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New Hampshire Music Festival Survives!

Plymouth, NH, The New Hampshire Music Festival is one of the longest-running festivals of its kind in the country and an important cultural highlight of the summer in the Lakes Region. After three challenging years and a premature announcement of its demise, the festival board accepted a plan presented by The Musicians to rebuild the New Hampshire Music Festival in a fiscally responsible manner. Conforming to this plan, the festival will be led by The Musicians as the new management of the festival in collaboration with a larger board including more musicians, business leaders, and cultural leaders of the community.

Two major donors

helped erase financial obligations, securing the non-profit status of the organization. And in an outpouring of community support, over \$100K from almost 100 donors was raised in March alone for the upcoming 2023 season. Appeals for public support continue in order to ensure full musical offerings this summer and to ensure the future of the festival.

Conductor Paul Polivnick has committed to conducting weeks two and three of the festival. New Hampshire is his favorite place to be during the summer months, and he loves to perform with musicians from all over the country who have worked with him at the festival for

over 20 seasons.

Good faith negotiations with Plymouth State University are ongoing, with the Silver Center for the Arts reserved for the 71st season of the NHMF to be held July 10-28, 2023.

A slideshow of planned programs can be found linked here.* Details of the final programs are dependent on meeting fundraising goals.

To contribute, a check may be mailed to NHMF, P.O. Box 64, Plymouth NH 03264, visit www.nhmf.org, or contact General Manager, Justin Stratton, justin@nhmf.org, 603-238-9007

Week 1: "Teasers" featuring the NHMF Chamber Orchestra led by NHMF concertmaster Charles



Dimmick with music by David Diamond, Respighi, Marcello, Jessie Montgomery, and Tchaikovsky.

Week 2: "Connections" featuring the NHMF Symphony Orchestra conducted by Paul Polivnick, with works by Beethoven, Gabriela Lena Frank, Copland, and the Haydn Trum-

pet Concerto dedicated to beloved former NHMF trumpet player for over fifty years, Keith Johnson.

Week 3: "Traditions" featuring the NHMF Symphony Orchestra conducted by Paul Polivnick with works by Johann Strauss, Berlioz, and Florence Price.

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TRENDY Dining Guide

Jan's Fairlee Diner

by Gary Scruton

The old saying goes that March comes in like a lion and goes out like a lamb. Janice and I took advantage of that lamb-like day on the final day of March and went for a short drive down to Fairlee to get some lunch at Jan's Fairlee Diner. During the trip we both looked at the lawns and fields and agreed that even if spring is here on the calendar, it certainly does not look like spring quite yet. With brown grass and bare trees the landscape is probably the least appealing during this short time of the year.

But the main objective of our trip was to get some food and make sure we did not starve. Jan's serves lunch from 11 am until 2 pm and we arrived a bit before 1:00. The timing seemed to be good as we walked in and found an empty booth in this great old fashioned diner. Along with about a half dozen booths there are also a number of stools that line

the counter just in front of where Jan does most of the cooking on the grill, and with a frialator to the side. The lunch menus were already on the table so we sat down and started the task of making a choice. One of the two waitresses on duty stopped to ask what we would like for a beverage and we both took a simple glass of water. When she brought those back and saw us still looking over the choices she departed to give us some more time.

When she strolled back by again we had made our decisions and she stopped to take our orders. Janice went with a favorite of hers, fish & chips. Jan's lists it as beer battered Cod and it came with fries and some coleslaw. I decided to work a bit more to make the meal. I asked for a cup of the fish chowder and a grilled cheese (cheddar, please) with a slice of ham. It also came with fries on the side plus a pickle.

It was either while we

were waiting for our meal, or while we were eating it that we got a good sense of just how close Jan's Fairlee Diner sits to the railroad tracks. We could hear, and see, a train heading north and as it passed you could certainly feel the power of the locomotive and hear the click of the cars as it rolled by. It seemed like everyone in the diner (except the staff) was watching.

The distraction of the train did not take anything



away from our enjoyment of the meal. The fish was plentiful as were the fries. I even was offered some of Janice's fries to help her clear her plate. My cup of chowder was the right amount to go with the grilled cheese and ham sandwich. The sandwich was cooked to that golden brown that denotes this kind of sandwich. Plus the pickle had just enough taste to add to the lunch without overpowering it.

We both did finish our

meals and when offered dessert had to turn down the offer. The cost for our two meals was \$37.06. I simply laid my credit card on top of the slip on the table and our waitress came by and took it over to the register. She brought back the slip to sign which I did while Janice dug out a cash tip to leave with it.

As we had traveled south in New Hampshire we decided to stay on the Vermont side as we travelled back north. It still wasn't really spring yet, but we certainly enjoyed the outing, and the food.



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'The Godfather' Dave Moody Returns to Thunder Road as SRX Public Address Announcer

Barre, VT — A man who needs no introduction is returning to the Thunder Road public address system for the first time in nearly two decades. Officials have announced today that Vermont's-own Dave Moody is making his grand return to 'The Road' as the announcer for the Superstar Racing Experience (SRX) Event on Thursday, July 20th that will see such international stars as Tony Stewart, Marco Andretti, Tony Kanaan and Brad Keselowski, among others, take to the iconic Vermont oval.

Originally from Montpelier, Vermont, Dave Moody cut his racing teeth at the beloved Catamount Stadium in Milton and here at Thunder Road as a media contributor before stepping into his more famous role in announcing under the tutelage of the legendary broadcaster and Thunder Road founder, Ken Squier. To the happy memories of many Northeast race fans, Moody was the voice of the American-Canadian Tour and Thunder Road, among other stops along the way, for the better part of thirty years before joining the line-up of NASCAR's Motor Racing Network (MRN) and Sirius XM Radio.

"I'm excited to be a part of what should be one of the most exciting nights in the history of 'The Nation's Site of Excitement,'" said Moody. "Thunder Road is home to me. It's where it all began, and being back on the microphone for the Superstar Racing Experience there will be a dream come true."

"We're very excited to have Dave come back home for the SRX event on July 20th," said Thunder Road managing partner Cris Michaud. "Moody has been a great supporter for Pat and I since we purchased the track and this will truly be the icing on top. His firsthand knowledge of the drivers combined with his knowledge of Thunder Road is sure to delight our New England fans and elevate this epic event even further."

The Superstar Racing Experience (SRX) will debut with global NASCAR Cup Series Champions, IndyCar Champions, Daytona 500 and Indianapolis 500 champions converging on the iconic highbanks of Barre, Vermont's Thunder Road International Speedbowl on Thursday, July 20th. Alongside the SRX stars will be the first-ever Late

Model All-Star Race open to the best of the best in 2023, including weekly series Late Model winners at Thunder Road and New Hampshire's White Mountain Motorsports Park as well as touring series titans from the American-Canadian Tour and Serie ACT Quebec.

For more information, contact the Thunder Road offices at (802) 244-6963, media@thunderroadvt.com, or visit www.thunderroadvt.com. You can also follow us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram at @ThunderRoadVT.

Thunder Road International Speedbowl is a fast, high-banked 1/4-mile asphalt oval nestled high on Quarry Hill in the Granite Capital of the World; Barre, Vermont. Built by NASCAR broadcasting legend Ken Squier in 1960, Thunder Road is the home of the American-Canadian Tour, one of the oldest international stock car racing series in North America, and showcases some of the strongest weekly racing in the United States while annually hosting quality touring events from the Pro All Stars Series (PASS) Super Late Models and the Monaco Modified Tri-Track Series, among others.

Piermont Artist, Stephanie Gordon Exhibits work at Alumni Hall

Piermont artist, Stephanie Gordon is exhibiting her artwork at Alumni Hall, Haverhill through the end of April. The artworks on display are mixed media encaustic paintings. Encaustic painting is a very ancient and beautiful method of creating luminous art from pigmented molten waxes called "encaustics." Encaustics have been used for painting since at least the 1st century BCE in Egypt. The word encaustic comes from the Greek word "enkaustikos," meaning "to burn in." Each layer of melted wax must be fused on to the one heat. They are well suited for mixed media work as objects and other materials can be embedded in the wax. Encaustics are amazingly durable- some have sur-

vived intact for two thousand years.

Stephanie Gordon, a practicing artist and art teacher has made art her whole life. She received her BFA from the University of Michigan College of Art and Design and studied in France. She has explored graphic design, stained glass, painting and printmaking, as well as other media. She has taught at the elementary level and for 18 years at Hanover High School, In Hanover, NH. She exhibits her work locally and regionally. She resides in Piermont, NH.

Her show may be seen during performances at Alumni Hall. Check the website:www.courtstreetarts.org for dates and times.

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School Tuition Program Bill Passes House

HB 275, the school tuition program bill, was submitted to the House Education Committee in January, and several weeks ago, the committee unanimously recommended that the bill ought to pass with a 20-0 vote. On March 22, the bill received another ought to pass vote from the House of Representatives; it has now been sent to the Senate Education Committee for that body's consideration.

This bill is very important for schools that may only have grades K-8, or perhaps other grade level configurations such as K-4 or K-6. Upon graduating from the highest grade level in such a school, students will then continue their education experience through 12th grade at a receiving school district or school approved by the resident, local school board. A number of communities such as Piermont, Warren, Landaff, Monroe, and Bath, tuition students to a receiving district that contains grade levels not offered in the resident district. In accordance with current NH law, the resident or local school board may enter into a tuition contract agreement or complete multiple agreements with receiving districts. For example, the Piermont school board's tuition choice program has students attending Rivendell Academy in Orford, Oxbow High School in Bradford (VT), Woodsville High School, and St. Johnsbury Academy, an independent school in St. Johnsbury (VT).

The New Hampshire tuition program has been in place for years, and with this very successful program, parents have the opportunity to choose which approved tuition

school they'd like their student(s) to attend. To make such a decision, parents must consider: availability of academic programming, needed special education services, cocurricular activities, proximity to parents' daily job/work, needed transportation, career technical education offerings at the receiving school, graduation rates, and more.

Concern has been raised among some communities throughout New Hampshire, questioning if a parent can pay the difference for a child to attend a locally approved tuition school if that school's annual tuition cost increases beyond the sending district's tuition policy or tuition cap. Some districts allow a parent to pay the difference, while some do not. Differing opinions have brought about the need for legislative resolu-

tion.

As amended in committee, HB275 states that the resident, local board may allow the parent to pay the tuition cost difference to an approved school whose tuition is above the sending school's cap, as long as at least one other board approved tuition school option is available at no cost to the parent. With this policy and provision in place, there is no discrimination; every student has the opportunity to receive the opportunity for an adequate education, without having to pay tuition.

In conclusion, students and parents look for learning options that best fit their learning needs and expectations. Parents also consider moving into tuition option communities when locating and choosing a place to live. HB275 has made it over several high hurdles, and I expect the bill to progress in the Senate and later to the Governor.

Respectfully,
NH Rep Rick Ladd,
Chair House Education

Grafton County Announces Pandemic Emergency Relief Funding

North Haverhill, NH, – Grafton County has received an allocation of American Rescue Plan Act – Local Fiscal Recovery funds. The Grafton County Commissioners and Executive Committee have authorized \$500,000 in Pandemic Emergency Relief funding to be made available to qualifying small businesses located in Grafton County.

The goal of this funding is to provide grants in amounts between \$1,000 and \$20,000 to small businesses located in Grafton County to reopen or recover from negative economic impacts linked to the COVID-19 pandemic. Small businesses interested in this opportunity

should visit Grafton County's website at www.co.grafton.nh.us to view the eligibility requirements, terms and conditions, and the application. For questions and additional information not available on our website, please contact County Administrator, Julie Libby by email at jlibby@grafton-countynh.gov or by calling (603) 787-6941. Applications can be submitted until April 28, 2023.

The Grafton County Commissioners are very excited to be able to provide this money to small businesses in our community to help them recover from the ongoing effects of the COVID pandemic.

Lisbon Lions To Host 19th Annual Spring Senior Citizens Dinner

The Lisbon Lions Club is once again showing their appreciation to local senior citizens by sponsoring the 19th Annual Spring Senior Dinner, free for all senior citizens living in Lisbon, Lyman and Landaff, on Saturday, April 15th. The meal will include ham, mashed potatoes, vegetables, apple-

sauce, roll and dessert.

This year's dinners will be offered as home deliveries only. Meals will be delivered as close to noon as possible.

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CONCORD, N.H. New Hampshire aims to connect 48,015 homes and businesses to high-speed internet as part of a \$90 million broadband fiber optic expansion program developed by the New Hampshire Department of Business and Economic Affairs (BEA).

New Hampshire was one of the first states to receive approval for its broadband expansion program as part of the American Rescue Plan Act's Coronavirus Capital Projects Fund. The first funding round awarded \$50 million to bring high-speed internet to 23,259 addresses. The second round awarded another \$40 million to connect an additional 24,757 addresses.

"These grants represent an historic investment in broadband expansion in the state," said BEA Commissioner Taylor Caswell. "We have rural communities that have been waiting for decades to upgrade from dial-up or DSL speeds. Once complete, New Hampshire will be among the most connected states in the nation, allowing our residents and businesses to participate in the digital economy."

To date:

- Almost 54 miles of

fiber have been strung through Campton, Hebron, Holderness, Plymouth and Rumney;

- Preparation for deployment is now complete in Belknap, Carrol, Cheshire, Coos, Grafton, Hillsboro, Merrimack and Sullivan Counties; work continues in Grafton County;

- Once deployment and testing are completed, in-home installations will begin.

Just this month, BEA's Office of Broadband Initiatives received an award from the New Hampshire Business Review's annual "Best of Business" awards. The publication noted that the program "best reflects the intent of the legislature and the needs of the state's underserved broadband population."

About the New Hampshire Department of Business and Economic Affairs (BEA)

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Civics Education

Senate Bill 216 which establishes requirements for the teaching of civics in schools, and also defines civics education, was recently heard by the House Education Committee. This bill previously received unanimous support in the NH Senate, with 16 senators signing as co-sponsors. House committee members clearly got the message that this bill, upon passage, will go a long way to making sure that NH citizens will be the beneficiaries of a rigorous civics education.

Chuck Douglas, former United States Representative from New Hampshire and a New Hampshire Supreme Court associate justice provided written testimony, urging the committee "to support the More Time on Civics Bill (SB 216) which will institute a policy to create more time for civics education in New Hampshire's elementary and middle schools." His communication went on to state, "With only six out of ten Americans able to identify our government's three branches [of government], it is clear that the civics knowledge and skills once taught in schools have decreased significantly. Others provided testimony stating that "some students are lacking basic knowledge such as the meaning of the 4th of July, the total number of US states, and who runs our state and federal government.

Additional testimony from NEA NH's President mentioned, "in the early 2000's when No Child Left

Behind became law, the focus was placed on holding schools accountable for how children learned and what they achieved. Part of these rules included statewide tests for reading and math in grades 3-8, and once again in grades 10-12. While the intent of NCLB may have been good at the time, the reality is that teaching in schools focused on math, reading and writing. Science and social studies really took a back seat as they were not being tested. The reality is that social studies in elementary schools became a subject that was either not taught or was being taught very little."

Another participant at the hearing indicated that he had been concerned about the declining level of basic civics knowledge of not only students, but adults. This lack of civics knowledge leads to disengagement from participa-

tion in voting, to attending town meetings, to understanding how boards of selectmen, school boards, planning boards, and other governmental organizations work. This in turn leads to a less functional democracy, and it ripples down to New Hampshire. This trend needs to be reversed, or this country will lose our cherished freedoms.

Committee members got the message; there is a need for greater emphasis and inclusion of civics education in public school curriculum. To further echo the words of many who testified, a return to age appropriate lessons in history, economics, geography and government also need more dedicated instructional time in the elementary and middle school grades. I will be meeting with education department instructors from Keene State College and Plymouth State in the next few weeks to align this goal with teacher preparation programs.

Respectfully Submitted,
NH Rep Rick Ladd, Chair,
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WOODSVILLE WELLS RIVER 4TH OF JULY
COMMITTEE MEETING
7:00 PM
Baldwin Memorial Library, Wells River

PORCUPINES

7:00 - 8:30 PM
Fox Forest's Environmental Crr., Hillsborough

THURSDAY, APRIL 6

MAUNDY THURSDAY COMMUNION SERVICE
6:30 PM
Bethany Church, Mt. Moosilauke Highway, Pike

SATURDAY, APRIL 8

OPEN MIC NIGHT
6:30 - 9:00 PM
Horse Meadow Senior Center, No. Haverhill

SUNDAY, APRIL 9

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7:00 AM followed with Continental Breakfast
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9:00 AM
Bethany Church, Mt. Moosilauke Highway, Pike

MONDAY, APRIL 10

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4:30 PM
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SATURDAY, APRIL 15

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SUNDAY, APRIL 16

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4/3 9:00 Walk the Center, 9:30 Chair Yoga, 10:00 Grief & Loss Support, 1:00 Bingo, 1:00 Drums Alive
 4/4 9:00 Nifty Needlers, 9:30 Bone Builders, 9:30 Interfaith Chat, 12:30 Crafts, 1:00 Walk the Center, 1:00 Food Pantry by appointment
 4/5 9:00 Walk the center, 9:30 Chair Yoga, 10:30 Board Games, 1:00 Bingo, 1:00 Drums Alive
 4/6 9:30 Bone builders, 1:00 Walk the Center, 1:00 Food Pantry
 4/7 9:00 Walk the Center, 9:30 Beginner Ballet, 10:30 Senior Ballet/Stretch, 12:30 Mahjongg, 12:30 Haircuts by Marshall by appointment, 1:00 Computer help
 4/10 9:00 Walk the center, 9:30 Chair Yoga, 10:30 Candy Bar Bingo, 1:00 Drums Alive, 1:00 Dementia Support Group
 4/11 9:00 Nifty Needlers, 9:30 Bone Builders, 12:30 Crafting Time, 1:00 Walk the Center, 1:00 Food Pantry, Music by Jane Wilcox
 4/12 9:00 Walk the Center, 9:30 Chair Yoga, 10:00 Veterans Coffee, 1:00 Bingo, 1:00 Drums Alive
 4/13 9:30 Bone builders, 10:00 Floral by Jane, 1:00 Walk the Center, 1:00 Food Pantry by appt.
 4/14 9:00 Walk the Center, 9:30 Beginner

Ballet, 10:00 Popcorn & Movie, 10:30 Senior Ballet/Stretch, 12:30 Mahjongg, 12:30 Herbal w/Elaine, 1:00 Computer Help
 4/17 9:00 Walk the Center, 9:30 Chair Yoga, 10:00 Grief & Loss Support Group, 1:00 Drums Alive, 1:00 Card Games
 4/18 8:00 Nifty Needlers, 9:30 Bone Builders, 9:30 Interfaith Chat, 12:30 Crafting Time, 1:00 Walk the center, 1:00 Food Pantry, Music by Jane Wilcox
 4/19 Walk the Center, 9:30 Chair Yoga, 10:00 Book Discussion, 1:00 Bingo, 1:00 Drums Alive,
 4/20 Bone Builders, 1:00 Walk the Center, 1:00 Food Pantry by appointment
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 4/28 9:00 Walk the Center, 9:30 Beginner Ballet, 10:00 Movie & Popcorn, 10:30 Senior Stretch/Ballet, 12:30 Mahjongg, 12:30 Herbal with Elaine, 1:00 Computer Help

Early Lessons

by Maggie Anderson

Recently I read of a writer who spoke of his desire to shed his former life like a worn out snake-skin.

It reminded me of many snake stories so I thought I'd let this one slither out to be passed on to all those folks hungry for the adventure of running into some writhing creatures soon to be fighting for their part of the lawn, as soon as the ground has thawed of course.

I looked back on the day my big brother John dragged a dead rattler to the back porch, coiled it up on the steps, propped its head and tail up with some twigs, and waited behind the bushes for Mom's reaction

John was young

enough not to understand the gravity of what might happen as Mom walked to the back door with an arm-load of sun-dried laundry off the line.

He did not know that problems with RH factors, and the ensuing multiple miscarriages, were the sad norm for my parents at the time.

Mom was expecting our younger brother David and she and dad had been praying and tip-toeing through the pregnancy since they learned the rabbit had died.

She got John's - and Dad's - attention when she screamed and fainted the moment she saw that snake.

Dad used it as a teaching moment, and I promise you, it was a lesson John never forgot.

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New England Wire Technologies to Sponsor Weathervane's 2023 Patchwork Season

WHITEFIELD, NH - New England Wire Technologies, all performances of the Patchwork Players in Lisbon will be free of charge. All performances are scheduled to perform at the Lions Club Community Field in Lisbon. In case of rain the performances will be moved inside to the Lisbon Regional School.

"We are very pleased to be able to work with Weathervane Theatre in sponsoring the 2023 Patchwork Players Season," said Craig Simpson, New England Wire Technologies' Director of Business Development. "Being good community partners is a core value at

New England Wire, and we are excited to be able to help provide accessible theatre to the entire Lisbon community."

"Accessibility is at the core of our mission at Weathervane," said Weathervane Producing Artistic Director Ethan Paulini. "It's my belief everyone should have access to quality performing arts. I'm honored NE Wire Technologies is partnering with us this year to make that mission a reality, generously sponsoring the full Patchwork season and allowing hundreds of members of our North Country community to enjoy our top notch theatre programming, perfect for the whole family."



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In addition to performing in Lisbon, 2023 Patchwork Players productions will perform outside the Weathervane in Whitefield, at Bethlehem's Colonial Theatre, and at Colebrook's Great North Woods Center for the Arts. A complete performance schedule can be found at weathervanenh.org. In addition to New England Wire Technologies, the Patchwork Players are also sponsored by Cross-town Motors. The Patchwork Players are part of Weathervane's 58th season which runs June 9 - October 14th. Featuring a Mainstage season of over 10 titles including JERSEY BOYS, MAMMA MIA!, and GUYS & DOLLS, subscriptions are on sale now at weathervanenh.org.

About the Shows:

MARY HAD A LITTLE HAM

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Vyntyge Skynyrd To Headline Friday Entertainment At North Haverhill Fair

With spring's arrival summer can't be far behind. It may have been a long winter but the schedule at the 2023 North Haverhill Fair will make it worth the wait.

Along with country fair favorites that everyone enjoys, there are some new and crowd pleasing additions for this year. Plus of course a whole new line up of musical entertainment on the Thayer Stage.

The Friday night concert for the 79th annual North Haverhill Fair will be Vyntyge Skynyrd. Lynyrd Skynyrd was the most formidable band ever to emerge from the South. Vyntyge Skynyrd celebrates the 1970's era of the band by replicating this timeless music as it was originally recorded and performed. Vyntyge Skynyrd captures the fire and heart of the band, as well as the soul of their fearless leader Ronnie Van Zant. You'll be transported back to 1977 where you will hear all the classic Skynyrd favorites such as Sweet Home Alabama, Saturday Night Special, Gimme Three Steps, and of course you can yell "FREEBIRD" all you like because you will in fact get it! Like all the acts there is no additional fee to watch, listen and enjoy the great sounds.

Already announced for this year's fair is another great tribute band. "Dirty Deeds" will perform all the great AC/DC hits of the past on Saturday, July 28. Of course the stage will also host the Little Miss North Haverhill Fair competition on Wednesday night and the coronation on Saturday. Plus a number of other musical talents on Wednesday, Thursday & Sunday.

But there is so much more to the North Haverhill fair than just music. If you like traditional animal pulling events, then visit the Bishop arena with oxen, ponies or horses pulling each day. Do you prefer motorized pulling? Sunday is the 4x4 pull, Saturday is the tractor sled pull. Friday will see the return of the traditional stone boat tractor pull.

Want to compete your-



self on a more intimate level? Horseshoe pitching happens Sunday morning, followed by a Corn Hole tournament. Hand mowing competition is held Thursday morning. And new this year is a frying pan throw for the ladies, and a similar weight throw for the men on Saturday. Or bring your arts and crafts, photography or paintings for display all during the fair. All competitions offer cash prizes.

If you prefer the chance to sit back and watch, don't miss the Wee, Wee, Wee Racing Pigs with several shows each day. Or just walk thru the commercial building with plenty of our local businesses showing off their wares. Plus take a trip into the past with a visit to the Blaisdell Maple Museum

or the new Farm Museum which is still being finalized. Of course you can also get your thrills by visiting the Fiesta Shows midway to play games or take a ride.

The 2023 North Haverhill Fair runs from Wednesday, July 26 thru Sunday, July 30. Admission prices are \$15 for adults, \$3.00 for children 5-12 and free for those younger than 5. Parking is still free in the field north of the fairgrounds which are located at 1299 Dartmouth College Highway (Route 10) in North Haverhill, New Hampshire.

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Letter to the Editor: The Other Side

To the Editor,

Published in the Trendy Times March 21, 2023, are two letters, from Booth and Phillips.

Another rant from Booth about what she doesn't like about almost any topic and accuses Fox news of disseminating misinformation. Her comments would seem to indicate she watches Fox News! I suggest Booth consider the viewership of Fox and the other news stations. Yes, Fox is not number one in viewership during prime time, considered to be the evening news half hour. During that time – 30 minutes – a snapshot of everything that happened in the world in the previous 24 hours is broadcast. There is no time for in-depth analysis giving all sides of the issue. In my opinion Fox News gives more comprehensive reports. Each Fox News show lasts one hour. Fox News – Carlson, Hannity,

Ingraham – ask questions about issues and try to provide answers from both sides. Are Fox News hosts opinionated – you bet.; better than just reading words from a teleprompter that describes in words what eyewitnesses have seen. Each Fox News show tends to repeat the same issues. Tune in any time and get the same information. The other networks: great mindless activities such as the Voice, Survivor and endless reruns of whatever after the evening news. After national news, local news parrots the exact same lack of any in-depth reporting. Total viewership of the evening news is approximately 20 million people, out of 300 million (gotten from an internet search asking the question about viewership). It's the 280 million who will matter on election day. Booth's words resemble the classic tyrant, dictator, and incompetent

such as Sleepy Joe. No debate necessary. First Amendment be damned. Believe my words. All others are domestic terrorists spreading disinformation - threats to democracy that should be squelched.

Phillips wants abortion enshrined, maybe on billboards and a statue in the town square of the most outspoken advocate for killing the unborn. Yes, that's what abortion is. Too grisly? Reproductive rights is much nicer. Society overwhelmingly opposes execution for heinous crimes such as cold-blooded murder. But some women, the most vociferous advocates for the execution of the defenseless unborn and whose knowledge of reproduction and birth control could all be contained on the head of a pin, don't mind the hypocrisy.

Robert Peraino
Franconia

Robert,

Not to be contradictory, but I think your title should have been "From My Side". To say "the other side" tends to imply there are only two sides to the story and only one has been told. In truth, I believe, there can be many, many sides to both of these issues.

Though Trendy Times is not your traditional newspaper (we call ourselves a Viewspaper) I still consider us to be part of "The Media". As such I cringe whenever someone says "the media" does this or doesn't do

that. There are so many channels on TV and radio, and streaming, plus so many printed forms of media, that whatever point of view you may have, you can probably find someone else who agrees with you, as well as opposes your viewpoint.

So isn't it great that we live in the USA and have a right to voice that viewpoint, and even respond if we so choose. So please keep all the letters coming, after all it is with discussion that things get done.

Gary Scruton, Editor

Letter to the Editor: What happened to equal opportunity for the poor in New Hampshire?

To the Editor,

My family and I reside in the town of Piermont, and we have a gifted 13 year-old who would like to attend either Thetford Academy or St. Johnsbury Academy - like other kids from our area. Piermont has a precedent of paying the Piermont-set cap for students to attend every blue ribbon school in this area: Hanover High, Thetford Academy, and St. Johnsbury Academy. Their policy has been changed to disallow such out-of-district opportunities. Why is that being changed?

Our family is still living beneath the Federal poverty line even with me working 12 hour night shifts in December and January, and every full time week I can get since then. Our family has never taken a penny out of taxpayers pockets to date having been home-schoolers. There are simple methods for us to be able to cover the difference between the Piermont cap and a blue ribbon school tuition, which we specifi-

John & family,

Let me first congratulate you, your family, and your daughter for all her achievements to date. It sounds like there will be plenty more to come.

In regards to tuition funding I will make two points. First I will repeat a fact I heard recently that New Hampshire is #1 in the US for least amount of money spent on education for our students. I would also suggest you read State Representative Rick Ladd's article on page 4 of this edition of Trendy Times. And if you have more questions contact him directly.

Gary Scruton, Editor

cally qualify for due to our economic situation.

Our daughter is a good, self-motivated scholar, who started studying English three years ago, and tied for first place in the Scholastic Chess Tournament at one of these blue ribbon schools. She has worked hard to earn a place in such an elevated institution in spite of the challenges of our family's situation. Wanting the best educational opportunity for our child, why are we not receiving support for her to further her academic achievements? Isn't it her Constitutional right to have her education needs met?

The elected Town Moderator actually raised her voice at the last town meeting to say that anyone who doesn't agree with what the school board is doing should leave town.

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During your working years, you generally know how much money you're bringing in, so you can budget accordingly. But once you're retired, it's a different story. However, with some diligence, you can put together a "paycheck" that can help you meet your income needs.

Where will this paycheck come from? Social Security benefits should replace about 40% of one's pre-retirement earnings, according to the Social Security Administration, but this figure varies widely based on an individual's circumstances. Typically, the higher your income before you retire, the lower the percentage will be replaced by Social Security. Private pensions have become much rarer in recent decades, though you might receive one if

you worked for a government agency or a large company. But in any case, to fill out your retirement paycheck, you may need to draw heavily on your investment portfolio.

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- Proceeds from selling investments – While you will likely need to begin selling investments once you're retired, you'll need to be careful not to liquidate your portfolio too quickly. How much can you sell each year? The answer depends on several factors – your age, the

size of your portfolio, the amount of income you receive from other sources, your spouse's income, your retirement lifestyle, and so on. A financial professional can help you determine the amount and type of investment sales that are appropriate for your needs while considering the needs of your portfolio over your lifetime.

When tapping into your investments as part of your retirement paycheck, you'll also want to pay special attention to the amount of cash in your portfolio. It's a good idea to have enough cash available to cover a year's worth of your living expenses, even after accounting for other sources of income, such as Social Security or pensions. In addition, you may want to set aside sufficient cash for emergencies. Not only will these cash cushions help you with the cost of living and unexpected costs, but they might also enable you to avoid digging deeper into your long-term investments than you might like.

You may be retired for a long time – so take the steps necessary to build a consistent retirement paycheck.

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A Hip Story (Part 3)

by Elinor Mawson

It was 1980, and 22 years since my mother's first hip replacement--and time for another. She contacted a surgeon in Maine and plans were made.

My sister and I took her to the hospital; leaving her made us want to eat chocolate chip cookies, (but I don't remember if we did or not).

The following day, she was taken to the OR, anesthetized, and promptly brought back because it was discovered that her implant hadn't yet arrived. She would have to wait another 3 days,

This time, implant at the ready, her former replacement was removed; however, during the process her femur was broken, and her leg was placed in traction.

The doctor explained to my father and me that my mother would have to remain in traction for three months until her femur healed; then they would proceed with the replacement. Nobody was happy with this pronouncement,

Instead of her remaining in the hospital, we decided to bring my mother home. We set up a hospital bed in the dining room, and she came home by ambulance. It was decided that my father and I would be her caregivers while she was there. Again, plans were made.

After being released from traction by my father, I would get my mother out of bed, and using crutches, she would go into the bathroom to brush her teeth and wash her face. Then I would get her back in bed and she would again have her leg put in traction--it was awesome to watch that leg stretch and stretch until it was attached once more.

For the rest of the day she would remain in bed and we would tend to her needs. My father would do the errands and other activities, and I'd make lunch, make phone calls, and keep her company. Sometime in the afternoon I would go home and tend to my family, do the housework and get supper.

Meanwhile, my father

would take care of my mother's needs and make the evening meal. Once in awhile a relative would bring soup or a casserole to "help out". It was indeed a help!

Dad would get my mother ready for the night and they would sit and chat for a little while. And Summer passed slowly for us all.

When September arrived, my mother went back to Maine in the ambulance. Her "new" hip was installed and while she was recovering, she decided to have her right knee replaced. In due time she came home, minus Physical Therapy or aftercare, and went about her business uncomplaining and happy.

I look back on that summer with two minds. I marvel at her bravery and stoicism. I marvel at my father who didn't complain and was always there. And I look at that summer as a loving experience: something my three siblings missed out on, and something I was happily able to do for my mother.

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Michael Earl French "Frenchie": OBITUARY

Landaff, NH – Michael Earl French "Frenchie", 68, passed away on Thursday, March 23, 2023, at Portsmouth Regional Hospital.

He was born in Woodsville, NH, on May 21st, 1954, to Marion (Aremburg) and Norman French. Michael attended elementary schools in Ryegate, VT and at the Bath Village School, he finished his education at Woodsville High School.

Michael was the first born in the family and was rewarded with the duty of being a big brother to his three little sisters; he was always helping them get out of any trouble they may have caused, while at the same time secreting away any scrumptious food or candy he may have had to enjoy on his own. One memorable time he came to his sister's rescue was the time he had to fix a snowmachine after his sisters accidentally put kerosine in the gas tank.

On October 16, 1976, Michael married his lovely bride, Sandra Jean (Towle) at the Wells River Church in Wells River, VT. Together they raised their two children, Brandy and Earl in their family home in Landaff, NH.

He worked for Richard Saffo Concrete for 40 plus years, and during the winters he ran his own snow plowing service. He was a volunteer firefighter for the town of Bath, NH. He was jack of all trades; he was a self-taught mechanic, carpenter, electri-



cian, and plumber. If something gave him a hard time, he would ponder the situation and eventually make it work, even making his own tool if necessary. Michael loved to hunt and fish, he was a NASCAR fan, he enjoyed four-wheeling and snowmobiling, camping in Errol, target practice, working on projects with his John Deere tractors, sitting on the patio watching the grandchildren play, tinkering in his garage, farming and making his own maple syrup. He was always willing to help others and to offer advice to family members and friends. At the same time, he could be a bit of a prankster, hiding candy, and scaring Meme in the garden with bottle rockets. Michael was predeceased by his parents, Norman and Marion (Aremburg) French.

He is survived by his wife of 46 years, Sandra Jean (Towle) French; his daughter, Brandy Layne (French) Becker and significant other Babis Tricolis; his son, Earl Michael French and wife Samantha Nicole (Reynolds) French; five grandchildren, Michael Clinton Becker III, Lucas Earl French, Evan Edward Becker, Ryan Michael

French and Levi Wallace French; his sisters, Alice Besaw, Annette Lockwood, and Cindy French; many nieces and nephews; his good friend Mike McFarland and their March 17th tradition; and his beloved four legged friends Rufus and Mimim the barn cat.

A Celebration of Life will be Saturday, April 15th at noon at the Bath Congregational Church in Bath, NH, with Reverend Lyn Winters and Pastor Tracy Davis officiating.

Memorial donations can be made in Michael's name to any of the following:

Lisbon Life Squad, 46 School Street, Lisbon NH 03585

Cottage Hospital, PO Box 2001, Woodsville NH 03785

Ammonoosuc Fish and Game Club, 381 Wild Ammonoosuc Road, Woodsville, NH 03785

The family would like to extend a Thank You to the Lisbon Life Squad, for their quick response, the DART team, all the staff at Cottage Hospital and Portsmouth Regional Hospital and to Claude Lepete for plowing the driveway for the ambulance.

Goodnight Mike. I love you. You are the wind beneath our wings.

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Velma J. (Gendreau) Brown: OBITUARY

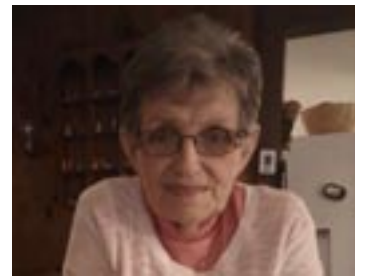
Wentworth, NH – Velma J. (Gendreau) Brown, 82, passed away peacefully on Thursday, March 30, 2023. She was born to parents, Rhea and Ned Gendreau, on June 7, 1940 in Madawaska, ME.

Velma married Alfred Brown and together they had three children, Kevin, Kent and Kim. She and Alfred owned and operated Shawnees Store for many years.

She loved to work on puzzles, play Bingo and worked with ceramics. Velma took every opportunity she could to travel to Maine and visit her family there. She loved her family.

Velma was predeceased by her husband, Alfred Brown, in August of 1987; and her son, Kent Brown, on August 17, 2019; a daughter in law, Carol Brown on January 29, 2016.

She is survived by her son, Kevin Brown, Sr. of Warren, NH; her daughter, Kim Brown of Wentworth, NH; three grandchildren, Kevin Brown, Jr.,



Joanne Hogan, and Andrew Brown; seven great grandchildren, Hunter Brown, Jared Brown, Carly Brown, Nate Hogan, Samantha Hogan, Andrew Brown, Jr., and Carolie Brown.

Services will be held privately at the convenience of the family.

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What About Ma?

by Kellie Quackenbush
All About That Stomach Flu

When you work in a school, have kids going to school or shop in popular stores, you hear all about the latest ailment going around. Nobody is talking about COVID-19 anymore-but it is still around. This month, just in time for Easter, is a stomach bug. "Although it's commonly called stomach flu, gastroenteritis isn't the same as influenza." per www.mayoclinic.org, "Gastroenteritis, on the other hand, attacks your intestines, causing signs and symptoms such as:

Watery, usually non-bloody diarrhea — bloody diarrhea usually means you have a different, more severe infection

- Nausea, vomiting or both
- Stomach cramps and pain
- Occasional muscle aches or headache
- Low-grade fever

Depending on the cause, viral gastroenteritis symptoms may appear

within 1-3 days after you're infected and can range from mild to severe. Symptoms usually last just a day or two, but occasionally they may last up to 14 days."

What is a low grade fever? Per OSFhealthcare.org, "A body temp between 100.4 and 102.2 degree is usually considered a low-grade fever. "If the temperature is not high, it doesn't necessarily need to be treated with medication," Dr. Joseph said."

However, there are differing opinions on what a low grade fever is, per Vicks.com (the people who make the cold medicines) "Some experts define a low-grade fever as a temperature that falls between 99.5°F (37.5°C) and 100.3°F (38.3°C). According to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), a person with temperature at or above 100.4°F (38°C) is considered to have a

fever." It is commonly agreed that a low grade fever is the first sign of the onset of a virus.

What should you do if you think you have a stomach bug? Per www.nhsin-form.scot,

"1 - drink plenty of fluids to avoid dehydration; you need to drink more than usual to replace the fluids lost from vomiting and diarrhoea – water is best, but you could also try fruit juice and soup.

2 - take paracetamol for any fever or aches and pains.

3 - get plenty of rest." What should you not eat while having a stomach virus or bug? Per Healthline.com,

"Generally, avoid dairy, fibrous foods, and anything fatty or spicy.

- Dairy: Not everyone has a problem with milk when they have the stomach flu, but it could be hard to digest and can aggravate gas and diarrhea.

- Fiber: You don't need the extra fiber if your bowels are loose.

- Grease: Avoid greasy and salty foods like bacon.

- Spices: Stay away from tomato-based dishes, curries, and chili sauces." With that said, wash your hands alot. Wear those face coverings in crowded spaces. Carry disinfecting wipes with you, especially if you need to use public rest-rooms. Always have hand sanitizer or wet-wipes with you and use them.

Be healthy and safe during these virus ridden times.

Granite VNA Welcomes New Manager of Quality

CONCORD, N.H. – Granite VNA is pleased to welcome Amy Kucera MS, OTR/L, COS-C, CEAS, who will become the new Manager of Quality for the organization. Kucera is assuming the role from Maureen Hanlon, who is retiring in June after 13 years with the agency. In this position, Kucera will oversee Granite VNA's quality improvement initiatives, ensuring the delivery of safe, effective, and compassionate care for the agency's clients and their families.

"Amy brings an impressive clinical background and a commitment to quality improvement," says Granite VNA Vice President of Education and Quality Tammi Mozier, MBA, PT, ATC, COS-C. "I'm looking forward to working with her to ensure Granite VNA sets the standard for not only providing the best care but also being the best place to work."

Kucera is a board-certified occupational therapist with degrees from Seton Hall University and Tufts University. She has more than 20 years' experience as an occupational therapist—with significant time in the home care setting—as well as multiple specialty certifications. Kucera has



served as the Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement Manager for Healthy at Home in Nashua since 2015.

Granite VNA serves 82 communities throughout the Capital Region and Central New Hampshire. It has offices in Concord, Laconia, and Wolfeboro and has also operated Hospice House in Concord since 1994.

"The talent and dedication of the staff and caregivers at Granite VNA is inspiring," says Kucera. "I'm grateful for the opportunity to be a part of all this agency does for our communities."

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Apple Cake

Hello hello my fellow chefs! How are you all doing today? I'm okay and planning on spending Easter in Rhode Island. My son Nick is coming to pick me up on Friday and I will get to see my brother Al who is battling cancer now. Nick took time off work Friday and Monday and he will bring me home Monday. I'm looking forward to the ride and spending time with my family. Nick is such a good son, I am blessed.

Today's recipe is easy peasy and "Delicioso"!

I had apples and all the ingredients and you probably do too so give it a try. My friend Jane loved it. Well let's get started with today's recipe and how to make it.

- Ingredients**
2 1/2 Cups all purpose flour
2 tsp baking powder



- 3/4 tsp baking soda
1/2 tsp salt
1 Tbsp cinnamon
1/2 tsp nutmeg
1/4 tsp ground ginger
1/4 tsp allspice
1 cup vegetable oil
1 cup sugar
1/2 cup brown sugar
1 cup unsweetened applesauce
4 large eggs at room temperature
2 Tbsp orange juice
3 cups peeled and chopped small apples (approximately 3 large

apples)

Confectionery sugar to sift on top

Preheat oven to 350 degrees and grease well especially the bottom a 9x13 pan. I used a glass one. In medium bowl put the flour, baking powder, baking soda, salt, cinnamon, nutmeg, ginger and allspice and whisk to combine well. In large bowl put oil, sugar, brown sugar, applesauce, eggs, vanilla and orange juice and mix well, I used my electric hand mixer. Slowly add the dry mixture into the batter and mix until all combined. Put your apples in and mix thoroughly. Put in prepared pan and shake to spread evenly. Bake for 40-50 minutes until toothpick inserted into center comes out clean. Mine took 45 minutes. Put on wire rack and cool for 20-30 minutes. Carefully invert onto wire rack. Using a glass pan allows you to see it release from bottom. Once removed place on wire rack right side up and cool completely. Sift confectionery sugar on top and you are done.

It smells so good when cooking. Everybody loves it and you will be a star to your family. It's good anytime so enjoy with a nice cup of coffee or tea or even milk. Cover to keep moist and I had to sift more powdered sugar on top because it melts. It goes a long way.

Well folks that's it for today's recipe. If you have any questions please contact Gary and I will help you out. I hope you enjoy it. Have a Happy Easter, stay healthy and safe. Until next time I am signing off,

Sincerely,
Cin Pin

Woodsville High School Earns Fourth Jostens National Yearbook Design Recognition



WOODSVILLE – Woodsville High School's yearbook, The Engineer, has been recognized for excellence and featured in the 2022 Jostens Look Book, a collection of spreads and photos from outstanding yearbooks and their creative themes, fantastic covers, beautiful designs, relevant coverage, meaningful storytelling, and stunning photography. The Look Book celebrates the best-of-the-best in yearbook design and coverage. Along with design excellence, the annually published Look Book honors the important role well-crafted yearbooks play in helping schools chronicle the experiences, stories, and achievements most relevant to students and that academic year. Jostens, the nation's leading partner in yearbook publishing and design, selected a student life spread from The Engineer to feature.

Chloe Brooks and Maisie Hilliard created the Engineer under the guidance of Ashley Youngheim, former WHS yearbook adviser (2017-2022).

"Leading the yearbook

program during my tenure at Woodsville brought me great joy. I am continuously proud of the work the students produced for the yearbook and their dedication to the program over the years. We made the Honorable Mention list in 2019 and 2021 and had a featured spread in 2020 and 2022. This is no small feat. I wish the program the very best of luck in the future under their new adviser," Mrs. Youngheim recounted.

The WHS Engineer was one of only 460 yearbooks selected from over 2,000 yearbooks submitted. The 2022 panel of judges, composed of nationally recognized scholastic journalism professionals and award-winning yearbook advisers, selected the best examples of the previous years' yearbook spreads and covers to make up the 304-page 2022 Look Book.

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