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### ScrappyBots Claes Thelemarck

with station participants  
Everyone enjoyed learning about 'scrappy bots' from Claes Thelemarck, 4-H STEM Field Specialist, during his mini-workshop on April 1 in North Haverhill. The cute robots he shared were made from odds and ends found around the house, including scraps from the recycling bin!

## National 4-H Week October 1 – 7, 2023

National 4-H Week signifies the beginning of the new 4-H year and is a great time to explore America's largest youth development organization. If you are interested in learning more about the program, join Donna Lee, Grafton County 4-H Program Manager, on October 3 for an ice cream party at 6pm in the function room at Hatchland's Dairy Delites store in North Haverhill to kick-off the new year, learn about 4-H in the county, and hear about exciting projects and activities that are planned.

Registration is required two days in advance: <https://tinyurl.com/LearnAbout4H>. For more information, contact the UNH Extension office, 603-787-6944, [ce.grafton@unh.edu](mailto:ce.grafton@unh.edu).

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**NHF Dairy – Ally Miles**  
Ally Miles, of Bath, NH, joined seven other youth in the Senior Dairy Fitting and Showing class at this year's North Haverhill Fair. During the class for 14 to 18 year olds, the judge evaluated the youth's knowledge and ability to make their heifer look her best in the show ring.

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# TRENDY Dining Guide

## Mikey's Seafood Pub & Grill

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We got there and I had been in about a month prior to see how it was coming along and was pleasantly surprised with the looks of it. Very welcoming. I was very happy to see one of my favorite people behind the bar. Alex whom I have known since she was little. Have had the pleasure of watching her become an amazing young woman. And might I add an amazing voice. She asked us what we wanted to drink it was a girls day so we both got a Bud Light. Then we saw that another familiar face was there running around. Pete who we knew from being a DJ back in the day. It may have been from another girls night. hehe, or two.

I could see somewhat in the kitchen and saw the Mike's cooking. We just decided to have an appetizer of mozzarella sticks which I did not get a picture. I may have been hungry ooopppsss. There was a gentleman that came in after us who had something that I am embarrassed to say I forgot what he had ordered, as I am writing this last minute but it looked amazing and I asked if I could take a picture of it which they all thought I was out of my mind but I forgot to take a picture of the mozzarella sticks. So I had to ask. He was very nice and would have let me but we then decided to get the Whole Belly Clam Strips. When it came out it looked so yummy. Which

might I add it was. They had the crinkle fries which I think was a nice touch. We enjoyed nice conversation while we were there.

Apparently we were not the only girls having a girls day. There were two beautiful "young at heart" women that came in. And of course Tammy and I were giggling as we usually do over something silly and they just thought we both were the cutest. And decided to let us know that. We were thinking the same.

I decided I needed to use the bathroom. Well soon after I went in there. Apparently everyone could hear me giggling uncontrollably. Tammy knew why immediately as she had been in the bathroom before me. And she knows me better than I know myself. This is what I saw.



How can you not laugh at that. Then Pete decides he wants to have something added and asks our thoughts about chicken and waffles. OHHHH YESSS!!! So it was decided it was a yes and so not only did I get to take a picture but also got to try it and it was delicious.

We finally decided we should probably head for home so we got the bill. I saw that they sold glasses as well as shirts I decided that we needed glasses. So I got 4. At \$5.00 a piece. Didn't think that was bad at all. The total came to \$92.41 and then a tip, glasses included.

We paid.

As we left the other women were leaving to and we chatted for a bit. We agreed that would be us when we got to their age. They were having a great time, as we were. It was delicious meal and great atmosphere. Definitely will be going back.



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# CONNECTIONS LOST AND FOUND

By, Maggie Anderson

Hank and I had the pleasure of spending Saturday afternoon in a room filled with Rebecca Rule fans, enjoying her take on all things New England. Her company, always a pleasure, is enhanced not only by the stories she passes on, but also by her eagerness to invite others into the spotlight's beam. It was a perfect afternoon.

She recounted a tale about a long ago venture into the Big Apple her mom took, with a group of girlfriends. They had a friend in New York City who was to be in a play, so they went to stay a couple of days with her and to watch her in action.

After the bows were taken and the applause faded, they went to the stage door to wait for her. The stage door opened and none other than Yul Brynner emerged.

She ended the story with her mother's punchline and then, in an effort to show us how stories connect us, read a letter received from a witness to their run in with The King of Siam. Turns out the letter's writer had been a member of the entourage from upcountry on their weekend jaunt to the big

city. I don't know how many years fell between the adventure and the letter Rebecca read to us, but I do know that story was the connection.

At that point my train jumped the track and I began thinking about some of my memorable letters, letters that still warm years after their senders have stepped off that final platform.

Then my thoughts turned to the misfortune generations hence will suffer now that cursive is no longer taught in so many of our public schools.

Just imagine a person who has traveled to the old homestead - to sort things out after having lost their grandparents - finding a trunk in the attic filled with the gold of letters between his or her grandparents, years before their own parents were even, as the old line goes, a twinkle in their daddy's eye, and being unable to read those moments in their own history without a translator.

Imagine being unable to pan for all the gold written in the beautiful lilt of their grandparents' hand.

# FUR FEST A Feel-Good Event for Animal Lovers

EAST MONTPELIER, VT: Are you an animal lover? Enjoy delicious food prepared by local restaurants? Or love the thrill of participating in live and silent auctions? If your answer is yes, then this is the event is for you! Central Vermont Humane Society is hosting its annual FUR FEST on October 13, 2023 from 5:30 pm – 8:30 pm at the Vermont College of Fine Arts in Montpelier, VT. After three years of having this event virtually due to the pandemic and short staffing, CVHS is excited to offer FUR FEST in-person this year and celebrate our work saving animals with our community. This heartwarming event will be feature hearty hors d'oeuvres by The Woods Lodge (Northfield, VT), delicious desserts from Delicate Decadence, a cash bar offering local craft beverages, live and silent auctions with many great items donated by local businesses and artists, inspiring animal stories, and more!

Advance tickets of \$40 per person can be purchased at <https://centralvermonthumane.org/purchase-fur-fest-tickets/>, or you can email

Development@centralvermonthumane.org. Tickets will be available for purchase at the door, however CVHS encourages folks to purchase their ticket(s) by September 29, 2023 to ensure we order the right amount of food and drink for guests. This helps make sure that all of the funds raised will benefit the animals.

For any questions regarding Fur Fest, please contact Sara at Development@centralvermonthumane.org or call (802) 476-3811 extension 105.

# Fall for St. Johnsbury



St. Johnsbury, Vermont - After the announcement of the all-new Fall for St. Johnsbury festival on Saturday, October 7, dozens of community organizations have come forward to offer events and activities during the festival. Currently, more than 30 activities are scheduled to take place all throughout the town. The full lineup can be found at [www.discoverstjohnsbury.com/fall-forstj](http://www.discoverstjohnsbury.com/fall-forstj). A printable schedule will be available via the website the week of the event, or at the Welcome Center, 51 Depot Square.

"Signs are promising that fall foliage will be nearing peak the day of the event, and you certainly won't find a better day to explore town and discover all that there is to love about St. Johnsbury. The best of our beautiful, creative, delicious, friendly, and generous community will be on display all day long." says Gillian Sewake, Director of Discover St. Johnsbury. In addition to the previously announced all-

you-can-eat pancake breakfast by St. Johnsbury Meals & Wheels at the Good Living Senior Center, the annual pie & secondhand book sale by the Friends of the St. Johnsbury Athenaeum, fall brunch at the United Community Church, UCC, Fall Dog Party at Dog Mountain, and St. J Art on the Street Gallery Stroll by Catamount Film & Arts, several new activities have been added to the schedule.

These include a pumpkin & mum sale at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, a guided hike up Observatory Knob for exceptional foliage viewing, a bandstand concert by the St. Johnsbury Town Band, a free performance of Modern Times Theater's 'The Baffo Box Show', the First Annual Halloween Costume Swap by the Halloween Parade Committee, a Heart Space Healing Collective Open House, live music by New Hampshire-based bluegrass group Foster's Home on Railroad Street.

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Old Church Theater Rehearsals for their upcoming show are well underway.. The play Scotland Road will be their next show coming in October. The show will be directed by Carrie Anne Quinn and will feature John Hunt, Robin Keith Meghan Bullard and Chris Leary.

Setting near the end of the 20th Century, a young woman is found floating on an iceberg in the middle of the Atlantic Ocean, dressed in 19th century clothing. After being rescued the woman speaks only one Word, the word is Titanic! This creates quite the sensation and a Man named John is intent on discovering who she really is.

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This event was organized by Ryegate Historical Society, Newbury Historical Society, Blue Mountain Grange, Baldwin Library, & First Congregational Church of Newbury.

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## All About MA!!!

### All About That ??? Mail

By Kelli Quackenbush

Ma loved the catalogs and sales fliers that filled her mailbox from the end of summer until Christmas. She and Auntie poured over these "wish-books" with the joy and anticipation of children at the Christmas tree. They delighted in finding the "perfect" gift, so unique and so special for the intended recipient. That was Auntie and Ma.

Me, as I sort through political rhetoric, credit card promotions and sales catalogs, I am not that excited. In fact, I feel overwhelmed by so much mail that I really do not have the time or energy to process. I call it junk mail. However, there is a good reason to be happy to see the excess of the solicitous mailings, it supports the delivery of all mail.

Per the Washington Post, "Today, junk mail is a lifeline for the post office. In 1970, Congress withdrew taxpayer dollars for the agency, passing a law directing it to act like a business by covering its costs. But Congress still required the Postal Service to cover inherently unprofitable parts of running a nationwide system de-

livering to far-flung, often rural parts of the country without taxpayer dollars. Desperate for money, the Postal Service opened the floodgates by granting marketers preferential access to your mailbox at one-third the cost of standard mail." [www.washingtonpost.com](http://www.washingtonpost.com).

Researching junk mail has made me realize that junk mail is not limited to the mail box on the street. Our E-Mail is full of junk mail that we sometimes refer to as SPAM. I do know about the online onslaught of unwanted advertisements and inquiries, all looking to get our money, it is everywhere. Online, there is always a place to hit "unsubscribe" and that will get rid of unwanted E-Mails from most of the sellers.

The stuff that comes in the mail, however, requires more effort. If you go online, depending on your search engine, there are many companies and articles about how to end the junk mail siege. Some of the sites will add to your number of SPAM found in your E-Mail filters. An article that I did find informative with good, useful information came from [snappyliving.com](http://snappyliving.com), '8 Ways to Stop Junk Mail

Forever', "there are two main types of junk mail: direct marketing mail which actually has your name and address, and mail which comes to "resident" at your address. The first kind comes from companies selling mailing lists.

The second kind is usually in the form of circulars, or envelopes full of local coupons, and those companies have no idea who lives at which address - they're sending something to "resident" at every address they can find. Your tactics for stopping these will vary a little."

Tips that include writing "return to sender", calling "800" numbers to complain, and using the return postage paid envelopes sent to you are some of the ideas for ending the junk mail. Stepping back and looking at the junk mail in a different light, it helps keep the rural mail deliveries flowing, people are making a living from the jobs that create it, and for people like Ma and Auntie--sometimes the mail brings joy.

Just a new thought on what may or may not be a daily frustration. Happy Fall.

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Lunch and Goodies  
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Of Barnet  
279 West Main Street  
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### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7

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COUNTRY MARKET  
10:00 AM – 2:00 PM  
Crafts, Bake Sale & Lunch, Books, Treasures  
Meetinghouse, Route 117, Sugar Hill, NH

### RUSTY DEWEES

7:30 PM  
Alumni Hall, Haverhill, NH

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27

Cottage Hospital Fundraising Gala  
120th Birthday Celebration  
Mountain View Grand Reort  
Whitefield, NH 6 PM  
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## Rusty DeWees Returns Once More to Alumni Hall

Rusty DeWees a.k.a "The Logger," will present his comedy and music show at Alumni Hall, on Saturday, October 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm. Rusty grew up in Stow Hollow and worked for eleven year in New York City and worked as an assistant at Doyle Auction House while working in television and film. He has co-starred in a handful of Law and Order episodes and has been on Saturday Night Live, and As the World Turns. Furthermore, he has appeared as a guest on Wait, Wait Don't Tell Me. He has made many commercials including ones for Wendy's, Kellogg's Corn Flakes, Coke, Chevrolet and Ford. This past spring, he wrapped up his role as Asa Locke in "Lost Nation," a film about Ethan Allen by Jay Craven and shot in Nantucket and Brattleboro, VT.



is a mix of Larry the Cable Guy and Prairie Home Companion, in that part of his routine is tailored as stand-up, while another part, though very funny, can be seen as more storytelling, albeit short stories. Rusty has performed THE LOGGER about New England for 28 years and recently added playing guitar and singing in his show. But don't worry comedy fans, there's plenty of humor in the songs Rusty has written and will play.

Since 1996 he's toured in New England with THE LOGGER, his "...inventive, exceptional" original one-man comedy and music show, acting as writer, director, producer and performer. He's written two books and has his own production company through which he writes and produces radio and television campaigns for Vermont businesses. He also plays shows and presents motivational talks to student in elementary school up through college and businesses of all types. When not doing all that, he donates his time to Meals on Wheels, Capstone, Elder Care Facilities and performs at Vermont's six correctional facilities.

Rusty DeWees THE LOGGER returns to Court Street Arts and is thrilled to. "For one reason, I can stop at MacDonald's on the way home up the road headed home.

Mostly I love CSA 'cause they are always prepared regarding their marketing, and the night of the show producing. I've played there so much, the audience are like ole friends, literally.

It's a great size hall for my show too. At CSA this time around I'll of course do a couple oldie but goodie storied folks always request in the lobby pre-show, and I'll play a good bunch of new material which I've worked hard on and is getting very funny."

For more information and tickets: [www.courtstreetarts.org](http://www.courtstreetarts.org)

Rusty DeWees alter ego, "The Logger," is a raw, energetic backwoodsman that is a combination of all that's wonderful and wacky about the northern new England Spirit. The Logger might lack schooling, but he has the wisdom of the hills in his blood and more than his fair share of wit. Some might say Rusty's comedy

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WHITEFIELD, NH - September 21, 2023— The Weathervane Theatre is proud to present a fresh and exciting new production of Guys and Dolls. Sponsored by Kerner's Car Wash & Quick Lube, this classic musical comedy plays in alternating rep at the Weathervane September 20 - October 8, 2023.

Guys and Dolls is classic Broadway at its show-stopping best! Hailed by many as the perfect musical comedy, this Tony-winning favorite follows a colorful bunch of gamblers, gangsters, and showgirls in a wild game of chance—then love sneaks in! Set in Damon Runyon's mythical New York City, Guys and Dolls features a book by Abe Burrows and Jo Swerling and legendary Frank Loesser tunes including the crowd-pleasing classics "Luck Be a Lady" and "Sit Down You're Rocking the Boat."

The cast of Guys and Dolls features Marisa Kirby



as Miss Adelaide, Ethan Paulini as Nathan Detroit, Ira Kramer as Sky Masterson and Sasha Spitz as Sarah Brown. Also featured are Robert H. Fowler (Arvide Abernathy), Patrick John Moran (Benny Southstreet), Deborah Osborne (General Matilda B. Cartwright), Nick Deapo (Lt. Brannigan), and Jaheim Hugan (Rusty Charlie).

Defying traditional casting are Debra Thai's Evans, Nicole Fluegge, and Carrie Greenberg as Nicely-Nicely Johnson, Harry the Horse, and Big Jule, respectively.

Creating the rest of Damon Runyon's mythical New York City as gamblers, showgirls and missionaries are Danielle Barrett, Jake Bartley, Kimi Handa Brown, Eric Michael Byers, Mallory Kilby, Langley Leilani, Evan Lilienthal, Madison Mintzer, Richard Modie, Nicole Sakowitz, and Justine So. Robert H. Fowler is the

dance captain.

Guys and Dolls is directed and choreographed by David Grindrod who returns after directing and choreographing last year's acclaimed A Chorus Line. While that production stayed true to the 1975 Broadway original, Grindrod is taking a slightly different approach with Guys and Dolls.

Guys and Dolls opens Wednesday, September 20th and runs in alternating repertory through Sunday, October 8th. Recommended for ages 8+, Guys and Dolls runs two hours and 20 minutes with one 15 minute intermission.

Weathervane's 58th rep season runs now - October 14. Additional productions include A Midsummer Night's Dream, Mamma Mia!, and Primary. Single tickets now available at [www.weathervanenh.org](http://www.weathervanenh.org). Season 58 tickets start at \$19.

The Weathervane Box Office is open on performance days 10AM - 12PM and again 2 hours before performance time through curtain. On days with two Mainstage performances, the box office is open 10AM through the evening curtain. Tickets are available by phone (603-837-9322), in person (389 Lancaster Road, Whitefield, NH), and online at [weathervanenh.org](http://weathervanenh.org).

## Gary's Trendy Review of Guys and Dolls At the Wathervane

Janice and I had the opportunity to see a classic musical recently at the Weathervane Theater in Whitefield. The play has special meaning to me as I was part of the production back in high school. So I went with the hope of remembering some lines, knowing some tunes, and trying to relive some of my past. I was not disappointed.

The Weathervane Theater production of Guys & Dolls was a full blown production. There were close to two dozen cast members. The costumes were very well done. The accents and dialogue during the speaking parts was just as it should have been. Even the numerous dance numbers were entertaining and fun to watch, not to mention very well choreographed.

Classic musicals can sometimes really stress a cast, but I have no hesitation in giving this cast great marks for their rendition. The only sad part is that the season at the Weathervane is fast approaching a closing date. One good piece of information gained was that for the first time ever there will be a pair of "Holiday" shows this year. Plus 8 out of ten shows for 2024 have already been selected and the season looks wonderful.

## Debby Davis Invited to Speak locally.



An Inspirational Conference for Everyone!

On Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, a one-day conference sponsored by Abundant Grace Fellowship of Newbury, Vt., Bethany Church of Pike, NH, and Trinity Church of the Nazarene, No. Haverhill, NH will be held at the Trinity Nazarene Church located next to the Court House off route 10 in North Haverhill. The all-day conference will commence at 9:00 a.m. with breakfast served at 8:00 a.m. and lunch at noon. To make reservations for conference/meals, please contact Sheila @ 802-866-9062.

On Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup>, Debby will be sharing at Bethany Church in Pike at the 9:00 a.m. worship service. Free-will offerings will be received at both events.

Debby is a native of Western New York. She is the daughter of a pastor, attended Elim Bible Institute and, with her husband Fred, pastored in Pennsylvania for 15 years. Debby and Fred have been married since 1978 and have a son and daughter-in-law and one daughter. Currently they travel as missionaries throughout the USA, Canada, Africa and the Philippines. Debby is a singer, conference speaker and author. She is the author of several books, Suddenly, Keepers of Salt, Keepers of Salt Study Guide, The Only Way Out Is In, Peace, Poems To Live By-Dog Of Blue, Poems To Live By Any Old Bush, Creatures Of The Forest, The Storm Walker, and Because God Said So. You can find more information about Debby and Fred at Davis-



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# Woodville High School

## Newly elected members of the 2023-2024 WHS Student Council and their dedicated advisors.



WOODSVILLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE — September 18, 2023 — Woodville High School (WHS) is proud to announce the newly elected members of the 2023-2024 WHS Student Council and their dedicated advisors. This dynamic group of student leaders is poised to lead, inspire, and create an unforgettable school year for all.

The student council, comprising talented and passionate individuals, is ready to represent the student body and organize a

wide range of exciting events and initiatives throughout the academic year.

Meet the 2023-2024 WHS Student Council:  
 Back Row (Left to Right):  
 Sebastian Restelli  
 Riley Emmerton  
 Sam Aldrich  
 Bryson McKean  
 Mackenzie Griswold  
 Katie Houston  
 Anna Englert  
 Alex Fenn  
 Paige Royer  
 Front Row:  
 Elijah Krull  
 Alyssia Fenn  
 Bryce Williams  
 Peyton Carbonneau  
 Stevie Warf  
 Jane Roy

In addition to this remarkable group of stu-

dents, we are grateful for the guidance and support of their dedicated advisors, Bob Scianna and Jodie Maccini. These advisors will be essential in mentoring and assisting the student council throughout their tenure.

This team of dedicated individuals is committed to fostering a positive and inclusive school community while creating opportunities for student involvement and leadership development.

Get ready for an academic year filled with exciting events, positive changes, and a surge of school spirit as the 2023-2024 WHS Student Council, under the mentorship of Bob Scianna and Jodie Maccini, embark on their mission to enhance the school experience for all students.

## Esteemed Science Department

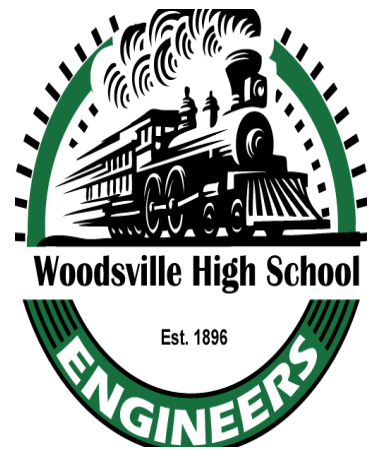


Woodville High School is proud to introduce the dedicated educators who make up our esteemed Science Department.

These passionate individuals are committed to inspiring and guiding our students on their scientific journeys.

Meet the Team (from Left to Right): Mrs. Eck, Mrs. Heath, and Mr. Bowman. These educators are not just teachers; they are mentors, role models, and guides for our students. Woodville High School is honored to have them on our team.

Join us in extending a warm Woodville welcome to our Science Department! We look forward to a year of scientific exploration, discovery, and growth.



## Class Officers for the Class of 2027



Woodville, September 2023 - Woodville High School proudly presents the newly elected Class Officers for the Class of 2027. These young leaders are set to guide and unite their peers in memorable high school experiences.

Meet the Class Officers:  
 Left to Right  
 Olivia Marshall: Treasurer  
 Ayla Burbank: President  
 Aubrie Knights: Vice President  
 Brooke Thompson: Secretary

"These students represent the future of our school, and I have full confidence that they will lead their class with integrity, enthusiasm, and dedication," says Class Advisor Jared Grace. These students, with diverse talents and backgrounds, will organize events and decisions, ensuring a sense of community within the class. Woodville High School congratulates them and looks forward to their inspiring leadership.

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The Board has determined that they would like to have representatives from SAU 23 participate in the Search Committee (SC). This SC will hopefully be composed of 6 School Board members, 2 Building Administrators, 3 teachers, 2 other staff members and 2 community members. Planned meetings between October and February will be approximately two times a month October - November for 1.5 - 3 hours and 4-5 meetings in January and February for interviews, of varying lengths.

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Managing your finances and investing for your future are important tasks — and they can be challenging. But you don't have to go it alone. Many people benefit from working with a financial advisor, someone who knows

their needs and goals and makes appropriate recommendations. If you're considering getting some help, you'll want to ensure a particular financial advisor is right for you, so it's a good idea to ask questions. Here are some to consider:

Have you worked with people like me? All of us are unique individuals. Yet, you do share certain characteristics with others — age, income, family situation

and so on. And you might feel comfortable knowing that a financial advisor has worked with people like you and can readily understand and appreciate your needs and specific goals: college for your children, a certain

type of retirement lifestyle, the kind of legacy you'd like to leave and others. The more information you can provide about yourself upfront, the better your chances of finding a good match.

Do you have a particular investment philosophy? Some financial advisors follow a particular investment style, while others might focus on specific investments or categories. There's nothing inherently wrong with these types of approaches, but you might be better served by working with someone who takes a broader view — one that emphasizes helping clients meet their goals over any particular philosophy or strategy.

How will you communicate with me? Open and frequent communication are key to a successful relationship with a financial advisor. So, you'll want to know what you can expect. Will you have annual or semi-annual reviews of your accounts? In between these reviews, can you contact your advisor at any time with questions you may have? How will an advisor notify you to recommend investment moves? Is the financial advisor the individual you'll

communicate with, or are other people involved?

How do you define success for your clients? Some investors track their portfolios' performance against that of a specific market index, such as the S&P 500. But these types of benchmarks can be misleading. For one thing, investors should strive for a diversified portfolio of stocks, bonds and other investments, whereas the S&P 500 only tracks the largest U.S. stocks. So, when you talk to potential financial advisors about how they define success for their clients, you may want to look for responses that go beyond numbers and encompass statements such as these: "I'm successful if my clients trust me to do the right things for them. And, most important, I'm successful when I know I've helped my clients reach all their goals."

How are you compensated? Financial advisors are compensated in different ways — some work on commissions, some charge fees, and some combine fees and commissions. There isn't necessarily any best method, from a client's point of view, but you should clearly understand how a potential advisor is compensated before you begin a professional relationship.

These aren't the only questions you might ask a potential financial advisor, but they should give you a good start. When you're trusting someone to help you with your important financial goals, you want to be completely comfortable with that individual — so ask whatever is on your mind.

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## Just Another Camp

By Elinor Mawson

We'd been wilderness camping for most of our adult life. We had a tent, sleeping bags and other camp gear and that seemed to be sufficient. But when our favorite campground closed forever, we didn't know what to do.

We searched other places within a 50-mile radius and couldn't find anything that met our standards. There were too many people, for one thing. And not enough wilderness for another.

Thanks to a friend, we were directed to a realtor who offered to show us a couple of potential campsites. Our plan was to find a place where we could pitch our tent and enjoy the outdoors. But when he brought us to a little shack with no windows or doors surrounded by trees on a dirt road, the picture changed. And when he mentioned the price, it was life changing! "We'll take it", said my husband who never made unilateral decisions.

"Don't you want to go home and think about it?" asked the realtor.

"No, we'll take it," said my husband, as I looked on, appalled.

"And do you want to go see the river?" the realtor asked.

"No, we know it's down there somewhere," we said.

And you can imagine our amazement when the trees came down and we saw where we were--40 feet above the Ammonoosuc!

We had to borrow from our life insurance to pay for the place, but when we closed the deal, we felt like we had bought a castle. Within days, we had replaced the windows and doors and moved in.

It wasn't long before we had bunks, a wood stove, and a porta-potti, and tried to get to camp every other weekend. We had Thanksgiving there and cooked our meal on a grille.

In a couple more

months we had bought a light pole and had electricity. And the following year, we took out a loan and fixed the place up with a metal roof, new windows, a deck, a composting toilet and a spring where we got water. It was a real camp!

Through the years, we got a gas radiator, made a screened porch and got 2 TV's. We also bought an electric toilet to replace the composting unit. It was a real home-away-from-home and we made good use of it. We found that it was more than just a camp--it was a state of mind.

We were in Florida when we got the news that our camp had burned to the ground. It was during the time when other camps had burned,; our fire was undetermined, but we always had the idea that it had been "helped".

What followed was a nightmare of cleanup, dealing with the insurance people, and deciding what to do. We made the decision to rebuild which developed into making some upgrades--a well, septic system, something permanent. Well! That escalated into a foundation, a log cabin, a real kitchen, and an empty wallet. There was no other choice but to move in, permanently.

It's been 19 years since we moved in, bag and baggage. We left behind our whole family and gained a new lifestyle. We don't have a camp anymore.

We have combined a new place to live with a state of mind, and it's not so bad! Every so often I think of that funny little rustic place, and yes, I miss it. But we love where we live now.

## Letter to the Editor: "In the Closet" Continued

To the Editor,

Thank you for printing my opinion piece "In The Closet". I am honored that you took the space to allow me to present my perspective.

I believe that the editorial department of newspapers are allowed to have philosophical positions that are reflected in their own opinion pieces and tailor how they respond to an LTE opinion. From reading your analysis of LTEs I gather you try to ride the fence and point out flaws that you perceive exist in the pieces, and also to try and maybe advocate some for those on the other side.

Just for the sake of dialogue:

I do not gather where you got it, that I am advocating that the majority silence the minority? The things or persons or behaviors or issues I pointed to in my piece are not voices, but behaviors. Light is the best disinfectant. Imagine if we could actually have an open discussion about what is deviant sex, child abuse, the violent dismembering of a fetus, an open scientific debate between evolution and creation science, read and compare the Christian Bible to the Satanic Bible or the Koran in the public school, etc. It's farcical to even think we have anything approaching an open society. Our society has been and is devolving into a closed tyranny

Dr. Leavitt,

*An open dialogue is one of the things that I have strived to accomplish with Trendy Times and my practice of answering Letters to the Editor. A writer has one point of view, I try to offer another. And of course there are plenty of other points of view.*

*So yes, I do ride the fence a lot! Trendy Times has very much wanted to be a neutral voice. We have not, and will not, endorse any candidate, political party, or even a movement. What we do believe in is a platform for everyone. Every person has the right to speak their opinion. No voice should be shut out.*

ruled by the minority who hide information and prevent open discussion.

"There is nothing new under the sun", attributed to Solomon, reminds us that the issues we are discussing are not progress, but a regression. The writer-philosopher George Santayana is credited with the phrase: "Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it." Our society is not experiencing anything novel. Resurrecting old forms of toxic behavior is certainly not moving forward. I'm not talking about banning dishwashers.

All civilized and uncivilized people impose standards of behavior on their culture, through laws that are either dictated or voted into effect. All I did was point out the origins of our civil law (now being wiped away) and how it benefited the success of our culture. Ridding ourselves of positive restraint leads to anarchy. The Sex deviants, on one issue alone, are preventing a discussion of their behavior by calling it "hate speech" and "verbal violence". This minority is not promoting discussion at all. (The editor of one of your competing newspaper consortia censored my piece on these very grounds, calling my piece "hate speech".) If we could have an open discuss about what sex deviance is, what the sex deviants'

agendas are and how their primary agenda is the children, putting it all back in the closet would be a sine qua non.

As a Born Again Christian, who understands all of human history, I know that I am tilting at windmills in my piece. Only seldom in history (when Nineveh repented and a few times during the history of ancient Israel) have people groups heeded sound advice and the lessons of history once their culture went into decline. My goals are more eternal. As I clearly stated in my introduction, personal repentance of the sins I pointed to and acceptance of the payment for sin in general (the sacrificial death of Christ), is the "religion" most of our founders lived by, thereby creating this great nation. The sun is setting on American and we now enter a time of final cultural decline.

I practiced medicine for 38 years. The kinds of days that made me weep is exemplified by the morning I left the operating room to tell a husband that his wife's metastatic lung cancer had even riddled the bones of her feet. Her death was days away.

We don't have long and Littleton exemplifies our cultural cancer. If up in this little faraway town we can't even keep out the perverts from harming our children, we are doomed.

Sincerely, Ken Leavitt

*With all that said I fully understand that to some people, some points of view are way too extreme to even give consideration, much less the respect of acknowledging that particular point of view, whether it be verbal or physical.*

*Yes, there are limits. And the definition of those limits can be difficult to determine. My thought? Adhere to the "Golden Rule" Do unto others as you would have them do unto you. In other words if you think your voice must be heard, then do not complain about someone else's voice (or action) being heard (or seen).*

Gary Scruton, Editor

## What's Your Opinion?

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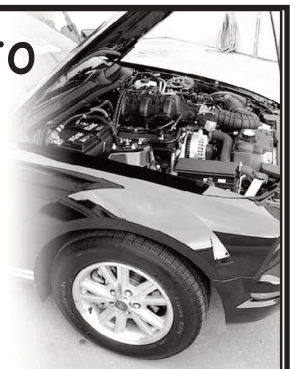
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## Roasted Zucchini And Squash Casserole

Hello hello my fellow chefs! How are you all doing today? I'm good but I lost my only sibling my brother Albert Mucci Jr. He was 71 and lived in Lincoln, Rhode Island, he lost his battle with cancer. I miss him so much and it hits me every time I think to call him and I can't. We were very close and I feel empty. RIP Al.

Some good news though, I finally got a new car. Well new to me, it's a 2012 Hyundai Elantra and it's in really good shape. It took me a long time but now I have transportation, and I really like it and it handles well. Yay!!! I would like to give a shout out to Hank Buermeyer who brought it to my attention that I forgot to add the word butter in the ingredients in the last edition for Cream of zucchini soup. He was making it for supper and noticed the omission. Hank I hope your family enjoyed it and he splurged by adding a dollop of sour cream. Good idea.

I would also like to welcome April Scruton to the Trendy Times family so good luck April!

Finally, I received a lovely email from a loyal reader Debra Kingsbury who sent me today's recipe. It's "Delicioso" and easy peasy. She hosts many open houses and has many good recipes that are tried and true and I will be sharing some with you. So Deb thank you for today's recipe. Let's get started with today's recipe and how to make it.

### Ingredients

1 Package of refrigerated

biscuits 8-10(count)I used Pillsbury Original Grands 8 big biscuits)

1 1/4 pounds ground beef (I used 1 lb ground sirloin)

1 medium onion chopped (I chose a sweet onion)

6 oz. can tomato paste  
2 Tbsp grated Parmesan cheese divided

1 tsp oregano

1 tsp salt

1/2 tsp black pepper

3-6 fresh mushrooms sliced thin or small can mushrooms.

1-2 fresh tomatoes depending on size, sliced on the thin side.

1 cup shredded mozzarella cheese

Preheat oven to 350 degrees

Grease a 9"-10" pie plate

Brown beef and onion. Stir in tomato paste. Add 1 Tbsp Parmesan cheese, oregano and salt and pepper and mix well simmering for a few minutes.

Separate biscuits and press lightly in pie plate, bottom and sides to form a crust. Spoon beef mixture into crust. Place a layer of mushrooms then a layer of fresh tomatoes and top with the mozzarella cheese and other Tbsp of Parmesan cheese. Bake for 25 minutes then let sit for 5 minutes. Cut in pie pieces and serve with a nice salad. It's a good way to use your home grown tomatoes. That's it, you are done. It's different and tasty and your family will love it and think you are a star. Enjoy!

Well folks that's it for today's recipe. If you have any questions or comments please contact

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