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GILFORD, N.H.

Sunny skies, big crowds at Gilford Old Home Day

BY ERIN PLUMMER

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GILFORD — Crowds came out to celebrate the town and have a lot of fun during the 102nd annual Gilford Old Home Day.

From a pancake breakfast in the morning to fireworks and dancing in the evening, Gilford Village was the center of activity all day Saturday with several events for all ages and interests.

This year's Old Home Day took place under sunny skies with warm weather, bringing out crowds who walked down Belknap Mountain and Potter Hill Roads to the many different activities.

Parks and Recreation Director Herb Greene said they had a great turnout for the parade and by the early after-



Singer Katie Dobbins won first place in the Mini Float category.

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noon a lot of people participated in the field games.

"Seeing the smiles on the kids' faces, that makes it all worth it," Greene said.

The theme for this year's Old Home Day was "A Night at the Movies," celebrating everything cinema.

Greene said they try to come up with a new theme every year, especially for the parade. He said it had been a while since they have done anything related to movies.

"It was broad enough that people had creativity, but clear enough people had a direction to go," Greene said.

One of the day's biggest events was the Old Home Day parade with many different town

Alton selectmen voice support for traffic study Old Wolfboro Road intersection

BY ERIN PLUMMER

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ALTON — The selectmen are supporting a

resident's request for a traffic study at the intersection of Route 28 and Old Wolfboro Road due

to concerns about speeding and accidents

Timothy Pellow, who lives at that intersection, spoke with the selectmen during the Aug. 15 meeting about traffic concerns. He said traffic and accidents have gotten worse there over time. The speed limit there is 55 miles per hour, but he said people seem to be going way faster than that.

"As soon as they crest the hill someone's pulling out and they're laying on the horn," Pellow said. "Of course, they could be putting their foot on the brake instead."

He also said recent weeks he noticed fire trucks are having a hard time getting out onto the

road because too many cars are flying past.

He said he spoke with someone at the state Department of Transportation's District 3 office who then referred him to the DOT's Traffic Standards Bureau. He said that office told him to get support from the town to do a traffic study.

Pellow asked the selectmen for their support to have the state do a traffic study at that intersection and possibly do some kind of safety improvements.

"I just don't want to see somebody get hurt really bad or killed, it's a very dangerous intersection," Pellow said.

Board Chair Brock Mitchell said this is definitely

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Weisel denies fellow selectmen's claims of wrongdoing

BY CATHY ALLYN

Contributing Writer

NEW DURHAM — Board member Dorothy Weisel let loose a jaw-dropping revelation at the most recent Select Board meeting, when she read aloud a letter from Town Counsel Laura Spector-Morgan of the Mitchell Municipal Group regarding "potential violations of state law" by Weisel, allegations Weisel called "unfounded."

Vice Chairperson Rudy Rosiello had charge of the Aug. 18 meeting, as Chairperson Marc DeCoff was not in attendance until later in the evening. Town Administrator (TA) Nicole Zoltko was present.

During the Announcements section, near the beginning of the meeting, Weisel stated she chose to publicly address the letter she received the previous week because it was "paid for by tax dollars, so they have a right to hear it."

She prefaced reading the letter by saying, "There is the possibility that decisions and information that led to the production of this document may be illegal."

Bringing up the point that any actions regarding a board member must be dealt with in public session, she said she had cautioned her fellow selectmen and the Town Administrator in the past.

She then read the first part of the letter, which was sent "at the behest of Selectmen DeCoff and Rosiello" advising Weisel of the potential violations.

The letter quotes RSA 91-A:4, III that states each public body shall keep and maintain all governmental records in its custody at its regular office. Spector-Morgan cites "certain town documents" in Weisel's possession "which are not also maintained at the town offices."

The letter explains that the situation could be problematic if a member of the public submitted a right to know request seeking the documents, or if any of the documents are confidential and Weisel were to disclose them.

Spector-Morgan asks Weisel to return the documents to Zoltko.

After reading that section, Weisel presented an explanation.

"The documents referred to were discussed and signed in public session," she said, "and should be in the files of this Town Hall. If not, I'd like to know where they are and what happened to them."

To further indicate the public nature of the missing document, she said, "This is referred to in the

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Early deadlines for Labor Day

With Labor Day falling on Monday, when our next edition would ordinarily be going to press, the submission deadline for any press releases or letters to the Editor intended for publication next week has been moved up to Thursday, Sept. 1 at 4 p.m. Submissions can be e-mailed to Managing Editor Brendan Berube at brendan@salmonpress.news.

Our staff would like to wish all our readers a safe and happy holiday weekend.

Timber Wolf golfers win opening match

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING

Sports Editor

MEREDITH — The Prospect Mountain golf team got the season off to a good start, as the Timber Wolves won a

three-team match at Waukegan Golf Club in Meredith on Wednesday, Aug. 24.

The Timber Wolves finished with 50 points on the day, while host In-

ter-Lakes finished with 23 points and Newport put up seven points.

Spencer Therrien led the way for the Timber Wolves out of the third spot in the lineup, shoot-

ing a 44 for 19 points. Bruce Rawnsley played in the top spot in the lineup and fired a 49 for 14 points.

Ian West picked up nine points from the fifth spot in the lineup and Sam Caldwell finished with eight points from the second spot in the lineup to round out the scoring for the Timber Wolves.

Prospect is slated to be in action today, Sept. 1, at Littleton, and will be at Hopkinton on Tuesday, Sept. 6, and at Monadnock on Thursday, Sept. 8.

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COURTESY PHOTO



THE PROSPECT golf team picked up the win in the opening match of the season last week in Meredith.

KRMS welcomes new administrators

WOLFEBORO — The Governor Wentworth Regional School District is pleased to welcome the Principal and Assistant Principal team of Kerry Hunt and Kevin Welch to their new roles at Kingswood Regional Middle School for the 2022-2023 school year.

Kerry Hunt came to the District from Mamaroneck, New York in 2005 as a seventh grade Science Teacher at Kingswood Regional Middle School, teaching for six years. During her time at the middle school, she also served for a period as an Interim Assistant Principal, Out of District Coordinator and finally as its Assistant Principal since 2013. She has been described as poised, self-reflective, confident and open-minded with a knowledge of the systems, structures and

plans to address the challenges she sees. She plans to use her more than twenty years of educational experience to make a positive impact and continue to help the middle school grow.

Hunt lives in Tuftonboro with her family, and enjoys spending time on the lake in the summer and skiing in the winter. She is an active community member serving on both the Abenaki Lacrosse and Abenaki Outing Club Board of Directors. She is honored to be given the opportunity to serve the staff of the Kingswood Regional Middle School and the communities within the Governor Wentworth Regional School District. She is excited to continue to develop KRMS into a school that is focused on the development of the



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whole child and demonstrates forward progression in educational practices and outcomes.

Kevin Welch has been teaching Special Education at Kingswood

Regional Middle school since 2019, after teaching for the Sanborn Regional School District for 16 years, also serving as an Interim Assistant Principal during that time. He

has been a member of a number of organizations and committees over the years, developing his leadership knowledge and experience. He has been described as a veteran teacher and leader with positive energy and enthusiasm for building relationships. He is also knowledgeable in the area of adolescent development and has a reputation for being passionate and dedicated to the educational experience.

Welch lives in Springvale, Maine with his wife Jennifer and

four month old son Nathaniel. He is an avid reader who enjoys going to the beach and hiking during the summer and snowshoeing during the winter. Kevin appreciates the opportunity to serve the parents, students, and teachers of Kingswood Regional Middle School in his new role as Assistant Principal. He looks forward to working with Principal Kerry Hunt to help all children achieve their highest potential, while enjoying their middle school experience.

White Buffalo hosting meet & greet with local legislators

BARNSTEAD — The White Buffalo in Barnstead is hosting a Meet & Greet for Representatives Comtois, Terry, and Varney on Thursday, Sept. 8 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. The White Buffalo is located on 89 S. Barnstead Road (Route 126), Center Barnstead. This is an opportunity for you to get to know your State Representatives running for re-election.

Gilford church hosting Blessing of the Animals

GILFORD — Hope Ministries at First United Methodist Church will offer a "Blessing of the Animals" at 5 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 3 at the Charles French Chapel, located behind the church facilities at 18 Wesley Way (off Route 11-A, near 3/11 bypass), Gilford.

All animals are welcome, with accommodations being made for larger animals. People can also bring a stuffed animal or photo of an animal to be blessed.

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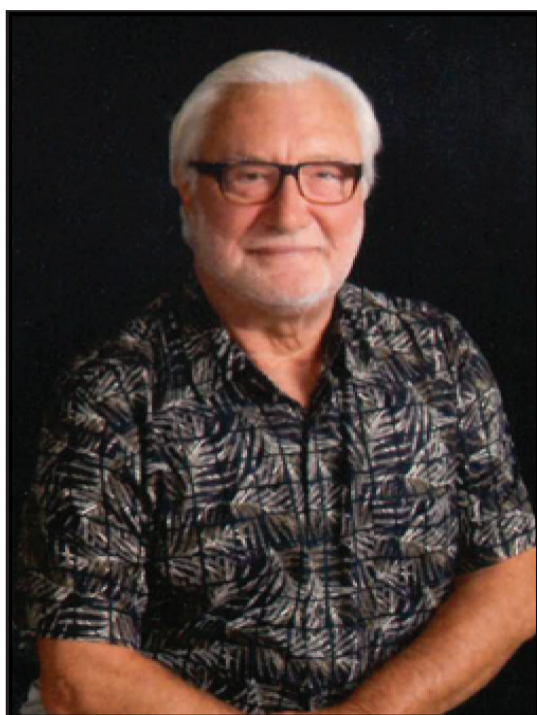
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Meet the Wicked Witches of the Lakes Region

BY ERIN PLUMMER
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GILFORD — A horde of dancers in pointy hats, colorful costumes, and an array of brooms and staffs have been popping up across Central New Hampshire to do some fun dances, including this weekend's Gilford Old Home Day. The Wicked Witches of the Lakes Region have gone from a concept for a flash mob to a popular and in demand performance group with over 40 members all having a blast.

The Wicked Witches of the Lakes Region started in 2021 and has grown in popularity. While this group dresses in many different forms of witch fashion, the only thing really wicked about this group is the wicked amount of fun they're having.

Kathy DeNutte of Belmont said last year she saw photos of witches in Germany and came up with the idea of having a flash mob style dance with the participants dressed as witches.

"I just wanted to do a flash mob dance, I didn't know we'd be a hit," DeNutte said.

DeNutte shared her idea with her co-worker, Karen Thurston of Gilford, who was on board.

DeNutte put the concept on Facebook and asked if anyone wanted to take part. She ended up hearing from 66 people with around 40 taking part in the group.

She said Katie LaRoche, owner of Dancing Feet Studio in Laconia, agreed to teach them some dances and the group rehearsed for a month before doing their first performance.

The Witches debuted at Stone Brook Hill Farm in Gilford and performed at a few more local farms. They soon expanded to more locations and events. DeNutte said soon several places invited them to come by and perform.

Some of the events they've done already include Belmont and Sanbornton Old Home Day, Meredith's summer street dance, Laconia's Fourth of July parade, the Belknap County Fair, and many others.

This past Saturday, the group took part in Gilford Old Home Day. Members rode or marched in the parade, winning first place in the Neighborhood Float category. Following opening ceremonies they did a dance around a bubbling cauldron, at one point inviting audience members to dance with them. They also ran a booth selling different crafts and merchandise including t-shirts, jewelry, wands, and many other items. Later they battled a group of kids at the tug-of-war who proved too powerful for them.

"We never thought that we'd be at Old Home Day," Thurston said. The Wicked Witches' main theme is having fun dancing with a group of people.

The group will put out a request for new members in January and February on Facebook with rehearsals starting in June. DeNutte said most of the witches dance once a week in a group class at Dancing Feet Studio to rehearse the choreography. She said LaRoche choreographed two more songs and now

the Witches dance to three songs during their performances. Thurston said they all get great exercise.

"It's just a great group of dancers," Thurston said.

The dances can be adapted for anyone's age and ability level and Thurston said everyone can do the dances at their own pace. For the Old Home Day parade, for example, those who weren't able to walk and dance for the length of the parade rode on the float.

"Everybody has a place," Thurston said.

Anyone is welcome to join the group, though regular membership is reserved for adults since they have performed at places where alcohol is served. All the regular members are currently women because DeNutte said so far no men have asked to be part of it.

All members come up with their own witch costuming and have taken many different themes.

Group member Mary Boden of Laconia came to Old Home Day in a costume inspired by Glinda the Good Witch from "The Wizard of Oz" to go with the movie theme.

Boden recently joined the group.

"I saw them dance last fall and they had so much fun," Boden said, saying she decided she had to be part of this. She said there is a lot of great camaraderie in the group: everyone gets along great and dances together, getting exercise in the process.

The Wicked Witches of the Lakes Region have several events coming



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The Witches award winning float in the Gilford Old Home Day parade.

up in September and October including the Meredith Street Dance Sept. 9, Laconia Multicultural Day Sept. 10, the Renaissance and Fantasy Faire in Franklin on Sept. 11, the NH Pumpkin Festival in Laconia and the Belknap County Fall Festival in Belmont. Oct. 29, and several others.

Visit The Wicked Witches of the Lakes Region on Facebook for more information and coming events.

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The power of a few witches was still not enough to beat a bunch of kids at tug-of-war.

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Let the fairs begin!

We are just about through with the month of August, which means the fall fair season in New England is just around the corner. While we love the summer months, there truly is no better season in our little corner of the world than fall. One of the reasons for that is, of course, the slew of county fairs taking place all around us.

While entertainment and rides have evolved over the years, there is something so refreshingly simple about a fair that brings everyone down a few notches. When we remember why county fairs came to be, we are reminded of the simplicity that once was the way of life for our ancestors.

Each year, the fair served as a vehicle for farmers to show off their produce and livestock in various categories. As the years progressed, more activities of course took place, however at the core is farm life.

When walking around through the different exhibits, complete with crafts and baked goods, the feeling of down home, old fashioned living welcomes us like a warm morning sunrise. To make things even better, it is the one place where just about the entire community will venture off too, making for a grand reunion of sorts.

We cannot write about a fair, of course, without talking about fair food. Each year, we tell ourselves the same thing — “No fair food this year.” We will leave you, constant reader, to imagine how well that commitment usually holds up. Or perhaps you tell yourself something completely different, such as “I cannot wait for fried dough and maple syrup.” But the fact remains, you should not exit the fair gates without eating a caramel apple, a steak bomb, or that most delectable of seasonal treats, a slab of fried dough with cinnamon and powdered sugar. An honorable mention goes out to kettle corn, fresh lemonade, soft pretzels and nachos.

The music scene at the county fair tends to lean towards country. This is just fine with us, as it helps to set the perfect backdrop to our ears for watching a draft horse pull or a demolition derby.

There is never a dull moment at a fair, especially for youngsters. There are petting zoos, contests and plenty of vendors selling anything you can think of. Funny thing about the vendor booths — many of them seem to be selling the same things they’ve had in stock for the past 25 years. Mirrors with a horse pictured in the middle with the silver or gold trimmed frame, invisible ink, rabbit foot key chains and a plethora of leather goods. Perhaps that sense of mercantile déjà vu contributes to the nostalgia of visiting the fair.

The midway games are a treat. We never really could figure out the basketball hoop, although we know there’s a trick to it. The dart game, where you send one, hopefully straight into a balloon is a blast, but again, there’s a technique involved.

The first known county fair in America took place right in our own backyard, in Pittsfield, Mass. in 1807, and was organized by Franklin Watson. Whichever of the dozens of fairs taking place throughout New England in the coming weeks you and your family are planning to attend this year, we hope you enjoy playing your part in one of our proudest local traditions. And remember to hit the fried dough booth!



CATHY FRASER – COURTESY PHOTOS



Banner day

The Prospect Mountain softball team ended the summer by getting the championship banner earned at the beginning of the summer. Back row (l to r), coach Steve Renner, Ella Bernier, Mackenzie Renner, Tori Christie, Abby Fisichelli, Mariah Gates, Grace Books, coach James Christie. Front row (l to r), Gwen Christie, Eve Roberge, Reese Burke, Alexis Wilson, Olivia Noyes, Maren Rayno. Also pictured are Renner and Bernier posing with their individual banners as Division III Player of the Year and Division III Pitcher of the Year, respectively.

Letters to the Editor

In support of our local schools

To the Editor:

Next week, it’s “Back to School” for our schools! Teachers, administrators and staff are well into their preparations to begin another year of service to our community. So, let’s take a moment to thank them for everything they are doing, and will be doing, over the upcoming school year to bring quality education to the students in our elementary, middle and high schools.

As one who was educated in my neighborhood schools, I’ve always appreciated the dedication of those who

stood in the front of the class, helping prepare me for my future, doing their best to make sure I’d be able to make that future whatever I wanted it to be. And along the way, preparing me for the responsibilities that all adults and Granite State citizens share.

I had friends who attended parochial schools or private academies, and acquaintances that were home-schooled. All seem to have been well-served by the educational choices their parents made on their behalf. I know I was. My folks sent me to schools just down the road – schools

their tax dollars supported. We had no issue with neighbors choosing to homeschool or send kids to private schools. Those parents made that choice. But not at the expense of our local schools.

Parents today should have those same choices. But not at the expense of neighborhood schools. Taking public funds away from local schools to support private ones is a gross misuse of our property tax dollars. It appears to violate our state constitution. It looks like a violation of the separation of church and state if those

funds go to religious schools. And it is a slap in the face to the teachers, administrators and staff who dedicate themselves to the education of our children.

I will always be a supporter of local schools and the value our community receives from them. They are the best investment we can make in the future, so let’s not chip away at the funding they need to fulfill their critically important mission – educating the next generation of Americans.

David Wessel
New Durham

Belknap County voters have the opportunity to reclaim the Republican Party

To the Editor:

The Belknap County Republican Committee’s (BCRC) 2021 By-law revision created an ‘exclusive’ fraternity. ALL Republicans used to be welcome at meetings. Now, only registered Republicans residing in Belknap County can apply and must be approved for membership. Belknap County is too small for a BCRC modeled after large counties in other states with a formally-structured Republican Executive Committee of elected Precinct members. This Belknap ‘Republican’ fraterni-

ty is NOT the Party of Lincoln, Reagan, or Trump. Visitors may attend a limited number of meetings, but only by invitation. Summer residents pay taxes and donate to local candidates; yet, they are no longer welcome. These same people are ambassadors for Belknap County and the NH FITN Primary.

At my first BCRC meeting over 20 years ago, I immediately felt welcomed as part of a strong politically-active Republican team. Meetings combined social interaction and political discussion. We may not have always agreed but

conversations were Reasonable, Rational, and Respectful. Belknap County was a showcase for Republican politics. We hosted national speakers including David Webb, Sirius and Fox; Frank Gaffney, Center for Security Policy; and numerous Presidential candidates. Barnstead-Alton (BARC) sponsored an internationally-broadcast US Senate debate. Today, it would be embarrassing to bring nationally-respected speakerstoBCRCevents.

Your vote on Sept. 13 is critical! For Belknap Republicans to again be re-

spected, those State Committee members who decimated the local party must be replaced. Delegates elect State Committee members who then elect BCRC Officers. Delegates are Republican candidates who win their primary plus those running specifically for Delegate. Vote carefully for Delegates and Republican candidates who will do what is right. Then, advise them whom to elect to the State Committee and to Leadership to save the Belknap County Republicans.

Jan Face Glassman
Center Barnstead

The hypocrisy of politics in District 7

To the Editor:

As we approach our district Primary election, I have seen the sudden appearance of signs to re-elect our State Representatives in District 7 (Alton & Barnstead). The thing they have in common is “Vote for.” The request is seemingly straightforward, and is based on what our Constitution intended. We cast a vote for an individual, and in return, they

represent us, thereby forming a basic contract; consideration (our vote) is accepted in exchange for representation (the product), in accordance with their oath “...I, A.B. do solemnly and sincerely swear and affirm that I will faithfully and impartially discharge and perform all duties incumbent on me as ..., according to the best of my abilities, agreeably to the rules and regulations

of this constitution and laws of the state of New Hampshire.”

Unfortunately, we as taxpayers paid for something we did not receive, thereby creating a breach of the contract. Not one of our District 7 representatives showed up to vote in person, or even vote remotely for or against Gunstock. Their individual position is another subject, but to choose, in unison, our

District 7 was not worth our representative vote is inappropriate. How did they decide (for us), their time was not worthy of our representation, were they too busy? Such a decision does not seem to part of the NH sworn oath for public officials. It has been referenced in a prior Editorial response from our Barnstead Represent-

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Letter submission policy

Letters to the Editor must include the author’s name, address, and a daytime phone number for purposes of verification in order to be considered for publication. Only the author’s name and the town in which they reside will be published. Letters submitted without all of the required information will not be accepted.

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.

Baseball and bed-bugs belong in different eras



By JOHN HARRIGAN
COLUMNIST

One of the best things I've done at about this time each year is watch

the World Series—not the Majors, which I watch too, but the Little League. Each year I'm rewarded with reminders of what baseball is all about.

First, it might be the high school diamond, which we indeed used if that's where we happened to be, but a pickup game can be anywhere. A diamond is a diamond, no matter how rough it is.

We had many a game in someone's back yard. Anything thrown down-

-an old glove, someone's shirt—could be first base, and a boot could be third. But the best thing was “no adults.”

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This year's series were played in Pennsylvania, and as usual the kids could teach the guys in the Majors a thing or two about hustle, decent language, and respect for the game.

A team from Curaçao made it to the finals. A team from Hawaii won

the championship. The word “miracle” got used a lot. The fact that some teams got there at all, given the conditions in their home countries, was called a miracle, and there was no doubt about it.

One thing everyone seemed to like was sliding down the hill behind center field on cardboard boxes. Another thing was the championship team's traditional run around the ballfield, which might be good for the Majors to adopt, except some might not be able.

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My camp partner and I took a turn up Indian Stream the other day in the town of Pittsburg, the one without the “h.” That's the good news.

The bad news is that we failed to make connections with friends because I failed a basic of Communications 101, which is before you part company, make sure everybody knows The Plan.

The plan was that we were supposed to meet up at camp. The problem was that we ran out of time to get there, and had to turn back. This violated one of the basics of outdoor traveling, which is never to split up a group.

Another new basic, which I would propose having everyone burned into their foreheads, is “never depend on cell phone service.” Everybody seems to do it, and everybody should quit it, right now.

There are certain line-of-sight places north of

the notches where the use of a cell phone will get you a polite operator speaking French. Then too, your cell phone can go dead (they do that). Certainly, they should not be expected to guide you down a trail.

I never used to head into the woods without topo-map and compass, sound advice then as now.

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Among discoveries on my desk was a letter I got from a longtime reader in Sugar Hill (for those south of the notches, this is just south of Littleton). The subject was a piece I'd written on the old days of logging.

“I forwarded it to my 80-year-old uncle, Maurice Burnham, who lives in Milton,” she said. “The Burnhams were originally from Bath.”

Her uncle could remember his own grandfather's stories about what life was like in the logging camps. Remember, here, that we are talking about the era between the Civil War and the turn of the last century, and the logging camps were deep in the foothills of the White Mountains.

“My grandfather Ernest worked the lumber camps as a young man living in Bath,” he wrote. “He worked the log drives coming down the Wild Ammonoosuc River. Slash and run. He talked of log jams in front of the covered bridge in Swiftwater. After dynamiting the log jam, the logs went up and came down through the roof of the covered bridge.”

It was common for loggers and teamsters to sleep on a common bunk under a long heavy quilt. Body lice and bedbugs were rampant, and loggers never saw soap.

“They entertained themselves racing and betting on bedbugs,” he said.

His grandmother Flossy maintained their small farm all winter, he remembered, “until Ernest came out of the woods with hard money.”

(This column is syndicated in newspapers from Concord to Canada. Please address mail, including phone numbers for questions, to campguyhooligan@gmail.com or 386 South Hill Rd., Colebrook, NH 03576.)

LETTERS FROM EDWIN

Smile

This week, I've been sprucing up a local gas station with an application of some nice new white paint around the pumps. While wire brushing and scraping the skirting around the pump islands, I got up off my knees to witness the expression on this gentleman's face as it exploded into a glowing smile. Noting what he was driving, I could only surmise that it clicked off at under a hundred dollars. Lower gas prices do make for more smiles.

Yesterday I picked enough golden chanterelles to make myself a delicious omelet this morning. Moving around like I do, I'm blessed with regular connections to such out of the ordinary finds. So far, this year hasn't been much for mushroom hunting, though I was happy to find those that I did. Every other place has been pretty fruitless. A few showers could change that tremendously. They're all down in the underworld, waiting.

Looking around me, I see lots of scowling faces. I mean lots. I prefer smiles. Don't you? If I thought about it, I suppose I could figure out a reason to scowl, but I'd rather not. There was this young woman a camp that had been blessed what I would call a disproportionate body. If you take an art class and study human anatomy, they will give you a standard proportionality of seven heads high. Three for the legs, three for the torso and topped by a head.

Something like that. Of course, there are always variations. This woman had extremely long legs. Her curling up of her shoulders and head exaggerated the effect. She scowled a lot.

She was in another group, so I basically just observed from a distance, but occasionally, I'd see her straighten up and bless the world with her gorgeous smile. Then she'd settle back down into her little curled up self. I hope someday, she'll learn to be more generous with that smile.

When I was small, if I made a strange face or crossed my eyes, my mother would warn me that it could stay that way. I see now that she was right. Some people have been scowling so long, that their faces can't seem to do anything but. Checking out some ladies on the dance floor the other night, a couple of them presented a conflicting image. Even though they were obviously having a great time, their faces didn't give a hint.

Now there is a good reason to think of something to smile about every day. No matter how bad your situation appears to you, it could be worse. You never know what's around the corner. Like this afternoon, pattering around in my truck like I do, driving the back roads of town, I was doing five over the limit, but I was going downhill and my cheesy little motor doesn't brake too well. I didn't think that I'd need to use the brake

when I hear the roar of a motor out behind me. Looking in my side mirror, I see this little car pull out from the car behind me and do a back road got to get by these slow pokes maneuver.

At the time, I was about a half mile from the police station, and I have to admit to having the thought of wishing that one of those random radar cruisers were checking the road at that moment. That would have certainly reversed the smile he had on his face as he zipped by these obstacles to his successfully getting nowhere in time. He managed to get out of town undetected.

While food shopping, I turned around from the cheese cooler to witness a near head on collision. I joined eyes with the woman who managed to stop quickly and avoid the altercation. We both smiled and moved on with our shopping. Over in the frozen section this woman came down past the ice cream coolers who looked as though she had a sad clown face painted on her. It was that dramatic. Her face creased to the bottom of her jaw, presenting a perfect inverted “U”.

As I headed to check out, I crossed paths with the other woman where we once again shared a smile over our secret shared moment. That's all I'm asking for. Just a smile.

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By authority granted under RSA 227-G:3, 212:10 and 227-H:2 the New Hampshire Division of Forests and Lands is planning a forest operation that includes the commercial harvest of timber on 113 acres of the Beaver Brook State Park in the towns of Alton and New Durham, New Hampshire. This is a public notice to solicit comments or questions as part of the planning process. THIS IS NOT A REQUEST FOR BIDS. The Division carries out timber harvests as part of a multiple use forest and wildlife management program on State owned woodlands. Please address written comments or request for information by September 12, 2022 to Director, Division of Forests and Lands, 172 Pembroke Road, Concord, New Hampshire 03301, ATTN: Forest Management Bureau **P2-492**.

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Are you properly insured?

You probably won't see it on your calendar, but September is Life Insurance Awareness Month. And it is indeed important to be aware of the importance of life insurance. Are you adequately insured? Many people aren't. About 40% of Americans face some type of life insurance gap, either because they're uninsured or underinsured, according to a 2021 survey by the research and advocacy groups LIMRA and Life Happens.

The need for life insurance is pretty straightforward: If something were to happen to you, would your family be able to continue their same lifestyle? Would the mortgage still be paid? Would your children still be able to further their education? So, if you decide that you should acquire or strengthen your life insurance, how much do you need? Your employer may provide you with some insurance as an employee benefit, but this article was written by Edward Jones for use by your local Edward Jones Financial Advisor. Edward Jones, Member SIPC

Before investing in bonds, you should understand the risks involved, including credit risk and market risk. Bond investments are also subject to interest rate risk such that when interest rates rise, the prices of bonds can decrease, and the investor can lose principal value if the investment is sold prior to maturity.

it may not be sufficient. You might have heard that you should have coverage worth seven or eight times your annual salary. But this estimate is just that — an estimate. Everyone's situation is different, and there's really no one formula that can tell you how much insurance you require. To determine the coverage you need, you'll want to consider several factors, including your age, number of dependents, your income and that of your spouse and the size of your mortgage. Knowing how much coverage you need is obviously important, but you'll also want to consider what type of life insurance is right for you. You have two basic choices: term or permanent insurance. As the name suggests, term insurance provides coverage for a specified amount of time, such as 10, 20 or 25 years. Term insurance only offers a death benefit — there's no buildup of cash value in your policy. Generally speaking, term insurance is considered to be quite affordable, especially when you're young. Permanent insurance, on the other hand, offers a death benefit and the opportunity to build cash value. Because of this, premiums for permanent insurance — which includes “whole life” or “universal life” — are considerably higher than those for term life. Which type of insurance should you choose? Again, it all depends on your situation and your preferences. Some financial experts advise people to “buy term and invest the difference” — that is, use the money saved on the lower term insurance premiums to invest in stocks and mutual funds. Others, however, disagree, and point to the benefits of permanent insurance, such as the ability to borrow against the cash value of a policy to pay for unexpected expenses. Ultimately, in making the choice between term and permanent insurance, you'll need to look at your entire financial picture to determine which option is best for you. In fact, life insurance should be a key component of your overall financial strategy, along with your investment mix and the long-term goals you've set. Insurance can even play a role in your estate planning, as you determine the best way to distribute assets to your family members and any charitable organizations you support. Life Insurance Awareness Month lasts 30 days — but your need for life insurance can endure for decades. Make sure you're doing everything you can to protect your loved ones.

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ALTON POLICE LOG

The Alton Police Department responded to 175 calls for service during the week of August 14-20, including six arrests.

-1 Male Subject was arrested for Domestic Violence Assault & Simple Assault.

-1 Male Subject was arrested for Driving While Intoxicated Subsequent.

- There were 4 Individuals taken into Protective Custody.

There were 9 Motor Vehicle Accidents.

There were 10 Suspicious Person/Activity Reports on Lakewood Drive, Suncook Valley Road, Wolfeboro Highway, (5) Mt. Major Highway, Main Street & Frank C. Gilman Highway.

Police made 43 Motor Vehicle Stops and handled 7 Motor Vehicle Complaint-Incidents.

There were 106 other calls for services that consisted of the following: 2 Assist Fire Department, 4 Employment Fingerprinting, 2 Assist Other Agencies, 2 Pistol Permit Applications, 4 Animal Complaints, 1 Juvenile Incident, 3 Domestic Complaints, 10 General Assistance, 1 Wanted Person/Fugitive, 3 Alarm Activations, 2 Lost/Found Properties, 3 General Information, 3 Vehicle ID Checks, 1 Trespass, 1 Sex Offender Registration, 3 Civil Standby's, 2 Civil Matters, 1 Wellness Check, 1 Abandoned Motor Vehicle, 1 Disabled Motor Vehicle, 26 Directed Patrols, (1) 911 Hang-Up, 1 Motor Vehicle Lockout, 4 Medical Assists, 10 Property Checks, 13 Paperwork Services and 1 Unwanted Person.

Alton Parks and Recreation Community Connection

Line Dancing Lessons

Line Dancing is scheduled on Thursdays from 1:30-3 p.m. through Nov. 3 at the Alton Bay Community Center. Adults of all ages and abilities are welcome, \$3/season. Register on site.

Yoga Sculpt Class with Sheila Marston

A new energetic class that is a combination of vinyasa, strength training, cardio and core at the Alton Bay Community Center 6:30-7:30 p.m. on Wednesdays. Bring two sets of weights, water and a yoga mat. Drop in cost is \$12 or \$40 for four weeks.

Self Defense Classes with Dave Flynn

The Alton Parks and Recreation Department and Liberty Self Protection are sponsoring Self Defense classes at the Alton Bay Community Center on Sept. 16 & 17. Gain the necessary tools and training to help own your power and defend yourself. Teen Self Defense will be Friday, Sept. 16 for teens 12-16 years from 6-8 p.m. and Adult Self Defense will be Saturday, Sept. 17 for ages 18 years and up from 9-11 a.m. Classes are \$45per person. Please register by contacting parksrec-asst@alton.nh.gov or calling 603-875-0109 by Sept. 13.

Weight Training Classes- Mondays and Wednesdays

The Alton Parks and Recreation Department is sponsoring Weight

Classes on Mondays and Wednesdays, 1:30-2:30 p.m. at the Gilman Library for adults of all ages and abilities. Improve bone strength, gain strong muscles, improve flexibility and attain more balance. Bring light hand-held weights, exercise mat, and water. Gilman Library Basement or Zoom. \$20 per session or \$5 drop in. Session 1: Sept. 12, 14, 19, 21, 26, 28, and Oct. 3. Session 2:

Oct. 24, 26, 31, Nov. 2, 9, 14, and 16. Session 3: Dec. 5, 7, 12, 14, 19, 21, and 28. For more information, contact parksrec@alton.nh.gov or 603-875-0109.

Community Clothing Swap

The Alton Parks and Recreation Department is coordinating a free Community Clothing Swap where residents can drop off clothes in good condition to pass

clothes can be dropped off starting September 1 at the PR office- 328 Main St., 8 a.m.-4 p.m. The Community Clothing Swap will take place at the Alton Bay Community Center on Friday, Sept. 23 from 3-6 p.m. The donated clothes will be displayed and available for people to pick up and reuse. This event is free and is an effort to reduce, reuse and recycle.

Gilford Parks and Recreation News

BY HERB GREENE
Director
Gilford Parks and Recreation

Senior Moment-um End of Summer Beach BBQ and Bocce and Cornhole on Sept. 12 The Gilford Parks and Recreation Department will be sponsoring an end of the summer Senior Moment-um program on Monday, Sept. 12. Participants are

invited to join us at Gilford Town Beach at 11:30 a.m. for a barbeque lunch and some friendly bocce ball and/or cornhole for those who are interested. We will be serving hotdogs, hamburgers, cheeseburgers, pickles, chips, salad and dessert. Drinks and paper goods will also be provided. If you have a lawn chair, please bring it! Come and enjoy the

last of our summer days at the beach. Cost is \$8 per person, and participants must RSVP with the Parks and Recreation Department at 527-4722 no later than Sept. 8. The rain date will be Wednesday, Sept. 14. For more information or to RSVP, please contact the Gilford Parks and Rec. Department at 527-4722.

Gilford Methodist Church aids in Kentucky relief

GILFORD — Kentucky flood victims are benefitting from United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) disaster materials that are provided by Methodist Churches nationwide. Overwhelming floods began in Kentucky on July 24, and lasted over a week. UMCOR sent more than 3,000 Flood Buckets which included supplies needed by communities coping after a disastrous flood.

Many churches throughout New England, including First United Methodist Church Gilford, assembled the materials and donated hundreds of buckets to UMCOR. The completed clean-up buckets help those affected by floods, hurricanes and other catastrophes to begin the overwhelming job of clean-up. Donations to UMCOR go 100 percent to the needs they serve around the world.

If you would like more information about UMCOR, please visit their Web site at <https://umcmmission.org/umcor>. You are also invited to contact the First United Methodist Church at 603-524-3289 for more information or to help with future collections.

LETTER

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along to others. Donated

tative who expressed "a revelation" as to the various terms of the seated Commissioners along with the desire to hide behind hollow references to "Chapter 24" and 91-A (proper notice for a public meeting for those of us who work full time and foolishly rely on our Representatives to represent us in accordance with their sworn oath), there were ten (10) representatives from other districts who did show up and did vote for their constituents, but not ours. As stated earlier, the issue is not if our representatives were for or against the issue, but that they decided behind closed doors we weren't worth their time and vote. The big question is why; did we not pay our taxes? Why didn't we get what we were promised and entitled to "...solemnly and sincerely swear and affirm that I will faithfully and impartially discharge and perform all duties incumbent on

me..." This is not rocket science, show up and vote. How embarrassing for you and me that we were the only District lacking any representation. I can understand personal conflicts perhaps the reason why a State Representative from another District voted by telephone.

Now, when I see a "Vote for" sign for one of our incumbents, I am forced to interpret the implication from what should be a simple Constitutional process into "Vote for me now so when I am elected, I may or may not cast a vote for you or my District depending on my mood at the moment." Maybe you will now see what I see. If this were a purchase in a store and we paid for something we did not receive, a refund would be in order (basic consumer law). While my vote can't be refunded, I can

and will absolutely decide how I spend my vote in the future and it will be for someone who does not take it upon themselves to decide individually or amongst their fellow District 7 Representatives, a capricious and arbitrary avoidance of their sworn oath at the expense of their seemingly unimportant constituents many of whom have an economic interest in the outcome and future of Gunstock.

Remember, we "get what we pay for," and in the case of District 7 Representation, we did not get what we voted for. So the next time you see a sign from one of our "no-show" incumbent State Representatives from District 7, decide if you are willing to make the same purchase for the same, non-performing product.

David Hershey
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SEPTEMBER 12, 2022
7:00 PM @ NEW DURHAM TOWN HALL
Mark & Donna Houston

You are hereby notified that a Hybrid Public Hearing will be held by the New Durham Zoning Board on Monday, September 12, 2022 at 9:00 am for Case #2022-010. The hearing is regarding an application submitted by Varney Engineering, on behalf of Mark & Donna Houston, for property located at 22 South Shore Road, Map 120 Lot 6. The applicants are seeking variances to:

Article V Section D and E: Dimensional Requirements for Town of New Durham. **Article VI Section C.3(a)(i):** General Provisions/Use Regulations, **Article XIV Section C.2 and C.3:** Dimensional Requirements, **Article XXI Section C.1 and G.1.b:** Non-Conforming Buildings, Land or Uses. Non-Conforming Setbacks.


The applicants are also requesting a Special Exception to Article XIV Section G: Special Exceptions.

The applicants are demolishing existing cottage and building a new house in the same footprint.

The full application is on file at the New Durham Town Offices for review during normal business hours. If you have any questions on the application or about ZOOM, please contact Robin McClain at ndlanduse@newdurhamnh.us or the Zoning Board.


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Work continues on Alton Town Hall renovation

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ALTON — Work is progressing on the town hall renovation project, including in the balcony area and the HVAC systems.

During the Aug. 15 selectmen's meeting, Town Administrator Ryan Heath gave the board an update on what had been done as of that meeting.

As of that meeting the doorway to the meeting room was unframed and Heath said progress was continuing on framing.

The demolition process for a portion of the balcony had recently finished and LVL framing was installed and the area was decked over.

"The bleachers have been pulled out to reveal the structure beneath, so we will be moving forward with a game plan to make those levels usable and functional and bring a lot of the long-term storage and filing to that level," Heath said.

Board chair Brock Mitchell said he checked out the progress and said everything looked good so far.

"The LVLs look good, glad to see that the railing was preserved," Mitchell said. "I think it's coming along fine."

Work is also continuing on the HVAC system. Heath said three wall hung boilers were installed and the manifolds were put in place. The old steam boiler was dismantled and removed and the steam piping was removed at the basement level. The mini splits will stay in place until the air conditioning and ductwork are done and will be removed as the project is completed at each level.

"Those mini splits that are functional will come out will be put to the other department heads in their buildings to be reutilized and repurposed," Heath said.

Heath also told the selectmen the IT Manager has been doing work in the alarm system on a temporary basis. He said their current alarm company has been booking out two to three weeks for service calls and the town hasn't been able to meet with them. In the interim IT Manager Josh Monaco's company was able to work on the alarm system's wiring. Heath said most of the wiring has been taken care of and the main work was going to be to put it back up.

"Because of his unique position and knowledge of the building, we're also able to strip out quite a bit of irrelevant wiring over the years that has still been running through the walls and ceiling and conduits," Heath said.

Heath said he wanted to let the board know about this in the interest of transparency. He also said Monaco's services could be used again if needed in a weekend on a limited basis below the levels of any bidding costs. The selectmen said they had no problem with this. Selectman Paul LaRoche asked if Monaco was okay with providing this service and Heath said Monaco seemed fine with it.

Heath said Monaco also worked on this with another employee, which made the work go twice as fast.

Wright Museum hosting lecture on "Immigration, Isolationsim, and FDR"

WOLFEBORO — On Tuesday, Sept. 6, the Wright Museum will welcome Professor C. Paul Vincent. This is the sixteenth program of the Wright Museum's 2022 Ron Goodgame and Donna Canney Education Series.

It is generally understood that when Franklin Roosevelt became president in March 1933, he shouldered the burden of the worst economic crisis in American history. Yet, fraught as the Great Depression surely was, it was backdropped by other concerns that grew in both severity and importance as his presidency progressed. Among these were (1) a powerful inclination, stemming from America's involvement in World War I, to short-sightedly forego international political commit-

ments and, linked with this isolationist impulse, (2) establishment under his three predecessors of an increasingly restrictive immigration system. This talk aims to outline the complicated linkage between immigration and isolation on the one hand and the growing international threat, largely embodied by Nazi Germany, that Roosevelt believed America faced as the 1930s advanced.

Professor Emeritus Paul Vincent taught history and, from 1998, Holocaust studies at Keene State College for 32 years, until retiring in 2017. He directed the college's Mason Library during 1985-94; then, with the retirement of the Holocaust Center's founder, Charles Hildebrandt, served as director during 1998-2007 of the

Cohen Center for Holocaust Studies. A Fellow during 2007-08 at the Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies (the academic and research wing of the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum), he coordinated the effort in 2008-09 to establish an academic major in Holocaust and Genocide Studies, serving as the program's founding chair. Prof. Vincent received Keene State's Distinguished Teaching Award in 2008 and was a Fulbright Scholar during the spring 2015 semester at Jagiellonian University's Centre for European Studies in Krakow, Poland. (He returned to Jagiellonian as a visiting professor in 2018.) With a Ph.D. in history from the University of Colorado (1980), Prof. Vincent has published two books—"The Politics of Hunger: The Allied Blockade of Germany, 1915-1919" (1985) and "A Historical Dictionary of Germany's Weimar Republic, 1918-1933" (1997)—and has focused his scholarship in recent years on American immigration policy during

the administration of Franklin D. Roosevelt. One piece of that research, "The Voyage of the St. Louis Revisited," appeared in 2011 in the journal Holocaust and Genocide Studies.

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

The region's leading resource for educators and learners of all ages on World War II, the Wright Museum features more than 14,000 items in its collection that are representative of both the homefront and battlefield. For more information about the 2022 Lecture Series, or museum, visit wrightmuseum.org.

Learn how to improve your curb appeal with Opechee Garden Club

GILFORD — Opechee Garden Club invites you to join them in learning methods to improve your curb appeal presented by Jeff Sirls and Julie Campbell of Belknap Landscape. The presentation will take place on Sept. 12 at the Gilford Community Church, Potter Hill Road, Gilford.

Julie Campbell is a Sales and Design Assistant for Belknap Landscape. She holds a Master's Degree in Landscape Architecture from the Rhode Island School of Design. She has worked in the landscape industry for more than 20 years in a variety of positions and functions.

Jeff Sirls is the Brand Coordinator for Belknap Landscape. He joined Belknap Landscape in 2018 leading their branding, community engagement, marketing and recruiting efforts.

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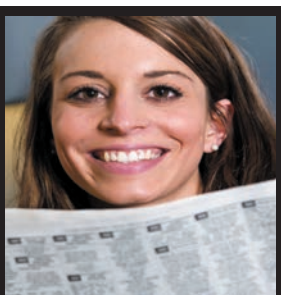
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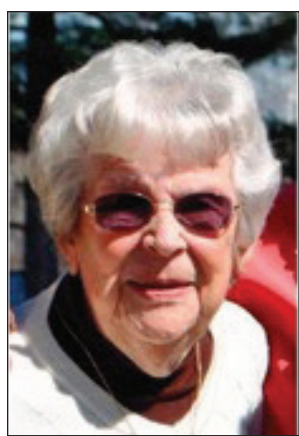
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Iris Jean Berry, 94



by her father and mother, stepmother Eleanor Babbs, brother Dick Simonds and daughter Ruth Fifield, also Franklin A. Alden, Sr., husband of 45 years and Robert W. Berry, husband of 15 years.

Iris is survived by her daughter Priscilla & her son Michael Arey, son Franklin & Lynne Alden Jr, son Charles & Kathy Alden, many loving and devoted grandchildren, great grandchildren, beloved sister Irene Swett and brother Malcolm Simonds, also nieces and nephews.

New Durham, NH- Iris Jean Berry, age 94, of New Durham, passed away peacefully, August 22, 2022, after a short illness.

Born July 21, 1928 in Wolfeboro, NH, daughter of Frank & Marguerite (Ware) Simonds, she resided in Alton and New Durham, NH, for most of her life.

Iris drove a schoolbus for many years, along with being the floor supervisor at Timberlake Manufacturing in Alton, NH.

She was predeceased

There will be no calling hours, family and friends were welcome to a Graveside Service on Saturday, August 27, 2022 at 10:30am at New Riverside Cemetery, Suncook Valley Road (Route 28S) in Alton, NH. To express condolences, please visit: www.peasleefuneralhome.com

Carolyn Ramsay Band closes out summer in the bandstand



COURTESY PHOTO

THE CAROLYN RAMSAY BAND performs on Saturday, Sept. 3, in the Wolfeboro Community Bandstand.

WOLFEBORO — A local favorite will take to the Wolfeboro Community Bandstand on Saturday, Sept. 3, as the Carolyn Ramsay Band wraps up the Friends of the Wolfeboro Community Bandstand's summer concert series.

The Carolyn Ramsay Band is a collaboration of musical talent brought to life by Carolyn Ramsay. After knowing one another for years, the group formally formed the band in 2012, which has its roots in rock and folk music running through the soulful stylings of the songs they cover with their own brush.

Carolyn Ramsay grew up in musical family and

began playing guitar and singing in middle school and hasn't stopped since. Her rhythm guitar and finger picking add to the band's sound and she has also developed a vocal style all her own that blends well with her daughter's higher voice.

Jessica Ramsay has been inspired since early childhood, with classic country, blues, folk, pop, R and B and rock music all having influence over her vocal style. She brings an energy that will inspire audience's dancing boots and melt your rock and roll heart.

Chuck Farrell is the band's lead guitar player and brings a smooth guitar style to the band. He comes to the group with

20 years of experience in many diverse styles of music, with roots in rock, R and B and folk.

Bud Clark is the band's bass player and brings a strong, rhythmic sense and no-frills style to the band's rhythm section. He has more than three decades of experience in many different styles of music.

The band's drummer is Mike Chatigny, who also comes to the band with a wide range of playing experience and styles under his belt. He has played with many bands touring up and down the east coast and has recorded hundreds of hours in studios across the northeast.

The Carolyn Ramsay

Band will take to the bandstand on Saturday, Sept. 3, for a 7 p.m. concert in Cate Park. The Friends of the Wolfeboro Community Bandstand concert series is presented free of charge each Saturday night in the bandstand in Cate Park, with each concert lasting two hours with a short intermission. At intermission, there will be a pass-the-bucket offering collected to help support the free concert series.

In the event of bad weather, check the Friends of the Wolfeboro Community Bandstand Facebook page and signs will also be posted at the entrance to the park.

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“Copsicle Patrol” makes its debut in Barnstead

On Saturday, Aug. 27, the Barnstead Police Department unveiled the “Copsicle Patrol” ice cream truck in a community outreach event. Partnering with the Barnstead Helpers, led by Ethel McConaghy, the “Copsicle Patrol” visited many thrilled children of all ages bringing smiles to their faces. Free ice cream courtesy of the Barnstead Police Department, (generously donated) and backpacks filled with school supplies were handed out to many children throughout town. This was the first of many sightings of the “Copsicle Patrol” to come.



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NOTICE CORRECTION
PUBLIC HEARING
TOWN OF BARNSTEAD

The Board of Selectmen will hold two (2) public hearings on **Tuesday, September 20th, 2022 in the Town Hall @ 5:30 p.m.**

The first public hearing is to accept and expend the second tranch of Local Fiscal Recovery Funds in the amount of \$248,323.85 from the State under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 pursuant to RSA 31:95-b.

The second public hearing is to accept and expend a special one-time Highway payment in accordance with Senate Bill 401 in the amount of \$149,475.60 for the maintenance, construction, reconstruction of Class 4 & 5 Highways and acquire equipment necessary to maintain Class 4 & 5 Highways pursuant to RSA 31:95-b, II-IV.

Sanderson steps in as Gilford volleyball captain

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING
Sports Editor

PLYMOUTH — The Gilford volleyball team is always a force to be reckoned with in Division II and coach Amy Tripp features a team that surely will be looking to make another run into the tournament after falling in the semifinals last year.

“We had a good offseason and provided opportunities for conditioning as well as skills refinement,” Tripp said. “So far, preseason has been a good mixture of intense conditioning, fundamental skills and team drills.”

Ashley Sanderson will be this year’s senior captain for the Golden Eagles, returning for her fourth year, where she’ll be working as the team’s libero.

“She brings stability, great communication skills, experience and is an exceptionally skilled player,” Tripp stated.

The only other returning senior is Jessica Gannon, who is a strong team player as a defensive specialist.

Abby Kenyon and Sienna Diaz return as outside hitters for their junior seasons and will be tough servers at the line as well, bringing a great deal of desire and determination to the court.

The team’s other senior is Devyn Halligan, who comes to the Golden Eagles from Laconia and brings energy to the outside hitter position.

Juniors Ryan Guyer and Leann Levenson will share the setter role for Gilford, with both girls proving to be dynamic, fit and motivated players. Mara Bunacki is looking strong in the back row on defense and Brook Kimball and Abby Shute are gaining experience and working hard on their middle blocking and hitting. Sophomore hitter Sadie Lydick will also be one to watch as she gains varsity experience and refines her skills in the front row.

“My goal, as it is every year, is to help young women grow through the sport of volleyball, physically, mentally and emotionally, to increase their communication skills and empower them to strategize and problem solve,” Tripp said. “Also to put team first and know the joy of helping others.”

“This team is dedicated and fit, add that to our motto this year, which is ‘Reppin with Purpose,’ and we shall see where it takes us in terms of the end of the season,” the fifth-year head coach added.

The Golden Eagles are excited to be fundraising through Adrenaline Sports with an online popcorn fundraiser to purchase team sneakers and will be playing their annual Dig Pink Breast Cancer Awareness game in October and will be doing their annual Making Strides for Breast Cancer hike as well.

Gilford is slated to open the season today, Sept. 1, at home against Laconia at 6:30 p.m. and heads to Kingswood on Wednesday, Sept. 7, at 5:45 p.m.

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For starters, Knight girls fall to defending champs



AMELIA KILMEISTER gets her foot in to boot the ball up the field during action against Bow on Friday.



KYLIE RAPOZA controls the ball during action Friday evening against Bow.

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING
Sports Editor

WOLFEBORO — The Kingswood girls’ soccer team had quite a challenge in the opening game of the season, welcoming defending champion Bow to Alumni Field on Friday evening. The game started about 20 minutes early to avoid the storms that roared through the area.

While the Knights held the Falcons to just two goals in the first half, but the visitors struck for four more in the second half and took the 6-0 win over the Knights.

“They played just as good in the second half as they did in the first half,” said coach Shane Flood. “There was a couple of bad bounces and the ball found the back

of the net.”

The Falcons had some early bids, including the game’s first corner, but some good defense from Ana Baurle and a nice clear from Amelia Kilmeister helped the Knights stave off the attack. Keeper Heidi Roiter made a save on another Bow chance and the Falcons also had a shot go wide of the net.

Marcella DeNitto and Kilmeister made a run up the field but the Bow defense was able to turn them away and the visitors came back with the first goal of the game on a header off a beautiful cross in front of the net with 31:23 to go in the first half.

Roiter made a couple more saves in the Kingswood net and the

Knights had a bid in the zone that was denied by the Bow defense. Bow had a couple more corners, but they were unable to convert, as Roiter and the Knight defense held tight.

Kamdyn Hobbs had a good defensive stop and Baurle had a great slide tackle while Kylie Rapoza made a run up the field and also put nice moves on the Falcon defense to get in the zone for another chance.

Bow doubled the lead with 6:45 to go in the first half, as they ripped a shot from the top of the box for the 2-0 lead. Rapoza had another good chance that the defense stopped, Avery Dinges made a solid defensive stop. Roiter made a couple of good saves in the Kingswood

net and the game went to the half with Bow up 2-0.

The Falcons had early chances in the second half as well, with a couple shots missing the net and Dinges making a solid defensive stop. Sara Hyde had a good clear on a corner kick from Bow and the Knights had their first corner but could not convert. Roiter made a save on another Bow chance.

With 28:56 to go in the game, the Falcons sent a shot top shelf that beat Roiter for the 3-0 lead and at the other end, Rapoza just missed connecting with Sierra Rose on a chance. Bow had a couple of corners as well but could not convert.

With 16:34 to go, Roiter charged out on the ball and the Falcons were able to get the ball by here for the 4-0 lead. Roiter also made a save on another corner kick from the Falcons. With 9:54 to go, a shot slipped into the net for the 5-0 lead.

The Falcons had a shot go over the top of the net and another that went wide of the net. Roiter came out and made a couple of solid saves as well. The visitors were able to slip one more shot by Roiter in the final five minutes to clinch the 6-0 win.

“They (Bow) have lost four games in the last five years, but the girls held their own,” Flood said. “We had a couple of good attacking tries.

“But they’re center attack was deadly,” the Knight coach added.

The Knights are scheduled to be in action today, Thursday, Sept. 1, at Laconia at 4 p.m. and will be hosting Milford at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 8.

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Knights return 10 starters from last year’s Final Four team

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING
Sports Editor

WOLFEBORO — The Kingswood boys’ soccer team made an unprecedented run into the Division II semifinals last season and coach Erik Nelson returns a huge portion of the team that made that run to the pitch this season, making a return to the Final Four a distinct possibility for the Knights.

“(We) look to build off our historic 2021 season, which made it to the Final Four and hope with the numbers returning to continue the trend with a deep tournament run in 2022,” Nelson stated. “The key loss of (First Team All-State) Carter Morrissey in the defensive midfield will be difficult to replace, but the Knights have a fresh crop of new talent.”

The Knights return 10 varsity starters to the pitch and 15 players in total return to the field for the new season.

The offense will be led by double-digit goal scorers from a year ago in Dominic Alberto and Vinny Butka. Alberto

brings dynamic strength while Butka is a magician on the field and they will be bolstered by the playmaking of captain Brayden Rapoza as well as Brody Copenhaver and Noah Swenson.

In the midfield, captain Noah Silva, who won the Leadership Award last year, brings composure, consistency and vision and a deft passing ability and tactical prowess to the field and he will be paired with Troy Dow, who was last year’s Most Improved Player and newcomer Brady Moulton, who will earn time on the flank and in the attacking midfield as a freshman.

The defense, which was a huge strength for the Knights in last year’s Final Four run, returns an athletic and strong core. Last year’s Defensive Player of the Year for the Knights, senior James Yarling, will be another of the captains and will anchor the defense, paired with fellow four-year starter Jonathan Hossack.

Last year’s team Most



KNIGHTS (l to r) Caleb Russo, Brayden Rapoza, James Yarling and Noah Silva are the captains for the 2022 boys’ soccer team.

Valuable Player, goalkeeper Caleb Russo, is a captain this year and had one of the strongest postseasons in 2021, backstopping two penalty kick shootout performances in the tournament. Nelson notes he has further positioned himself through hard work and dedication in the offseason to be one of the top goalkeepers in the state and an All-State

and Lion’s Cup favorite. In addition to Moulton, newcomers who will likely have an impact for the Knights include Nate Cloos, Liam Brown, Thomas Benker and Will Crane.

Nelson returns for his fifth year at the helm and will be joined again by assistant coach Nick Day. Middle School Coach of the Year and varsity boys’ lacrosse

coach Mike Manning joins the staff as the JV coach for the new season after helping lead last year’s middle school team to a tournament win last year.

Nelson expects that Oyster River, Hollis-Brookline, Trinity, Lebanon and Coe-Brown will be teams to watch in Division II this season.

The Knights were supposed to open the

season last week at Bow, but that game was postponed due to weather.

The team played after deadline against Kennett on Tuesday and will be at Pembroke on Friday, Sept. 2, at 4 p.m. and will host Lebanon at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 7.

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JOSHUA SPAULDING

Media night kicks off new season at Kingswood



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KINGSWOOD student-athletes pose for a group photo at the annual media night for fall sports last week.

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING
Sports Editor

WOLFEBORO — After just more than a week of practice, Kingswood's fall student-athletes gathered in the high school on Monday, Aug. 22, for the annual media night, where team pictures were taken along with senior headshots, the Kingswood Boosters Club fall t-shirts were handed out and the fall fundraising program got under way.

In addition, a few members of each team spent a few minutes discussing the upcoming season for their respective teams.

First to the table were cheerleaders Kiley Barron and Kaitlyn Beaulieu, both sophomores on coach Chrissy Livie's team.

"We're hoping we really raise the school spirit and we hope to get to do the victory dance at a football game," Barron said. "I'm super excited."

"We've been practicing our halftime show, stunts, sideline cheers and band dances," Beaulieu said of the team's

preseason work.

Tyler Olkkola and Tristan Taatjes from the cross country team were next to the table. Olkkola is returning to the team while Taatjes is a first-year runner for coach Dan Place.

"We have a great group of kids, I think it's going to be a good season," Olkkola said, noting that the boys' team has more kids than last year, which is a plus. "I went to practice and it was fun," Taatjes said of how he ended up on the team. "I found out that I kind of like running and I wanted to some good conditioning."

"He's going to be a great asset for the team," Olkkola said of his teammate.

Coach Tom McCullough's football team was the next squad represented at the table, with Aiden Brierley and Riley Saxby representing the Knights.

"I think the new coaches are great," Brierley said of the team's new coaching staff. "We have a lot more in the playbook this year and

the numbers are looking good."

"We've been getting in the weight room, lifting and we've done some team bonding," Saxby said. "We're looking forward to showing other teams we're not here to mess around, we're here to get things done."

Captains Marcella DeNitto and Avery Dinges were up next for coach Shane Flood's girls' soccer team.

"It's been going well," DeNitto said of the preseason, noting the team won two of its three varsity games at the NHTI preseason tournament. "It's a lot of fun, the freshmen look good and we're working together well."

"We're just trying to be an example to our team and making sure the girls are having fun and working together," Dinges said of the captains' job. "We are all a family more than a team and we're here for them with anything they come to us with."

Lauren MacPhee, Hailey Kelly and Sarah Paraskos are the captains for the field hockey

team, led by coach Kaitlin Reilly.

"It's been pretty good, we had our play day on Saturday (in Dover)," MacPhee said of the start to the preseason. "We got a good feel for where we are as a team."

"We've been trying to inspire everyone to work hard and give 100 percent," Kelly said of what she and her fellow captains have been doing. "We've been doing extra work outside of practice and doing team bonding activities, like dinners."

"The goal is to win and get to the playoffs," Paraskos said. "We're just trying to take all the energy in preseason and transferring it straight into our season and keep it going throughout the season and not let it dull."

Tate Hurtado represented the golf team for new coach Paul Famulari.

"It's been going pretty well, it started out OK," Hurtado said of the new season. "The goal is to keep our heads up and not give up, just play through everything."

The boys' soccer team was up next, with Caleb Russo, Brayden Rapoza, James Yarling and Noah Silva representing coach Erik Nelson's squad.

"Our goal is to make it farther than last year," said Russo, who backstopped his team to the Division II semifinals a year ago. "And to have a better regular season record than last year."

"Everyone has been strong, we're putting in the work," Rapoza said. "We're looking better than last year."

"We've all talked about being together (as a team)," Yarling said. "We want to win a championship and all know we can if we work together as a team to make that happen."

"We have a lot more talent coming in compared to past years," Silva said of the newcomers to the team. "We need to use that talent and put the work in so we can go farther than last year."

The final team to the table was coach Lynette Place's volleyball team, which was represented by Malia Lavigne, Mariah Aikens, Morgyn Ste-

vens and Brooke Tasker.

"We've been working on setting and knowing were to be on the court and getting down on the ball," Lavigne said of the preseason work the team has been putting in.

"We've got a good offense going, we have some really strong hitters," Aikens said. "And we've been working on team chemistry and focusing on being one on the court."

"I'd like to get to the semifinals at least, or the state championships," Stevens said of the goals for the season. "I feel like we will win more games this season."

"Team chemistry is going to be a big thing," Tasker said. "We work better when we're close as a team. I'm excited to see where it can take us if we get closer and don't let drama get in the way."

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HIGH SCHOOL SLATE

Thursday, Sept. 1

BELMONT
Cross Country at Gilford; 4
GILFORD
Cross Country Home Meet; 4
Girls' Soccer at Hopkinton; 4
Golf at Mascenic; 3:30
Volleyball vs. Laconia; 6:30
WINNISQUAM
Cross Country at Gilford; 4
Volleyball at Oyster River; 5:45

Friday, Sept. 2

BELMONT
Boys' Soccer at White Mountains; 4
Girls' Soccer vs. White Mountains; 4
Volleyball vs. Conant; 5
GILFORD
Boys' Soccer vs. Hopkinton; 4
Field Hockey vs. Winnisquam; 4
GILFORD-BELMONT
Football at Kennett; 7
WINNISQUAM
Boys' Soccer vs. Newfound; 4
Field Hockey at Gilford; 4

Tuesday, Sept. 6

BELMONT
Boys' Soccer vs. Inter-Lakes; 4
Girls' Soccer at Inter-Lakes; 4
GILFORD
Boys' Soccer vs. Prospect Mountain; 4
Girls' Soccer at Prospect Mountain; 4
WINNISQUAM
Boys' Soccer at Mascoma; 4
Cross Country at Newfound; 4

Wednesday, Sept. 7

BELMONT
Volleyball at Hillsboro-Deering; 5:30
GILFORD
Field Hockey at Newport; 4:30
Golf at Hopkinton; 3:30
Unified Soccer vs. Laconia; 4
Volleyball at Kingswood; 5:45
WINNISQUAM
Field Hockey vs. Newfound; 4
Volleyball vs. Laconia; 5:45

Thursday, Sept. 8

GILFORD
Golf at Monadnock; 3:30

All schedules are subject to change.

HIGH SCHOOL SLATE

Thursday, Sept. 1

KENNETT
Boys' Soccer vs. Plymouth; 6
Golf at Goffstown; 3:30
Volleyball at Con-Val; 5:45
KINGSWOOD
Cross Country at Gilford; 4
Field Hockey at Con-Val; 4
Girls' Soccer at Laconia; 4
Volleyball vs. Plymouth; 5:45
PROSPECT MOUNTAIN
Cross Country at Gilford; 4
Golf at Littleton; 4

Friday, Sept. 2

KENNETT
Field Hockey at John Stark; 4
Football vs. Gilford; 7
Girls' Soccer at Plymouth; 4
KINGSWOOD
Boys' Soccer at Pembroke; 4
Football at Trinity; 7
PROSPECT MOUNTAIN
Boys' Soccer at Berlin; 4
Girls' Soccer vs. Berlin; 4
Volleyball at Somersworth; 5:45

Tuesday, Sept. 6

KENNETT
Boys' Soccer vs. Berlin; 6
Field Hockey vs. Plymouth; 4
Girls' Soccer at Berlin; 4
Golf at Bow; 3:30
KINGSWOOD
Field Hockey vs. Derryfield; 5:30
Golf at Bow; 3:30
PROSPECT MOUNTAIN
Boys' Soccer at Gilford; 4
Girls' Soccer vs. Gilford; 4
Golf at Hopkinton; 4

Wednesday, Sept. 7

KENNETT
Volleyball vs. Coe-Brown; 5:30
KINGSWOOD
Boys' Soccer vs. Lebanon; 5:30
Volleyball vs. Gilford; 5:45
PROSPECT MOUNTAIN
Unified Soccer at Portsmouth; 4
Volleyball vs. Newfound; 6

Thursday, Sept. 8

KINGSWOOD
Girls' Soccer vs. Milford; 5:30
PROSPECT MOUNTAIN
Golf at Monadnock; 4

All schedules are subject to change.

THE REAL REPORT

RECENT REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS

Town	Address	Type	Price	Seller	Buyer
Alton	Alton Bay Road	N/A	\$3,050,000	Timothy J. and Jill S. Noe	Paul G. and Marion E. Smith
Alton	Halls Hill Road	N/A	\$65,000	Christian M. Johnson	Henricus J. Vankempen and Susan M. Hartman
Alton	101 Hayes Rd.	Single-Family Residence	\$539,000	Howard C. Towne	Michele and Eric Clarke
Alton	141 Lakewood Dr.	Single-Family Residence	\$1,650,000	Stavros K. Stefanis RET	Kyle J. Sarausky
Alton	29 Main St.	Single-Family Residence	\$260,000	Harold F. Sanborn Estate and Mary S. Ewert	D.J. & K.A. Boucher 2017 Trust
Alton	294 Main St.	Single-Family Residence	\$127,533	Anna H. Kunz and Judy A. Kunz-Porter	Thomas J. and Benjamin T. Nickerson
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New Hampshire Boat Museum invites visitors on excursion

WOLFEBORO — One of the objectives behind the programs and events offered by the New Hampshire Boat Museum (NHBM) is to help visitors experience New Hampshire's fresh waterways, which takes place with Vintage Voyage Boat Excursion. Scheduled for Thursday, Sept. 15, this excursion will provide visitors with the opportunity to explore the northeastern end of Lake Winnepesaukee in privately-owned historic boats.

"There really is nothing like the experience of cruising on the lake in a vintage or classic boat," said NHBM Executive Director Martha Cummings. "It is a bit like stepping back in time, not to mention how smoothly these boats cut through the water versus contemporary boats."

Examples of the boats in which visitors will ride include Chris Craft, Hacker Craft, Gar Wood, and Century.

"Part of our mission is to



preserve these beautiful boats, and what better way to do that than for people to have the chance to experience cruising in

one," added Cummings. "Perhaps they'll be inspired to go out and buy one of their own, keeping this heritage alive

In addition to stopping at a 'special' location, the cruise includes 'drive-bys' of area landmarks and interesting boathouses and stories of New Hampshire's rich lake history told by NHBM boat captains. Boat rides will last for approximately two hours followed by lunch at Marker 21 restaurant.

Sponsored by Lake Life Realty and Meredith Village Savings Bank, Vintage Voyage Boat Excursion leaves Wolfe-

boro town docks at 9 a.m. on Thursday, Sept. 15. Tickets are \$155 for members and \$170 for non-members. To learn more or purchase tickets, visit nhbm.org.

Founded in 1992 by antique and classic boating enthusiasts, NHBM is committed to inspire people of all ages with an understanding of, and appreciation for, the boating heritage of New Hampshire's fresh waterways.

VEISEL

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minutes of that meeting, which occurred in public session."

Weisel returned to the letter, reading the second issue, which has to do with the appearance of sharing information learned in non-public session.

The example Spector-Morgan uses was a member of the public indicating that Weisel told her the Select Board was interested in meeting with her.

The letter states, "This subject was only discussed in a non-public session, and the minutes of that session were sealed."

Weisel again provided an explanation.

"This subject came up in non-public session," she said, "and I advised the board and the Town Administrator that it did not meet the criteria of non-public and needed to be in public. We adjourned the non-public. The minutes were sealed and the discussion continued in public session."

Weisel said that since minutes of Select Board meetings have not been posted since July 7, she could only refer the public to the video recording of the meeting in question, July 21.

"At the end of the video, in the last ten minutes of the meeting, a decision was made by the board. Selectman Rosiello had questions about the application, and it was agreed that the selectmen would meet with the Meetinghouse Restoration Committee," Weisel said.

The last paragraph of

the letter cites RSA 42:1-a, which provides for the removal of a selectman from office if they divulge information learned in a non-public session.

Spector-Morgan says that while Weisel's "disclosures" do not appear to fall into the category of cause for removal, she advises that if Weisel should reveal non-public information that meets that standard, "the other selectmen are prepared to take the actions necessary to address such a violation of your oath of office."

Weisel again referred to the fact that decisions regarding Select Board members must be made in public session, and then called the issues cited in the letter "unfounded."

"The people in this community," Weisel stated, "who know me as a teacher for many years and as a public servant for almost 50 years will not doubt this statement: 'I will not be intimidated into silence.' I always try to be transparent, tell the truth, and not waste the taxpayers' dollars."

No discussion of the matter followed.

Reached later for interview, Weisel said that rather than being personally upset by receiving the letter, she has a far greater concern that the letter was improperly provided by officials not conforming to state statute and not suitably vetting information, as well as being created at the expense of taxpayers.

"The reason I discussed it publicly regards the letter's legality," she said, noting that

Spector-Morgan gave her clearance to read the letter aloud since it is a public document.

"The information was not properly vetted before being sent to a lawyer at the people's expense. That concerns me," she added.

Her biggest issue stems from nonconformance to 91-A:3, II (c) that protects the reputation of any person, other than a member of the public body itself, by holding discussion of a matter in non-public session.

The significant phrase is "other than a member of the public body itself."

"Discussion of the behavior or censure of a selectman cannot take place in non-public," Weisel said. "So when was this meeting that discussed action against a selectman posted? Where are the minutes? The two selectmen directed the Town Administrator to contact Town Counsel. How can this letter I received exist legally? I was never notified of any such meeting. That discussion would have to have been held in public."

She said the intention of the RSA is to protect the reputation of everyone except the selectmen.

"That's fair. We're the decision makers. Any action against a fellow selectman must be made in public session," she said.

Beyond that are Weisel's declarations that the information leading to the allegations was not checked well enough.

"The Town Administrator did not vet the

information before the allegations were passed on to the Town Counsel," she said. "If she had looked at the tape, it shows the information I was accused of leaking was discussed in public session."

The example used in Spector-Morgan's letter named this reporter as the source indicating Weisel had passed on information learned in non-public session.

The letter states, "For example, Cathy Allyn reports that you spoke to her at the Art Show and told her that the Board of Selectmen had questions regarding the LCHIP application she submitted, and wanted to meet with her."

This reporter, on July 25, wrote the following email to Zoltko in my capacity as chairperson of the Meetinghouse Restoration Committee: "Hi Nicole, I heard through the grapevine - and then Dot spoke to me at the Art Show - that the BOS had questions regarding the LCHIP application, and wanted to meet with me. ... If they want to speak with me, I'd like that to happen. Thanks."

The email indicates I had heard from other sources about the board's desire to meet. The "grapevine" was a member of the public who had watched the live stream of the July 21 Board meeting.

Weisel disputed any violation of state law on her part regarding the document supposedly not at Town Hall.

"The document they are requesting is referenced in a public meeting and should be available in several places in

the Town Hall; in addition to multiple copies of it, the original should be available," she said.

Weisel does have a copy of the document, as well as various other publicly distributed documents on employees, which was provided to her in her packet as a Select Board member. Other members of the Board would also have copies.

"I would never have an original," she said. "How could I? That document is referenced in a public meeting, so it needs to be found in the Town Hall."

The legal expenses involved are a major concern.

"All contact with Town Counsel goes through the Town Administrator," Weisel said.

Weisel worries about unnecessary expense, noting "at a time when our budget is probably going to be overspent because of inflation."

She wondered at the actions of the law firm representing the Town, also.

"Potential violations of the law is a serious allegation," she said. "Town Counsel is supposed to keep the Town out of libelous action. I would think she would have had follow-up questions to ensure the Town Administrator had vetted this information."

DeCoff, Rosiello, Zoltko, and Spector-Morgan did not respond to questions nor issue any statements.

Although as of the meeting of Aug. 21, minutes had not been posted since July 7, as Weisel pointed out, since then draft minutes of the July

21, Aug. 4, and Aug. 18 meetings have been posted. Despite the conversation at the end of the public session of July 21 regarding the Select Board wishing to meet with the Meetinghouse Restoration Committee heard on the video, there is no mention of it in the draft minutes.

One might suppose the receipt of the letter from Town Counsel would lead to a tense situation among the players, but Weisel is not planning on pursuing any action against the other two Board members.

"I'm trying hard to restore my trust in my fellow Board members and the Town Administrator," she said. "My commitment is to taxpayers and the successful completion of Town business. I don't want to be part of a divided board. We need to be united to serve the best interests of the public."

She said it has always been an honor to fill the positions she's served in for nearly five decades.

"I've been proud of every board, committee, commission, and charitable group I've been a part of, but I can't say that now," Weisel said. "I'm disappointed in the current board, and we need to work hard to re-establish trust. We need to focus on the business of the Town. This has been a waste of my energy."

Weisel said it's clear where to go from here.

"As far as I'm concerned, the matter is over," she added. "I'm back to work. My focus is on what the residents of this community need."

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offices, businesses, groups, and individuals marching and riding from town hall to Gilford High School.

A panel of judges reviewed all the entries and prizes were handed out after opening ceremonies.

The Grand Prize was awarded to the Gilford Public Library.

"I was surprised because there were a lot of good floats out there, it was amazing," GPL Assistant Director Arielle Allen said.

Allen said she and Children's Librarian J'Lillian Mello started putting everything together and received a lot of help in the process. Allen said a group of people put a lot of work into this float and put it together in the library's garage.

"We've got a lot of good people offering their help," Allen said.

First Place for Neighborhood Float went to The Wicked Witches of the Lakes Region. "I never expected it, I was so excited" said group member Karen Thurston.

Lakeshore Park came



The Gilford Public Library won the Grand Prize in the Old Home Day parade for their float.

in second and the Gunstock Nordic Association came in third.

In the Mini Float category, singer/songwriter Katie Dobbins came in first with her ode to "The Wizard of Oz," with her performing while dressed as Dorothy. The first United Methodist Church of Gilford came in second and the GHS Robotics Club came in third.

In the category of Neighborhood Marchers, Ready Set Grow came in first place and the Gunstock Acres Noo-

dle Club came in second.

The Legacy Group took first place for Commercial Float and Bank of New Hampshire took second.

Miss Winnepesaukee's Outstanding Teen Lillian Corrow was awarded first place for Individual Marchers and Miss Winnepesaukee Mackenzie Howe came in second place. Third place went to the Monarch Queen.

Hannaford was awarded in the Equestrian category for its horse drawn carriage. The Salanitro's were recognized in the Oxen category with their ox dressed as Wonder Woman. Hi-Glass Boat Restoration was awarded for the Boat category.

For vehicles, Coldwell Banker came in first place, a military Humvee came in second, and Lakeshore Park's little prince and princess came in third.

For Antique vehicle the McLaughlin's won

first place, the Knights of Columbus took second for their 1958 Ford Model T, and Gary Parker came in third place for his red Bugatti.

The grand marshal of the 2022 parade was Larry Routhier. Routhier has served on several town boards, including the selectmen, the Conservation Commission, the Zoning Board, and many others. He has also volunteered with many local organizations including the Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction, the Francoeur/Babcock Memorial Basketball Game, and many others.

"I just like the town of Gilford, and that's the only reason I'm here and that's the only reason I come to Old Home Day," Routhier said to the crowd. "We've come to a great place, and we enjoy it immensely."

This year's Old Home Day was dedicated to John "Goody" Goodhue III, who passed away on



Kids do a leapfrog race on Old Home Day.



Older kids do a relay race.



This year's parade grand marshal was longtime Gilford resident and volunteer Larry Routhier.

Christmas Day of 2021. Goodhue was a longtime resident and business owner who served on several town boards and committees (including the Conservation Commission and Gilford Old Home Day Committee) and was a member of numerous local organiza-

tions such as the Rotary and was involved in the construction of the first Imagination Station at Gilford Elementary School.

"He was just an all-around good guy," said master of ceremonies Bob Pomeroy.



Visitors line up for some tasty treats during the Gilford Public Library's Pie and Ice Cream Sale.

Elmira College recognizes annual Key Award recipients

ELMIRA, N.Y. — Elmira College recently announced this year's recipients of its annual Key Award. This year's award was given to 761 students across 14 states and Puerto Rico. A tradition that goes back to 1935, the Key Award is presented to outstanding students in their junior year of high school or preparatory school. Those receiving the award included:

Madilyn Neathery of Barnstead

Lauren Gilbert of Ctr Barnstead

This year, the award was given to 761 students across 14 states and Puerto Rico. Recipients receive an \$80,000 scholarship over a four-year period, \$20,000 per

year, upon enrolling at Elmira College.

"This award is given to those who have exhibited their potential to excel academically and serve as leaders," said Charles Lindsay, president of Elmira College. "We hope they will choose to make Elmira College their place."

Speaking to students during the 2022 Key Award Ceremony on August 22, Patrick Gillette, director of admissions said, "We know you are someone who would thrive as a member of the Elmira College campus community, and we want to invest in your success at Elmira College."

Sponsored by the Alumni Association,

the Key Award recognizes students for high scholastic achievement, leadership, citizenship, and participation in extracurricular activities.

The more than 120 attending recipients met with Elmira College professors, staff, current students, and athletic coaches; attended information sessions about EC programs; and toured the campus.

Founded in 1855, Elmira College is a private, residential, liberal arts college offering 25-plus majors, an honors program, 17 academic societies, and 16 Division III varsity teams. Located in the Southern Finger Lakes Region of New York, Elmira's undergraduate and graduate

student population hails from more than 20 states and nine countries. Elmira is a Phi Beta Kappa College and has been ranked a top college, nationally, for student internships. The College is also home to the Center for Mark Twain Studies, one of four historically significant Twain heritage sites in the U.S., which attracts Twain scholars and educators from around the world for research on the famous literary icon. Proud of its history and tradition, the College is committed to the ideals of community service, and intellectual and individual growth.

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nately something they can pursue.

"I don't know where we stand as far as DOT, but...with the board's wishes we can definitely put a recommendation in to see what can be done to alleviate the problem a little bit, at least get people to slow down anyway," Mitchell said.

Mitchell said the board could have Town Administrator Ryan

Heath draft a letter to the DOT indicating the town's support and Heath said he could do that. Selectman Bob Holt said this is something that could be handled similarly to what was done on East Side Drive.

Heath agreed to draft a letter to the DOT supporting the request for a traffic study. He said the DOT would likely look at statistical data at the intersection and get back to the town with any recommendations.

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WFOM presents world-renowned pianist Svetlana Smolina

WOLFEBORO — On Sept. 17, Wolfboro Friends of Music will present Svetlana Smolina, a prestigious classical pianist, at Brewster Academy's Anderson Hall, at 7:30 PM. Known for her "dazzling effects, bringing audiences close to frenzy" (Herald Tribune), Smolina has performed, recorded, and

collaborated with many famous musicians in numerous major world music centers. Listed among The Best Pianists of the 21st Century, Ms. Smolina has been described by the L.A. Times as "an outstanding pianist with luxuriant tone" and by the New York Times as "mesmerizing and dy-

namic." Ms. Smolina is a grand prize winner of numerous piano competitions among them Citta Di Senigallia International Piano Competition, Kingsville Piano Competition, William Byrd Young Artists Piano Competition and a Prize Winner of Murray Dranoff International Duo Piano Competition and Shreveport Symphony Wideman Piano Competition. She has performed in recitals and with orchestras worldwide, including the New York Philharmonic at Avery Fischer Hall, and the Marinsky Orchestra at Carnegie Hall. Her previous studies include Indiana University, Oberlin Conservatory and Brussels Royal Conservatory, receiving her Doctor of Musical Arts degree at the University of Michigan. She is Program Director at the European Academy of Fine

Arts' Piano Academy in Sofia, Bulgaria, and has directed the Piano Program at the Philadelphia International Music Festival since 2011. Invitations for 2019 included a concert at VI Trans-Siberian Arts Festival with Vadim Repin and Alexander Kniazev, masterclass at Trans-Siberian Art Festival in Novosibirsk for its educational program "Simply Meet the Star", debut at Lake Tahoe Festival with Maestro Joel Revzen with Rachmaninoff 3rd concerto, orchestra and solo debuts at the Festival in Ushuaia, Argentina with invitation to become their annual Artist in Residence Pianist, orchestra concerts in 5 cities in Florida with South Florida Symphony, recitals in Sarasota for Chopin project, solo recital and recordings in Bangalore, India with Dr. Subramaniam for Sree Rama



Svetlana Smolina

Seva Mandali Festival and an orchestra recording of Beethoven Double Concerto with Maestro Derek Gleeson and Pavel Sporl at Bulgarian National Radio in Sofia, Bulgaria.

Her program will include works by F. Liszt, F. Chopin, Tchaikovsky- Pletnev The Concert Suite from the Ballet Nutcracker, and Rachmaninoff 3 preludes. The recital is sponsored by Paul Zimmerman, YFI Custom Homes, the Taylor Community and by Edward

Jones - Keven Lawfor Financial Advisor. The audience is encouraged, but not required, to be vaccinated and to wear masks. Tickets are \$25 and are available at Avery Insurance, Black's Paper & Gift Store, online at www.wfriendsofmusic.org or at the door. High school students with ID will be admitted free of charge and children accompanied by an adult ticket purchaser will be admitted free of charge. For more information, visit www.wfriendsofmusic.org or call 603-569-2151.

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