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## Speare Memorial Hospital helps Plymouth man get back in the race—and back to life

PLYMOUTH — One year ago, Mark Flynn had difficulty walking.

Today, the longtime Plymouth State University lecturer is lifting weights, riding his bike, tending to his chickens, and checking goals off a list that once seemed impossible.

At the top of that list was completing the Speare Shuffle 5K a couple weeks ago.

“I wasn’t ready a year ago,” says Flynn. “This year I finished it!”

The accomplishment marks the end of a remarkable recovery that began when a seemingly minor foot wound turned into a life-threatening medical emergency.

Flynn, who has taught English at PSU for more than 20 years, first noticed that a sore on his



Mark Flynn

left foot wasn’t healing. For months, he assumed it would eventually improve. Instead, the situation steadily worsened.

“I felt so awful that at one point I thought, I don’t care anymore,” says Flynn. “I had never felt that terrible in my life. I was just so tired.”

What Flynn didn’t know was that the atrial fibrillation, or AFib, that he had for the past decade had worsened, causing his heart to race at nearly 180 beats per minute. The condition reduced circulation to his foot, allowing an infection to take hold.

“I kept thinking things were going to get better on their own,” says Flynn. “That was a mistake.”

By the time he made an

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### Plane crash reported at Plymouth Municipal Airport

PLYMOUTH — Emergency crews responded to a reported aircraft crash at Plymouth Municipal Airport last Tuesday afternoon.

According to Plymouth Fire Rescue, crews were dispatched to the airport at 111 Quincy Rd. on June 9 at approximately 4:04 p.m.

Upon arrival, responders located a single aircraft on the runway that had sustained significant damage as a result of the crash.

Two occupants were aboard the aircraft at the time of the incident. Both individuals were evaluated by emergency personnel and transported to a local hospital with stable, non-life-threatening injuries.

Representatives from Plymouth Municipal Airport and Plymouth Police assisted emergency responders at the scene. Due to the nature of the emergency, an additional ambulance was requested from the Campton-Thornton Fire Department to assist with patient care and transportation.

The scene was secured by responding agencies. No injuries were reported among emergency personnel or individuals on the ground.

The cause of the crash remains under investigation by the Federal Aviation Administration.

## Community collaborates on Holderness beach restoration

HOLDERNESS — A collaborative shoreline restoration effort is underway at Livermore Beach in Holderness, bringing together students, educators, conservation organizations, and town partners to protect the health of Squam Lake through hands-on environmental stewardship.

The project is a partnership between Holderness Recreation Department, Squam Lakes Natural Science Center, Squam Lakes Association, Squam Lakes Conservation Society, and Holderness Central School. The work is guided by recommendations from the LakeSmart Program, a voluntary, science-based assessment and education initiative focused on reduc-

ing runoff, preventing erosion, and protecting lake health.

The 7.9-acre beach property, which includes 234 feet of shoreline on Squam Lake, faces environmental challenges identified through the LakeSmart assessment. Compacted soils, unmanaged runoff from parking areas, bare soils vulnerable to erosion, and invasive plant species all contribute sediment and phosphorus runoff into the lake. These pollutants can degrade water quality, harm aquatic habitat, and contribute to harmful algal and cyanobacteria blooms.

Protecting Squam Lake’s water quality is critical not only for wildlife

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## Softball Bobcats come up short in Division II title game

*Plymouth’s stellar season ends with runner-up plaque*

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING  
Sports Editor

HOLDERNESS — When the Plymouth softball team upset the defending champion Kingswood Knights in the first game of the regular season back in April, there were probably not a ton of people in attendance who thought that two months later, the same two teams would be meeting on the same field with the Division II championship on the line.

But, that was exactly the case on Saturday afternoon, as the defending champion

Knights scored two runs in the first inning and held off the Bobcats to win their second-consecutive championship by a 3-0 score.

The Knights entered the title game having banded out 33 hits and scoring 35 runs in their previous two playoff games but Plymouth pitcher Emilya Perras was up for the task and held the Knights relatively in check most of the day.

Kingswood pitcher Lexi Maloney set the side down in order in the top of the first inning and Anna Johnson was hit by a pitch to

open the bottom of the inning. She stole second and took third before scoring on an infield hit from Ella Smith to give Kingswood the 1-0 lead. Smith moved up on a sacrifice fly from Lily Scott and then scored when Cassidy Libby doubled to left and Kingswood had the 2-0 lead before Perras got a flyball to right to end the inning.

Gwen Donnelly worked a two-out walk in the top of the second inning but courtesy runner Libby Oldenburg was gunned down by

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Plymouth captains Trista Strickland and McKenzi Melanson pose with the Division II runner-up plaque after Saturday’s Division II title game.

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# Local students earn top honors as Brewster celebrates close of 2025-26 school year

## Before You Build: What New Hampshire Property Owners Should Know

BY DONALD CHAPMAN

President & Co-Founder, Strong Tree Engineering

Across New Hampshire, property owners are continuing to invest in their land - building new homes, adding garages and additions, upgrading septic systems, improving driveways, subdividing family property, and planning future development projects.

But many people quickly discover that building or improving property today involves much more than simply hiring a contractor and starting construction.

Questions about property boundaries, wetlands, drainage, stormwater, septic capacity, zoning setbacks, and local permitting requirements can significantly impact both cost and feasibility. In some cases, these issues are identified too late in the process - after valuable time and money have already been spent.

That's why proper planning up-front matters.

At Strong Tree Engineering, we work with homeowners, contractors, developers, landowners and town authorities throughout New Hampshire to help move projects from concept to construction. Our goal is to identify challenges early, simplify the process where possible, and help clients move projects forward efficiently and responsibly.

Many projects begin with a land

survey.

Accurate survey information is often the foundation for everything that follows - from locating property boundaries and existing features to determining setbacks, easements, topography, and buildable area. Whether someone is planning a new home, subdivision, addition, driveway, or commercial project, understanding the property itself is the critical first step. From there, civil engineering and site planning often come into play.

In New Hampshire, drainage and stormwater management are increasingly important components of development projects. Poor drainage can create long-term issues for both property owners and neighboring properties, especially with the heavier rain events we've seen in recent years. Proper grading, drainage design, and stormwater management help protect investments and improve long-term property performance.

Wastewater and septic planning are also major considerations throughout rural communities where municipal sewer infrastructure may not exist. Aging septic systems, limited soils, and changing property use can all create challenges that require careful engineering and permitting support.

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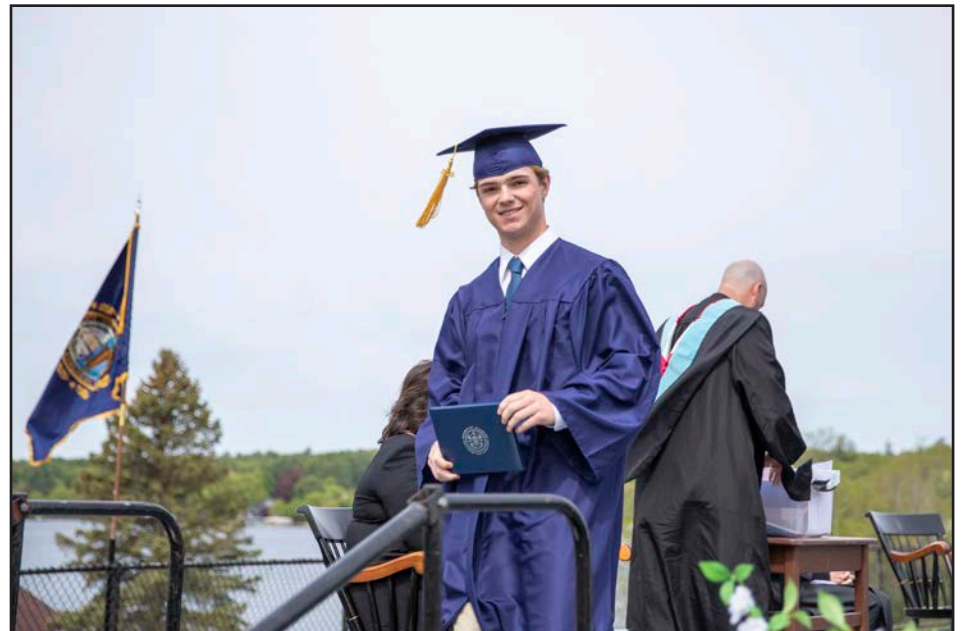


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**WOLFEBORO** — Brewster Academy recently celebrated the close of the 2025-26

school year, and six students from the Lakes Region and Carroll County were among

those recognized at the school's year-end ceremonies.

Commencement took place Saturday, May 23, on Brown Field, where Head of School

Kristy Kerin conferred diplomas on a Class of 2026 representing 15 countries and 18

states. The ceremony capped a week of traditions that included the Moving Up Day

awards ceremony and the Ivy Address.

The Commencement keynote was delivered by Marsha Ivins, a NASA astronaut who

flew five Space Shuttle missions and logged more than 1,300 hours in orbit. She urged

graduates to persist when told "no" and to remember that a team can

accomplish far more than any individual alone.

Graduating honorees

Estelle Good '26 of Meredith received the

Burtis F. Vaughan Award at Commencement, presented to the graduate who has most successfully combined scholastic and athletic

excellence with the per-

sonal qualities of sympathy, sincerity, appreciation, and

awareness. Spencer Drazek '26 of Bristol received the Faculty Growth Achievement Award at

Commencement, recognizing the graduate who has shown the greatest improvement in

general record over the junior and senior years.

Underclass honors and

new leadership At Moving Up Day, held May 18 in the Smith Center, faculty presented

academic awards and announced student leadership appointments for the coming

school year.

Local students featured prominently.

Anelya Caesar '27 of Wolfeboro received the Myrtle Dodge Award, voted on by the

entire faculty, in recognition of three years of summa cum laude and John Brewster

Scholar status, participation in three sports, and steady Gold Key tour guide service that

has continued through summers and school breaks. She also received the Colby

College Book Prize from the History Department, which honors a student who

exemplifies what it means to be a genuine stakeholder in humanity. For the coming

year, she was named a Gold Key Head Tour Guide and a Senior Class Leader.

Mila Bahr '27 of Ossipee was named Editor-in-Chief of both of Brewster's student

publications for the coming year: the student newspaper, The Brewster Browser, and

the yearbook, the Winnepesaukee.

Gabi Reynolds '27 of Wolfeboro was named Managing Editor of The Brewster Browser

and a Senior Class Leader for the coming year.

Audrina Crowell '28 of Sanbornville was named a Junior Class Prefect for the coming

year.

Brewster Academy is a boarding and day school located in Wolfeboro, accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC). For

more information, visit [www.brewsteracademy.org](http://www.brewsteracademy.org).

## New butterfly mural complete!

**BRISTOL** — The new mural featuring a 25-foot bright orange Monarch butterfly and its milkweed is quite impressive and beautiful.

Painted on the Cumberland Farms building, it faces the Butterfly Garden behind the Minot-Sleeper Library in Bristol. The project was a successful collaboration between the Pasquaney Garden Club and Bliss NH. Together, they developed a plan and design for the wall. Being that many teachers and educators use the garden as a classroom to teach about nature, the idea of the different stages of the butterfly and its milkweed became the theme for the art. The milkweed shows seeds which then grow into a caterpillar which then forms a pupa or chrysalis which the butterfly evolves from.

Artists Ben Archibald and Alesha Borges (of Bliss) donated their labor to paint the mural which only took a few days. The couple has done several other murals and signs in town. To pay for other services and supplies, the Club started a GoFundMe page and quickly raised their goal. The Club is very grateful to all who contributed funds. Especially the businesses for their generous support, such as Revival Motor Icons, A Newfound Spa, and Bliss. Every donation whether big or small was appreciated.

A dedication and thank you ceremony took place during the Club's Annual Plant Sale on June 6.

The Pasquaney Garden Club is a 501(c)3 not-for-profit organization. If you would like more information on events or to join, please contact: [carpenb3@gmail.com](mailto:carpenb3@gmail.com).

Dues are \$15/year. Meetings, events, and garden workdays are held from April - December.

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# Circle Program kicks off Summer Camp, expanding impact for New Hampshire girls



PLYMOUTH — Circle Program's summer camp returns to beautiful Spectacle Pond this month, continuing a mission that has served New Hampshire girls since 1993.

The Circle Program, based in Plymouth, is a year-round program supporting socially and economically disadvantaged girls from Concord to the Lakes Region through one-on-one mentorship, year-round enrichment programs, and residential summer camp experience, all free to the participants.

The program's unique, long-term model is designed to enrich, empower, and transform participants' lives. Over nine years, girls build strong relationships with peers, mentors, and staff while developing the skills needed to become confident, engaged members of their communities. Ultimately, Circle Program aims to help girls and young women grow into confident, independent, and resilient adults equipped to build strong, self-sufficient futures.

By bringing together girls from different towns who share similar life experiences, the year-round structure fosters a lasting sense of belonging and connection.

Executive Director Beth Dever says, "The program's long-term structure is what sets it apart. Our model works because relationships come first. When girls know they are supported over time, they're more willing to take risks, build confidence, and see new possibilities for themselves."

This summer, Circle Camp will welcome 93 campers across three age groups: ages 9-11, 12-14,

and 15-18. Among them are 31 girls attending camp for the first time, joining returning campers who come back each year for friendship, growth, and confidence building. Campers take part in a variety of traditional activities, including kayaking, archery, arts and sciences, as well as new experiences designed to broaden their horizons.

Circle's oldest campers take part in an Eastward Bound-style travel program called the Teen Adventure Program. This year, they will travel to Rhode Island for an experience they planned together throughout the school year. This program provides teen participants with the opportunity to apply their leadership and teamwork skills in a real-world setting.

Circle Camp is supported by a dedicated team that expands during the summer months. In addition to seven year-round staff members, the program brings in 18 - 20 seasonal staff, including counselors from New Hampshire, across the United States, and internationally. Notably, this year three staff members are former Circle campers.

The staff also includes four Counselors-in-Training (CITs), all current Circle Program participants. Beginning at age 16, Circle girls have the opportunity to become CITs, gaining leadership experience, contributing to their community, and earning a summer wage.

Elana Midura, Director of Camps and Programs, says, "It's incredibly powerful to see former Circle girls return as counselors. They've lived this experience, and now they're

role models for the next generation. Our staff bring diverse perspectives from all over, but what unites them is a commitment to creating a supportive, empowering environment for every camper."

Circle Program's summer camp experience blends beloved traditions such as swimming, hiking, and campfires with new and enriching opportunities. Guest speakers and specialized programming introduce campers to topics like art therapy and wild-life education, while field trips provide exposure to new environments such as museums and water parks, places that many campers may not otherwise have access to.

A standout tradition is "Shopping Night," where campers browse a transformed cabin turned boutique filled with donated clothing. Designed to feel like a high-end store, this event gives girls the opportunity to choose items for themselves in an empowering and celebratory environment.

Summer camp plays a central role in the Circle Program's overall model. It strengthens the relationships built during the school year while providing a safe, supportive space for personal growth. As girls progress through the program, their camp experiences evolve. Each year offers increasing levels of independence, choice, and leadership. This scaffolded approach ensures that each stage builds on the last, introducing age-appropriate skills and concepts that guide participants toward becoming empowered young women.

"Summer camp is where everything comes together. Girls step outside of their daily environments and discover new strengths in a space that's built entirely for them to succeed. Every summer, we see girls leave camp more confident, more connected, and more ready to take on the world and that's why this work matters so much," says Dever, highlighting the importance of summer camp.

To learn more about Circle Program, visit [www.circleprogram.org](http://www.circleprogram.org). Community members are also invited to visit camp and tour the property by scheduling a time with the office at 603-536-4244.

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# Opinion

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

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## A second chance worth celebrating

There are many reasons communities value their local hospitals. We often think first of emergency rooms, surgeries, and lifesaving medical interventions. Those services are certainly important. But stories like that of Plymouth resident and Plymouth State University lecturer Mark Flynn remind us that healthcare is also about something less tangible: hope.

A year ago, Flynn found himself facing a medical crisis that he never anticipated. What began as a foot wound that would not heal evolved into a life-threatening situation involving infection and complications from atrial fibrillation. Like many people, he assumed the problem would eventually resolve itself. Instead, it became progressively worse until a visit to Spears Memorial Hospital's Wound Care Center set in motion a chain of events that likely saved his life.

Today, Flynn is doing something that once seemed impossible. He is exercising, riding his bicycle, caring for his chickens, teaching his students, and recently completed the Spears Shuffle 5K.

His journey deserves recognition not simply because of the remarkable recovery, but because it highlights several lessons that benefit all of us.

The first is the importance of listening to our bodies. Too often, people delay seeking medical attention. Life is busy. Appointments can seem inconvenient. Symptoms are easy to dismiss. Many convince themselves that a problem will improve tomorrow, next week, or next month. Flynn himself acknowledges that waiting was a mistake.

His experience serves as a reminder that early intervention often makes the difference between a manageable condition and a medical emergency. It is far better to seek reassurance and discover nothing serious is wrong than to postpone care until options become limited.

The second lesson is the value of perseverance.

Recovery is rarely a straight path. It requires patience, discipline, and determination. Flynn endured surgeries, months of wound care, specialized equipment, lifestyle adjustments, and countless follow-up appointments. Through it all, he continued teaching and followed the guidance of his medical team.

That commitment paid off. The finish line at this year's Spears Shuffle represented far more than a race. It symbolized resilience, persistence, and the power of setting goals even when the road ahead appears uncertain.

Finally, Flynn's story underscores the importance of community healthcare.

Residents of central New Hampshire are fortunate to have access to skilled medical professionals close to home. In many rural regions across the country, patients travel hours to reach specialists or advanced care. Here, physicians, nurses, therapists, nutritionists, and support staff work together to provide comprehensive treatment without requiring patients to leave their communities.

Stories like Flynn's are not measured solely by procedures performed or miles walked. They are measured by lives restored. They are measured by people returning to work, spending time with family, pursuing hobbies, and participating in community events that once seemed out of reach.

The Spears Shuffle celebrates health and wellness. This year, one participant embodied that mission better than most.

Crossing the finish line was an achievement. The greater victory came long before that, when a patient decided to keep fighting, a medical team refused to give up on him, and a community hospital delivered the care that made a second chance possible.

Those are accomplishments worth celebrating.



The Common Man family of restaurants in New Hampshire marked National Red Cross Month in March with a fundraiser at six of its Common Man-named restaurants, donating \$1 of every dessert sold to the American Red Cross. Board Chair of the American Red Cross-New Hampshire Chapter Sharon Klardie and Rachel Prest, Regional Philanthropy Officer, accepted the donation of \$5,654 from the Common Man's Director of Communications & Community Relations, Erica Murphy, and CEO, Sean Brown. If you couldn't make it in during the fundraiser but would like to contribute to American Red Cross of Northern New England, you can make a donation online at: <https://www.redcross.org/donate/cm/commonman-pub.html>.

## In the Spotlight



## "Come From Away" opens Winnepesaukee Playhouse's professional season

BY GARY JESSEMAN  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

The true story of "Come From Away" opens the playhouse's professional season. If you're not familiar, it's the story of how over 7,000 people descended on Gander, Newfoundland because of restricted air space right after 9/11.

Not only people, but animals were in attendance, as well.

It was an impressive production. Having seen it before, I wasn't sure what

to expect with staging, etc. True, it was different, as one would expect, but the whole point of the story came shining through. People helping people. Don't we need more of that around today?

The band, led by Chris Renaud, was right in the middle of the stage, and they were wonderful. Sometimes a bit too loud making it hard to hear the words of the singers. But overall, very well done.

Directed by Bryan

Knowlton, the newly crowned Producing Artistic Director, he has these words that sum up the atmosphere of the production... "I have been deeply interested in how simplicity can become theatrical poetry. 'Come From Away' does not rely on spectacle to move us. Instead, it asks artists and audiences alike to lean into imagination, into language, into music and most importantly, into one another. There is something incredibly beautiful

about a piece of theatre that trusts human connection to carry the story."

If you go into the production with that kind of mindset, you will be transformed and hopefully rejuvenated in the ways of people helping strangers cope with this new experience in their lives.

"Come From Away" pays through June 27. Do see it if you can! Next up... "The Complete History of America" July 3 through 11.

## The things we learn too late

Father's Day always sneaks up on me. Not because I forget it's coming. The calendars remind us. The stores remind us. Every display of neckties, grilling tools and coffee mugs seems determined to make sure nobody misses it. What catches me off guard is something else entirely. It is how differently I think about fathers now than I did when I was younger.

When you're a child, your father seems larger than life. He knows how to fix things, where to go, and what to do when something breaks. If the power goes out, Dad has a flashlight ready. If the dog escapes the yard, Dad somehow knows exactly where to look. As children, we often

assume our fathers have all the answers. Then, somewhere around the teenage years, a remarkable transformation occurs. Suddenly the man who seemed to know everything appears to know very little at all. It is a phenomenon that has played out in households across generations. One day Dad is an expert. The next day he is hopelessly out of touch.

Eventually, if life is kind, something changes again. You grow older. You get a job, buy a home, raise children, pay bills and take on responsibilities of your own. The things that once looked simple begin to reveal their complexity. You discover that keeping a household running is not as easy as it appeared

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By CHIPPY

when you were 16 years old. Then one day you hear yourself saying something your father used to say. It might be advice about money, a reminder about punctuality, or a warning that shortcuts usually create more work in the end. The words leave your mouth and you stop for a moment, realizing that perhaps the old man knew a thing or two after all.

My father and I did not always see eye to eye. Looking back, I suspect many fathers and sons could tell a similar story. He belonged to a generation that did not spend much time talking about feelings. They were not raised to express affection through long conversations or emotional speeches. Instead, they showed love through work. Responsibility was how they demonstrated commitment. They provided for their families, showed up every day, and did what needed to be done. As a younger man, I did not always understand that. Like many people, I focused more on what was said than on what was

being demonstrated every single day.

The older I get, however, the more I appreciate the things that once seemed ordinary. I think about the early mornings and the long workdays. I think about the sacrifices that were made quietly, without complaint or expectation of recognition. I think about the worries carried privately and the responsibilities shouldered without fanfare. Most fathers never receive awards for those efforts. There are no parades for paying the mortgage on time, fixing a leaky faucet, coaching Little League, or driving a tired teenager to an early morning practice. Yet those small acts of reliability and commitment become the foundation upon which families are built.

Here in New Hampshire, we have always respected people who work hard without making a spectacle of themselves. Many of the fathers I grew up around fit that description perfectly. They were mechanics, teachers, truck drivers, carpenters, business owners, farmers, veterans and factory workers. They came from different backgrounds and had different personalities, but

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# Granite Outdoor Industry Day highlights NH's growing outdoor economy



COURTESY  
Department of Business and Economic Affairs Commissioner Lucy Lange noted the importance of outdoor recreation, which adds \$4.2 billion to the economy and supports over 33,000 jobs around the state.

PLYMOUTH — Outdoor industry leaders, business owners, policymakers and recreation advocates

gathered Wednesday for Granite Outdoor Industry Day, a statewide event celebrating the economic and

community impact of New Hampshire's \$4.2 billion outdoor recreation sector. Presented by the New

Hampshire Department of Business and Economic Affairs (BEA) and hosted by the Granite Outdoor Alliance, the event brought together stakeholders from across the state to discuss opportunities and challenges facing one of New Hampshire's key economic sectors.

"Outdoor recreation is both a quality-of-life asset and a significant economic driver for New Hampshire," said BEA Commissioner Lucy Lange. "From manufacturing and retail to tourism and guiding services, this sector supports businesses, jobs and communities across the state."

The program featured keynote speaker Erik Mogens, founder and CEO of Entabeni Systems, managing director of Indy Pass, and general manager of Black Mountain in Jack-

son. The outdoor recreation entrepreneur, in detailing how he decided to move his company from Colorado, said New Hampshire was an obvious choice.

"New Hampshire's the right place to do it," he said. "New Hampshire has the right attitude. It has the right political mix. It has the right emphasis on outdoor recreation, and I think this is a really safe place for us."

Participants heard updates on outdoor recreation initiatives, industry trends and efforts to strengthen collaboration among businesses, nonprofit organizations, and government partners. Discussions focused on expanding outdoor access, supporting outdoor businesses, workforce needs and sustaining the natural resources that underpin the state's outdoor

economy.

Industry awards honored leadership, enterprise, connection and workforce momentum. Recognized for their efforts were Marianne Borowski of Glen; the Appalachian Mountain Club; Taylor Caswell of Littleton, and Rudy Glocker of Burgeon Outdoor in Lincoln and Gorham.

Granite Outdoor Industry Day is part of New Hampshire's ongoing efforts to foster a strong outdoor recreation economy while preserving the state's natural assets and outdoor traditions.

For more information about New Hampshire's outdoor recreation initiatives, visit <https://www.nheconomy.com/office-of-outdoor-recreation>.

## Quincy Bog Nature Center hosts "Out in the Wild: One Man's Journey from the Closet to the Summit"

RUMNEY — The Quincy Bog Nature Center invites the public to a special Pride Month presentation, "Out in the Wild: One Man's Journey from the Closet to the Summit," on Wednesday, June 24, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. The program is free and open to all and will be followed by an informal reception with refreshments.

Presented by outdoor enthusiast, conservation advocate, and longtime hiker Mike Boisvert, the program shares a deeply personal journey from growing up closeted to becoming a confident, openly gay man. Through engaging storytelling and reflection, Boisvert explores how a lifelong connection to the outdoors provided both refuge and strength while navigating identity, self-acceptance, and belonging.

Drawing from decades of hiking, mountaineering, and outdoor leadership, Boisvert reflects on how representation in outdoor spaces has evolved over the past fifty years—from quiet, often unseen participation to a vibrant and visible LGBTQ+ outdoor community.

"Out in the Wild" is a heartfelt and inspiring presentation that speaks not only to members of the LGBTQ+ community, but also to hikers, outdoor enthusiasts, and anyone who has faced challenges in being their authentic self. Attendees will leave with a renewed appreciation for the transformative power of nature, community, and personal courage.

As part of Plymouth's Pride Month celebrations, the Nature Center will be decorated with rainbow flags in recognition of LGBTQ+ visibility, inclusion, and community.

For more information and program updates, visit [www.quincybog.org](http://www.quincybog.org).

About Quincy Bog Nature Center

The Quincy Bog Nature Center promotes environmental education, conservation, and appreciation of the natural world through programs, exhibits, and community engagement opportunities serving central New Hampshire and beyond.



## Local artist Alma Grand to showcase "Women's Work: Portraits of Artists Past and Present" at Pease Public Library

PLYMOUTH — Pease Public Library is happy to have local artist Alma Grand display her artwork for the month of July. Alma E. Grand is a native of El Paso, Texas who has lived, taught, and created art in Campton since 1977.

Grand is a multidisciplinary artist whose work spans painting, sculpture, and art history. Under the direction of Plymouth State University Professor Annette Mitchell, Alma mastered multi-plate printmaking. This technique serves as the ultimate vehicle for her creative expression, synthesizing a lifetime of artistic study into vibrant, layered prints. In the last several years, Grand has rediscovered painting on Arches Cover paper and stretched canvas using acrylics, gouaches, and oils. She has also found great joy in creating art "en plein air" with watercolor and pastel chalk.

"This exhibition includes a series of ink-on-paper portraits of women artists. In 2020, in the midst of the pandemic, I began a study of these women artists -- researching their lives & studying their art. As a result, I came to fully embrace and appreciate my own artistic freedoms. This experience has given me strength and inspired me to create new work," Grand said.

There will be an artist reception with light refreshments at Pease Public Library on Thursday, July 16 at 6 p.m.

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they shared a common belief that showing up mattered. Most of them were not perfect, and none would have claimed to be. They made mistakes, lost their tempers from time to time, and occasionally got things wrong. But they kept trying. In the end, that may be one of the most important lessons they passed along. Not perfection, but effort. Not always succeeding, but continuing to move forward.

This Father's Day, many families will gather around backyard grills, restaurant tables and living room couches. Phone calls will be made. Cards will be exchanged. Children and grandchildren will spend time with the men who helped shape their lives. Others, however, will spend the day remembering fathers who are no longer here. For them, Father's Day can feel a little quieter and a little more reflective. Yet memories have a way of lingering. A familiar phrase, an old photograph, a favorite tool hanging in the garage, or

a habit you did not realize you inherited can suddenly bring someone back into focus. A father who has been gone for years can feel surprisingly close in those moments.

As for me, Father's Day has become less about gifts and more about gratitude. Gratitude for lessons that took years to understand. Gratitude for examples that only became clear with age. Gratitude for the realization that many of the things we question when we are young begin to make sense as we grow older. We spend much of our lives trying to become our own people, carving out our own identities and making our own decisions. Then one day we discover that pieces of the people who raised us have quietly traveled alongside us all along.

Perhaps that is the real meaning of Father's Day. It is not a celebration of perfect fathers, because no such thing exists. Instead, it is a chance to honor the imperfect men who did their best, taught us what they could, and left us carrying a little piece of them wherever life takes us.



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# CHURCHES

## Campton Congregational

Sunday, June 21  
9:30 a.m. - Sunday worship led by Pastor Jeff Robie

10 a.m. - Children's Sermon/Sunday School  
Hamburger & Hotdog Cookout to follow Worship

Tuesday, June 23  
10 a.m. Bible Study  
Noon - BYOL Lunch  
1 p.m. Ladies Guild meets for crafts, tea time, fellowship, and fun!

Summer begins at Campton Congregational Church with the first cookout of the season! After worship this Sunday, everyone is invited to stay for a relaxed meal featuring hot dogs and hamburgers from the grill with potluck side dishes shared by friends old and new. It's always a fun way to start the summer - good food, and the kind of fellowship that reminds us why gathering matters. As always, Pastor Jeff's message will be thoughtful and inspiring, helping us carry that spirit of gratitude and connection into the week ahead. Whether you've been coming for years or haven't visited in a while, this is a wonderful Sunday to stop by, enjoy the morning, and feel part of something steady and welcoming. Come as you are — there's a place for you here.

We welcome you to join us this Sunday morning as we come together in worship and thanksgiving. As a member of the NACCC, our church values both independence and shared fellowship. Services are available on Facebook for those worshipping from

home. Tithes and offerings may be mailed to PO Box 328, Campton, NH 03223. For any questions or pastoral needs, please contact ourccc1774@gmail.com or call 603 536 2536.

## Chapel of St. John of the Mountains

Our 2026 season begins this Sunday. The Chapel is located at the corners of Ellsworth Hill and Ellsworth Pond Rd. (for you GPS 4 Ellsworth Pond Rd.), Ellsworth. Worship begins at 3 p.m. Our Christian services include time for prayer and a children's story as well as sermons and music designed to enrich your relationship with our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Each service has at its heart a Biblically based Christ centered message. We know you will be touched and your faith renewed as we join together in praising our Lord. Everyone is always welcome here. God bless you.

Sunday, June 21  
Father's Day  
Family Sunday  
Annual Meeting

Our opening Sunday will not only celebrate Fathers, but it will also include messages as to the importance of all members of our families. Pastor Cindy will lead us in a Christ Centered Biblically based message. This service will include a special message for our Children, as well as a time to share your prayer requests. Everyone will receive a gift as well.

Following this service we will hold our Annual Meeting.

Following the meeting we will share in refresh-

ments. This fellowship will give us time to visit with one another after our season apart. Service begins at 3 p.m. Pastor Cindy will arrive by 2:30, for those who wish to visit before worship.

Sunday, June 28  
Gospel Music  
Gary Brunt

Gospel Singer and longtime friend Gary Brunt will share his musical gift with us. Join us please. Gary has spent a lifetime sharing God's love for us in beautiful gospel songs, we know that you will be blessed by this worship.

Pot Luck Barbecue  
Following this service, we will share in our first Pot Luck Barbecue of the season. We gather at Judy Rodger's, please bring your favorite summer dish to share and let us know in advance what you will prepare. This will assist us in assuring that all have plenty to eat.

2026  
This season is filled with great speakers: Preachers and Gospel Singers, all designed to share Christ Centered Biblically based messages; assisting you with a closer relationship with our Lord and Savior.

To help our family grow together in fellowship we will also share in Barbecues and Field Trips. You are always welcome here.

### In Prayer

Please contact Pastor Cindy at your convenience for prayer requests. We also have a Prayer Chain and our Prayer Warriors will be honored to keep your concerns and rejoicings in prayer if you wish.

We are an Ecumenical Christian Church gathering to share the Gospel as we strive to strengthen our relationships with Jesus Christ.

More Information  
Contact Pastor Cindy with your e-mail or mailing address and a copy of our complete schedule will be sent to you upon

request by Phone home (603) 539-7064, or text (603) 515-6684; Please call at your convenience, serving you is a privilege.

## Christian Science Society, Plymouth

We'd love to have you join us at our Sunday services which are held at 10 a.m. each week at our church on Emerson Street. The services include a Bible lesson sermon, one which is read in Christian Science churches all around the world, as well as music and prayer. The first part of this week's Bible lesson includes a verse from II Timothy: "...the Lord will give you understanding in all things."

We are happy to have all children and young people up to the age of twenty come to our Sunday school. It is held at the same time as the church service. Students become familiar with the Bible, and learn truths which can help them in their everyday lives.

In the church building we have a Reading Room which is open on Mondays from noon to 2 p.m., and has a wealth of materials which you can read, borrow or buy. We have all books published by the Christian Science Publishing Society, Bibles and reference books. You can read the Christian Science magazines, the Sentinel and the Journal, which have articles by members from around the world with helpful, practical thoughts on meeting everyday challenges, and accounts of healing experienced through prayer. We welcome you to stop in and browse what's available. There are always publications which you are free to take with you.

We have a Wednesday evenings meeting each week at 6:00 each week. These meetings include short readings from the Bible and from the Christian Science textbook, and also time for sharing with one another gratitude for healing experiences in our lives, as well as thoughts

and insights from our Bible study and prayer.

On www.jsh-online.com, there are videos, podcasts and articles, including many for children and teens.

On www.christianscience.com, you can learn more about Christian Science. There are always links to articles in a number of languages including French, Spanish, German and Portuguese.

## Plymouth Congregational, UCC

Weekly Highlight: NH Master Chorale Concert at the church on Sunday, June 21 at 4 p.m. "Song of Democracy." Also, don't forget God on the Trail - Hike One will be at Quincy Bog on Saturday, June 27 at 10 a.m.

Please join us for Worship and Fellowship and Coffee Hour on Sunday Mornings at 9:30 a.m.

PCUCC is a welcoming community of faith focused on love, justice and peace. We aim to present God's message of Love to all people we encounter through service to the community, scripture, reflection, music and fellowship. We worship in the white church on the Town Common (4 Post Office Square). All are welcome. Find the livestream on YouTube at <https://www.youtube.com/@churchoffice9870/streams>. www.uccplymouth.org 603-536-2626.

## Starr King Unitarian Universalist Fellowship

Text. Text. Text. Text. Starr King Unitarian Universalist Fellowship

Starr King Unitarian Universalist Fellowship holds services at 101 Fairgrounds Rd., Plymouth, and is live streamed via Zoom every Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

Becoming a Garden: Flower Communion  
Rev. Linda Barnes

Just as we open our regular worship year with a water communion, we close it with a flower communion. Please bring a flower or two to share as we gather a bouquet of our common community, in beauty and in gratitude.

We will also honor our graduating seniors.

Unitarian Universalism is a caring, open-minded religion that encourages you to seek your own spiritual path. Our Faith draws on many religious traditions, welcoming people with different beliefs. We are a Welcoming Congregation recognizing no distinction of class, nationality, race, gender, or sexual orientation. We are a multigenerational community; families of all ages are always welcome. Children are invited to attend our religious exploration classes or, as families prefer, remain in sanctuary during the service. Our youth group (middle and high school) meets twice a month on Sunday afternoons.

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

## Wentworth Congregational

Here is our list of upcoming speakers:

June 21—(Father's Day) Rev. Paul Hanna  
June 28—Robert Moulton

July 5—W. Rumney Communion Service, 9 a.m.

July 12—Rev. Cindy Petrie (Communion and Bible Study)

July 19—Pastor Richard Carter

July 19—Our choir will present a concert at the Chapel of St. John of the Mountains in Ellsworth, 3 p.m.

July 26—Robert Moulton

Everyone is most welcome to join us for worship.



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**ASHLAND**  
Ashland United Methodist  
18 Washington St., Ashland  
9:30 Sunday morning Worship Service  
Visit our Website:  
<https://ashlandumc.faithlifetimes.com/>  
for more information and recordings of the Services.  
Pastor Roger Kleinpeter  
1-603-254-7796

Ashland Community Church  
55 Main Street - Ashland  
(across from Shurfine Market)  
10:00 a.m. - Worship  
August 18 - September 15 Teaching Series: "I Love My Church!"  
Toddler Zone (infants - five years old) led by Kara Hamill and Kid Zone (for K-6th grade) led by Debbie Madden.  
Small groups: We offer adult small groups that meet on Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday evenings.  
New Women's Ministry: A women's group will be starting this fall the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month beginning October 2019.  
Pastor Ernie Madden  
(603) 968-9464  
accernie@hotmail.com

Emmanuel Episcopal Church  
18 Highland Street, Ashland  
(603) 968-7640  
9:30 am Sunday School and Worship  
Rev. Stephen Rugg

**BRISTOL**  
Bristol Baptist Church  
30 Summer St. Bristol N.H. 03222  
1-603-744-3885  
Sunday  
Worship Service 10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study, and Sunday School at 9:00 a.m.  
Wednesday Women's Prayer Meeting 10:00 a.m.  
Wednesday Youth Group Meeting at 6:30 p.m.  
Thursday Men's Prayer Meeting at 6:30 p.m.  
Pastor John Bascom  
Church's e-mail address:  
pastorjohnbbc@yahoo.com

Bristol United Church of Christ  
15 Church St., Bristol  
9 a.m. Bible Study • 10 a.m. Sunday School  
10 a.m. - Worship Service • Child Care Available • 744-8132

Our Lady of Grace  
(part of Holy Trinity Parish)  
2 West Shore Rd Bristol, NH 03222  
Mass Schedule: 9:30 AM on Sundays (this is the only Mass on Sundays year round now).  
Daily Masses: Tuesdays and Thursdays at 8 AM.  
Eucharistic Adoration every Thursday after Mass until 10:00 AM.  
Parish office for both locations:  
11 School St, Plymouth, NH 03264,  
Phone: (603) 536-4700.

**CAMPTON**  
Campton Baptist Church  
1345 Main Street, Campton (603) 726-4662  
Sunday 10 a.m. - Sunday School  
followed by Time of Fellowship  
Wednesday 7 p.m. Prayer  
Bible Study 6:31 to 7:32  
Friday 5:30 p.m. Dinner & Movie (free)  
Women's Gathering 2nd Tuesdays 10 a.m.  
Men's Breakfast 2nd Saturdays 7 a.m.  
"Digging Deeper" Service 3rd Sundays 7 p.m.  
Food Pantry by Appointment  
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Campton Congregational  
#495 Rt. 175, Campton  
9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship Service  
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10:30 a.m. Tue. Bible Study  
for Youth & Adults  
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New Light Chapel  
Southmayd Plaza (off I-93 Exit 28)  
24 Southmayd Road, Campton  
(Across Route 49 from Campton Mobil)  
10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship Service  
Childcare and Children's Ministry available  
Pastor Steven Veinotte  
www.newlightchapel.com

**DANBURY**  
Danbury Christian Church  
High St., Danbury  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
11 a.m. Morning Worship  
Tuesdays 6:30 p.m. AWANA  
Thursday, 7:00 p.m. Prayer Group/Bible Study  
United Church of Danbury  
"All Are Welcome"  
Rt. 104 - Near Center of Town  
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9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
Contact: Sylvia Hill, Deacon at 768-3936  
danburypastor@myfairpoint.net

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9:15 a.m. Adult Education Hour

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9 a.m. - Sunday School  
10 a.m. - Morning Worship  
11 a.m. - Coffee Fellowship  
11:30 a.m. - Bible Hour  
6:30p.m. - Wed. Prayer & Bible Hour  
Teen/Children's Ministries  
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Pastor: Andrew Hemingway  
www.hillvillagebiblechurch.com  
Look for us on Facebook

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919 US Route 3 - P.O. Box 613  
Holderness, NH 03245  
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www.holdernesscomch.org

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8:45 a.m. Sunday Morning Service  
10:30 a.m. Sunday School  
6:30 p.m. Sun. Evening Service-Tilton  
7:00 p.m. Tuesday Evening Service  
Dr. Chester W. Kulus, Pastor  
Christian Science Society  
7 Emerson St., Plymouth  
10-11 a.m. - Sun. Service/Sun. School  
Wed. 6:00-7:00 - Testimonial Meeting www.cs-plymouth-nh.org  
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints  
324 Fairgrounds Rd. Plymouth  
10:00a.m. Worship Service

11-10a.m. Sunday School  
Tom Lopez (603) 998-4356  
Gateway Alliance Church  
9 Fairgrounds Road, Plymouth  
536-4122  
Worship Service and Sunday School 10:00 a.m. (Nursery care is available)  
Dennis Simmons, Pastor  
gatewayalliancechurch.org

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Our Lady of Grace Chapel  
2 West Shore Rd, Bristol  
St. Matthew Church  
11 School St in Plymouth NH.  
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Office email: holytrinitynh@gmail.com  
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United Church of Christ  
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259 Moosilauke Hwy. (NH-25)  
Sunday Schedule:  
Sunday School - 10:00 AM  
Worship Service - 11:00 AM  
Wednesday Schedule  
Bible Study - 6:30 PM  
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# Local projects receive Northern Border Regional Commission grants

REGION — Communities and organizations across seven rural New Hampshire counties will receive more than \$8.1 million in federal funding through the Northern Border Regional Commission (NBRC) Catalyst Program, supporting projects with a total economic impact of approximately \$18.4 million.

Established by Congress in 2008, the NBRC is a federal-state partnership that has contributed more than \$64 million into rural regions of New Hampshire for the last 10 years. Communities in all or portions of Belknap, Carroll, Cheshire, Coos, Grafton, Merrimack, and Sullivan counties are eligible for project funding focused on strengthening economic opportunity and infrastructure.

The 16 awarded projects this spring reflect priorities identified in New Hampshire's economic development strategy, including expanding housing and childcare capacity, supporting workforce development, investing in infrastructure, strengthening the forest products industry, and helping businesses grow and innovate in rural communities.

"These grants will be instrumental in creating new opportunities for rural communities across our state," Governor Kelly Ayotte said. "By investing

in childcare, workforce development, infrastructure, and economic revitalization, we are supporting projects that will make a lasting difference for rural New Hampshire families, businesses, and communities."

The New Hampshire Department of Business and Economic Affairs works closely with municipalities, nonprofits, educational institutions, and regional partners throughout the year to develop competitive projects that address critical community and economic needs. Guided by the state's economic development plan, these investments are designed to support long-term economic vitality, improve quality of life, and create opportunities for residents and employers across rural New Hampshire.

"NBRC awardees this round showcase the innovative nature of rural communities here in New Hampshire," Commissioner Lucy Lange said. "These projects represent investments that will strengthen what makes communities grow, thrive, and prosper by supporting local industries, expanding access to essential services, and helping communities build a stronger economic future."

The following projects received awards in the Spring 2026 round:

Mountain Village Char-

ter School, Plymouth, receiving \$600,000, for Mountain Village Community Commons to serve as an outdoor recreation site that strengthens long-term economic resilience;

About the New Hampshire Department of Business and Economic Affairs The Department of Business and Economic Affairs (BEA) is dedicated to enhancing the economic vitality of the State of New Hampshire while promoting it as a destination for domestic and international visitors. BEA oversees programs in economic development, international commerce, outdoor recreation industry development, planning and community development, travel and tourism, visitor services, and workforce development. For more information, visit [www.nheconomy.com](http://www.nheconomy.com).

The Northern Border Regional Commission is a federal-state partnership for economic and community development in northern Maine, New Hampshire, New York, and Vermont. Each year, the NBRC provides Federal funds for critical economic and community development projects throughout the northeast. These investments lead to job creation and leverage substantial private sector investments.

## Concord Hospital Health System expands access to specialty care with new Plymouth location

PLYMOUTH — Concord Hospital Health System (CHHS) is pleased to announce the opening of Concord Hospital Medical Offices at Plymouth, a new multispecialty clinic designed to improve access to specialty healthcare services for residents of Plymouth and surrounding communities.

Located within the Plymouth Commerce Park at 12 Yeaton Rd., Unit C4, Plymouth, the new office is scheduled to open on June 16.

The new location will initially offer otolaryngology (ear, nose, and throat) services with Stacy Casella, APRN, who will see patients on Tuesdays and accept new patients. Ad-

ditional specialty services, including urology and cardiology, are planned for the location and will be introduced as provider schedules are finalized.

"Expanding specialty care services closer to where our patients live is an important part of our commitment to improving access across the communities we serve," said CHHS Chief Clinical Officer Matthew D. Gibb, MD, MHCDS. "The opening of Concord Hospital Medical Offices at Plymouth creates new opportunities for patients to receive high-quality care locally while remaining connected to the broader resources of Concord Hospital Health System."

The new office provides more clinical space than the previous location and marks the return of otolaryngology services to Plymouth after several years.

"We are excited to once again offer otolaryngology services in Plymouth," said Stacy Casella, APRN. "Patients have expressed a desire to receive specialty care closer to home, and this location allows us to better meet that need while creating room for future growth."

For more information or to schedule an appointment with otolaryngology services in Plymouth, please visit [concordhospital.org](http://concordhospital.org).

## OBITUARY

*John J. Harnois*  
*August 20, 1948 - May 20, 2026*

It is with a heavy heart that we announce the passing of John J. Harnois, 77, of Holyoke, Massachusetts, who left us on May 20, 2026.

John was born in Holyoke on August 20, 1948, to Homer Harnois and Margaret I. (Costello) Harnois, but spent most of his life in Plymouth, New Hampshire. There, he built a life and became a pillar of the community.

Education was important to John. He proudly graduated from Holyoke High School, Holyoke Community College, and Plymouth State College. His working life was just as rich and varied - from his early days at a local sawmill and Clay's Paper Goods, to finding his true calling in property management. For 37 full years, John worked alongside his business partner as a student rental landlord. He also dedicated many years as a night watchman at Plymouth State College, watching over the campus and its students.

If you lived in Plymouth, you knew John. He was that familiar, friendly face on Main Street - out for his daily walk with his doberman, coffee in one



hand and a bagel in the other, always ready with a wave or a chat. John had a passion for ballroom dancing and was also an avid reader who loved books on speed reading and self-improvement - always believing that tomorrow he could be a little better than today. The conversations with John were never dull. He had a great sense of humor and was very proud of his Irish origins, often talking about getting back there to visit, but most of all, he was known to start his Christmas shopping in July.

John was involved deeply in his community. He was a passionate advocate for civic engagement, and you could always count on him to speak up at town meetings and community gatherings.

More than anything,

John will be remembered for the love he shared with his chosen family. He is survived by Alexandru Mican, who was like a son to him, along with Valeria Roxana Mican and their children, Meredith and Kevin. They will miss him more than words can say. He is also survived by his brother, Robert Harnois.

As per his last wish, there will be no services at this time, but John's memory will live on in the hearts of all who knew and loved him.

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# Defending champs fall to Bow in semifinals



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Remi Sakin is mobbed by teammates after scoring a goal in the Division III semifinals in Laconia last week.

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING  
Sports Editor

LACONIA — The defending champion Plymouth lacrosse boys hung tight in the Division III semifinals on Thursday, June 11, but the Bow Falcons held the Bobcats scoreless in the second half on the way to an 8-5 win to bring Plymouth's season to

a close.

The Falcons got on the board first, scoring just 16 seconds into the game before Plymouth responded with a goal from Brodhi Rousseau just more than a minute into the game. Plymouth took the lead with 6:44 to go in the first quarter, with Remi Sakin netting the go-ahead goal



Brodhi Rousseau celebrates Plymouth's first goal in last week's Division III semifinals at Laconia High School.

for the Bobcats.

Bow tied the game with 4:48 to go in the first quarter and then scored with 3:36 to go and added another with 1:37 to go for the 4-2 lead. Plymouth got the final goal of the first quarter, with Sakin scoring with seconds left on the clock and the Bobcats trailed 4-3 after one quarter

of play.

The Bobcats tied the game with 5:59 to go in the first half, with Fim Whitworth scoring to make it 4-4 and Bow answered with 5:42 to go for the 5-4 lead. However, Whitworth scored with 1:31 to go in the first half and the two teams went to the halftime break with the score knot-



Cooper Mack defends against a Bow attacker during action in the Division III semifinals.

ted at five.

Bow scored the lone goal of the third quarter with 6:39 to go to take the 6-5 lead after three and then added two more goals in the fourth quarter, scoring with 5:54 to go and 3:54 to go for the 8-5 final score.

Plymouth finished the regular season at 12-3

to earn the third seed in the Division III tournament and defeated Bishop Brady in the quarterfinals to advance to the semifinal round.

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## Cinderella Bobcats book trip to Final Four

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING  
SPORTS EDITOR

HOLDERNESS — Looking at the scoreboard during the Division II softball semifinals may have confused more than one person.

The Plymouth Bobcats, who upset John Stark and top-seeded Oyster River to advance to the Division II Final Four, were playing on their home field, but the

Bobcats were playing as the visitors on the scoreboard, taking on fourth-ranked ConVal on Tuesday, June 9.

In a game that started an hour late due to the first game of the night running long, the Bobcats gave their hometown fans something to cheer about, scoring four runs in the top of the sixth inning to break a 1-1 tie and knocked off the Cougars by a 5-1 score to advance to

the Division II finals for the first time since 1999, when the Bobcats lost to rival Kennett in the championship game.

In the early-going it looked like the Bobcats were going to struggle with ConVal's starting pitcher, as she mowed down hitters almost exclusively via the strikeout for the first five innings.

Emily Perras worked a two-out walk in the top of the first, but the Cougar hurler struck out the side around that walk. Perras then did a little magic of her own in the bottom of the inning, as she worked around a leadoff triple, retiring the next three batters to leave her stranded at third. The Bobcats went on order in the top of the second and Perras again worked a little magic in the bottom of the inning, working around a pair of hits, with McKenzi Melanson making a great



JOSHUA SPAULDING

Plymouth pitcher Emily Perras is sandwiched by catcher Gwen Donnelly and shortstop Sydney Dekutoski after recording the final out of the Division II semifinals last Tuesday.

stretch at first on a throw to help secure the third out of the inning.

Melanson then tripled with one out in the top of the third and scored on a Peyton Moore base hit to give the Bobcats the 1-0

lead. ConVal got an infield hit to open the bottom of the inning but Bobcat catcher Gwen Donnelly gunned her down stealing second and Perras struck out the next two batters.

Sydney Dekutoski had a

one-out base hit in the top of the fourth but she was stranded on the bases and the Cougars tied the game in the bottom of the frame, using back-to-back doubles to start the inning to plate the run. Alivia Foote made a great play on a foul pop up at third to help the Bobcats get out of further trouble in the frame.

After Plymouth went in order in the top of the fifth, the Cougars got an infield hit to start the bottom of the inning. Dekutoski made a nice play on a popup to short and Perras pitched her way out of the inning leaving the game tied.

Moore led off the top of the sixth with an infield hit and Baylee Newcomb followed with an infield hit. One out later, a Dekutoski base hit drove in the go-ahead run and Foote reached on a bunt hit to load the bases. A Donnelly base hit drove in another run and Libby Oldenburg took over on the bases. One out later, Brook Dame reached on an error to drive in two more runs and Plymouth led 5-1 in the middle of the sixth inning.

Perras worked around a one-out base hit in the sixth and worked a two-out walk in the top of the seventh, but the game went to the bottom of the seventh with the Bobcats up by the 5-1 score.

Perras retired the first two batters, but a walk and dropped third strike put two runners on base for the Cougars. However, the Plymouth hurler came back to strike out the next batter, clinching the Bobcats' spot in the Division II finals.

The Bobcats took on rival Kingswood in the Division II finals on Saturday.

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Alivia Foote fires a throw from third base during Division II semifinal action last Tuesday evening.



Sydney Dekutoski puts the tag on a ConVal runner during action in the Division II semifinals last Tuesday.



McKenzi Melanson lets out a yell as she crosses the plate with Plymouth's first run of the game in the Division II semifinals.

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# Lee earns tennis First Team All-State honors

*Plymouth boys win Division II Sportsmanship Award*



JOSHUA SPAULDING

Arianne Lee of Plymouth was named Division II All-State First Team for her senior tennis season.

Lee's first round match against White Mountains by an 8-2 score and then fell to Winnacunnet in the second round to end their day.

Tourney talk Plymouth's number one doubles team of JD Doherty and Landon Custance qualified for the state tournament and won

their first round match against White Mountains by an 8-2 score and then fell to Winnacunnet in the second round to end their day. Sports Editor Joshua Spaulding can be reached at 279-4516, ext. 155 or [josh@salmonpress.news](mailto:josh@salmonpress.news).

The Plymouth tennis boys earned the Division II Sportsmanship Award. Front row (l to r), Jackson Bouchard, Nolan Johnson, Landon Custance, JD Doherty. Back row (l to r), Colby Savage, Logan Huckins, Ethan Doherty, Grant VanSickle, Brenden Murray, Ezra Amsden, David Powers and coach Tony DiNardo.

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING

**SPORTS EDITOR**

REGION — After a season that saw two local teams reach their respective championships and others make their respective semifinals, there were a few locals honored when the state's tennis coaches voted for All-State honors.

In Division II, Plymouth's Arianne Lee was named Division II First Team and the Plymouth boys earned the Division II Sportsmanship Award along with Hollis-Brookline.

Joining Lee in earning First Team honors for the girls were Callie Perrin of Souhegan (Player of the Year), Avery Porter of Portsmouth, Abby Robinson of Timberlane, Anna Heiplik of Hollis-Brook-

line and Lindsay St. Pierre of Manchester West. Second Team honors in Division II went to Aia Tracz of Portsmouth, Ori Dart of Souhegan, Jessica Li of Oyster River, Haley Samuelson of ConVal, Camryn Andrews of Winnacunnet and Hailey Hanaford of Timberlane.

Portsmouth coach Wendy Poutre was named Division II Coach of the Year and Winnacunnet and Coe-Brown won the Sportsmanship Award for the division.

For the Division II boys, First Team honors went to Jiles Tracz of Portsmouth, Brian Goddard of Souhegan, David Cuceu of Winnacunnet, Tyler Dionne of Goffstown, Mila Cocola of Bow and Arjun Inakollu

and John Torpey of Hollis-Brookline. Second Team Division II went to Will Emerson and Ben Emerson of Milford, Coen Soucy of Goffstown, Amitay Hay Tene of Portsmouth, Ethan Hall of Bow and Mikhail Agapov of Merrimack.

Tino Sepulveda of Hollis-Brookline was named the Division II Coach of the Year.

In Division III, Prospect Mountain's Lean Lamotte was named Division III Player of the Year and was joined in First Team honors by Emma Rancloes of Berlin, Ally Onos and Jade Nicolas of Gilford, Tucker Dragon of Kearsarge, Stella Piatt of Trinity and Marianna Utell of Lebanon. Emily Smith of Berlin

was named Division III Second Team All-State along with Samyra Graber of Lebanon, Shiloh Poliquin of Kearsarge and Irina Steinberg of St. Thomas.

Inter-Lakes and Prospect Mountain earned the Division III Sportsmanship Award and Rob Johnstone of Lebanon was named Division III Coach of the Year.

For the Division III boys, Caiyu Demaggio of Profile earned First Team honors and he was joined by Alex Molda (Player of the Year) and Aaron Molda of St. Thomas, Billy Reid of Kearsarge and Teddy Yap and Alex Pelletier of Bishop Brady.

The Gilford boys earned the Division III Sports-

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## Newfound hands out spring sports awards

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING

Sports Editor

BRISTOL — The Newfound athletics department wrapped up the spring season with the annual spring sports awards last week.

For the baseball boys, Gavin Royea received the Pabst Award and Nate Arnold and Ricardo Rivera-Soto each received the Coaches Award. Royea also received the Bears Booster Club Student Athlete Award while the NHIAA Sportsmanship Award was presented to Cameron Ehmman for the varsity team and Ryan Blais for the JV team.

For the softball team, Kinley Smith received the Bears Booster Club Student Athlete Award and the NHIAA Sportsmanship Award was presented to Olivia Bell for the

varsity team and Kendall Untiet for the JV team.

For the girls' track team, Ceili Irving was named the Runner of the Year, Autum Blackman was named Jumper of the Year and Sophie Drake was named Thrower of the Year. Irving also received the Bears Booster Club Student Athlete Award and Reece Cutting was presented the NHIAA Sportsmanship Award.

For the boys' track team, Brady Harker was named Runner of the Year, Jack DiFilippe was named Jumper of the Year and Beckett Mackay was named Thrower of the Year. Harker was also presented the Bears Booster Club Student Athlete Award and Hayden Mackay earned the NHIAA Sportsmanship Award.



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# Flynn

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appointment at Speare Memorial Hospital's Wound Care Center, the infection had become serious, at risk of developing into sepsis. He worried that he was in a more precarious condition than he originally thought.

"When I got to the Wound Care Center, they realized how bad it was," says Flynn. "They put me in a wheelchair and immediately took me to the emergency room."

Within minutes, doctors and nurses surrounded

him. Soon after, surgeon Dr. Alice Rocke of Plymouth General Surgery, performed emergency surgery to remove the infected tissue.

"Within 45 minutes of my arrival at Speare, they began the procedure," Flynn recalls.

He spent four days at Speare while physicians stabilized his heart rate and blood pressure. The hospital team also adjusted his medications to address the underlying AFib that had contributed to the problem.

Once discharged, Flynn began months of treat-

ment with Dr. Dennis Claire, Speare podiatrist and wound specialist, and the staff at Speare's Wound Care Center. He met with a Speare nutritionist who advised him that recovering from a wound required extra protein and certain vitamins.

The crisis passed, but Flynn's recovery was only beginning.

"Fortunately, I was never in pain again once I went to Speare," says Flynn. "The battles have been mostly mental, to stay strong and focused, follow orders, and not give up."

A second surgery followed with Dr. Claire this time, to help everything heal properly. Flynn used a wound vacuum system, wore a protective boot, and relied on a knee scooter to keep pressure off his foot. He continued teaching through the process, while carefully following every instruction from his medical team.

"I was a stellar patient," he says. "They told me what to do and I did it."

Flynn went to the Speare Shuffle in 2025 but was unable to participate as he was still in a boot. But he was impressed by what he observed.

"I saw ladies pushing their babies in strollers and told myself, there is no reason that I can't do this in 2026," he says. "They motivated me."

Flynn credits the wound care team of nurses for not only for treating his condition but also for helping him stay positive throughout his recovery.

"Everybody there made me feel hopeful and I started believing that I could do it and that it wasn't the end," says Flynn. "They didn't put any pressure on me, but I feel like I owe them a debt after receiving so much attention to

go back out into the world and do something with my life."

That optimism proved essential as months of treatment slowly gave way to progress. By August, his wound had healed, and he was discharged from care.

Today, Flynn says he feels better than he has in a long time.

"My heart is functioning so much more efficiently," he says. "I'm getting around more, and I'm incredibly motivated to get stronger. It feels amazing. I began to lift weights as a teenager and now I remember why I liked it so much."

Looking back, Flynn says the experience taught him an important lesson.

"Don't wait to seek medical care, especially as you get older," he says. "If something doesn't seem right, get it checked out. It is better to go to the doctor and find out you don't need any extra care than to do what I did. I got extremely lucky."

Mark also feels fortunate to have a local hospital that provided all the care he needed.

"It was incredibly helpful to have all these services available at Speare," he says. "They may be a

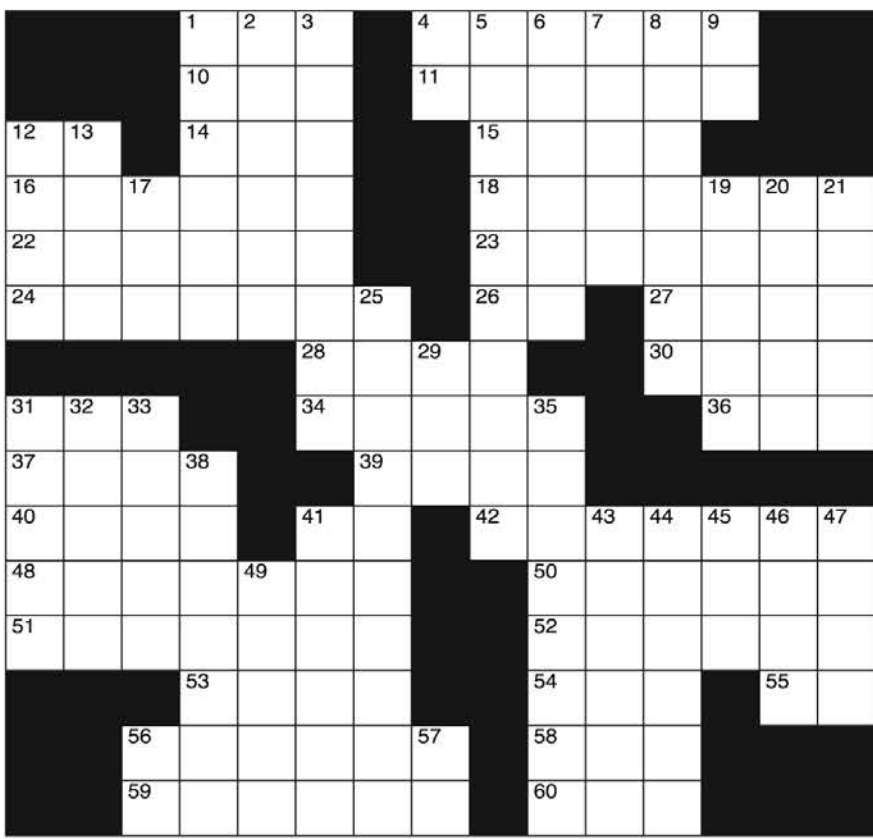
smaller hospital, but they know what they are doing there and you can trust them."

For Flynn, recently completing the 2026 Speare Shuffle 5k was more than crossing the finish line. It was a celebration of a second chance—one he credits to the quick action, expertise, and compassion of the team at Speare Memorial Hospital.

"Dr. Rocke and Dr. Claire are both rock stars, and their entire team is equally heroic," he says. "Speare pretty much pulled me back from the edge and saved my life."

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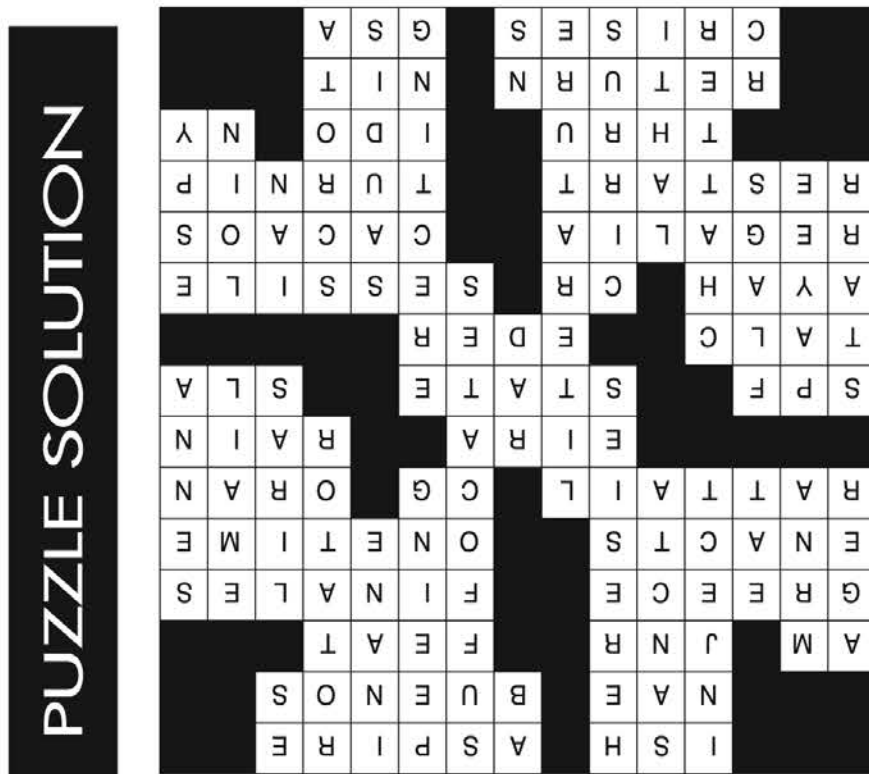


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- 1. Similar
- 4. Have an ambitious plan or a lofty goal
- 10. No (Scottish)
- 11. \_\_\_ Aires, city
- 12. Morning
- 14. Senior's son (abbr.)
- 15. A notable achievement
- 16. European nation
- 18. Endings
- 22. Puts into place
- 23. Former
- 24. Grenadier
- 26. Sea patrol
- 27. Algerian port
- 28. Norwegian river
- 30. Precipitation
- 31. Sunscreen rating
- 34. New York is one
- 36. Patti Hearst's captors
- 37. Soft mineral with greasy feel
- 39. Retired Brazilian footballer
- 40. An Indian nursemaid
- 41. Atomic #24
- 42. Immobile
- 48. Insignia of royalty
- 50. Seeds from which chocolate is made
- 51. Begin again
- 52. Round root
- 53. Beginning to end (alt. sp.)
- 54. What newlyweds just said
- 55. Empire State
- 56. Give back
- 58. College hoops tournament
- 59. Unstable situations
- 60. Young women's association

## CLUES DOWN

- 1. Administer a drug
- 2. Holy places
- 3. Contrary opinions
- 4. Blood type
- 5. Gags
- 6. Micturating
- 7. Silly
- 8. A type of "cuff"
- 9. Spanish be
- 12. Austrian river
- 13. Messenger ribonucleic acid
- 17. Consume food
- 19. California supermarket
- 20. Electronic communication
- 21. Cassia tree
- 25. Written works
- 29. Cool!
- 31. Noteworthy 90s lawyer Kenneth
- 32. One who was compensated
- 33. National symbols
- 35. Raising
- 38. A type of talk
- 41. Cloud
- 43. Middle Eastern peoples
- 44. Pouches
- 45. 007's creator
- 46. A cut of meat
- 47. Sports entertainment award
- 49. Christine \_\_, actress
- 56. Relief organization (abbr.)
- 57. Canadian province (abbr.)



## Restoration

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and recreation, but also for the region's economy and identity. As climate change brings more frequent and intense stormwater events to New Hampshire, projects like this demonstrate how communities can work together to build resilience and safeguard treasured natural resources for future generations.

Throughout May, middle school students from Holderness Central School and Holderness residents worked to remove invasive plant species and build water diverters designed to slow and redirect stormwater runoff from the road. Additionally, K-4 Earth Club students gathered after school to

plant native shrubs and trees to help stabilize soil, reduce erosion, and improve wildlife habitat. They were joined by parent volunteers and members of the Squam Lakes Association AmeriCorps staff. On another community workday, Squam Lakes Conservation Society and Lakes Region Conservation Trust AmeriCorps staff continued pulling invasive species and planting native trees.

Funding for this stage of the project was provided through a grant from the Rockywold-Deephaven Camps Squam Environmental Preservation Fund. Rockywold-Deephaven Camps is implementing its own LakeSmart shoreline improvements along its mile-and-a-half of Squam

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## Bobcats

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Scott to end the inning. Perras worked around a one-out base hit from Makenzie Boisvert in the bottom of the second inning. Maloney set the side down in order in the top of the third inning before Kingswood got singles from Smith and Scott with one out in the bottom of the inning. Smith was called out on an interference call on the bases on a Libby grounder to short and Perras got a strikeout to end the inning.

Perras singled with two outs in the bottom of the fourth inning and Sydney Dekutoski reached on an error, but Maloney snared a line drive back to the circle to end the threat and the inning. Makenzie Boisvert had a one-out base hit

in the bottom of the fourth and Alexis Fowler followed with a hit. A Johnson bunt hit loaded the bases, but a fly ball to Dekutoski at short and a strikeout ended the inning with Kingswood up 2-0 after four innings.

Maloney retired the side in order in the top of the fifth inning and Perras worked around a leadoff single from Scott in the bottom of the inning. McKenzie Melanson was hit by a pitch to open the top of the sixth inning and she was cut down on a grounder to short by Peyton Moore and Miley Boisvert made a nice grab in right field to end the top of the sixth inning.

Makenzie Boisvert had a leadoff base hit in the bottom of the sixth and pinch runner Lainey Miller took over on the bases. She stole second and went to third on

an error and when Blattenberger popped up behind second base, Miller tagged up and Shaw sent her home with a key insurance run for the 3-0 lead.

Maloney then retired the side in order in the top of the seventh inning, with Miley Boisvert making another great diving play in right to end the game and clinch the second championship in a row for the Knights.

The Knights finished the regular season at 12-4 to earn the third seed and defeated Sanborn and Coe-Brown to advance to the finals.

The Bobcats finished the regular season at 10-7 to earn the ninth seed and upset John Stark, top-ranked Oyster River and fourth-ranked ConVal to advance to the championship game.



Plymouth catcher Gwen Donnelly leaps to try and grab a throw as Kingswood's Lainey Miller scores in title game action on Saturday.

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Campton	Ryder Brook Road	N/A	\$102,000	Scott B. and Nancy A. Trudeau	Ira Patrick N. Barrer and Annie Portia Michaelis
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Campton	N/A	N/A	\$460,000	Mary Ellen and Todd Farmer	Fernandez Fusal Trust 2025 and Eric Fernandez
Campton	N/A (Lot 7)	N/A	\$320,000	Donald and Laura Mei	Jonah and Brook Geligoff
Ellsworth	N/A	N/A	\$285,000	Jonathan and Jessica Loiacono	Tyrell Development Co. LLC
Hebron	5 Cross Rd.	Single-Family Residence	\$655,000	Andrew B. Comendul, Jr. and Jocelyn R. Kaye	Mark and Lorrie Roughan
New Hampton	N/A (Lot 2)	N/A	\$80,000	Tracy L. and Ruth D. Simula	Kevin and Christine Caravoulas
Plymouth	Fairgrounds Road	N/A	\$160,000	M. & Nancy Comai RET and Matthew P. Comai	Dana Jean Selliken and Michael Hartnett
Plymouth	Russell Street	N/A	\$310,000	Thomas E. Lamb RET	Russell Street Holdings LLC
Plymouth	Texas Hill Road	N/A	\$229,800	Diane Y. Francis	Shell Yu and Bin Mao
Rumney	362 Cross Rd.	Single-Family Residence	\$1,050,000	Nicholas P. and Jillian M. Burt	Christopher and Anne Ramos
Rumney	144 Halls Brook Rd.	Single-Family Residence	\$315,400	Cynthia M. Gold	Theodore J. and John B. Bieber
Thornton	1642 NH Route 175	Single-Family Residence	\$425,000	Maria J. Geary-Brautigan and Star Barnett Salzman	Briana Chelsea and Edward J. Buczynski III
Wentworth	256 Ellsworth Hill Rd.	Mobile Home	\$185,000	Frank S. Karcher	Raina Merrow and Shawn Fitzgerald

## ABOUT THE REAL REPORT

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

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# Hill readies for “Way Ovah the Hill” celebration

BY DONNA RHODES  
Contributing writer

HILL — Across the country, cities and towns will soon be celebrating the 250th Anniversary of the United States, and with so many events slated for the Fourth of July, the Town of Hill decided to host their “Way Ovah the Hill” festivities a week earlier, on Saturday, June 27.

The all-day celebration is set to begin at 11 a.m. with a parade that will include floats, cars, trucks, motorcycles, walkers, bike riders, tractors, police and fire departments from the area, all decked out to

show their patriotism.

At approximately noon, everyone is asked to gather by the flag pole beside the Town Pond for the National Anthem and a special bench dedication. The Wicked Witches of the Lakes Region will then perform their magical dances for all to enjoy.

Once the witches fly off over the Pemi River, Hill’s Bed Races are scheduled to get underway around 12:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to gather a small group together, come up with a fun name for themselves, and register to see which team can push an old-fashioned metal bed down Cres-

cent Street the fastest. It is promised to be a great event for both participants and onlookers alike.

Throughout the afternoon hours there will be live music at the Wallace Bandstand. People can bring their own chairs or blankets to relax beside the pond, while a car show will also take place on the ballfield behind the Town Offices. Vendors will be set up on the lawn with crafts and other items for sale, and five food trucks will be available to keep everyone

well-fed throughout the day and evening hours.

For the kids, there will be an ice cream truck, maple cotton candy from Robie’s Sugarhouse, a petting zoo and a bounce house for them to enjoy. Horseshoes and Cornhole will also be available for teams and families to test their skills.

From 5:30-9 p.m., a live band will take center stage for entertainment and dancing in the street, then as the sun disappears over the mountains, fireworks will light up the evening

sky.

The “Way Ovah the Hill” committee has been hard at work for many weeks to make this celebration a special day for

not just the town, but residents and people from all over who they warmly invited to join them.

## Hebron celebrates America’s 250th Birthday on July 4

HEBRON — The town of Hebron invites the public to Hebron’s America 250 Celebration - a free, family-friendly Fourth of July event marking America’s 250th anniversary on the Hebron Common from 2-6:30 p.m.

The afternoon features a four-plane flyover by the Hebron Angels, a Patriotic Parade with veterans, horses, antique cars, children, and dogs in patriotic garb, flagpole ceremonies including a reading of the Declaration of Independence, Reflections by Phil Taub and a visit with Revolutionary War veterans, food, beverages and games, and a live performance by the Baker Valley Band.

### EVENT SCHEDULE

TIME	EVENT
2:00 PM	Bell Tolling • Hebron Angels 4-Plane Flyover • Patriotic Parade Begins
	Parade features veterans, horses, antique cars, children, and dogs in patriotic garb; led by bagpiper Joe DeLuca
2:30 PM	Ceremonies at the Flagpole
	Pledge of Allegiance • Invocation • Reading of the Declaration of Independence • Reflections with Phil Taub
3:15 PM	Visit with Hebron’s Revolutionary War Veterans
	Living history presentation
3:30 PM	Food, Drinks & Games on the Hebron Common
	Last Chair Brewery Beer Van • Hebron Village Store • Free Popcorn (compliments of Bill White, popped by the Begor Family) • Bocce • Cornhole
5:00 PM	Music at the Gazebo — Baker Valley Band
	Free outdoor concert through 6:30 PM

## Pease Public Library receives new museum passes for Mount Washington Observatory

PLYMOUTH — Pease Public Library has added, a new museum pass to its offerings this year. The library now offers a pass to the Mount Washington Observatory.

The pass provides free weather station tours for family with two adults and kids age 17 and under and one passenger in each “Drive Yourself” on the auto road rides for free. Also, for the month of June, anyone with the library pass can get buy on get a second free for the Cog Railway. Museum passes are free with a Pease Public Library card. They can be reserved up to one month in advance and can be reserved at <https://peasepubliclibrary.org/museum-passes/>. All museum passes are generously funded by the Young Ladies Library Association.

## Halle Kozak graduates from Ohio Wesleyan University

DELAWARE, Ohio — Halle Kozak of Wentworth, graduated May 9 from Ohio Wesleyan University.

Kozak graduated cum laude with a Bachelor of Arts degree. Kozak majored in Botany and Zoology and minored in English.

Founded in 1842, Ohio Wesleyan University is one of the nation’s premier liberal arts universities. Located in Delaware, Ohio, the private university offers more than 70 undergraduate majors and competes in 24 NCAA Division III varsity sports. Through its signature program, The OWU Connection, Ohio Wesleyan teaches students to integrate knowledge across disciplines, build a diverse and global perspective, and apply knowledge in real-world settings. Ohio Wesleyan is featured in the book “Colleges That Change Lives” and included on the U.S. News & World Report and Princeton Review “Best Colleges” lists. Connect with OWU expert interview sources at [www.owu.edu/experts](http://www.owu.edu/experts) or learn more at [www.owu.edu](http://www.owu.edu).

## PRHS Class of 1996 to hold reunion July 18

CAMPTON — Members of the Plymouth Regional High School Class of 1996 will gather next month to celebrate their 30-year class reunion.

The reunion is scheduled for Saturday, July 18, from 6 to 10 p.m. at Covered Bridge Farm Table in Campton. Classmates will have an opportunity to reconnect, share memories and catch up on the three decades since graduation.

Organizers are encouraging all members of the Class of 1996, along with former classmates who may have moved before graduation, to attend the event.

Tickets and additional information are available by contacting Scott Sinclair at 603-512-5699 or by email at [scs1977@gmail.com](mailto:scs1977@gmail.com).

The reunion will be held at Covered Bridge Farm Table, located in Campton, and will feature an evening of food, conversation and celebration among former classmates.

## Thornton Central School announces honor roll

THORNTON — Thornton Central School has released its honor roll for the third trimester of the 2025-2026 school year.

**Fifth Grade**  
High Honors: River Clark, Kate Gibbs, Karolina Donis, Kandice Gowen, Natalie Hopkinson, Genevieve Laufenberg, John McCauley  
Honors: Colby Costello, Sophie Cunha, Henry Hadaway, Sydjius Honkala, Tyler Kirkpatrick, Owen Sheers

**Sixth Grade**  
High Honors: Benjamin Bartlett, Annika Rose, Kian Tomioka  
Honors: Raegan Cawley, Karl Glover, Colin Truchon

**Seventh Grade**  
High Honors: John Donis, Aurora Glover, Torsten Kroupa, Mackenzie Smith  
Honors: Robert Baptista, Lily Kelley, Liam Nelson, Taylor Superchi, Averie Sutherland

**Eighth Grade**  
High Honors: Ryan Truchon, Brynlee Sanborn, Michael Dinger, Shea Daigle  
Honors: Blake Testut, Nolan Sanborn, Ryan Shuffleton, Savannah Hesser, Lillyanna Dolan, Colin Gallagher, Enzo Cella, Darrien Burhoe

## Community invited to Night Out at Kelley Park

BRISTOL — Join in an evening of connection, discovery, and community at Community Night Out in beautiful Kelley Park!

Hosted by the Town of Bristol and the Bristol Events Committee, this event is all about bringing people together - highlighting the incredible local organizations, nonprofits, and resources that support our community every day.

Meet local groups and learn what they offer  
Discover helpful resources for you and your family  
Enjoy a free BBQ (thanks to Main Street Station & Hannaford!)

Music by DJ Tim Martin  
Connect with neighbors and friends  
Whether you’re looking to get involved, learn something new, or simply enjoy a summer evening in the park, there’s something here for everyone Thursday, June 25 from 5:30 – 8 p.m. at Kelley Park, Bristol (Rain date: Friday, June 26).

Come out, explore, and celebrate the heart of our community.



# Talk of the Towns

## News from our Local Correspondents

### Ashland

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#### Ashland

##### Ashland Town Beach

The Ashland Town Beach is now open for the summer, with lifeguards on duty during the day.

##### Opening of Historical Society Museums

The three museums of the Ashland Historical Society, the Whipple House, the Pauline Glidden Toy Museum and the Ashland Railroad Station, will open for the summer from 1 to 4 p.m. on Saturday, June 27.

##### Friends of the Library Picnic on the Lawn

The Friends of the Ashland Town Library will be holding a picnic on the Library lawn at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, June 29. (The rain date is the same time on Tuesday, June 30.) Bring your own picnic, and if you wish, something to share. This will be an opportunity to learn what the Friends are doing and to share ideas for the future of the Library.

##### Baby and Toddler Storytime

The Ashland Town Library will hold its monthly Baby and Toddler Storytime at 3 p.m. on Tuesday, June 30, with stories, songs, games and playtime.

##### Fourth of July events

The events for the three day Independence Day celebration have been posted.

##### Friday, July 3

4 to 9:30 p.m. Historical Society exhibit in Booster Clubhouse, Food Truck Festival, bounce house, rock wall, bungee jumping, with Vertical Entertainment, 50/50 raffle to benefit the fireworks, concert by Chris White, Red Daisy Revival, Pete Downing, Rock The Park

9:30 p.m. National anthem sung by Lucy Alexander and Blair Farris, then the Fireworks!!

##### Saturday, July 4

7:30-10 a.m. Pancake breakfast at Common Man (cash only)

8-9:30 a.m. Parade lineup behind Fire Station

10 a.m. Parade from Fire Station to Ballpark

after parade - community kickball game at ballfield, Historical Society exhibit in Booster Clubhouse

##### Sunday, July 5

5K race, registration begins at Town Beach at 8 a.m., race starts at 9 a.m.

11 a.m. If It Floats race and other swim events at Town Beach

### Campton-Thornton

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##### Living History at Blair Cemetery

The Campton Historical Society invites you to Living History at Blair Cemetery at Blair Road on Saturday, June 27 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The last tour leaves at 1 p.m. Rain date is Sunday, June 28. Celebrate USA's 250th anniversary by meeting some of Campton's historical residents portrayed by local re-enactors. Learn how they shaped the town we

know today.

##### Campton Public Library news

Campton Public Library's summer hours begin on June 15th. We will be open Mon. 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Tues. 9 a.m.-4 p.m., closed Wednesdays, Thurs. 11 a.m.-6 p.m., Fri. 9 a.m.-4 p.m., and Saturday 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

This summer, CPL will have summer reading programs for both children AND adults! Both summer reading programs will run from June 15th through August 15th. Children will pledge minutes or number of books to read and Adults will complete a bingo board. Both programs include prizes! Stop by to sign up!

\*A special thank you to our sponsors who have donated items to our programming: Plymouth Soap Works, Mad River Coffee House, The Common Man, and Owl's Nest Resort.\*

We will also have two weekly Storytimes this summer starting June 26th. On Fridays at 9:30 a.m., there will be a preschool/primary-aged children story time with books, songs, and activities. On Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m., there will be an elementary-aged story time that we're calling "Chapters." Chapters will include an ongoing chapter book in which we read a couple chapters from a book each week and then children are welcome to stay to play card and board games afterwards.

There will also be other children's programming throughout the summer. We'll have a Yarn Play program to learn finger knitting and simple cord making on July 11th and July 25th from 1-3 p.m. We'll also hold some fun drop-in days. Follow us on Facebook or Substack for more up-to-date information!

CPL also has many museum passes now available! We have Squam Lakes Natural Science Center, The Montshire Museum of Science, Canterbury Shaker Village, McAuliffe Shepard Discovery Center, Fairbanks Museum and Planetarium, New England Aquarium summer passes (available for visits May 26-Sept. 4), and Mount Washington Observatory and Cog Railway pass with a June midweek BOGO Cog ticket opportunity.

CPL save-the-dates for summer programs: July 7 at 6 p.m., a NH Humanities Program by Kim Varney Chandler on Covered Bridges in NH, July 25 at 10 a.m. a Moosilauke and CCC Camps presentation by author Robert Averill, and Aug. 10 at 10 a.m., a LEGO program and challenges presented by Cody Wells and C3Brix LLC.

### Holderness

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##### Holderness Central School (HCS)

Report cards will be emailed to families on Friday, June 19.

A Kindergarten and 1st Grade playdate is set for Sunday, Aug. 23, from 10 a.m. to noon at Betsy's

Park. It is a chance for young students to meet classmates before the new year begins.

Family Fun Day takes place Saturday, Aug. 29, from 9 a.m. to noon at SLA.

The first day of the 2026 to 2027 school year is Monday, August 31.

Open House runs Wednesday, Sept. 2, from 6 to 7 p.m. The PTA Food Truck Festival begins at 5 PM and continues before and during Open House.

The PTA meets Thursday, Sept. 10.

Squam Lakes Natural Science Center (SLNCS)

A shoreline restoration project is underway at Livermore Beach, a 7.9-acre property with 234 feet of frontage on Squam Lake. The effort joins the Holderness Recreation Department, the Science Center, the Squam Lakes Association, the Squam Lakes Conservation Society, and Holderness Central School, all guided by the science based LakeSmart Program. The goal is to reduce runoff and erosion that can carry sediment and phosphorus into the lake.

Through May, middle school students and residents removed invasive plants and built water diverters to slow stormwater from the road. K through 4 Earth Club students, parent volunteers, and AmeriCorps staff planted native shrubs and trees to stabilize the soil and improve wildlife habitat. Funding came from a grant through the Rockyworld-Deephaven Camps Squam Environmental Preservation Fund.

For more information, visit <https://nhnature.org/>.

Holderness Historical Society (HHS)

John Moody presents "Town by Town, Watershed by Watershed: Native Americans in New Hampshire" on Wednesday, June 17, at 7:30 p.m. The talk traces the history of the Abenaki and Penacook peoples, with a focus on Holderness.

For more information, visit <https://holdernesshistoricalsociety.org/>.

Holderness Free Library (HFL)

The library will be closed Friday, June 19, in observance of Juneteenth.

The Summer Reading Program has begun. "Ziggity Zag Music" performs on Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 10 AM. The first "Books and Bites Book Club" gathers Friday, June 26, at 2:30 p.m. A full schedule is posted under the Summer Reading tab on the library website!

Chair Yoga meets every Monday and Friday at 9 a.m. for the summer.

The library's Holderness Free Pantry is open to anyone in the community. It offers nonperishable food, personal care items, and other essentials on a take what you need, leave what you can basis. "No questions asked."

Cardholders can also use Mango Languages for free, with interactive courses in more than 70 languages plus English learning programs, including a children's version and ASL. Lessons work on a computer, tablet, or smartphone.

For more information, visit [holdernessfreelibrary.org](https://holdernessfreelibrary.org).

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##### Tech Tuesdays

These take place on Tuesdays from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at the Whole Village Family Resource Center on Highland Street in Plymouth. Tuesday, June 23 is the next session entitled: Banking Apps.

##### Song of Democracy

The Master Chorale will be performing works by American composers Hanson, Thompson, Valverde, Ticheli and Berlin on Sunday, June 21 at 4 p.m. at the Plymouth Congregational Church. Tickets are available at the door or online at: [nhmasterchorale.org](http://nhmasterchorale.org).

##### Brand New Day

This Summer Camp Performance, directed by Trish Lindberg, takes place on Friday, June 26 at 7 p.m. at the the Flying Monkey Movie House and Performance Center 39 S. Main St. in Plymouth. General Admission is \$12/Seniors \$10/Children \$8. For tickets contact FlyingMonkeyNH.com

##### YLLA Sponsored Poetry Society

The first two gatherings of the Poetry Society at the Old Webster Courthouse were delightful and well attended. Sponsored by the YLLA and the Plymouth Historical Society, the event drew poets from all parts, with each sharing a poem they either love or wrote, or both. All in an hour's time! If you'd like to see how healing and inspiring this can be, please join us for the next gathering, on Sunday, June 28 at 3 p.m., Old Webster Courthouse (1 Court St., Plymouth). Listeners are encouraged to attend!

##### Pease Public Library

We are excited to announce that we now have a Mount Washington Observatory Library Pass for our Patron's to check out! For the month of June you can visit their Weather Station for free with our Family Pass!

To learn more, or to check out a Library Pass, call or visit our website today!

<https://peasepubliclibrary.org/museum-passes/>

##### Pick your Own Strawberries

I am not sure if this is the closest place, but Brookford Farm in Canterbury is open for business where you can pick your own organic Strawberries beginning on June 15. The rules are as follows: Use Provided Containers, No Sampling, Stay on Designated Paths, Pick Only Ripe Berries, Handle Plants Gently, Supervise Children, No Pets. Payment Information: Pint: \$7 per container Quart: \$12 per container

##### Parking in Plymouth

According to Denise Panyik-Dale, Director of Marketing and Communications for PSU, parking in the PSU Silver Center parking lots is free and open to the public for the summer.

##### Pease Public Library

The library wants you to know that despite the construction on Highland

Street and elsewhere, the library is still open during its normal hours. Just let the flagman know and he will wave you through.

##### New Hampshire Music Festival

The actual concert series doesn't start until July 9. However, as a major fundraiser, tickets are available for An Enchanted Evening on July 19 at the Van Horn Estate, formerly the Manor on Golden Pond in Holderness. A three course meal will be served followed by a nine piece concert ensemble. The price for single tickets is \$150 but the price decreases when more tickets are sold at once. Tables seat four to eight people. Cocktails at 5 p.m., dinner at 6 p.m. and the concert at 7:30 p.m.

##### New Hampshire Music Festival

In addition to the chamber music and orchestral presentations at Silver Center, there are many free concerts by members of the NHMF orchestra in various places around the state under the heading Music in the Mountains. The first one is in Waterville Valley on July 4.

##### 2026 Keniston—Free-man Summer Concert Series

The schedule for this is already online at the Plymouth Recreation Department Facebook site. The first concert of the series opens on July 8th from 6:30 to 8 p.m. with the Red Daisy Revival; concessions are by the Plymouth Police Department.

##### Plymouth Area Community Closet

Open Tuesday and Thursday 8-10 a.m. Located behind the Plymouth Regional Senior Center, 15 Railroad Sq. Donations are needed.

##### Plymouth Recreation Department

They have finalized their brochure for the summer activities of 2026 (all 70 pages of it!) and it can be found here: <https://simplebooklet.com/summer2026recopportunities#page=1>

##### DISCOUNTED WHALE'S TALE TICKETS ARE BACK!

We had to wait for confirmation, but we're excited to share that Plymouth residents/taxpayers can once again get discounted Whale's Tale tickets through us!! This offer didn't make it into our Summer 2026 Recreation Opportunities booklet, so don't miss it. Thank you to @whalestalewp for making this resident benefit possible once again! Email [kbeaudin@pemibaker.org](mailto:kbeaudin@pemibaker.org) beginning June 15 for your unique access code and then purchase your tickets directly through he Whale's Tale website.

"Rough winds do shake the darling buds of May,

And summer's lease hath all too short a date." Sonnet 18

##### Plymouth Senior Center

These Senior Center programs are currently on hold: Foot Clinic, American Sign Language and Tai Ji Quan Moving for Better Balance.

### Rumney

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##### Upcoming Events and news at the Byron G Merrill Library in Rumney

Book and Bake Sale! 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Start of Summer Book Sale!

Proceeds will help support your favorite library's programs, art classes, speakers and holiday events.

Every Monday at 10:30 a.m., please join us for our Family Storytime. Join the fun and enjoy some time with other children and their parents/caregivers. Crafts, yoga and playtime [jkello@rumneylibrary.org](mailto:jkello@rumneylibrary.org).

Every Tuesday at 5:30 p.m., please join us for yoga with Michelle of Rising Crow Yoga and Wellness. \$15 per class, cash or Venmo.

We'll see you at the library!

### Warren/Wentworth

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Greetings everyone. Hope you're all doing well. I am off to Ogunquit again this week for another theatrical adventure. This time, the classic "Hello, Dolly!" It's been a long time since I've seen this and am really looking forward to it. I hear it could rain...seems like it rains every time I go to the coast!

WARREN NEWS—Moose Scoops Ice Cream is now open for the season. Come by and get a taste!

Warren's old Home Day celebration will be July 10-12. There will be fireworks, parade, vendors, contests and so much more. Come check it out!

The list for concerts on the common has been posted. Here it is:

June 19, Limited Commotion; July 10, Warren Old Home Day Celebration; July 17, Common Ground; Aug. 14, Alligator Lizards; Aug. 21, Highway 603; Sept. 11, The Spectrum. Concerts start at 6 p.m., and there will be food vendors. Come and enjoy!

WENTWORTH NEWS—The Wentworth Historical Museum is now open! Hours are 10 a.m.-2 p.m. on Saturday. On display right now are the contents of the Time Capsule that was opened this past November.

Upcoming programs include Awarding the Boston Post Cane to our oldest town member and identification and labeling of tools in the Societies collection. We meet at the historical museum on the third Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. Guests and new members are always welcome.

NOTE: The next meeting of the Historical Society will be Wednesday, June 17 instead of Thursday due to a scheduling conflict.

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

## John Collishaw named to Champlain College Dean's List

BURLINGTON, Vt. — John Collishaw of Plymouth was named to the Champlain College Online Dean's List for the Spring 2026 semester.

Students on the Dean's List have achieved a grade point average of 3.5 or higher during the semester. Collishaw is currently majoring in Computer Forensics & Digital Investigations.

Making the Dean's List is a tremendous achievement. Many of the high achievers balance their career-focused classes with jobs, internships, clubs, and volunteering. We congratulate them on this great accomplishment and honor.

Founded in 1878, Champlain College is a small, not-for-profit, private college in Burlington, Vermont, with additional campuses in Montreal, Canada, and Dublin, Ireland. Champlain offers a residential undergraduate experience from its beautiful campus overlooking Lake Champlain. Additionally, Champlain College Online provides an expansive portfolio of online degrees and certificates, reaching students across all 50 states and U.S. territories, while fostering strategic partnerships with forward-thinking workforce organizations. The College is known for its distinctive and innovative approach to career-focused education and its Upside-Down Curriculum, which helps students be ready for work, ready for life, and ready to make a difference. Champlain is ranked as one of the "Best Colleges" by U.S. News & World Report for 2025, and was named one of the "Best 390 Colleges" by The Princeton Review for 2025, including among its "Best Northeastern colleges." For more information, visit [www.champlain.edu](http://www.champlain.edu).

## Area residents named to Dean's List at University of New England

BIDDEFORD/PORTLAND, Maine — Averi Curran and Mikayla Ulwick of Bristol; Dylan Fullerton and Avery Noyes of Campton; and Dalton Donovan of Holderness have been named to the University of New England's Dean's List for the spring semester 2026. Dean's List students have attained a grade point average of 3.3 or better out of a possible 4.0 at the end of the semester.

The University of New England is Maine's largest independent university, with two beautiful coastal campuses in Maine, a one-of-a-kind study-abroad campus in Tangier, Morocco, and an array of flexible online offerings. In an uncommonly welcoming and supportive community, we offer hands-on learning, empowering students to make a positive impact in a world full of challenges. We are the state's top provider of health professionals and home to Maine's only medical and dental colleges, physician assistant program, and pharmacy school, in addition to a variety of other interprofessionally aligned health care programs and nationally recognized programs in the marine sciences, the natural and social sciences, business, the humanities, and the arts. Visit [www.une.edu](http://www.une.edu).

## Andrew Hazelton of Holderness named to Springfield College Dean's List

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. — Springfield College has named Andrew Hazelton from Holderness to the dean's list for academic excellence for the 2026 spring semester.

Hazelton has a primary major of Health Science.

The criteria for selection to the Dean's List are as follows: The student must have completed a minimum of 12 credit hours of graded coursework for the term, exclusive of "P" grades. The student must not have any incompletes or missing grades in the designated term. The student must have a minimum semester grade average of 3.500 for the term. Student must not have been barred from Dean's List due to disciplinary action.

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Meredith: This adorable, freestanding 2-bedroom cottage on Lake Winnepesaukee includes a coveted deeded 24-foot boat slip. Located in a 5-unit condominium association that allows short-term rentals

Meredith: Located in the desirable Meredith Center area, this charming 2-bedroom bungalow features access to town water, a refreshed interior, and attached barn perfect for a workshop or storage.

Gilford: Nestled in a serene wooded setting, this unique 2-bedroom chalet is packed with Craftsman-style details, wood accents, dual fireplaces, and a spacious wraparound deck. The property offers incredible storage versatility.

Alton: Boasting expansive views across Lake Winnepesaukee to Mount Washington, this completely upgraded waterfront property features a sandy beach, dockage, and an approved mooring. The level lot hosts two fully remodeled buildings, ideal for large families or guest stays.

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# Castle in the Clouds celebrates milestone season on NH Heritage Museum Trail

MOULTONBOROUGH — Castle Preservation Society, a member of the NH Heritage Museum Trail, is celebrating its 20th anniversary, building on the momentum of the Lucknow Estate's 2025 designation as a National Historic Landmark.

To mark the occasion, the Castle in the Clouds has unveiled a new exhibition exploring the estate's history after Thomas and Olive Plant, inviting visitors to discover the lesser-known chapters of Lucknow's story. The mansion itself remains the centerpiece of the visitor experience, with daily tours and a newly repaved historic driveway that sets the stage for the moment guests arrive.

Beyond the mansion, the property comes alive each June with more than 200 public programs scheduled across the 2026 season. Families can follow the newly installed



Story Walk, which officially debuts June 13 with a grand opening celebration at the Picnic Pavilion in partnership with Altrusa. Mondays feature story time and crafts led by the Moultonborough Public Library.

Stargazers and sun-watchers alike can also

find their place at Castle in the Clouds, with Sunday solar gazing sessions with the New Hampshire Astronomical Society and an evening of constellation viewing on Thursday, June 18.

"From our mountaintop vantage point, the skies above Lucknow have in-

spired wonder for more than a century," noted Executive Director Charles Clark. "Programs like these connect visitors to the same sense of awe that drew Thomas and Olive Plant here in the first place."

The estate's natural beauty takes center stage

through guided and volunteer-led hikes, garden tours of the historic Lucknow Gardens, and a Garden Photography Workshop presented with ArtWorks.

For those drawn to hands-on experiences, June offers everything from beekeeping sessions

with Bewitched Acres to a watercolor workshop, the annual Community Arts Festival on June 27, and weekly yoga on the lawns beginning June 29. For a full schedule of programs and to register, visit [castleintheclouds.org](http://castleintheclouds.org)

"Our 20th anniversary is a moment to celebrate not just what we've preserved, but what we've built—a place where history, nature, and community come together," added Clark. It's also part of something bigger. As members across the NH Heritage Museum Trail are telling the story of New Hampshire in ways that invite everyone to be part of it."

To learn more about the NH Heritage Museum Trail, featuring nearly two-dozen members in the Seacoast, Lakes Region, White Mountains, Dartmouth-Sunapee Valley, and Merrimack Valley, visit [nhmuseumtrail.org](http://nhmuseumtrail.org).

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# NH Boat Museum to host Junior Skippers Lake Discovery Day



**MOULTONBOROUGH** — On Thursday, June 25, from 1 to 2:30 p.m., the New Hampshire Boat Museum (NHBM) will host Junior Skippers Lake Discovery Day. A free program designed for kids in kindergarten through the fifth grade, “Does it Float?” is the theme of June’s session. “Kids will have a great time participating in hands-on educational activities

and games,” said NHBM Executive Director Devon Kurtz. “They will also leave with a better understanding of how boats stay afloat and how to be safe on the water.” Junior Skippers Lake Discovery Days take place on Thursday, June 25, Wednesday, July 15, and Thursday, Aug. 20. In addition to Junior Skipper’s Lake Discovery Days this summer, NHBM

programs and activities of interest for kids (and families) include Boat Building, Boat Cruises in the Millie B, and Story Hour with Moultonborough Public Library. On Saturday, July 25 NHBM will host a book signing with children’s book authors Karel Hayes and Andy Opel, which will include crafts, a treasure hunt, and snacks. Founded in 1992, NHBM is dedicated to

preserving and sharing the state’s rich freshwater boating heritage. Through dynamic exhibits, youth programs like Junior Skippers, and on-the-water experiences, NHBM brings New Hampshire’s boating story to life for visitors from across the world. To learn more about Junior Skippers Lake Discovery Day or other child and family-themed programming, visit nhbm.org.

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To register, call (603) 224-4093, ext. 85664 or visit [www.granitevna.org](http://www.granitevna.org). Registration is required and space is limited. This program is offered at no charge. A Matter of Balance: Managing Concerns About Falls/Volunteer Lay Leader Model © 2006. This program is based on “Fear of Falling: A Matter of Balance” Copyright © 1995 Trustees of Boston University: All rights reserved. Used and adapted by permission of Boston University.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE – RSA 7:19-a, II(d)**  
Pursuant to NH RSA 7:19-a, II(d), Pecuniary Benefit Transactions, notice is hereby given that Speare Memorial Hospital will enter into a transaction with North Country Healthcare, in the amount of \$16,800, for the purposes of short-term supply chain assistance. Speare Memorial Hospital is experiencing a staffing shortage due to staff on leave, including military leave. Joe Caristi is the Chief Financial Officer of Speare Memorial Hospital, and serves as a Board Member of North Country Healthcare, which categorizes this transaction as a pecuniary benefit. Joe does not receive any form of compensation from this relationship, and was recused from board votes authorizing this transaction.

**TOWN OF DORCHESTER SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST PUBLIC NOTICE**  
The Supervisors of the Checklist for the Town of Dorchester NH will hold a session for re-registering voters who have not voted since April 1, 2021, accepting new voter registrations and corrections to the checklist on Saturday, June 20, 2026 from 10am-11:30am at the Dorchester Town Office, 1021 NH RTE 118, Dorchester, NH 03266.  
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**TOWN OF THORNTON ZONING BOARD of ADJUSTMENT NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Thursday, July 23, 2026**  
The Zoning Board of Adjustment for the Town of Thornton will hold a Public Meeting on **Thursday, July 23, 2026**, beginning at **6:00 PM** at the Thornton Station Meeting Hall located at 12 Merrill Access Road, Thornton, New Hampshire. for the purpose of conducting the following business:  
**PUBLIC HEARING:** VARIANCE request of ARTICLE VI: DIMENSIONAL REQUIREMENTS, Section A. Conventional Development, 1. Lot Size. Application submitted for property located on NH Rt. 175 by property owners Alfred P. Poulin, Barbara M. Poulin and Alfred P. Poulin Jr. [Map 205 Lot 031-001].  
The applicant seeks a variance to allow the creation of a lot with no direct road frontage with access to it by a right-of-way.  
The Town Hall is open to the public and the public is allowed to attend; the public is also able to participate remotely using ZOOM by going to (or via telephone at 1-646-876-9923) with Meeting ID: 825 673 1802.  
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# One Earth Body Care named 2026 SBA Microenterprise of the Year



**CAMPTON** — One Earth Body Care, a natural body care company handcrafting plastic-free shampoo bars, conditioner bars, and skin care products at the foot of the White Mountain National Forest, has been named the 2026 Microenterprise of the Year for New Hampshire by the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA).

The award was presented at the annual NH Small

Business Week Awards Ceremony on May 7, where One Earth was recognized alongside eight other outstanding businesses before an audience of approximately 200 state officials, business leaders, and community members.

The U.S. Small Business Administration is a federal agency that helps Americans start, build, and grow businesses. The SBA Microenterprise of

the Year award recognizes businesses with five or fewer employees that have shown staying power, innovative products, and meaningful contributions beyond their own bottom line. This year, roughly 33 nominations were submitted across all award categories statewide.

One Earth was founded in 2017 by Dr. Anne Altor, an environmental scientist, and Ed LaPlante, who was running a chimney repair business at the time. It started with a balm Altor made to help rock climbers — including herself — heal the damage that comes from spending weekends on sandstone, granite and other rough surfaces. That balm became a business idea when

Altor and LaPlante started paying closer attention to what was in the body care products they were using — materials like palm oil, a commodity so destructively farmed it's linked to deforestation across Southeast Asia; synthetic preservatives and fragrances; and packaging that would outlast them both.

Altor and LaPlante built something different. Every One Earth product ships without a single piece of plastic — bars are packaged in compostable cardboard, facial oils in glass, deodorants in recyclable metal tins, and orders are packed in paper boxes with recycled paper fill and paper tape. Each shampoo or conditioner bar replaces the plastic bottle equivalent of 24 liquid ounces (meaning each One Earth bar replaces two standard shampoo bottles, while dramatically reducing transportation fuel and emissions). Two percent of every One Earth sale goes directly to non-profits working on land

conservation, ecosystem restoration, and social equity. In addition, One Earth maintains a blog that discusses a wide range of topics in Everyday Ecology.

The award also reflects how One Earth has grown with support from the SBA's broader network of partners. They've worked with NH SBDC advisor Janie Wang, the Grafton Regional Development Corporation, and the Hannah Grimes Center for Entrepreneurship —

where One Earth won the 2025 Pitchfork Contest. The company leaned on this support network to redesign its manufacturing process with 3D-printed molds developed at the Olson Advanced Manufacturing Center at UNH, to update its product line, and to expand to 12 retail locations across New England. In addition to SBDC advisors, their team includes part-time contractor Shianne Ballou. Ballou helps with production, order fulfillment, and inven-

tory management and is a critical member of the One Earth team.

At One Earth, we're focused on developing a strong and sustainable business, keeping in mind that limitless growth doesn't work on a finite planet. What can a business model look like that enables all people to have enough and to thrive, while also contributing to the regeneration of the Earth, our shared home? These are questions we're asking as our business evolves.

Altor and LaPlante credit One Earth's success in part to the SBA's network of advisors, resources, and connectors, from the initial nudge that led them to the SBDC, to the manufacturing breakthroughs, grant funding, and expanding network of retail relationships that followed. They'd strongly encourage other small business owners to call their local SBDC - it's free, and the right advisor can open doors you didn't even know were there.



COURTESY  
Cindy Rogers (center) was awarded the Rebekah Merit Jewel by Enterprise Rebekah Lodge #46 of Bristol for her years of community service and 39 years of membership. Participating in the honor were her father, Kenneth Rogers, and Vickie Benner, President of the Rebekah Assembly of New Hampshire.

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