

"If you can just find a reason to laugh every day, then every day's gonna be okay." - Tom Hanks

CARROLL COUNTY INDEPENDENT

Friends of Constitution Park receive AARP grant

OSSIPEE — The Friends of Constitution Park, Ossipee (FCPO) is one of 260 non-profit grantees, nationwide, out of more than 3,200 applicants, to be chosen for a 2022 Community Challenge Grant from AARP Livable Communities and AARP NH.

"We are honored to be chosen as one of the grantees this year. It was a very competitive year. Only four grantees were awarded in New Hampshire. AARP recognized the importance of our work in revitalizing the 107 acre Constitution Park," said Edwina Boose, Chair of FCPO.

The mission statement of the Community Challenge grant is 'to make communities more livable for people of all ages with tangible improvements that jump-start long-term change.' AARP believes

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(Right) Justin Chaffee (left) Ossipee Parks and Recreation Director and Tim Otterbach volunteer who built the kiosk. disc golf demo behind



Key questions as Meena Review continues

BY DAVID L. SMITH

Ossipee Lake Alliance

EFFINGHAM — In May, Effingham's Planning Board continued the Meena LLC gas station hearing for two months to allow time for the company's agent, Mark McConkey, to address errors and omissions identified in a professional independent review of his Site Plan Application for the development.

But the revised materials will be just one of a number of issues facing the board this Thursday, July 7, when the hearings continue. Some issues are new, and some have been festering since last year.

One of the festering issues is McConkey's request that the Planning Board waive the Site Plan Application's professional qualifications requirement for himself.

The town's Site Plan Application document lists Engineer, Land Surveyor and Architect as the options in the professional qualifications section. Each of the four Meena Site Plan Applications that McConkey submitted to Effingham between March and December last year includes the statement "Waiver Requested for McConkey" in the qualifications section.

The website for McConkey's business, McConkey Construction, lists the company's two services as building "Redi-Rock" retaining walls and designing and installing septic systems. McConkey, who is also a State Representative, further cites project management and arranging for building and zoning permits as client services.

Planning Board meeting minutes indicate McConkey's waiver request has never been voted on, including in February when the board ruled the Site Plan Application was administratively complete.

After Parsonsfield Planning Board member Andy Yale raised the waiver issue with the Effingham board at its April 7 meeting, Chairwoman Theresa Swanick responded simply that the board is aware of the waiver request and has not voted on it.

Multi-town petition

The Planning Board will also face a new issue on July 7. Ossipee Lake Alliance and Green Mountain Conservation Group plan to present a

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Greater Ossipee Chamber announces scholarship winners

OSSIPEE — Each year, the Greater Ossipee Area Chamber of Commerce offers scholarships to students pursuing post-secondary education or training to students who reside in the towns of Effingham, Freedom, Madison, Ossipee, Sandwich, and Tamworth. Recipients must have a grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 or better reflected on their official school transcript for the 1st semester.

In addition, GOACC is proud to announce The Christine Powers Memorial Scholarship recipient. This award was established in memory of Christine P. Powers, a longtime resident and supporter of the Greater Ossipee Area Chamber of Commerce. Christine was an energizing and kind woman who tragically passed in a car accident in 1986. Christine played an instrumental role in the formation of the Greater Ossipee Area Chamber of Commerce in the early 1970's. The Chamber created the Christine Power's Memorial Scholarship to honor Christine's memory.

The committee awards scholarships based on academics, financial need, and the students' stated determination in furthering

their education. The Christine Powers Memorial Scholarship also includes the students' involvement within the community.

GOACC is honored to recognize the following students:

Alexis Paige Eldridge, Effingham - Christine

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Pair of Knights earn lax All-State honors



JOSHUA SPAULDING

ANA EKSTROM earned Division II All-State Second Team.

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING
Sports Editor

REGION — With the girls' lacrosse season concluded, the division coaches have made selections for the All-State teams.

In Division II, Kingswood had a pair of honorees, with attack Ana Ekstrom and defender Jill Caravella earning Second Team honors.

First Team honors went to attacks Avery Ruhnke of Portsmouth, Maria Killian of Windham, Alyssa Hill of Hollis-Brookline and Palen Kelley of Winnacunnet, midfielders Mia Smith of Portsmouth, Abbie Ogren of Hollis-Brook-

line, Caroline Adams of Hanover, Cierra Hill and Brittny Hill of Pembroke and Jenna Hollinger of Windham, defenders Maggie Parker of Portsmouth, Bella Connelly of Windham, Nicole Heiter of Hollis-Brookline and Claire Rademacher of Winnacunnet and goaltender Sarah Holdredge of Con-Val.

Joining Ekstrom and Caravella with Second Team honors were attacks Kendall Morrill of Timberlane, Chloe Hall of Windham and Lia Naughton of Hanover, midfielders Shea Graham of Winnacunnet, Ireland Stark of Hollis-Brookline, Sadie



JOSHUA SPAULDING

JILL CARAVELLA was named All-State Second Team for Division II.

Higgins of Hanover, Sophie Royal and Waverly Oake-Libow of Oyster River-Newmarket and Katryn Maley of Goffstown, defenders Anna Alberti of Timberlane, Emy Przybylski of Oyster River-Newmarket and Kate McCawley of Spaulding and goaltender Hallie Bardani of Hollis-Brookline.

In Division III, Gilford midfielder Olivia Keenan and defender Gina Cookinham and Inter-Lakes-Moultonborough midfielder Katie Velie earned First Team Honors and Gilford attacks Lexi Shute and Molly McLean earned Second Team honors.

Also earning First Team honors were attacks Casey Benson of Derryfield, Jess Chamberlin of Bow, Sarah Chodosh of Hopkinton and Elayna Montenero of Campbell, midfielders Alex Larabee of Bow, Annie Higginbotham and Hannah Hoyt of Hopkinton and Caroline Camp of Kearsarge, defenders Frances Trafton of Hopkinton, Isabelle LaPerle of Bow and Clara Smyski of Lebanon and goaltender Elena Roy of Bow.

Also earning Second Team honors were attacks Kayla Taber of Lebanon and Rose Finlayson of Hopkinton, midfield-

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CLC to host butterfly program

CHOCORUA—Worldwide, there are an estimated 20,000 species of butterflies and 165,000 species of moths. On travels here in New England and in Vietnam, teacher/naturalist Linda Graetz has photographed hundreds of them.

If you'd like to learn more about these fascinating winged (but not in every part of their life cycle!) beauties who are essential to life on earth, please join the Chocorua Lake Conservancy and the Cook Library for "Butterflies are From Venus, Moths are From Mars," a visual and informative introduction to butterflies and moths, on Tuesday, July 19, at 7 p.m., live via Zoom. Educator and insect enthusiast, Linda Graetz will share her photographs and knowledge about the basics of how to identify butterflies and moths, as well as her astonishment at the beauty and diversity of moths that often take a back seat to their more readily seen and admired cousins, the butterflies. While there will be photographs of tropical butterflies and moths, be assured that



there will be many photos of butterflies and moths you can see easily here in Massachusetts and New England. This program is free; please register in advance at bit.ly/CLC-butterfly.

If you've joined our Zoom program, "Butterflies are from Venus, Moths are from Mars", you're well prepared to head out to find and identify some of them—pa-

tience, close observation and describing what you see are the most important skills you'll need. On Saturday, July 23, from 10 a.m.-noon, join us for "Walking with Wings" in Chocorua. We'll look for moths and butterflies in a lepidoptera-friendly location. We'll explore and learn together as we describe, observe, and share our finds with each other. Wear sun-

screen, long pants and close-toed shoes. Please bring your own water, tick/mosquito repellent, and a magnifying glass if you have one. This free outdoor program is limited to 20 participants; please register in advance on our website at bit.ly/CLC-wings. Children 8 and up are welcome and must be accompanied by an adult.

Presenter Linda

Graetz is an educator and photographer who spent a very rewarding thirty years in museum and art education. An avid birder since the late 1970s, upon retirement she turned most of her attention to nature. She trained as a teacher/naturalist at Mass Audubon's Drumlin Farm and taught there for more than 10 years. It was through her work there that her interest in insects was ignited. Her passion now is to inspire others to see and learn more about these amazing creatures.

This event is one in a series of Chocorua Lake Conservancy programs held throughout the year to encourage people of all ages to enjoy Chocorua Lake and the trails and woods that surround it, and to learn more about the natural world we inhabit. Visit www.chocorualake.org for information, and follow us on Facebook and Instagram.

About the Chocorua Lake Conservancy

The CLC is a volunteer-led, nonprofit land trust founded in 1968 to protect the scenic and natural resources of the Chocorua Lake Basin and surrounding area. The CLC is committed to providing convenient and attractive public access to Chocorua Lake and trails on nearby conservation lands for visitors and local residents. For more information, including ways you can get involved, please visit www.chocorualake.org.

FREEDOM HAPPENINGS

By Lisa Wheeler
Contributing Writer
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The Freedom Historical Society presents "The White Mountain Huts: Past and Future" on July 20 at 7 p.m. via Zoom. This fascinating program is made possible by a grant from New Hampshire Humanities and is free and open to the public. The Appalachian Mountain Club's Hut System is a unique institution in the White Mountains of New Hampshire. Presenter, Allen Koop, will explore how the huts and the people who built, maintain, and use them have formed a worldwide mountain society with its own history, traditions, and legends. Members of the Freedom Historical Society and the public are welcome and invited to register in advance to obtain ZOOM access information for the presentation at www.freedomhistoricalsociety.org. Please join the ZOOM presentation prior to the 7 p.m. start time on Wednesday July 20. For additional information, please call 603-491-8347.

I hope you've marked your calendar for the popular Freedom Village Store annual auction on Friday, Aug. 26 from 5:30-9 p.m. at the Camp Huckins Conference Center. This event will happen rain or shine and there is plenty of parking available. FVS will provide a variety of delicious refreshments and a wide array of donations from local businesses and vendors. The FVS staff is hoping you can join in the fun and has lots of options

from donations and food to decor and publicity. Please contact someone at the store at freedomvillagestore.org to let them know how you can help out with this major fundraiser which supports our village store.

If you missed the natural burial Zoom workshop with Jerry Knirk and Anya Nicoll, check out the link: https://www.nhfuneral.org/presentation_resources.html.

Be sure to stop in to visit the Freedom Historical Society's new summer exhibits. Featured exhibits highlight the businesses in Freedom Village during the 20th century and the people who ran them. The second exhibit features Freedom painters from 1970-2020. If you have not had the pleasure of admiring the FHS exhibits in the past, you are in for a treat. They are always

well researched, artfully displayed, sometimes interactive, always interesting and led by knowledgeable volunteer docents. The Historical Society is open on Saturdays from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. and Wednesdays from 10 a.m.-noon or by appointment.

Old Portland Road and Elm Street are the two main streets that make up the heart of Freedom Village, where Joel Rhymer and his family lived for the past 28 years. Over that time, Joel captured countless candid photos and portraits of family friends, neighbors, and Freedom visitors. He has selected nearly 100 of those photographs for a special display he calls "Old Portland and Elm" which will be on view at the Freedom Public Library from now through the end of September.

Every photograph in the collection was made somewhere along Old Portland and Elm during public events, encounters on the road, or visits with neighbors over the years. The photos are a loving tribute to old friends, full of lasting memories and heartwarming times. Joel is already well-known in Freedom for his thought-provoking landscape and people pictures. In addition to this special display for the library, he is hanging up some of his favorite photographs he has made during recent years around New England and elsewhere. He has also recently published a book of street photography, "My Ego Confuses My Heart," and a few selected works from that collection will be on view in the library gallery as well.

The Village Harmony Fantastic Youth Choir will be performing at the Little White Church in Eaton on Tuesday July 12 at 7 p.m.

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NH Boat Museum to host New England Vintage Boat and Car Auction

WOLFEBORO — On Saturday, July 16, the New Hampshire Boat Museum (NHBM) will host the annual New England Vintage Boat and Car Auction, an in-person and online event that attracts bidders from across the nation. Some of the featured items available at this year's auction include a 1961 24-foot Chris Craft Sportsman, 1968 20-foot Chris Craft Grand Prix, and 1947 22-foot Goodhue Race Boat.



A 1968 Chris Craft Grand Prix will be featured as part of the New England Vintage Boat and Car Auction.

According to NHBM Executive Director Martha Cummings, each of these boats possesses a unique backstory.

"The Goodhue is a one-of-a-kind racer built by the Goodhue Boatyard in Quincy, MA just after World War II," she said. "It was originally powered by a V-12 fighter aircraft engine with the specific goal to beat bandleader and Gold Cup racer Guy Lombard

do." The Chris Craft Grand Prix, referred to as 'Heavenly,' is one of the last mahogany runabouts built by Chris Craft before they switched exclusively to fiberglass. Of the 32 Grand Prix boats built, just 8 had the powerful 427 V8 engine. "This boat is in exceptional condition and is one of the finest Grand Prix

models in the country," said NHBM Auction Co-Chair Betsy Farley.

The Sportsman, described Cummings, is "the perfect classic mahogany boat for big lakes." "The boat was bought new at Irwin's Marine in 1961 and has been on Lake Winnepesaukee all its life," she added.

In addition to vintage boats and cars, the New England Vintage Boat and Car Auction features fiberglass boats, sailboats, canoes, outboard motors, and memorabilia. The auction will be held in-person at the Nick Recreation Center in Wolfeboro and feature a virtual component where people can bid online. Proceeds from the event benefit NHBM's educational programs and preservation efforts.

Boats and cars will be displayed at the Nick for the general public

to view on July 14 and 15 from noon to 5 p.m. An additional preview showing will take place from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. on Saturday, July 16 followed by live bidding at 10 a.m. Bidder registration is free.

Online bidding begins July 7. To learn more about the auction, or register as an online bidder, visit nhbm.org.

Founded in 1992 by antique and classic boating enthusiasts, NHBM is committed to inspire people of all ages with an understanding of, and appreciation for, the boating heritage of New Hampshire's fresh waterways. NHBM is sponsored in part by Goodhue Boat Company, Eastern Propane and Oil, Stark Creative, KW Lakes and Mountains, Meredith Village Savings Bank and FL Putnam.

Granite Kid Triathlon returns on July 16

WOLFEBORO — The Wolfeboro Department of Parks and Recreation will be sponsoring the 29th annual Granite Kid Triathlon at Brewster Beach on Saturday, July 16. The triathlon is open to all kids from three to 16 with age categories ranging for 3-5 years, 6-7 years, 8-9 years, 10-11 years, 12-13 years, and 14-16 years. The course is geared toward the young and upcoming triathlete.

This race is truly a unique event that focuses on encouragement and achievement and also rewards those participants who put forth great determination and perseverance. Parents, friends and family cheer on the participants as young racers discover what they are capable of. The day starts out as bodies are marked with the numbers, swim caps and bib numbers are distributed, bikes are placed in their racks, and the anxiety that precedes the start begins to build. The first wave of swimmers hits the water and the cheers and words of encouragement continue until every last finisher has crossed the line.

The triathlon starts with a swim course that varies in distance depending on the age group. The six and older divisions will do a 1.2-mile bike loop and finish with a 4/5-mile run. The five and under group will bike and run within the perimeter of the beach parking lot. In order to be considered for placement in the triathlon, each contestant must finish each part of the race without assistance. Exceptions will be made for the five and under group. A map of the course is available on the Granite Kid web site, just google "Wolfeboro Granite Kid Triathlon."

The race will start promptly at 8 a.m. at Brewster Beach, which is located on Clark Road in Wolfeboro. Pre-race check-in will start at 7 a.m. and the pre-race meeting will start at 7:45 a.m. The first 75 competitors to register will receive a Granite Kid T-shirt. Registration is available online at www.wolfeboronh.us/parks-recreation.

Awards will be given to the top three finishers in each age category, male and female in the 6-16 race. The five and under will not receive awards, all participants will receive a ribbon in that race. The 3-5-year-old race is a leaning race and will follow the model of the older kid race, but they will not be timing it. The children will still receive a bib number and they will be collected at the end of the race to teach them the process for the older kid's race.

The Parks and Recreation Department is looking for volunteers for this race. If your teen needs community service, this is a great opportunity.

The Children's Center Presents annual Fairyland Festival Event

WOLFEBORO — The Children's Center is set to host their annual Fairyland Festival this year on Saturday, July 9 in downtown Wolfeboro! The event will be divided into two premiers, Fairy Find and Fairy Land.

Fairy Find will be featured along Bridge Falls Path from 9 to 11 a.m. Participants will start at Back Bay by Foss Field and walk the path to Whitten Neck Road searching for magical fairies and painted rocks along the way!

Fairy Land will be held in Cate Park from 10am to noon and will include a scavenger hunt, dancers from Northeastern Ballet Theatre, pupeteers, special music from Bobbie Bear and more!

Free fun for whole family!

For more information or to learn about The Children's Center, visit the Center's website at thechildrenscenternh.org or call the Office at 603-569-1027.

The Children's Center has been serving the needs of children from 6 weeks to 12 years old since 1974. Its mission is to enhance the well-being of families in our community by meeting their needs through comprehensive, affordable, high quality child care and early education, and to collaborate with other agencies serving the needs of children. By working to provide each child and every family with the resources they need to thrive, The Children's Center remains a pillar in the community for past, present, and future generations.

Old fashioned Yankee hot dog and bean supper in Union Village

WAKEFIELD — Nothing says Yankee like a hot dog and bean supper. Come to the Reunion Grange/Hotchkiss Commons on Thursday, July 14, to experience a fine New England home cooked meal in the old, restored Grange Hall, prepared and served by the members and friends of the Union Congregational Church. Feast on hot dogs, two types of beans, cole slaw, potato salad, and pickles, topped off by a variety of pies and drinks. The price is \$12 for adults and \$5 for children.

There will be settings at 5:30 and 6:15 p.m., with tickets going on sale at 4:30 p.m.

No reservations will be accepted. Take out is available starting at 5:30 p.m.

All proceeds go to support the mission outreach of the Women's Fellowship of the Union Congregational Church. These mission projects help people in need locally, nationally, and internationally.

The Grange Hall is at 71 Main St. (Route 125), across the street from the church, in the village of Union (town of Wakefield), just off Route 16. The building is air conditioned and handicapped accessible. Plenty of parking is available in front of the hall, along the street and behind

the church. For more information and directions, call Betty at 603-473-2727.

Max Vander Aarde, of Glen, graduates from University of Tampa

TAMPA, Fla. — Vander Aarde graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Marketing BS.

The commencement ceremony included 1,713 undergraduate and graduate candidates. The ceremony included remarks by alumni and brothers, Javier Baldor '89, CEO of BST Global, and Carlos Baldor '87, president and chief technology officer of BST Global and the student challenge speaker.

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Meet Panda!

Panda is a 7-month-old Catahoula mix who is full of love, but lacks the confidence to seek it out without coaxing... treats help! He asks that you go slow and give him the time he needs to feel comfortable. With some training, socialization, and lots of love to boost his confidence he will be a great companion. Panda has been around other dogs, and tends to play a bit rough, he has not been around cats or small children and they may prove to be too much for him. The ideal home for Panda would be active, patient, and willing to put in the time to train him. Panda seems to bond well with men especially, but has warmed up to anyone who spends time with him.

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Chocorua Little Lake Paddle & Aquatic Invasive Species Patrol

CHOCORUA — Like every pond and lake, Chocorua Lake is home to myriad species of flora and fauna. Come learn who lives here!

On Friday, July 15 from 7:30-9:30 a.m., join Chocorua Lake Conservancy with naturalist and outdoor educator Hillary Behr for a leisurely paddle on Chocorua Little Lake, down to the dam and back.

We'll leave from the Grove on Chocorua Lake Road, just off Route 16, and explore the vegetated buffer along the water's edge with its many nooks and crannies. We'll see what insects, reptiles and amphibians we can find and learn what plants grow with their "feet" in wet soils at the lake's edge or on the bottom.

While exploring the

native flora and fauna, we'll be on the lookout for signs of exotic aquatic species that could create problems in the lake if they become established. We'll have with us some Weed Watcher Kits from the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (DES) to help with our searches and identification. Chocorua Lake is home to many native

aquatic plants, and looking for clues to identification can help us all be more aware of what is around us.

Want to learn more in advance about what we can be looking for, both the species that belong here and the ones that cause trouble? Amy Smagula, Exotic Species Program Coordinator at DES, joined us for a webinar on "Protecting

Our Lakes from Aquatic Invasive Species." You can watch the webinar at chocorualake.org/gallery to learn how to identify the native plants in Chocorua Lake and on the shore, and what the ones we're hoping never to find look like!

Participants must bring their own canoe or kayak, and paddles, and life jackets are required. Be sure to bring sun and bug protection, a water bottle, and snacks. Please register in advance at bit.ly/CLC-little-lake so that we can let you know of any changes in the schedule.

Presenter Hillary Behr grew up exploring the woods and waters of Tamworth and still calls it home. She earned a degree in Environmental Conservation and spent 8 years in rural California, working in land conservation and outdoor science education. Hillary has a Masters of Education, a New Hampshire teaching certification, and has worked as a teacher in many different settings, both outdoors and in the classroom, most recent-

ly teaching high school Environmental Science.

More chances to explore the Chocorua Lake Basin coming up

This event is one in a series of Chocorua Lake Conservancy programs held throughout the year to encourage people of all ages to enjoy Chocorua Lake and the trails and woods that surround it, and to learn more about the natural world we inhabit. Visit www.chocorualake.org for information, and follow us on Facebook and Instagram.

About the Chocorua Lake Conservancy

The CLC is a volunteer-led, nonprofit land trust founded in 1968 to protect the scenic and natural resources of the Chocorua Lake Basin and surrounding area. The CLC is committed to providing convenient and attractive public access to Chocorua Lake and trails on nearby conservation lands for visitors and local residents. For more information, including ways you can get involved, please visit www.chocorualake.org.

Makers Mill seeking instructors for upcoming classes

WOLFEBORO — Do you have a particular skill or knowledge you'd like to offer as part of the inaugural class lineup at the much-anticipated Makers Mill, your local community makerspace and vocation hub?

The planning gears at Makers Mill are now being switched from renovations to scheduling a line up of classes ready for opening later this summer and beyond, and the search for instructors to teach them has begun!

"We're looking to hear from people who are interested and excited about designing and offering fun and inspiring classes," said Carol Holyoake, Programs & Events Director at Makers Mill. "They'd have the skills to instruct either directly from life experiences and/or a formal teaching experience. We want our instructors to be passionate about relaying their depth of knowledge and experience to teach others in a positive learning environment."

"Our makerspace offers teaching opportuni-



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Makers Mill: Carroll County's first makerspace and vocation hub gearing up to open late summer 2022.

ties in woodwork; metalwork, machining and welding; jewelry and metalsmithing; fiber arts; fine arts; crafts; computer skills and digital art; electronics; robotics; digital fabrication; workplace development, and entrepreneurship," continued Carol. "And that's just for starters: we're keen to hear suggestions on what's out there for mission-aligned classes in a makerspace. We're particularly interested

in people qualified to teach our required Tool Safety Classes - mostly in the wood and metal shops. While some classes will reflect the more traditional teacher/student role, others may be an informal skill-share event such as a Tinkering Tuesday, Mending Monday, or Upcycle Afternoon, where the role is more a facilitator than teacher. We are open to teaching ideas anywhere they land on this spectrum."

Makers Mill classes will be open to the public and also to all levels of makers from hobbyists to professionals.

Those curious to learn more about becoming a Makers Mill instructor are encouraged to complete an Instructor Interest Form, which is found at www.makersmill.org/instruct-interest. Someone from Makers Mill will then be back in touch to answer any questions and to discuss the next steps.

For more information feel free to contact Carol Holyoake by calling 603-569-1500, or email carol@makersmill.org.

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Freedom Historical Society presents "The White Mountain Huts: Past & Future"

FREEDOM — Freedom Historical Society's July 20 program, "The White Mountain Huts: Past & Future," will be presented by Allen Koop via ZOOM at 7 p.m. This fascinating program is made possible by a grant from New Hampshire Humanities and is free and open to the public. The Appalachian Mountain Club's Hut System is a unique institution in the White Mountains of New Hampshire. Presenter, Allen Koop, will explore how the huts and the people who built, maintain, and use them have formed a worldwide mountain society with its own history, traditions, and

legends. Allen Koop earned a PhD from the University of Pennsylvania and has been teaching European and American History at Dartmouth College for 30 years. He has published books and articles on New Hampshire and American history including Stark Decency: German Prisoners of War in a New England Village.

Members of the Freedom Historical Society and the public are welcome and invited to register in advance to obtain ZOOM access information for the presentation at www.freedomhistoricalsociety.org. Please join the ZOOM presentation prior to the 7 p.m. start time on Wednesday, July 20. For additional information, please call 603-491-8347.

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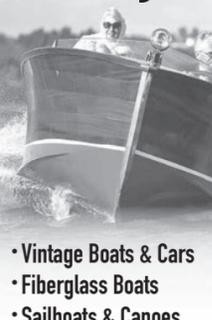
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THE COMPAQ BIG BAND will perform on Saturday, July 9, in the Wolfeboro Community Bandstand.

Big Band sounds coming to bandstand Saturday night

WOLFEBORO — The sounds of the Big Band Era will emanate from the Wolfeboro Community Bandstand on Saturday, July 9, as the Compaq Big Band makes its return to the Friends of the Wolfeboro Community Bandstand summer concert series.

The Compaq Big Band got its start as the

DECbigband, formed in 1975 as one of the many employee clubs at Digital Equipment Corporation (DEC) in Massachusetts. At that time, DEC was establishing itself as the premier company in the minicomputer industry and was one of the largest employers in New England.

The company pro-

vided a small amount of startup funds for music, stands and uniforms and employees from all sorts of positions at DEC came together for practices each week and performed for free, at first at DEC corporate functions then into community outdoor concerts and benefit dance events in the region.

In the late 1980s and early 1990s, the band, like Digital, experienced a membership turnover and as downsizing hit the company, it became clear that the band would need to complement its Digital employee ranks with local area musicians and with fewer Digital-sponsored functions, the band's reach moved toward Worcester and southern New

Hampshire.

When DEC was absorbed into Compaq in 1998, the band continued to present a positive image of the company by providing high quality, affordable big band music to the New England community and in 2000, the band became the Compaq Big Band.

Compaq was acquired by Hewlett-Packard and received support from the company in the form of a weekly rehearsal venue and storage space for equipment, but in 2008, the band stopped receiving that support from the company and is no longer affiliated with HP.

However, several current band members are DEC, Compaq or HP alumni who main-

tain a connection to the company tradition and culture and the band is rounded out by various area musicians who embrace the band's non-profit operating philosophy.

The Friends of the Wolfeboro Community Bandstand concerts take place each Saturday night in July and August, weather permitting, in the bandstand, located in Cate Park in downtown Wolfeboro on the shores of Lake Winni-

pesaukee.

If weather should cause the concert to be cancelled, signs will be posted at the entrance to Cate Park and a notice will be posted on the Friends of the Wolfeboro Community Bandstand Facebook page.

The concerts will begin at 7 p.m. and run for two hours, with a short intermission, at which time a pass the bucket offering will be held to support the free concert series.

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CROSS ROADS CHURCH, "A Family of Families," 2205 Rt. 16, West Ossipee, 603-539-4805. Worship service 9:30 a.m.

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MOULTONVILLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 96 Moultonville Rd., Sunday Worship 9 a.m. Rev. Carol Ames, 730-2687.

SECOND CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, UCC, Court House Square, Ossipee. Services at 9:30 am, Rev. Michael Denney, 539-6145. Fellowship and coffee hour. Nursery care provided.

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WATER VILLAGE COMMUNITY CHURCH, HWY 171, Ossipee, 539-3707. Minister Reverend James Waugh, Worship Service 9:30 a.m.

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UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, Pastor Mark Whitman Jr., 522-8938, 173 Meadow St. Sunday Service 9 a.m.

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FAITH FELLOWSHIP CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE, 3363 White Mountain HWY (Rt. 16) David Landry, Pastor. Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m. Sunday School 9:30 a.m. 522-3900.

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FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH, 83 N. Main St., Sunday 10 am Worship (Nursery & Junior Church). Everyone welcome. 603-569-42721. www.firstchristianwolfeboro.org

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, UCC, Rev. Donna Muise, Interim Pastor. Worship Services 7:30 am Cate Park (until 10/1), 10:00 am FCCW, Sunday School and Nursery Care. 115 South Main St., Wolfeboro. 603-569-1555, www.fccwolfeboro.org

ST. KATHARINE DREXEL, 40 Hidden Springs Rd., Alton, 875-2548. Father Robert F. Cole, Pastor. Mass Saturday 4 pm, Sunday 8:30 & 10:30 am; Tuesday Mass Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri 8 am.

WOLFEBORO BIBLE CHURCH, Sunday School 9:30 am; Worship Service 10:30 am, Evening Service 6 pm, Wed. Prayer Meeting & Bible Study 7 pm, 533 Center St., Wolfeboro, 569-4722. www.wolfeborobible.com

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CALVARY WOLFEBORO, 43 Mill St., Wolfeboro. Services Saturday 6pm and Sunday 9am. Pastor Justin Marbury. www.calvarywolfeboro.org.

Lakes Region Vineyard Church - Homestead, 85 Center Street, Pastor Katrina Keefe, wolfeborovineyard.com, vineyard.homestead@gmail.com. Contemporary Sunday service at 10 am, check out our Facebook page for special events, telephone 603 569 2644.

Program planned on history of schools in Wakefield

WAKEFIELD — Are you interested in education? Did you grow up in Wakefield? Are you interested in local history? If so, you are invited to a program to be presented by Pam Wiggin, Chair of the Wakefield Heritage Commission and long-time town resident, at the Wakefield-Brookfield Historical Society's monthly meeting on Tuesday, July 12, starting at 7 p.m.

The meeting will be held at the "Little Red School House," an 1858 Brick School building at 2851 Wakefield Road in the Wakefield Corner Historic District. Appropriate to the location, Ms. Wiggin's topic will be: "2 School Districts: Education in Wakefield, 1796-1969." Members and the public are welcome to attend the presentation and to stay for a social time with refreshments. For more information or directions, call Jennifer at 603-522-6713.

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Ossipee Historical Society announces summer schedule

OSSIPEE — The Grant Hall Museum has announced its schedule of events this summer at 52 Old Route 16B, next to 1st Congregational Church, Center Ossipee

There is a new exhibition in the museum, which has been changed out to a theme of "Textiles,' using a collection of clothes, coats & boots to fit the following presentations:

Saturday, July 2, 10 a.m. to noon-open to the public-Samplers on display

"Embroidery – The Threads of History" Speaker demonstrating the stitches, kids-make a sock puppet using the stitches learned for the nose, etc.

Saturday, Aug. 13, 10 a.m. to noon-open to the public

"Knit Your Bit" Knitting demonstration and instruction. Make a scarf.

Sunday, Aug. 21, 2 p.m. service

Presented at the Early Settlers' Meeting House, Granite Road (keep right at the junction)

Saturday, Sept. 10, 10 a.m. to noon

"New England Quilts and Their Stories" Local speaker noting the difference between old time handmade and the newer, easier machine made. Some quilts on display.

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Conway	Deer Brook Townhouses	N/A	\$445,800	Kulibaba RT and John Kulibaba	Christopher A. Perkins
Conway	E. Conway Road	Residential Developed Land	\$45,000	Anthony W. Galanto	Aip Property Group LLC
Conway	Grandview Road	N/A	\$87,933	Hugh W. Hastings II RET and Ellen H. Zelman	Dianne M. and John H. Devereaux
Conway	44 Henry Cotton Rd.	Single-Family Residence	\$352,000	Muriel J. Bennett Estate and Barbara E. Bennett	Cara Rudio
Conway	W. Side Road	Residential Developed Land	\$805,000	Fred John Lucy Fiscal Trust and Sarah L. Hopley	Lucy Brook Partners LLC
Conway	15 Washington St.	General office	\$2,200,000	Echo Consulting Services Inc.	Garg Complex LLC
Conway	1814 White Mountain Highway	Mixed Use (Commercial/Other)	\$3,400,000	Jan G. Filip 4th	Olympia Golden Gables LLC
Conway	64 Wildflower Trail, Unit 19	Condominium	\$362,500	Carl and Mary L. Cosio	Amal Algarawi
Conway	N/A (Lot 39)	N/A	\$125,000	Carol M. and John P. Collins	Raj K. Patel
Conway	N/A (Lot 37)	N/A	\$125,000	Carol M. and John P. Collins	Raj K. Patel
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Conway	N/A (Lot 56)	N/A	\$125,000	Carol M. and John P. Collins	Raj K. Patel
Conway	N/A (Lot 38)	N/A	\$125,000	Carol M. and John P. Collins	Raj K. Patel
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Effingham	34 School St.	N/A	\$295,000	Lee M. Adams and Kenneth C. Smith, Jr.	Alan Libby
Jackson	12 Jackson Highlands Rd.	Acc. Land Imp.	\$302,000	Matthew and Leah Falconeiri	Gail Ferreira RET
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Tamworth	Depot Road	N/A	\$85,000	Sugar Pine Trust and Harold W. Cook	Patrick S. Casey
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Wakefield	83 Great East Lane	Single-Family Residence	\$275,000	Joyce A. Berry Estate and Derek P. Berry	Stephen R. Wuori
Wakefield	1324 Lovell Lake Rd.	Single-Family Residence	\$240,000	C.T. Reddington RET	Joseph B. Williams
Wakefield	Pine River Pond Road	N/A	\$30,000	Peggy G. Naughton LT	John R. and Dianna Elwell

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Edward Jones: Financial Focus

What to expect from a financial advisor

If you know how important it is to invest for your future, but you're unsure of the road to follow, you may want to get some guidance and direction from a financial professional. But if you've never worked with one before, what can you expect? Here are some things to look for:

- Assessment** – A financial advisor will assess your current financial situation – assets, income, debts and so on – but that's just the start. These days, advisors recognize the need to view their clients' lives holistically. Consequently, you will see questions like this: What are your feelings about investing? How would you judge your risk tolerance? What are your individual financial goals? What hopes and dreams do you have for your family?
- Recommendations** – Only after fully understanding your needs, goals and preferences will a financial advisor recommend any investment moves. There are no "one-size-fits-all" solutions. You

may want to steer clear of individuals claiming to be financial advisors who "guarantee" big returns with no risk. In the investment world, there are few guarantees, and every investment carries some type of risk.

- Communications** – Financial professionals communicate with their clients in different ways, but you should always feel free to reach out to an advisor with any questions or concerns. Most financial advisors will want to meet with clients at least once a year, either in person or through an online platform, to review their investment portfolios. During the review, the financial advisor will help you determine if any changes are needed. But financial advisors won't wait a full year to contact clients to discuss a particular investment move that might need to be made. Also, depending on the firm you choose, you should be able to go online to review your portfolio at your convenience.

- Technology** – A financial advisor can employ a variety of software programs to help clients. For example, a financial advisor can determine the rate of return you might need to attain specific goals, helping shape your investment strategy. But there are also a lot of "what ifs" in anyone's life, so an advisor can use hypothetical illustrations to show you where you might end up if you take different paths, such as retiring earlier (or later) than you had planned or putting in more (or less) money toward a specific goal, such as education for your children. Anyone's plans can change, so the ability to view different potential scenarios can prove valuable. Above all, a financial advisor can help you feel more confident as you pursue your goals. Among investors who work

comfort about their finances during the COVID-19 pandemic, according to a survey conducted in 2020 by Age Wave and Edward Jones. And during times of market turbulence, such as we've experienced this year, a financial advisor can help you avoid overreacting to downturns. When unexpected events crop up, such as a lapse in employment, a financial advisor can suggest moves that may enable you to avoid major disruptions to your financial strategy. Conversely, when a new opportunity emerges, perhaps from an inheritance or some other windfall, your financial advisor can help you take advantage of it. Navigating the investment landscape can be challenging – but the journey can be a lot smoother if you've got the right guide.



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Let's hear it for the USA

One of our favorite holidays to write about is Independence Day. We all know the stories of our forefathers, John Adams, Sam Adams, George Washington, Paul Revere, James Madison, Benjamin Franklin and Alexander Hamilton, to name a few. However, the history is endless. We thought we would shine a light on aspects surrounding Independence Day that aren't commonly known.

Wearing an American flag, whether it be on a tee-shirt, headband, towel or shorts is technically in violation of the Flag Code. The code says that you are in violation if you sell, display any "article of merchandise, upon which shall have been printed, painted, attached, or otherwise placed a representation of [the flag... in order to] advertise, call attention to, decorate, mark, or distinguish the article or substance on which so placed." The code, however, is advisory, and not enforceable.

The stripes on the flag represent the original 13 colonies, and the stars represent the 50 states. The color red symbolizes hardiness and valor, while white symbolizes purity and innocence, and blue represents vigilance, perseverance and justice. At its core, the flag stands for pride, sacrifice, opportunity, hope, strength and freedom. Many people have stopped wearing patriotic articles of clothing or flying the flag due to extremists using it to symbolize what they feel is patriotism. The truth is, that being a patriot is to protect the rights of all Americans, remain unbiasedly informed, and to protect democracy and decorum. That is what our flag represents, so by all means if you are a true patriot, it does not matter where your politics fall, fly the flag with pride, it belongs to all of us.

The famous painting that depicts the signing of the Declaration of Independence isn't exactly an accurate portrayal. All of the delegates were never together at the same time in Philadelphia. The final signing took place roughly a month later, on Aug. 2. The Declaration was formally dated and adopted by Congress on July 4; however, Congress voted for independence on July 2.

Celebrating their new independence, soldiers along with civilians tore down a statue of King George III and melted it into bullets. In Georgia, people burnt the King in effigy and even held a faux funeral service. In Philadelphia, the King's coat of arms was burned in a bonfire. Massachusetts was the first state to recognize July 4th as a holiday in 1781.

In 1777, fireworks could be seen in the sky and the ringing of bells rang through the night in Philadelphia. Ships were decorated and lined the coast and streamers could be seen flying in celebration everywhere. The oldest annual parade takes place in Bristol, Rhode Island. 2020 will be the town's 235th consecutive celebration, it's start in 1785.

In New England, dining on salmon became tradition. The story behind the popular cuisine, is due to the influx of salmon that summer. Along with the salmon, people had peas and turtle soup.

One common fact is that Thomas Jefferson and John Adams both died on July 4, 1826. James Monroe also died on the Fourth of July in 1831.

To date, Calvin Coolidge was our only president born on the 4th, in 1872.

Left out of mainstream history was the story of Crispus Attucks, the first to die in the patriot cause. Attucks was a black/native American patriot who was shot, and the first to fall during the 1770 Boston Massacre. Attucks was a runaway slave who was a rope maker and sailor. History says he was shot by two musket balls to the chest. In 1778, it became legal in Rhode Island for free and enslaved blacks to serve the cause, with freedom as part of their payment.

Educated by her owners, Phillis Wheatley was a well known poet during those times. Wheatley was kidnapped in West Africa and brought to America. At the age of 20, in 1773, she became the first African American and third female to publish a book of poetry. She eventually became free. She also advocated for independence, writing in support for George Washington's Revolutionary War in her poem, "To His Excellency, General Washington." Washington, impressed by her talent invited her to a meeting.

In 1958, when Alaska and Hawaii were on deck to become states, a history teacher assigned his class to design a flag, depicting the two new states. 16 year old Robert Heft, received a B- on the project. Unhappy with the mark, Heft sent the flag to Dwight D. Eisenhower. After the flag was chosen, Heft had his grade changed to an A.

Another fun fact is that Thomas Jefferson wrote the Declaration on what was referred to as a laptop. A writing desk that could fit over a person's lap.

In 1778, Washington ordered a double ration of rum for soldiers to celebrate with.

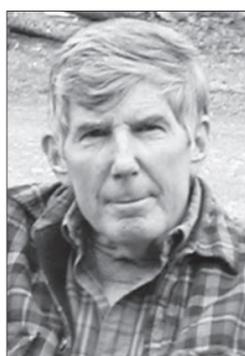
In 1776, there were roughly 2.5 million people living in America. The current population is now 325.7 million.



COURTESY

Brewster to host On The Green Arts & Crafts Festival this weekend

Don't miss the On The Green Arts & Crafts Festival to be held once again at Brewster Academy on July 8-10, Friday & Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. There will be more than 100 arts & crafts exhibitors with a fabulous chain saw demonstration on Saturday by Buck Ridge. Don't miss his amazing talents! Some of the other exhibitors will include handsome soy candles, cedar wood furniture, beautiful leather jewelry, handsome alpaca products, personal care products, soft sculpture dolls & animals, gourmet oils & vinegars, stained glass, kettle corn, amazing metal creations with nuts & bolts, laser engraving, home decor & signs, cribbage boards, pottery, handsome leather items - belts/pocketbooks, quilt raffle, fabric creations, NH maple syrups, beautiful wooden spoons & ladles, hats/tee shirts, beautiful tie dye clothing, inlaid wooden tables & mirrors, fine art paintings, doggie apparel, & lots more!!! Music - Food - Rain or Shine Under Canopies - Friendly, Leashed Dogs Welcome - Free Admission & Free Parking - GPS Address: 80 Academy Dr., Route 28, Wolfeboro. For more information, call Joyce at (603) 387-1510. See you there!



By JOHN HARRIGAN
COLUMNIST

Editor's note: Mr. Harrigan was unable to submit a new North Country Notebook column in time to meet our press deadline for this week's edition. The following column was originally published July 7, 2016.

Shyne and I hiked into camp one day last week. That was the good part. The bad part, for a moment, came when I went down to check the spring. "Mr. Shyne," I reported, "we have no water." For some reason I always call him, for the first time at least, "Mr. Shyne." It lends at a semblance of formality to our forays into camp.

This posed a more or less immediate problem, at least on the planning level, because not having water nearby, the pond is a hike, meant (a) not being able to do dishes, which meant (b) not dirtying dishes, which meant (c) using paper plates, which was a problem because (e) we were having a couple of pretty nice steaks for supper, which posed another problem because (f) Red-Meat-Eating Rule Number 3, Paragraph 6, says "Never eat a steak on a paper plate."

I posed this dilemma to Shyne, who really didn't care because he was sizing up a job to bend copper tubing for a new gas line extension in camp. With copper tubing Shyne is downright artsy, which

North Country Notebook The Care Bears come to camp



JOHN HARRIGAN

AH, CAMP, where few problems seem to arise, and those that do seem to have a very short shelf life.

rhymes with something else, which is also true.

"We'll just double the paper plates and pretend they're metal," I decided.

"Okay," said Shyne.

"Wait a minute," I said. "You can't just agree like that. We have to talk this through, have a discussion and all, or else you might get offended."

"Do I look offended?" "No."

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It went like that for the whole time we were in camp. Something came up, one of us made a suggestion masquerading as a decision, and that was that.

On the porch, while Shyne was peering at bent copper tubing and I was trying to tie on a fly, I brought up the Care Bears, who invented a whole new school of conflict resolution, a fancier name for problem solving. "You remember the Care Bears, right?" I quizzed Shyne, who didn't seem all that interested.

The Care Bears came onto the scene just about when I was running out of kids to read to at bedtime. In the Care Bears' world there were no rotten-to-the-core bad people, only people who were misguided, underprivileged, disadvantaged, unloved, challenged, deprived, unfortunate, and so on. There were no thugs, just temporarily confused souls who happened to have blackjacks in their back pockets.

Nobody ever took individual, concerted, decisive action, either. Everything had to be done by committee. There were a lot of meetings. If some big bad kid came along and pushed a little kid into the mud, no one from your Older Kid Protection Team was supposed to go over and clean his poor disadvantaged clock.

Shyne and I were supposed to fish that night, but a Force Four gale blew us off the pond. Every time we tried to throw a fly into a little opening in the

bushes and grass where the fish were, noses down and stacked like sardines on account of the cold spring-water billowing forth below, the vagaries of the winds put the flies where we would never get them back.

Shyne had been looking forward to fishing something wicked, and I thought that after having been so unfairly deprived of it he might need counseling, and so I turned from my latest Paul Theroux train-travel book to ask him, in my best Care Bears voice, whether he was, you know, okay, but he was fast asleep.

This column runs in weekly newspapers covering two-thirds of New Hampshire from Concord to Lower Quebec and parts of western Maine and northeastern Vermont. Letters must include the writer's telephone numbers and town. Write to camp-guyhooligan@gmail.com or Box 39, Colebrook, NH 03576.


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CLC to host “Walking with Wings” program

CHOCORUA — Worldwide, there are an estimated 20,000 species of butterflies and 165,000 species of moths. On travels here in New England and in Vietnam, teacher/naturalist Linda Graetz has photographed hundreds of them.

If you'd like to learn more about these fascinating winged (but not in every part of their life cycle!) beauties who are essential to life on earth, please join the Chocorua Lake Conservancy on Saturday, July 23, from 10 a.m.-noon for “Walking with Wings” in Chocorua. Educator and insect enthusiast, Linda Graetz will share her knowledge about the basics of how to identify butterflies and moths—patience, close observation and describing what you see



learn more about these amazing creatures.

This event is one in a series of Chocorua Lake Conservancy programs held throughout the year to encourage people of all ages to enjoy Chocorua Lake and the trails and woods that surround it, and to learn more about the natural world we inhabit. Visit www.chocorualake.org for information, and follow us on Facebook and Instagram.

About the Chocorua Lake Conservancy

The CLC is a volunteer-led, nonprofit land trust founded in 1968 to protect the scenic and natural resources of the Chocorua Lake Basin and surrounding area. The CLC is committed to providing convenient and attractive public access to Chocorua Lake and trails on nearby conservation lands for visitors and local residents. For more information, including ways you can get involved, please visit www.chocorualake.org.

are the most important skills you'll need. We'll look for moths and butterflies in a lepidoptera-friendly location. We'll explore and learn together as we describe, observe, and share our finds with each other. Wear sunscreen, long

pants and close-toed shoes. Please bring your own water, tick/mosquito repellent, and a magnifying glass if you have one. The free outdoor program is limited to 20 participants; please register in advance on our Web site

at bit.ly/CLC-wings. Children eight and up are welcome and must be accompanied by an adult.

Linda is also offering a program via Zoom in advance of the walk: “Butterflies are From Venus, Moths are From Mars,” on Tuesday, July 19, at 7 p.m., via Zoom; register here: bit.ly/CLC-butterfly. If you weren't able to attend, but would like to watch it before the walk, we will post a link between July 19 and 23 here: bit.ly/CLC-butterfly.

Linda Graetz is an educator and photographer who spent a very rewarding thirty years in museum and art education. An avid birder since the late 1970s, upon retirement she turned most of her attention to nature. She trained as a teacher/naturalist at Mass Audubon's Drumlin Farm and taught there for more than 10 years. It was through her work there that her interest in insects was ignited. Her passion now is to inspire others to see and



NHBM offers opportunity to learn to sail like a pro

WOLFEBORO — For those unfamiliar with the activity, sailing can be intimidating, a perception that can be adjusted through an experience within one of several Community Sailing classes this summer at the New Hampshire Boat Museum.

“Our Youth Learn to Sail classes are geared to ages nine to 15, while our Adult programs are aimed at ages 16 and up,” said NHBM Executive Director Martha Cummings. “Our programs last for one week and cost \$150 for residents and \$180 for nonresidents. We have sailing scholarships available.”

Held at Albee Beach on Lake Wentworth or on Lake Winnepesaukee, the program is available through the Town of Wolfeboro's Parks and Recreation Department.

“It's a wonderful collaboration with the Town where NHBM cares for and provides all of the sailboats and safety boats, along with some training for the instructors, particularly on the safety boats,” added Cummings.

In addition to beginners, classes for youth and adults are available for those with intermediate and advanced skills.

“It depends on the class and, in some cases, your skill level, as to what type of sailboat you'll be using” noted NHBM Programs & Events Manager Anne Lennon. “There is definitely something for everyone, regardless of skill level.”

Former students “love” Community Sailing at NHBM.

“Learning to sail is a great thrill and a fun way to get out on the lake as well as make new friends,” said past participant Lou Arinello.

To learn more about Community Sailing, including how to apply for a scholarship and register, visit nhbm.org.

Founded in 1992, NHBM is sponsored in part by Goodhue Boat Company, Eastern Propane and Oil, Stark Creative, KW Lakes and Mountains, Meredith Village Savings Bank and FL Putnam. To learn more about NHBM, or upcoming events and programs, visit nhbm.org.

Knight baseball, softball teams hand out postseason awards

WOLFEBORO — The Kingswood baseball and softball teams recently handed out postseason awards following the conclusion of their respective seasons.

For the softball team, which advanced to the Division II semifinals, sophomore Morgyn Stevens won the Most Valuable Player Award, in addition to the Pitching Awards and Offensive Player of the Year.

Freshman catcher Adrian Teves was named Defensive Player of the

Year, freshman Avery Gregory was named Rookie of the Year and Danica Chominski won the Coaches Award.

For the baseball team, which advanced to the Division II quarterfinals, Caleb Desrochers was named the Offensive Player of the Year, Tyler Sprince was named Most Outstanding Pitcher and Shaw Swinerton won Most Improved Player. Jesse Leighton and Owen Souza were presented the Coaches Award.

Stacey Kelleher performing around New England this weekend

REGION — Kingswood graduate turned Nashville-based singer-songwriter Stacey Kelleher will be returning to New England to do a number of shows over the next week.

Today, July 7, she will be performing in Portsmouth at Cup of Joe at 7 p.m. and on Friday, July 8, she will be playing at Sofar Boston at 8 p.m. in

Boston, Mass.

On Saturday, July 9, she will be performing two shows in downtown Wolfeboro, playing at Seven Suns at 2 p.m. and at the Lone Wolfe Brewing Company at 8:30 p.m.

She returns to Cup of Joe in Portsmouth for an 11 a.m. show on Sunday, July 10.

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Crouse, Joseph E., late of Woodstock Valley, CT. Ian James Crouse, 42 Brockway Rd, Woodstock Vly, CT 06282. Theresa Joan Grisez, ESQ, Resident Agent, Cooper Cargill Chant PA, 2935 White Mountain Hwy, North Conway, NH 03860. #312-2021-EF-00201

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Smith, Philip A., SR., late of Ossipee, NH. Deborah L. Rosewolf, 16 Lower Beacham Hill, Ossipee, NH 03864. #312-2022-EF-00074

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petition signed by more than 500 property owners and municipal officials from eight towns with abutter status. The petition asks Effingham to commit to a more complete independent professional review of the Meena proposal.

Acting on a recom-

mendation by Lakes Region Planning Commission for a third-party review, the Effingham board in April hired North Point Engineering of Concord for a professional assessment of the Site Plan Application, but limited the scope to just two parts of the 80-page document.

Three weeks ago, the conservation groups

posted an online petition saying limiting the scope of the review was inconsistent with the vote the Planning Board took on April 7, per meeting minutes and the Zoom video. They said the public deserved to have “the highest standards” applied to an independent review of the entire application, not just part of it, both in its current form and in

revisions.

Special use permit Then there is question of the Special Use Permit. In its April 26 report to the town, North Point Engineering said Meena needs to apply for a permit per Section 2208 of the Groundwater Protection Ordinance, which grants the Planning Board authority over the “storage, han-

dling, and use of regulated substances in quantities exceeding 100 gallons.”

A Special Use Permit, if granted, would require Meena to comply with a list of defined Performance Standards, identify “stormwater infiltration practices and depths to the average seasonal high-water table,” and provide a

“narrative description of maintenance requirements that shall be recorded at the registry of deeds,” among other provisions.

Meena attorney Matthew Johnson quickly objected to the need for such a permit, calling North Point’s conclusion “legally incorrect.”

In a written brief to SEE QUESTIONS PAGE 18



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The FCPO is a non-profit group of volunteers that was formed in the Fall of 2021. Its mission is “to develop, promote, and sustain the age-friendly recreational opportunities of Constitution Park for Ossipee and the surrounding communities.” With the help of the Mount Washington Valley Age Friendly Community, local businesses, Town employees and volunteers, the FCPO has revitalized the 107 acre town

park which includes two miles of wooded walking trails, playground, dog park, ballfields and a newly opened 9 hole disc golf course. Last March, the voters in Ossipee approved funds to renovate the tennis and pickle ball courts.

These tangible improvements have sparked positive community communication and participation. On Sunday, June 26, The FCPO, along with the Ossipee Parks and Recreation Department, hosted a celebration as part of Old Home Week. Over 300 people attended the event in spite of the hot day!

“The only time I have seen a crowd this size at the park is for the Fourth of July fireworks,” said Justin Chafee, Director of Parks and Recreation in Ossipee. “The FCPO has created positive energy into helping the Parks and Recreation Department accomplish a lot of projects that originally we had anticipated would take years.”

The attendees enjoyed touch a truck, playing field games, learning disc golf, taking guided walks of the trails, and painting kindness rocks. The food trucks, Smoking Guns BBQ, Junkyard Dogs and Cheese Louise were a big hit. Non-profit groups such as the Ossipee Children’s Fund, School’s Out, Head Start, Green Mountain Conservation Group, FCPO,

and Ossipee Lake Dockfest had set up information tables.

“It was a wonderful site to see and experience,” said Edwina Boose.

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the board, Johnson said a Special Use Permit applies to a use that is otherwise permitted in the underlying district provided that it is not a prohibited use. But since gas stations are prohibited, and since Meena LLC obtained a variance for the otherwise prohibited use, the special use process is inapplicable, he concluded.

In response, Attorney Biron Bedard, representing Ossipee residents who abut the Meena property, said Johnson's argument is "precisely the reason" that Meena needs to obtain a Special Use Permit.

Bedard said that when Meena LLC obtained a variance for the site, it effectively turned a prohibited use into a permitted use, which made it subject to Section 2208.

"If Meena wanted to be absolved of the requirement to obtain a special use permit, they should have sought a variance from the Special Use Permit requirement," he concluded.

Professor Bob Newton

Will the Planning Board invite Smith College Geoscientist Dr. Robert Newton to make a presentation about the Ossipee Aquifer and the Meena property? It's a question that has been pending since

January.

Newton, who has studied the Ossipee Aquifer for more than 50 years, posted an on-line video this year calling the Meena property the "worst possible location" for a gas station because its highly-transmissive soils were made even more susceptible to pollutants by years of gravel mining at the site.

The video has been viewed more than 900 times and was cited in evaluations of the Site Plan Application by officials of several abutting communities, most especially Freedom, which quoted from it extensively in its eight-page evaluation of the development.

In letters to the Planning Board in January and March, Newton outlined his concerns and asked for time to brief the board at one of its public meetings. After his letters went unanswered, Ossipee Lake Alliance and Green Mountain Conservation Group made the same request on Newton's behalf on June 27.

The Meena LLC hearing begins at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, July 7, in Effingham Town Hall. Those wishing to attend via Zoom may register on the home page of the town's website, www.effinghamnh.net, prior to the start of the meeting. Or contact pb.admin@effinghamnh.net.



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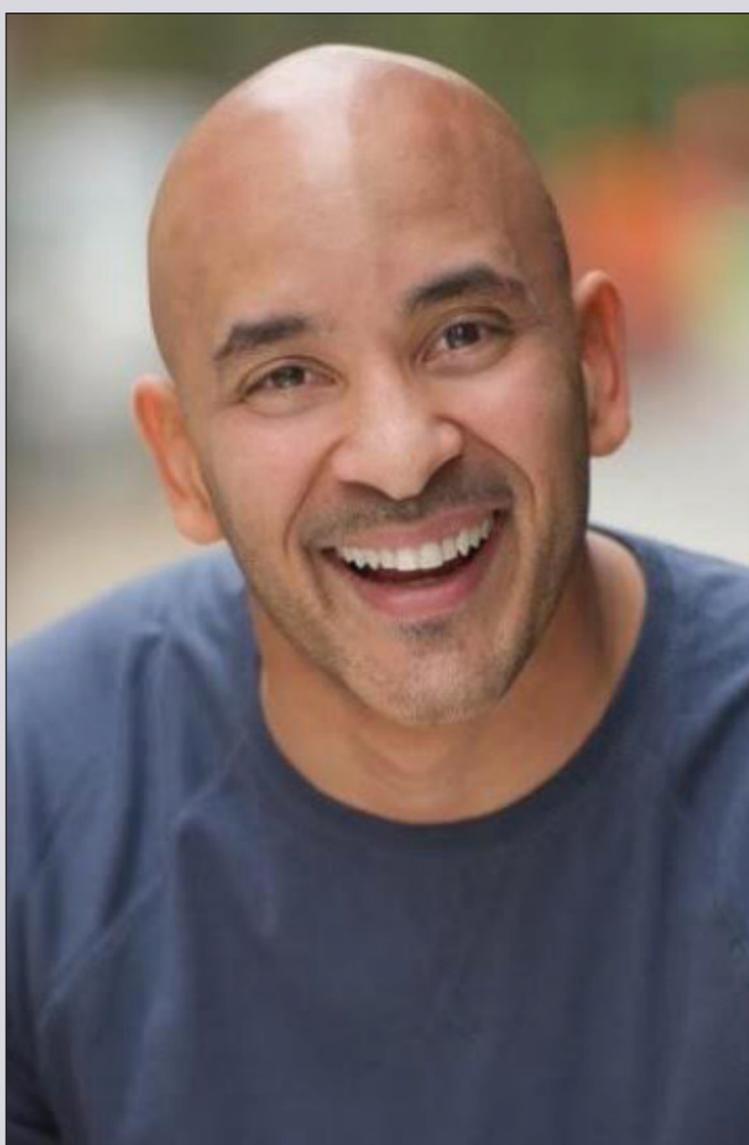


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