed Library has a variety of vegetable seeds available. They include; cucumber; broccoli, beet, tomato, eggplant, carrot, summer squash, winter squash, bush bean, lettuce, sweet pepper and Brussels sprouts.

On Tuesday, April 30 at 6:30 p.m. at the MSL, the Bristol Historical Society will host Dr. Mary Kronenwetter who will present "Corbin's Animal Garden". In the late 1800s, the banking, railroad, and real estate mogul, Austin Corbin, returned to his hometown in Newport, NH. He built a grand estate and bought out his neighbors' farms to create a 22,000 acre wildlife game preserve stocked with boar, bighorn sheep, antelope, elk, Chinese pheasant,

and other imported animals. It eventually became a prestigious private hunting park. Her talk will include a slideshow of images and information about the history and legacy of New Hampshire's own American Gilded Age robber baron. This program is made possible by a grant from the NH Humanities To Go program.

A Cemetery Workshop will be held on Friday, May 17 at the Keyser Cemetery on Keezer Road at 9:30 a.m. This workshop will be hosted by the Town of Bristol Cemetery Trustees with John Lord from the NH Old Graveyard Association. Parking will be very limited. This will be a hands-on workshop where participants will learn the proper way to straighten leaning headstones, how to re-seat a headstone whose top is no longer attached to the base, how to repair a broken headstone and the proper product to use, how to clean a headstone using the proper cleaning agent and brush. If you plan to attend, please send an email to dickie752@gmail.com or phone 603-455-5264. There will be a make up date of May 31. You will need to dress for the occasion with proper footwear. The workshop will be for up to four hours. There are no facilities at this cemetery.

The Bristol Water Department will be flushing hydrants from April 29 to May 17. You may experience a temporary pressure drop or some discoloration in the water for a short period of time. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the office at 744-8411.

If you are a condo, property owners, or homeowners association, the Land Use Of-

fice needs to know who your current President/Officers are and when you hold elections. The law requires the notification of abutters in an association to be sent to that office. In many instances, the Land Use Office does not have that information or it is outdated. By gathering this information, it will allow the Land Use Office to reach out annually after an election, to update, if applicable, any changes in the officers. Your cooperation and assistance would be greatly appreciated. Please reach out via email to Donna Sullivan, Land Use Administrative Assistant: landuseadmin@bristolnh.gov.

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.

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.

Yup! Spring is definitely here! Our forsythia is blossoming, the lilacs are budding, fishermen are fishing, the grass is greener, and my daughter had her birthday this week! I hope you folks will enjoy a warm sunny Spring with all the 'fixin's!

Campton-Thornton

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On Saturday, the talk of the town in Thornton

certainly was the Campton-Thornton Fire Rescue, along with several area fire departments who conducted Live Burn Training at an acquired structure at 1656 NH Route 175 in Thornton near Anderson Hill Road. It made for quite a show as a steady parade of curious onlookers drove by during the day. Who could have known that later that evening, people enjoying the show at the Flying Monkey Theater in Plymouth would find themselves being evacuated for a fire that spread to about several; building in downtown Plymouth. Luckily no one was injured.

Campton Public Library

Campton Public Library has extended hours over the April school vacation. We will be open Monday 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Tuesday 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Wednesday 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Thursday closed, Friday 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Saturday 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Sunday closed. We will resume our normal hours on Monday, April 29. Monday 3-6 p.m., Tuesday 3-6 p.m., Wednesday 3-6 p.m., Thursday closed, Friday 3-7 p.m., Saturday 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Sunday closed.

At CPL, we work to add new titles to our collection each month and support patrons in finding what they are looking for. We are happy to help you with library loan requests as well as accessing the NH State Library digital collection via the Libby app or Overdrive website using your CPL library card number. Please come in for a visit to see what we have to offer!

Community Yard Sale

Mark your calendars for the Campton Historical Society Community Yard Sale on June 1 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The Campton Historical Society is located at 529 NH RT 175, 1 mile north of Blair Road. To reserve a spot, a \$15 non-refundable fee (checks payable to the Campton Historical Society is required. This event will take place rain or shine. Bring your own tables and/or tents. (no political displays, please). For more information, email ddjoyce6856@gmail.com.

Other community events this same day include the Campton Congregational Church - 250th Anniversary. Join them at 10 a.m. for coffee & donuts, fire department BBQ lunch, and at 5 p.m. free spaghetti supper, displays and live music throughout the day. The Campton Elementary School PTO will host their Outdoor Craft Fair from 9 a.m. -3 p.m. a Bake Sale, Touch-a-Truck and more!

Holderness

Fran Taylor 968-3846

Last Saturday, the Squam Lakes Association announced that the local trails have been reopened. By Sunday, the lot at Rattlesnake was full.

Fire departments, including Holderness, were called out for a three alarm fire on Saturday night in Plymouth in buildings adjacent to the Flying Monkey Performance Center. This happened while a performance was going on. The audience and staff exited the theater without any problems and performances will resume soon.

Saturday, April 27 is DEA National Drug Takeback Day. If you have unneeded medication, you can take it to the Ashland, Meredith or Plymouth PD or to the Sandwich Transfer station from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Earth Day clean up bags available at the Town Office. Leave them

on town roadsides for pick up.

Library Director Adam is back to play original games at the Library on Friday, May 3 at 4 p.m. with mirth and mayhem roleplaying with Dragonbane. This is a classic fantasy game full of magic designed for fast and furious play. At 5 will First Friday Movie, the slapstick comedy Woody Woodpecker Goes to Camp.

Students at Holderness Central are on vacation this week.

At the recent School Board meeting Joanne Pearce was unanimously approved as School Board Chair. Sean Smarz was voted as Vice Chair.

Lots of field trips happening including Montshire Museum for K-2, grade 4 to Statehouse, and a Lake Ecology field trip on Squam.

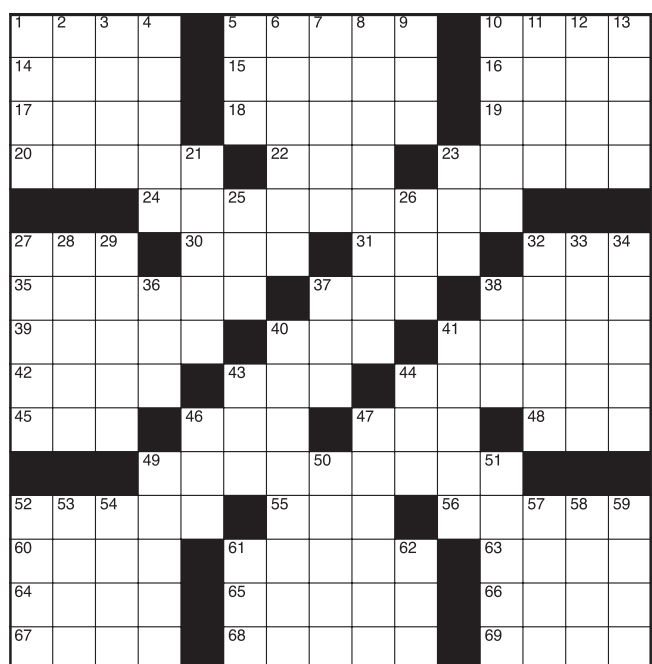
On Friday, March 15, the Department of Homeland Security hosted a professional development session with staff of Holderness Central.

LRCC member Meg will lead a spring hike on April 28 from 2 - 4 p.m. at Belknap Woods to learn about sustainable foraging and what are some safe things to eat in the woods. Because of limited parking, participants will meet at SLA headquarters and will travel by the SLA bus leaving at 1:50 p.m. Register at squamlakes.org/events. More information at the website.

Did you know that because of the heavy rains and flood waters earlier this spring have rendered Plymouth State's baseball diamond located in the Holderness intervalle unusable? This is forcing them to host their games at Robbie Mills Field off of Meredith Center Road. If you haven't visited that location, this might be a good chance to see the team in

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TAKE A BREAK



- DOWN**
- Excessively theatrical actors
 - Footwear
 - A way to disfigure
 - Exchange rate
 - Hawaiian wreaths
 - North-central Indian city
 - Bungle
 - Extremely angry
 - A short note of what's owed
 - Criminal organization
 - Mimic
 - Try to grab
 - U.S.-born individuals
 - Some are covert
 - Order of the British Empire
 - Don't know when yet
 - Payment (abbr.)
 - Winged angelic being
 - Variety of Chinese
 - A way to be anxious
 - Famed wrestler Hulk

- Partner to cheese
- Slang for sergeant
- Canadian flyers
- Actress Ryan
- Highly unpleasant vapor
- Body part
- Halfway
- Cool!
- Consume
- Salts
- Upper bract of a floret of grass
- Housepet
- Cavalry-sword
- Symbol of a nation
- Frocks
- Used to carry food
- Portuguese folk song
- Sharp mountain ridge
- Ireland
- Where golfers begin
- Greek mythological sorceress
- Fluid suspensions

- DOWN**
- "Mad Men" leading man
 - Water (Spanish)
 - Annoy
 - Bulgarian capital
 - Japanese title
 - Capital of Zimbabwe
 - Giraffe
 - A mixture of substances
 - Midway between south and southeast
 - Staffs
 - Turkish title
 - Type of acid
 - Thin, flat strip of wood
 - Russian river
 - Ribonucleic acid
 - Partner to flow
 - Airborne (abbr.)
 - Earthy pigment
 - Genus of earless seals
 - "Key to the Highway" bluesman
 - By or in itself
 - Hot fluid below the earth's surface
 - Partner to trick
 - British Air Aces
 - Ammunition
 - Supervises flying
 - Health care for the aged
 - Flanks
 - Millimeters
 - Where wrestlers perform
 - Not around
 - Flightless bird
 - Bell-shaped flowers of the lily family
 - Expressed concern for
 - Satisfies
 - Flew off!
 - Wings
 - Load a ship
 - Vigor
 - British title
 - Whiskies
 - ___ Adams: founding father
 - Body of wate

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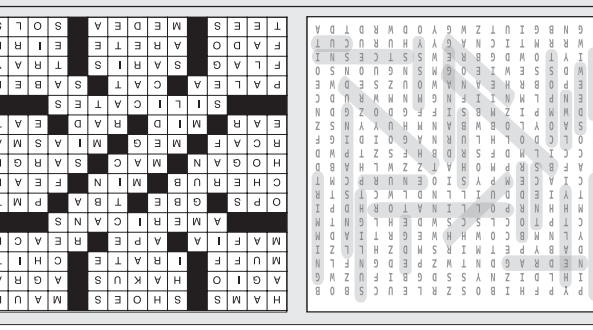


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AMEND, BLOOMING, BORDER, COMPOST, CUT, DRAINAGE, DROUGHT, EDGE, FERTILIZE, GARDEN, GREEN, HEALTHY, INSECTS, LANDSCAPING, LAWN, MOSSY, MULCH, POLLINATOR, PRUNE, SCENT, SHRUBS, SUNLIGHT, TRIMMING, WEEDS

This Week's Answers





COURTESY

Erin Johnston (right), a PSU fourth-year Social Work major and recipient of the Title IV-E Child Welfare tuition scholarship, was honored by Campus Compact for New Hampshire and Plymouth State University President Donald L. Birx, Ph.D., (left) with the Presidents' Leadership Award, which recognizes students or student groups who have made outstanding contributions to civic engagement.



COURTESY

Plymouth Town Manager Scott Weden (right) was recognized by Plymouth State University President Donald L. Birx, Ph.D., (left) with the Community Partner Award, which is given to a non-profit organization that has enhanced the quality of life in the community and engaged in the development of sustained, reciprocal partnerships with the university.

PSU presents Campus Compact for New Hampshire Awards

PLYMOUTH — PSU senior Erin Johnston, PSU Educational Program Coordinator Domenica “Dom” Medaglia-Brown and the town of Plymouth were honored by Plymouth State University (PSU) with Campus Compact for New Hampshire’s (CCNH) annual Presidents’ Awards on Tuesday, April 9, 2024.

PSU President Donald L. Birx, Ph.D., and members of the PSU community nominated individuals and groups for their commitment to serving the campus and Plymouth-area communities.

“Each year, it is our privilege to honor those who support not only our Plymouth



COURTESY

Domenica Medaglia-Brown, an educational program coordinator for Plymouth Academic Support Services, was honored with the Presidents’ Good Steward Award, given to a faculty, administration or staff member who has contributed their professional expertise in service to the wider community and who has significantly advanced public service on their campus.

State University community but also the surrounding communities through our Campus Compact Awards,” said Birx. “Erin and Dom embody the essence of our PSU motto, Ut Prosim (that I may serve), through their leadership on campus, helping students to achieve their educational goals, and their commitment

Erin Johnston, a PSU fourth-year Social Work major and recipient of the Title IV-E Child Welfare tuition scholarship, was honored with the Presidents’ Leadership Award, which recognizes students or student groups who have made outstanding contributions to civic engagement.

Johnston demonstrates her dedication to civic engagement through her current 450-hour practicum at the Laconia district office of the New Hampshire Division for Children, Youth, and Families, where she is developing skills for a future in child protective services. Johnston’s leadership also extends to campus, where she serves as vice president of the Student Support Foundation (SSF), collaborating with peers to organize fundraising events and food drives that embody the core values of service and social justice. Additionally, she plays a crucial role in reviewing student requests for SSF funding support, ensuring minimal barriers to their educational goals. Her commitment and drive position her as a promising advocate for improving the lives of

children and families in New Hampshire.

children and families in New Hampshire.

Domenica Medaglia-Brown - Good Steward Award

Domenica Medaglia-Brown, an educational program coordinator for Plymouth Academic Support Services, known as the PASS office, was honored with the Presidents’ Good Steward Award, given to a faculty, administration or staff member who has contributed their professional expertise in service to the wider community and who has significantly advanced public service on their campus.

In their role as an educational program coordinator in the PASS office, they work under a TRIO federal grant to serve low-income, first-generation college students and students with disabilities. However, their work extends far beyond PSU’s campus. Medaglia-Brown also works with Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) of New Hampshire, bringing positive changes to the lives of victimized children and their families. As a CASA volunteer, they spend quality time getting to know

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Spring cleaning

Holderness School students spent their afternoon on Earth Day working alongside PAREI staff and volunteers at the corner of Fairgrounds Road and Route 3. The PAREI Local Foods Pavilion got a thorough spring cleaning, a new garden space was prepped at the front of the office, the snow piles were raked, invasive species were pulled out of the brush, and four bags of litter were picked up throughout the grounds. A fun afternoon was had by all!



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the child or children on their case; work alongside and speak with family members, foster parents and social workers; identify unmet needs of a child and determine solutions with the child's support team; and attend court hearings and meetings in association with the families' cases.

Town of Plymouth, Scott Weden – Community Partner Award

President Birx recognized Plymouth Town Manager Scott Weden with the Community Partner Award, which

is given to a non-profit organization that has enhanced the quality of life in the community and engaged in the development of sustained, reciprocal partnerships with the university.

Scott Weden and the town of Plymouth continue to support the Plymouth State University community and its students through acts of volunteerism and collaboration. Weden has actively engaged with the Plymouth State Student Senate by attending meetings and involving students in community events. He also serves on the

Campus & Community Mental Health working group, participates in orientation events, and attends the annual Ski Day event. Additionally, the town of Plymouth collaborates with PSU's Office of Community Impact to identify areas for community cleanup initiatives.

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SPORTS

Plymouth lacrosse boys win two of three heading to vacation

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING

Sports Editor

PLYMOUTH — The Plymouth lacrosse boys won their first two games last week before dropping the final game before the vacation week break.

The week kicked off with a trip to Milford on Monday, April 15, where the Bobcats picked up a 14-1 win over the Spartans.

Nolan Galvin had five goals and three assists to lead the Bobcats, with Cooper Legacy chipping in with a goal and four assists, Peyton Long added a goal, Luke Legacy had a goal and an assist, Lincoln Manson had a goal and two assists, Tyler Rousseau had a goal, Mike Aprilliano had three goals, Sage Upson had an assist and Matt Valenti picked up his first varsity goal.

Coach Glenn Mausolf praised the defensive play of Jack Hutchins, Harper Preston, Ryan Killion and Logan Libby in front of goalie Robbie Thorne, who finished with five saves to earn the victory.

The Bobcats got on their home field for the first time on Wednesday, April 17, and squeaked out a 6-5 win over rival Kennett.

“We had some mental lapses that resulted in goals, it was a bit of a crazy game for us,” Mausolf said. “And their goalie had a great game.”

Galvin had four goals, Long and Manson each had a goal and Cooper Legacy finished an assist.

“You knew it was going to be a tough game,” Mausolf said. “With Plymouth and Kennett, you just throw out the records. Both teams competed and we were happy to come out on the right side.”

Killion, Hutchins, Cooper Mack, Libby and Preston all earned their coach’s praise for strong defensive games.

The week ended with a 14-8 loss a Pelham. The Bobcats got the game to 10-8 midway through the fourth quarter before the Pythons pulled away for the win.

Cooper Legacy had two goals, Eli Iburguen had a goal and an assist, Long, Galvin, Rousseau and Luke Legacy each had a goal and Manson had a goal and an assist.

“We just made mistakes that you can’t make against a team like Pelham and come out on the right

side of things,” Mausolf said. “It was one of those growing pains days, something we’ll learn from, grow from and get better from.”

Thorne had a great day in net, making 13 saves and Mausolf praised the work of his faceoff guys, Ben Valenti and Logan Trussock, who battled well against a strong Pelham faceoff group.

The Bobcats return to action on Monday, April 29, at Lebanon at 4:30 p.m. and at Campbell on Tuesday, April 30, at 4 p.m.

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Bobcat tennis boys cruise to three shutout wins

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING

Sports Editor

PLYMOUTH — The Plymouth boys’ tennis team picked up three road wins in the week leading up to vacation.

The week began with a 9-0 win over Inter-Lakes on Monday, April 15.

“We brought 10 kids and we played them all,” said coach Tony DiNardo. “They work hard every day and it’s good for them to get the chance to play.”

Chance Twomey and Leo Ebner in the top two spots both won by 8-0 scores. Jack Swanson won 8-2 at number three, Charlie Cushing won 8-0 at number four, Grady Marunowski won 8-1 at number five and earned his coach’s

praise for the solid play while Max Levin won 8-0 at number six.

Marunowski and Levin played number one doubles and won 8-0, Brennan Johnson and Declan Ulricson also won by an 8-0 score at number two and JD Doherty and Connor Johnson won 8-0 in the third spot.

“We got lots of contributions from a lot of different people and that’s what we strive for,” DiNardo said.

The Bobcats took on Moultonborough the following day and picked up another 9-0 win.

Twomey won 8-2 in the first spot, Ebner got an 8-1 win at number two, Cushing won 8-0 in the third spot,

Swanson got an 8-0 win in the fourth spot and Marunowski won 8-0 in the fifth spot. Levin got a forfeit win in the sixth spot.

In doubles play, Levin and Brennan Johnson got an 8-2 win in the top doubles spot and Doherty and Connor Johnson won 8-1 in the second doubles spot.

The week finished up with a 5-0 win over Littleton in a match that was suspended due to rain after five singles matches were completed.

Ebner, who won a challenge match over Twomey, played at number one and won 8-4, Twomey got the 8-0 win in the second spot and Cushing won

8-0 at number three. Marunowski got an 8-0 win in the fifth spot and Levin finished with an 8-0 win in the sixth spot to close out the match.

“We’re doing what we’re supposed to do and what’s expected of us,” DiNardo said. “We’re fortunate to have a lot of depth.”

The Bobcats are scheduled to be hosting White Mountains on Tuesday, April 30, and Littleton on Wednesday, May 1.

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High School Slate

Friday, April 26

NEWFOUND

Baseball at Berlin; 4

Monday, April 29

NEWFOUND

Baseball at Winnisquam; 4

Softball at Winnisquam; 4

PLYMOUTH

Baseball at Kennett; 4

Boys’ Lacrosse at Lebanon; 4:30

Girls’ Lacrosse vs. Lebanon; 4

Girls’ Tennis vs. Gilford; 4

Softball at Kennett; 4

Tuesday, April 30

NEWFOUND

Track at Inter-Lakes; 4

PLYMOUTH

Boys’ Lacrosse at Campbell; 4

Boys’ Tennis vs. White Mountains; 4

Girls’ Lacrosse vs. Campbell; 4

Girls’ Tennis at Profile; 4

Track at Hanover; 4

Wednesday, May 1

NEWFOUND

Softball at Stevens; 4

PLYMOUTH

Baseball vs. Lebanon; 4

Boys’ Tennis vs. Littleton; 4

Girls’ Tennis at Moultonborough; 4

Softball vs. Lebanon; 4

Thursday, May 2

NEWFOUND

Baseball vs. Belmont; 4

PLYMOUTH

Girls’ Lacrosse vs. Bow; 4

Softball at Souhegan; 4

All schedules are subject to change.

Plymouth tennis girls split pair of matches

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING

Sports Editor

PLYMOUTH — The Plymouth tennis girls had a pair of matches rained out heading into vacation, but still managed to get in two matches, winning one and dropping the other.

The Bobcats picked up a 5-4 win against Inter-Lakes on Tuesday, April 26.

Emma Smith played a long drawn-out match at number one and won 9-8 (7-4 in the tiebreaker). Leela Bakhshi also played a long match in the second spot and fell 9-7 while Arianne Lee dropped an 8-6 decision in another long match. Abey Gordon got the 8-5 win at number four and Kerry Tole won 8-0 in the fifth spot. Izzy Son lost a 9-7 decision at number six in another long match.

In doubles play, with the score tied at three, Smith and

Bakhshi took control early and got an 8-5 win in the top spot, Lee and Gordon fell 8-4 at number two and Tole and Kate Ricotta got an 8-3 win at number three to seal the win.3

The Bobcats took on St. Thomas on Wednesday and dropped a 5-4 decision to the Saints.

Smith fell 8-6 at number one, Bakhshi lost 8-0 in the second spot, Lee picked up an 8-6 win in the third spot, Gordon lost 8-1 at number four, Tole won 8-3 at number five and Hailey Guilbert dropped an 8-2 decision at number six.

In doubles, Smith and Bakhshi got an 8-6 win at number one, Gordon and Lee lost 8-6 in the second spot and Tole and Son won 9-8 (7-5 in the tiebreaker) at number three doubles.

“I can not say enough about

the effort the team is exhibiting this year,” said coach Diane DiNardo. We have some young players, who along with the more experienced players, continue to fight for every point, as is evident by many of the scores.

“This experience is only making them better players as we head into what will be two very busy weeks after vacation, with nine matches,” the Bobcat coach added.

The Patriots return to action on Monday, April 29, at home against Gilford, Tuesday, April 30, at Profile, Wednesday, May 1, at Moultonborough and Thursday, May 2, at home against Profile.

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Fire

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ly 450 guests and staff members inside for a concert that night and was in close proximity to the fire.

Local residents attending the concert reported on social media that the band, Foreigner Journey, made an announcement at a little after 9 p.m. instructing the audience to make an orderly evacuation out of the building and thankfully everyone complied. On their way down the

exit stairwells, a few reported seeing flames and smoke outside and were unsure of where the fire actually was coming from. With the help of the firefighters, they all made it out to safety, however.

To ensure no one was left inside, rescuers then began a search of all buildings involved and found no other occupants, Plymouth Fire Chief Tom Morrison reported.

The manager of the Flying Monkey, he said, was to be commended for not only discovering the fire, but activating the building's fire alarm system to evacuate the building while calling 911, the chief added in his press release on Sunday.

That was just the start of what would become a long and arduous battle for firefighters. Toned out initially as a first alarm fire, Captain Brian Peck of Plymouth Fire-Rescue was among the first on scene and called for a second alarm. Not many minutes later, Deputy Chief Kevin Pierce then arrived and upped the request from mutual aide to a third alarm.

That brought not only

support from Lakes Region Mutual Fire Aid for communications, but crews and equipment from Ashland, Bridgewater, Bristol, Campton-Thornton, Center Harbor, Hebron, Holderness, Meredith, Rumney, Sanbornton, Tilton-Northfield, Warren, Waterville Valley, Wentworth and Woodstock. Lincoln Fire Department, Stewarts Ambulance Service and Canaan Fire Department provided coverage for any other medical calls and emergencies.

Morrison arrived shortly after his company was in place, and took command of the scene throughout the night. He said that containing the fire was their biggest challenge due to not only the proximity of the buildings along that section of Main Street, but the fact that one of them involved in the blaze had multiple ceilings and roof structures that had to be accessed in order to battle the flames.

"As the fire progressed in these void spaces, fire personnel were evacuated from the building and a defensive operation ensued," he said.

With tower and ladder trucks put into play

to reach roof lines and other locations within the buildings, the chief also requested that power in the downtown area be shut off to ensure the safety of firefighters working dangerously near poles and wires connected to buildings along Main Street.

In his press release, the chief expressed his gratitude to not only all the companies who assisted, but other key participants in the event as well, such as: N.H. Electric Co-op, Plymouth Police Department, Plymouth Village Water and Sewer District, the N.H. Fire Marshals office, and Speare Memorial Hospital. Morrison also wished to thank Chase Street Market, Café Monte Alto and both Chris and Ally (Morrison) Robbins for providing much needed food and beverages for the first responders.

Morrison also commended all the skilled firefighters who man-

aged to hold the fire to just the two buildings involved. One firefighter was injured during the long battle, but that person received treatment from Speare Memorial Hospital for a shoulder injury and was later released that same night.

The Common Man Family, which owns Flying Monkey theater, also sent out a press release for the public expressing their own gratitude for the many who shared their love and support for the iconic building.

"We are so proud of our Flying Monkey staff who noticed the fire next door and took action to calmly and safely evacuate everyone from our building," said Vince Vella, CEO for the Common Man Family. "They put guest and staff safety first, and have our utmost respect for their heroic efforts."

Vella said the Common Man Family was extremely grateful to learn that it appears their

building sustained only minor smoke damage despite what he called a "devastating event."

"Unfortunately some of the Monkey's neighbors have suffered tragic losses and Main Street in Plymouth will look different for some time. We will support them in their recovery efforts," he stated.

After inspections were completed, the fire department turned the Flying Monkey building back over to the owner, and in the coming days, Vella said they will be working on any restoration or repairs that are needed, then "hope to have the marquee lights back on and the doors of our venue open once again very soon."

In the meantime, Plymouth Fire-Rescue and the N.H. State Fire Marshal's office are continuing their investigation into the cause of the blaze and hope to have answers in the near future.

Trout

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Eclipse

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remarked. "We are so grateful to our hosts Tina, Jake, and KendaLyn, and Wyatt Simpson for allowing us to have an eclipse party at their beautiful new campground in Lyndonville! There were two events that day, the eclipse, and then TOTALITY. I would like to extend a special thanks to Superintendent Kyla Welch, Principal Bruce Parsons, and incoming Principal Janet Eccleston for allowing the students to experience this unique and awe-inspiring total solar eclipse."

As the eclipse drew to a close and daylight returned, there was a palpable sense of shared joy and camaraderie among the eclipse viewers at Kingdom Campground. For Tina and Jake Simpson, hosting the event was a labor

of love and an opportunity to connect with their community in a meaningful way.

"We were thrilled to welcome everyone to Kingdom Campground for this special occasion," Tina Simpson shared. "Seeing and sharing the excitement and wonder with my family, and with this group from Plymouth as we all witnessed the eclipse was truly heartwarming."

As the visitors from Plymouth and surrounding towns bid farewell to Kingdom Campground and the Simpsons' warm hospitality, they carried with them memories of a day filled with celestial splendor and shared camaraderie. Truly, the journey home may have been lengthy (about four hours), but the memories of the celestial marvel they had witnessed together would last a lifetime!

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TOWN OF GROTON

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Pursuant to Executive Orders 11988 (Floodplain Management) and 11990 (Wetlands) and Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) implementing regulations at Title 44 of the Code of Federal Regulations Part 9, FEMA hereby provides final notice of its decision to provide Hazard Mitigation Grant Program funding for an action located in a floodplain and wetland. Funding would be provided through the New Hampshire Homeland Security and Emergency Management to the Town of Groton to increase the capacity of the North Groton Road Culvert.

The action is located on North Groton Road in Groton, New Hampshire. An existing 72 in reinforced concrete pipe culvert would be replaced with a 16 ft x 6 ft open bottom box culvert. The streambed upstream, downstream, and under the box culvert would be reconstructed with riprap and rounded stones/gravel under natural riverbed materials to the maximum extent possible. Areas outside the streambed would be stabilized with rip-rap top and dressed with rounded stones and gravel to minimize any voids in the surface. All staging would take place on North Groton Road and silt fencing would be utilized around the water crossing.

The project is partially within a mapped special flood hazard area (1% annual chance floodplain) and an area that contains bordering vegetative wetlands. The project is to increase the capacity of the North Groton Road culvert and is intended to reduce flooding and improve hydraulic conditions. A map of the area of available upon request.

The project must in be in a floodplain and wetland because of the nature and purpose of the project. Failure to upgrade the culvert would eventually lead to road wash out and the need for reconstruction. Further, not mitigating this issue would lead to increased flooding events, which would prevent reliable access for residents and emergency services. Grant conditions will also require compliance with all federal, state and local laws, including coordination with the local floodplain administrator.

Map requests and comments about this project and potential floodplain and wetland impacts should be submitted within 15 days of the date of this publication to:

Sarah Albers, Environmental Protection Specialist
Federal Emergency Management Agency, Cambridge, MA
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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
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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 THORNTON HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

INVITATION TO BID 2024 Paving

The Town of Thornton is accepting bids for the following paving projects. A map describing the projects are available for pick up at the Thornton Town Hall during normal business hours, from the Road Agent or on the Town's website www.townofthornton.org on the Highway Department page.

Bids shall be submitted as follows:

Project 1: Sugar Run Area: Overlay binder course installed in 2017 and resurface associated side roads.

- Cost per ton to shim/overlay approximately 10,475 feet of road averaging 21 feet wide using a 1/2" inch wearing course that meets/exceeds NHDOT standards for quality compacted to 1.25" thick.
- Cost per ton shall include tack coat per NHDOT standards and 2 ground joints.

Project 2: Lee Brook Road

- Cost per ton to pave boxed out section approximately 200 feet long using a 3/4-inch single course winter binder that meets/exceeds NHDOT standards for quality compacted to 2" thick.

Project 3: Sherburn Road: Shim and Overlay

- Cost per ton to shim/overlay approximately 1200 feet of road averaging 21 feet wide using a 1/2" inch wearing course that meets/exceeds NHDOT standards for quality compacted to 1.25" thick.
- Cost per ton shall include tack coat per NHDOT standards and 1 ground joint.

Project 4: Transfer Station:

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- Cost per ton to pave said area using a 3/4-inch single course winter binder that meets/exceeds NHDOT standards for quality compacted to 3" thick.

Project 5: Municipal Parking lot extension:

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Scheduling details for estimated start/completion dates if awarded shall be noted in the bid as this may affect the Town's decision.

Bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope and labeled "2024 Paving - Attention: Town Administrator" and mailed or delivered to 16 Merrill Access Road, Thornton, New Hampshire 03285.

All bids must be received at the Thornton Town Hall no later than 3:00PM on Monday, May 13, 2024. The bids will be opened at the Thornton Town Hall on Tuesday, May 14, 2024 at 2:00PM. The award process is scheduled for 4:30 PM at the Board of Selectmen's meeting on May 15, 2024.

The Town reserves the right to reject any and all bids or award projects separately. If any questions, please contact Road Agent John Kubik at 726-4546

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:

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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.

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**THE STATE OF
NEW HAMPSHIRE**
2nd Circuit - Probate Division -
Haverhill

3/29/2024 thru 4/11/2024

**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.

Hackett, Steven L., late of Campton, NH. Marc Hackett, 14 Sparrow Valley Court, Gathersburg, MD 20886. Michele Hackett, 5945 Krantz Drive, Frederick, MD 21703. Amanda K. Scheldorf-Steenhuis, Esq., Resident Agent, Shaheen & Gordon P.A., PO Box 888, Nashua, NH 03061. #315-2024-ET-00088

Smith, Suzanne J., late of Hebron, NH. Aliza Gentili-Lloyd, 53 Beech Hill Road, Rockport, ME 04856. Dorcas J. Gordon, ESQ, Resident Agent, Newfound Law PLLC, 75 Pleasant St, Bristol, NH 03222. #315-2024-ET-00106

Smyth, Pauline. late of Iowa, Ballyleague, Lanesboro Co., Roscommon, Ireland. Adam Farrell, Iowa, Ballyleague, Lanesboro, Roscommon N39V449, Ireland. John Joseph McCormack, Jr., ESQ, Resident Agent, McCormack Law Office, 62 Main Street, PO Box 720, Ashland, NH 03217. #315-2023-ET-00759

Dated: 4/12/2024

HEBRON PLANNING BOARD NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

ON EVERSOURCE'S REQUEST TO TRIM TREES ON GEORGE ROAD

Wednesday, May 1, 2024 at 7:00 PM

Hebron Town Office, 7 School Street, Hebron, NH 03241

Notice is hereby given that the Hebron Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing in accordance with RSA: 231:158, on **Wednesday, May 1, 2024** at 7:00 PM, to discuss tree trimming on **George Road** a scenic road in the Town of Hebron.

Written comments will be accepted by e-mail and mail, if received by the hearing date. Email: taxcol@hebronnh.gov Planning Board Secretary. Phone 603-744-9994

The Hebron Planning Board will be available on GoTo from your computer using the Chrome browser.

<https://app.goto.com/meet/596861509> Telephone 1-571-317-3122

HERBICIDE USE NOTIFICATION

NEW HAMPSHIRE ELECTRIC CO-OP (NHE CO-OP) intends to apply herbicides along various power-line rights-of-way during 2024. The following herbicides: Escort XP (Metsulfuron Methyl), Garlon 4 Ultra (Triclopyr), Krenite S (Fosamine Ammonium), On Deck (Dicamba and 2,4-D) and Clash (Dicamba) may be used for treatment. Treatments are scheduled to commence on or about the 1st of July 2024. The following lines, taps and their respective municipalities are scheduled for treatment:

TOWN	LINE	TOWN	LINE	TOWN	LINE	TOWN	LINE
Acworth	8	Deerfield	D	Lempster	13	Nottingham	R2,R3,13
	20,300,304,305,	Derry	15,28	Londonderry	15	Orford	9
Alton	309,325	Dorchester	9	Loudon	8	Ossipee	3,4,5,6
Auburn	15	Effingham	6,8	Lyme	9	Sandown	14,16
Barnstead	1,2,7,20,311	Franklin	9	Marlow	3,13	Sandwich	1,2,7
Belmont	8,9,19	Fremont	14	Meredith	120,121,122,	Tamworth	2
Bridgewater	20	Gilmanton	8,300,309,310,		123,124,145	Thornton	51,54,55,56,500
Bristol	20	Hanover	9		1,144,145,146,	Tuftonboro	3,4,5,180
Brookfield	6	Kingston	17,18	Moultonborough	147,160,169	Wakefield	6
Canterbury	8,9	Laconia	124	New Durham	304	Washington	3
Chester	14	Langdon	8	New Hampton	122	Wolfeboro	6
Danville	14,16,17	Lee	R3	Northfield	8,9,19	Woodstock	56,60,500

NHE CO-OP lines can be identified by a metal tag attached to the pole with the following letter initials "NHE CO-OP" followed by a line identification number and a pole number usually immediately under the co-op label.

In accordance with the N.H. Division of Pesticide Control Regulations, individual landowners that receive individual notification, fill out the attached Notification Request Coupon and return to the address as indicated below no later than **JUNE 1st, 2024**. Requests received after this date will not be considered for this treatment cycle.

In addition to the written notification, individual landowners whose property abuts or over whose property the right-of-way passes, have the right to request and receive the approximate date, (within 5 days before or 5 days after the actual date of application) that herbicides will be or have been applied in your area.

Further information may be requested by contacting: VCS (Consultant to NHEC) Michael Couture, Project Manager - 2342 Main Street, Athol, MA 01331, Telephone 603-325-3227.

COUPON FOR PERSONAL NOTIFICATION REQUEST:

NAME: _____ TOWN OF AFFECTED PROPERTY: _____
 STREET: _____ TOWN: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____
 TELEPHONE: DAY _____ NIGHT: _____
 UTILITY INITIALS ON POLE _____ NUMBERS _____

REQUESTING:
 30 DAY PRIOR WRITTEN NOTIFICATION
 5 DAY BEFORE OR 5 DAY POST APPLICATION NOTIFICATION

In accordance with State Regulations, it is the duty of each landowner or resident to make VCS aware of the location of potentially affected private water supplies and any other environmentally sensitive areas where herbicide application should be further restricted.

Spring or Well
 Crops or Pasture
 Other

Send Coupons to: VCS C/O Michael Couture, Project Manager, 2342 Main Street, Athol, MA 01331

Thirty Day written notification must be received by Michael Couture, Project Manager no later than **JUNE 1st, 2024**. Requests received after this date will not be granted until next treatment cycle.

**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.

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- Up-to-Date Immunization Forms
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Wednesday, May 8, 2024 | 3 - 7 PM

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****BY APPOINTMENT ONLY****

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