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Gather Together Cafe

By April Scruton



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So this issue I decided to go to a place that I have never been before and I went with one of my absolute favorite people, my dad.

We had started out the day meeting the new owner of WYKR and I got to take a tour of the facility. It was very interesting. Then we went to do some sales calls. I, of course became very hungry so we decided to go to Gather Together Café, which I have never been to before. We pulled in the driveway and it was very busy. Dad wasn't sure we were even going to be able to get a seat as the parking lot was full. Luckily we were able

I walked in and the smell was amazing The atmosphere was quiet. I took a look at the daily specials which I always love places that do have daily specials because it gives me more options. They all sounded delicious. Dad introduced me to the owner, Erin. She

Gather

Together

2 Pine St., Woodsville, NH

was very pleasant. I wasn't sure what we were supposed to do so I was glad Dad was with me. He grabbed us a couple of menus and told me to grab a drink if I wanted one. They were in the cooler behind us. They had a lot of different and healthier drinks which was nice to see. I was also very

choice had I seen it. I chose a healthier Mountain Dew (per se) and I was quite impressed with it. It was called Mountain Zevia. Dad decided to get another drink which, of course I had to try because it did look very good. Then we started to look at the menu.

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pleased that I did not

see the Coke that would have been my first

Right off the bat the very first one was a Roast Beef horseradish. peppers, lettuce, tomato on a roll. I decided to add onions. Which automatically I knew that was what I wanted or so I thought I hehe. But then I was looking at the rest of the menu and they all sounded so good.

They had lunch/dinner menu on the back and on the front was the breakfast menu which they only serve until 1130. I did end up deciding on the first item. Dad decided on a Cheddar cheese, carnalized onions, roasted red peppers, lettuce and garlic aioli on a roll. Again very thankful that he went with me as we had to order at the counter. We went over and placed our order and I said that I would take one of each item. Haha and then was like "just kidding". We got our bill which came to \$29.28 so we paid with

a credit card added on a

We sat back down at the table and had a nice little chat of course about Trendy Times and some of my goals for Trendy Times. Erin brought out our lunches to the table, and they looked absolutely delicious. Which my dad said they would. Our sandwiches each came with a pickle and chips and for once I did not take anything home with me. As we were leaving I noticed that they had items to go in the cooler, which was nice.

They also have a quiet room, which anyone that knows me knows that I will never be able to go in there ha ha ha.

This place is very Quaint. It was such a wonderful outing with my dad aka Gary Scruton.

Til next issue. I hope you all have a safe and fun Halloween and a wonderful Veterans day.



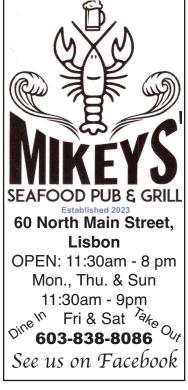




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Hannah the first year

Eight years ago, Hannah, Leland who is very close with her family, was at a loss her niece Rylie, who has a rare one in a million illness had been in and out of CHAD at DHMC. Had become very involved with with the program.



Snow Pile Rom

CHAD who already had a room called the SNOW PILE room. which is a room where kids and parents can go into and get whatever they need and also at no cost to them (shop) for their parents or their parents (shop) for their kids for special occa-But Hannah sions. wanted/needed to do something more. Something that would help with their stay there. As a parent I can't imagine having to go through what these parents have to go through. Hannah

Operation Smile's 8th Year

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had a vision, but she wasn't sure how she was going to go about it so she asked around and was put in touch with a woman at DHMC Amie, who continues to be an essential part to this.

Hannah had at the time recently started to be a consultant for Thirty-one, which sells bags. They have the cutest little caddy's for kids and she had the genius idea of making a Private group on Facebook and inviting her Friends and family to join and possibly sponsor these caddy's at \$13.50. She needed to come up with a name for it and came up with Operation Smile. Because she felt that what they needed most of all was a reason to smile. That first year she got 103 caddy's sponsored. Her first five years was out of pocket she and spent with her sister Harvest roughly \$3,000 and would go on Black Friday and get a whole bunch of stuff like toiletries, small little toys, socks and fun things for the kids to do that would fit in this little



caddy. Things that you may not think about as your rushing your child to the Hospital.

Next Hannah needed a place to set all these bags up to be stuffed and decided that she would do it in the basement of her home. The caddy' were set up into different sections for ages, and genders. With the help of Harvest and Rylie and her 3 year old daughter at the Harper. time They would go and set up all of these caddies, and fill them.

Now eight years later, she has decided to make it all gender and age neutral. Also, she has gone up to a

you can sponsor for \$17. Which you can fit more items into and can also be used for paperwork or something that is needed after their stay. Due to the overwhelgotten with the sponsors she eventually had to move it up to her garage. Which at first was not heated, So it was a tad chilly and now it has been moved into the backroom which has more space. She has gotten amazing support from the local business Barton Dental in Bradford, VT who will send toothbrushes without even being reminded. She also has added an Amazon Wish List for anyone that not only wants to sponsor a bag but also wants to help with supplies and has had a generous donation this year to help. Because of how much

Operation smile has gone beyond just CHAD and has reached other facility's in need and will be including the Norris Cancer Center this year.

this has grown her goal

has become 300.



Third Year Delivery

Zipper Pouch bag that I was overjoyed one you can sponsor for \$17. year when I was taken Which you can fit more up on on my offer to help items into and can also stuffing the bags. It was be used for paperwork such a great feeling to or something that is know how many children needed after their stay. we were going to reach.

Due to the overwhelming support she has gotten with the sponsors she eventually had to move it up to her garage. Which at first was not heated, So it was a tad chilly and now it has been moved into the backroom which has more space. She has gotten amazing support from the local business

Due to regulations you will need to be added or invited to the private Facebook group but it can be easily done. Which is regularly undated, with pictures of the items collected and also with the new tally for sponsored bags. As of Thursday it was up to 208. This year the last day will be Friday November 3rd. But you could always sponsor next year.

This is such a great cause and needs to be acknowledged.



Year 1 - 6 Bag



Harper helping to "stuff" bags.



Harvest with Harper supporting CHaD at the Hero Run 2023



Organization is key in the Operation Smile process.



Year 1 -6 Bag



Year one stuffing complete in their home.

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Avoid These Investment Mistakes

We all make mistakes in many areas of life. These mistakes are usually fairly harmless - we took a wrong turn while driving, used the wrong ingredients in a recipe and so on. But sometimes, our mistakes can be costly - especially those connected to invest-

Here are some of the most common investment mistakes:

Too much buying and selling - Some people find it exciting to constantly buy and sell investments in the pursuit of big gains. Yet, frequent trading can work against you in a couple of ways. First, it can be expensive — if you're always buying and selling investments, you could rack up taxes, fees and commissions. Perhaps even more important, though, excessive purchases and sales can make it difficult to follow a unified, cohesive investment strategy. Such a strategy requires, among other things, careful construction and management of an investment portfolio that's appropriate for your goals, risk tolerance and time horizon. Heavy tradcan disrupt this ing strategy.

Failing to diversify – If you only owned one type of asset, such as growthoriented stocks, your portfolio could take a hit when the financial markets go through a downturn. But not all investments will respond the same way to the same forces — for example, stocks and bonds can move in different directions at any given time. And that's why it's usually a good idea to own a mix of investments, which can include domestic and foreign stocks, bonds, certificates of deposit (CDs) and government securities. Keep in mind, though, that while diversification can help reduce the impact of market volatility, it can't guarantee profits or protect against losses in a declining market.

Trying to "time" the market - "Buy low and sell high" might be the original piece of investment advice, but it's pretty hard to follow - because no one can really predict when an investment will reach "low" or "high" points. Also, trying to "time" the market in this way can lead to bad decisions, such as selling investments whose price has dropped, even if these same investments still have good business fundamentals and strong prospects.

Not understanding what you're investing in - If you don't know the nature of investments when you buy them, you could set yourself up for unpleasant surprises. For example, some companies, by the very nature of their business and the type

of industry they're in, may consistently pay dividends to their investors even though their stock prices may only show relatively modest price gains over time. If you bought shares of this stock, thinking it had the potential to achieve quite substantial appreciation, you might end up disappointed.

Making the wrong comparisons - You're no doubt familiar with some of the most well-known investment benchmarks - the S&P 500, Dow Jones Industrial Average and the Nasdaq Composite. But it might be counterproductive to compare your results against these indexes. If you have a diversified portfolio, you'll own an array of investments that won't fit into any single index or benchmark, so you won't get an apples-to-apples comparison. You're better off comparing your portfolio's performance against the only benchmark that really matters - the progress you need to make to help achieve your goals.

Investing will always have its challenges — but you can help make it easier on yourself by staying away from as many mistakes as possible.

This article was written by Edward Jones for use by your local Edward Jones Financial Advisor.

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Vermont's Trapping Season Begins on October 28th

Baited Traps Threaten Targeted and Non-Targeted Animals

trapping season begins on the 4th Saturday of October and runs through March 31st each year. The season for land trapping ends on December 31st; however, trapping continues through the end of March as long as traps are placed in the water, including shallow streams. Traps set in the water present a danger to nontargeted animals, as evidenced by the dog that was trapped and injured in a beaver trap in Castleton on October 3, 2023.

According to Vermont Fish & Wildlife, an average of 8,200 animals considered "furbearers" are reported trapped and killed each year, including otters, bobcats, foxes. Every trapping season dogs, cats, and other non-targeted animals, including protected species, are injured and even killed in traps. Just last year, fifteen pets were reported trapped in Vermont — three died.

Protect Our Wildlife (POW) remains concerned by the effects of climate change as well as loss of habitat, biodiversity and emerging dis-"The eases.

Vermont-Vermont's indiscriminate nature of trapping, which can quickly destroy critical ecosystems, presents an environmental danger that has no place in an already challenged world," said Jennifer Lovett, Vermont Conservation Biologist.

> Documents obtained by POW through a public records request reveal that during the 2020 trapping season, one Vermont trapper killed eleven fisher, a vital predator species that helps manage small mammal and rodent populations. "That level of localized killing places populations at risk," said Brenna Galdenzi, POW President & Co-founder. According to Vermont Fish & Wildlife's 2023 furbearer newsletter. 93% of fisher tested positive for rodenticide poisoning. "Given this known threat to fisher populations, Fish and Wildlife should swiftly enact a moratorium on fisher trapping, but instead they carry on with business as usual," Galdenzi said.

Traps may be set on private (with permission) and public lands, including National Wildlife Refuges that are home to endangered and threatened species. Trappers are not required to place signs indicating where they're trapping, so it is difficult for the public to know where traps are set. Baits and lures are used with traps, so a baited leghold trap set for a fox can just as easily trap a redtailed hawk or someone's domestic animal. Dr. Peggy Larson, a retired Vermont veterinarian, stated, "I am a veterinarian who has treated dogs and cats caught in traps. The injuries they suffered were horrendous."

Quick Tips

Know when trapping season is, but remember that traps set out of season, as allowed under Vermont's "wild animals doing damage" statute, or traps left behind after the season ends, still present a threat.

- Remember that traps can be set in shallow water, so always check the area before allowing your dog to drink or swim.
- Keep cats indoors or create an escape-proof fenced-in yard or catio.

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POW's website provides a video tutorial with instructions on how to release a companion animal from a trap. If an animal is caught in a body-crushing kill trap, survival is less likely since these traps are designed to kill ani-



was blocking our road this week as I was headed home, I'm glad he was so I could get out of the Truck and get some photos before he walked off into the woods. This time of year the Bull Moose are in what is called the Rut, meaning the breeding season (which last from late September through the end of October) between the Bulls and Cows. Be careful driving as the Bulls get a little crazy and walk across the highway without paying any attention to cars and or trucks.

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North Country Fruit and Veggie
Seminar & Tradeshow

9 am - 3:30 pm

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1 Northeast Kingdom Council on Aging

Groton Free Public Library 10:30 - 12:30PM

We would love your ideas! Staff from the NEK Council on Aging will be hosting a community meeting to gather ideas on ways the Council can support the Groton Community at our Library. Emily Sanderson will provide information on the extensive wellness programs at the Council. Classes are free to those 50 and older. Felicity Norko will invite community members to serve as Senior Companions, a national program to help neighbors live independently. Karen Desrochers will provide information to support caregivers-one-on-one personal support, respite vouchers, monthly support groups, Trualta, our online elearning platform, and dementia care and support. All are welcome, refreshments will be provided. Please RSVP to esanderson@nekcouncil.org

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4

LISBON LIONS CLUB TO HOST

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SENIOR CITIZENS HOLIDAY DINNER

Community Festival of Song 2:00pm Bethany Church, Pike, NH

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5KRIS DELMHORST

Court Street Arts Haverhill, NH 7:30 pm

Saturday, November 11

Saint Elizabeth Church Women's Group "Silver Bells" CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

8:30am to 1:00pm Saint Elizabeth Church,

Hill Street, Lyndonville, VT Attic treasures, raffles, cookie walk, puzzles, kids toys, coffee and sweets. FMI Lynn Welch 467-3019

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Annual Candy Cane Bazaar

Whitefield Community Baptist Church 27 Jefferson Rd. (across from town Post Office)

10am - 2pm.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18

Penny Social see pg 12
Benefit the Warren / Wentworth Food Pantry
Warren , NH Town Hall
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Clay Memorial Library in Jaffrey added to **National Register of Historic Places**

The New Hampshire Division of Historical Resources has announced that the Clay Memorial Library in Jaffrey has been honored by the United States Secretary of the Interior by being listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

Originally built with a library on the first floor and town offices on the second, the two-and-one-half story Clay Memorial Library was constructed in 1895.

Jaffrey resident Susan Bethiah Clay (1826-93) left a portion of her estate to the town to build the library, noting in her will that it "should contain suitable rooms for books, cases for minerals, and also rooms for use of town officers, and a fireproof vault for safe keeping of town records." Her gift was part of a pattern of philanthropists funding public library buildings in the late-nineteenth and early-twentieth centuries, following the example set by Andrew Carnegie.

Clay Memorial Library's Romanesque Revival style details include a red brick exterior, decorative red sandstone trim and a slightly projected entrance pavilion with a wide semi-circular arch. "Clay Library" is carved in raised sandstone lettering above the arch, which has decorative carved owls on each end.

The general floorplan was typical of a turn-of-the-twentieth century small-town library, including a central hallway with a circulation desk directly across from the entry flanked on either side by spacious reading rooms and with the library stacks located behind the desk. While the circulation desk has been relocated to the building's historic ell at the north end of the entry hall, the space between its original location and the stacks is made clear by a shallow arch supported by composite pilasters made up of seven grouped Romanesque columns.

Each reading room has red birch paneled wainscot, crown molding, picture rails and a fireplace with a red birch surround and mantel.

Although Jaffrey's selectmen relocated to new town offices in the mid-1950s, Clay Memorial Library's second floor space has changed little since the building was opened: wooden floors and plaster walls with vertical bead board wainscot remain in place. The former selectmen's office, which has a large metal and brick vault, is now the library director's of-

Clay Memorial Library was designed by architect Henry Martyn Francis (1836-1908), who was known for his designs of churches, public buildings and houses throughout New England. His other New Hampshire library projects include the Romanesque Revival Ingalls Memorial Library in the neighboring town of Rindge (1894) as well as the Claremont Library (1903), Tucker Free Library in Henniker (1903) and Goffstown Public Library (1908), each of which he designed with his sons.

Located directly across from the primary library entrance, a monument of a bronze Civil War soldier leaning on his musket stands atop a multi-tier dressed granite block, commemorating "the patriotism of her [Jaffrey's] sons who served in the Union Army and Navy 1861-1865, the Mexican War, the War of 1812-1814, and the American Revolution." It was dedicated on May 16, 1900.

Both Clay Memorial Library and the Soldier's Monument were included as contributing resources when the Downtown Jaffrey Historic District was listed in the National Reqister of Historic Places in 2002.

Administered by the National Park Service, which is part of the U.S. Department of the Interior, the National Register of Historic Places is the nation's official list of historic resources worthy of preservation and is part of a national program to coordinate and support public and private efforts to identify, evaluate and protect our historic and archaeological resources.

Listing to the National Register does not impose any new or additional restrictions or limitations on the use of private or non-federal properties. Listings identify historically significant properties and can serve as educational tools and increase heritage tourism opportunities. The rehabilitation of National Register-listed commercial or industrial buildings may qualify for certain federal tax pro-

In New Hampshire, listing to the National Register makes applicable property owners eligible for grants such as the Land and Community Heritage Investment Program or LCHIP (Ichip.org) and the Conservation License Plate Program (nh.gov/nhdhr/grants/moose).

For more information on the National Register program in New Hampshire, please visitnh.gov/nhdhr or contact the Division of Historical Resources at 603-271-3583.

Annual Candy Cane Bazaar Whitefield Community Baptist Church 27 Jefferson Rd. (across from town Post Office) Saturday November 11, 2023 from 10am - 2pm.



Enjoy the cookie walk, buy crafts, baked goods, purchase lunch of soup & sandwich and enjoy great fellowship with friends and neighbors from the community. There is an accessible elevator at the rear of the building. For more information contact the church at (603)837-2469 or cbc1816@gmail.com

The Bath Library Book Club

will be discussing "Madame Bovary," by Gustave Flaubert, on Monday, Nov. 13, 2023 at 4:30 pm at the Bath Public Library.

"Madame Bovary," first published in 1856, is a classic that may be as relevant today as it was then. Flaubert tells the story of Emma Bovary, a doctor's wife whose passions and romantic notions drive her into an affair, to accumulate debts, entangle herself in lies and in the end....

Sharon Butala, a well-known Canadian writer says, "This book never gets old because we might be that person who Madame Bovary is. The book is about women whose role in life is not satisfying to them and that's partly because of cultural constraints. At different ages, it's different things. For me, at my age, it's age-

Books may be picked up at the Bath Library: hours are Monday and Wednesday 9:00 am to noon and 1:00 pm to 4:30 pm; and Saturday 9:00 am to noon. Anyone with an interest in reading and conversing about books is welcome to attend. For information, please contact the library at 603-747-3372 or email bathlibraryljh@gmail.com

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It is an Eagle that I have watched for a few years and I was concerned that

it might be him. I was coming home for Barnet

school where I cook and

one of the familiar spots where I usually see him.

Sure enough it was him. I

could read the bands on

his legs when he flew off

the tree Picture taken by

saw an Eagle sitting in

Sweathogs

By Elinor Mawson
Publishers note: This is a repeat from an earlier
issue due to health issues in the family. Please
keep them in your thoughts and prayers.

Let me reintroduce you to the Sweathogs. We are nine former colleagues at an elementary school on the Seacoast. We knew of each other, but when there was an opportunity to take a week-long science trip in the summer, we signed up.

The science trip was a joke. We journeyed into New Hampshire and Vermont and took hurried side trips here and there. I say hurried because the trip was too aggressively planned and it was impossible to stay very long at each venue. I remember having an hour at the Shelburne Museum-and it took that long to go from one place to another.

So you get the picture. Every evening we had to write 3 lesson plans about the places we had visited, and were required to pass them in. And when the trip was over, we had to make further lesson plans encompassing all the things we had learned.

We started meeting at each other;s houses. It didn't take long to decide not to do any lessons, but to just visit and enjoy ourselves. We had what we called "Sweathog Trail Mix" which consisted of M and M's and cashews. Eventually the refreshments became more plentiful and more interesting.

Finally we brought supper and stayed longer.

In time, we grew to know each other better. We became involved in each other's lives. We rejoiced in grandchildren's births, sympathized in family deaths, and helped each other with family crises. And over the years, there were many reasons to step in and care about each other.

At one point, one of our friends' husband was charged with being a sex offender. We held her hand throughout his trial, his 10-year sentence and his release, all the while she believed he was innocent. When it was discovered he was not, we saw her through his suicide and the aftermath. We were amazed at her strength.

We are all retired now. We don't get together every month anymore-most of us are too busy. Now we visit at my house and have sleepovers. We call it

"Sweathog camp". By the way, on our original trip we were called Sweathogs, which was an acronym for "*****high on geology" (We can't remember the first 5 words.). But it doesn't matter. We are high on being friends for 30 years.



"A Community Festival of Song"

To honor America and our Veterans is being hosted by Bethany Church of Pike, NH on Saturday, November 4th at 2:00 p.m. This informal gathering will include vocalists, Archie Steenburgh, Scott Sulham, Ben Jaworski, The Bethany Singers, and the children of Bethany as well as pianist, Mac Starring of Littleton. Patriotic, Broadway, Gospel, and Contemporary Christian Music will be presented by our talented guests.

A pie social will conclude this joyful community time together.

Bethany Church, "the church set apart on the hill", is located directly off Mt. Moosilauke Highway on route 25 in Pike. For more information, please call Jo Anne at 603-787-6658.

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Elizabeth "Betty" Beaudin: **Obituary**



Elizabeth "Betty" Beaudin of Lincoln, NH, passed away on Wednesday, October 25, 2023, at Littleton Regional Hospital

She was 92. Born on March 1, 1931, she was the daughter of the late Louis and Nellie (Wiltshire) Hamnett. She was a lifetime resident of Lincoln and graduated from Lincoln High School. She went on to Nursing school and graduated from the Elliott School of Nursing in Manchester, NH. On March 10, 1951, she married Paul Beaudin Sr. Married to a dedicated military man, she followed him traveling wherever he was stationed with five children. Betty worked at the Inn @ Loon Mountain as a hostess for years. She also worked as a nurse at Burndy Corp. and the Linwood Medical Center for many years. Betty loved spending time with her family. She enjoyed the class reunions and doing things with her circle of friends. She loved to watch the kids skiing at the Kanc ski slope from her sunroom.

Beaudin who died July 12, 2010, as well as her brother Louis Hamnett Jr and her sister Vivian (Hamnett) Capone. She is survived by her children and their spouses: Michael Beaudin and his wife Beth of Lincoln, NH; Paul J. Beaudin II and his wife Jeanne of Lincoln, NH; David Beaudin and his wife Mary of Woodstock, NH; Pam (Beaudin) Dyer and her husband Rick of Unity, NH; and Jeffrey Beaudin and his wife Pat of Manchester, NH; as well as 9 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren and nieces, nephews, and

A graveside service will be held at the Riverside Cemetery in Lincoln on Saturday, November 4th at 11 am. There will be no calling hours.

Memorial donations may be made to the Linwood Friends of Recreation, Tara Tower, PO Box 1172, Lincoln, NH 03251.

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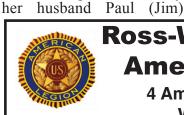




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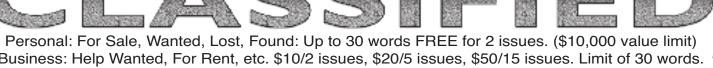




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WHS Student of the Month Olivia Marshall

WOODSVILLE, October 2023 - Woodsville High School proudly recognizes Olivia Marshall as September's "Student of the Month." Entering her high school journey, Olivia has consistently demonstrated an exceptional drive for academic excellence and a willingness to extend a helping hand to her peers.

Olivia's dedication is evident in her approach to her studies. She completes her assignments punctually and ensures that she thoroughly understands the material, evident in the thoughtful questions she poses. Moreover, Olivia hasn't hesitated to venture out of her comfort zone, readily taking on academic challenges and actively engaging in class discussions throughout the year.

But Olivia's impact goes beyond academics. As the school community acquaints itself with the Alma system, her expertise in IT has proven invaluable. On numerous occasions, Olivia has stepped in to assist her classmates, ensuring a smoother transition.

"Olivia embodies what it means to be a dedicated student and a supportive classmate," says Student Council Co-Advisor Jodie Maccini. "Her positive attitude and willingness to help others make her an exemplary figure in our school community."

Woodsville High School remains committed to recognizing students like Olivia, who go above and beyond in their academic endeavors and contributions to the school community. The recognition as "Student of the Month" is a testament to Olivia's hard work, determination, and the positive influence she has on her peers.







School Digger New Hampshire High School Rankings

WOODSVILLE, NH — Woodsville High School proudly announces its notable ascent in the latest School Digger New Hampshire high school rankings. Now standing strong at #37 out of 85 schools, this milestone comes after the school's commendable climb of 10 points this year and a 20-point rise the year prior.

This recent achievement speaks volumes about the school's unwavering commitment to fostering an environment of academic excellence and the collective efforts of its staff, students, and the broader community.

WHS Principal, Hayden Coon, expressed his pride, stating, "These rankings reflect more than numbers; they echo our dedication, the resilience of our students, and the unwavering support of our community."

Woodsville High School thanks its faculty, staff, students, and the community for their continuous support and contributions. This milestone is a collective achievement, and the school is optimistic about maintaining this positive momentum in the coming years.

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WHS Class of 2025 Officers:

Woodsville, NH — Woodsville High School proudly announces the election results for the Class of 2025 officers. These exceptional students have demonstrated leadership, commitment, and a genuine interest in the welfare of their classmates and the broader school community. They are ready to serve and contribute positively to the school culture.

Class of 2025 Officers:

President: Joe Beck
Vice President: Eliza Wagstaff
Secretary: Colby Heathe
Treasurer: Vinny Cataldo
Historian: Lauren Hatch

*Note students pictured are left to right based on their class position as written above

"We are excited to see what these young leaders will bring to our school community," said Class Advisor Janitta Richardson. "Their passion for making a difference and willingness to step up and take on responsibility is commendable. We look forward to supporting them in their roles and watching them grow as leaders."

The elected officers are enthusiastic about their new roles and eager to impact the Woodsville High School experience for their classmates positively.

Woodsville High School is confident that these student leaders will excel in their roles and contribute to creating a positive and productive atmosphere within the school.

Thank you to all the Veterans.



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Not All Times Are Trendy - But There will Always Be Trendy Times

By: Maggie Anderson

Once again the world is so far off its axis I am emphasis on finding a forced to drain the subject pool in order to choose something to write about. Wars, hatred, pestilence, and starvation aside, there are still so many stories unfolding, plucking one from the pack is harder than the choice I faced as a kid in the candy store with a penny in my grasping, sweaty little hand.

The story I finally settled on is so riddled with irony it reminds me of the snow candles my brothers and I used to make when we were children.

The recent decision made by Oregon's Department of Education seems so ridiculous, I can't believe people of every color, including mine - which is pink, by the way - are not raising the roof in protest.

The decision was made in an effort to not put too great a burden on students of color. The basic standard of competencies in reading, writing, and math, have been determined by Oregon's educational leaders to be too cumbersome for students of color, some of them using English as a second language, and a segment of them with disabilities of one kind or another.

Rather than put the way to reach the students, Oregon has decided mastering the basics of reading, writing, and math are not necessary for them to graduate.

The pause in holding to those standards began in 2020 and the DOE has now set 2029 as the year when they may have had sufficient time to finally cast them aside for good, or make the standard competencies a graduation requirement again.

The new ruling makes an Oregon high school diploma nothing more than a participation certificate, barely worth the cost to produce it. A diploma from an Oregon high school thanks to the DOE and their efforts to coddle and appease students of color - is now nothing but a going away present -"Glad you could be here, sorry you couldn't make the grade, here's your consolation prize. And best of luck in the future."

How does a person thrive in the real world if they have not grasped the basics of reading and comprehension, cannot compose a clear sentence or query, and do not know enough about making change to see when they are being cheated?

What exactly is the

purpose of sitting behind a desk for 12 years if what you are supposed to have learned is no longer important enough to hold up your diploma?

What leg does the truant officer have to stand on if it is no longer necessary to be able to read your own diploma? You think the drop out rates are high now, wait until the kids figure out that diploma is just for show and doesn't mean a thing.

My biggest question is why don't parents of color seem incensed that the educators in Oregon believe competency reading, writing, and math is so difficult for their offspring they've scrapped the competency requirement altogether so their lesser-able children can get a diploma?

If somebody told me the rules were being changed, the standards were being lowered, and expectations being crushed in order for my children not to have their feelings hurt, or be made to think they need to grasp the answers, I would be tempted to say things Mr. Rogers never uttered on television. And I can't understand how parents of color are not doing the same.



Winter Clothing Drive

The Barnet Good Neighbor Fund is hosting a WINTER CLOTHING DRIVE at the 100 Church Street Meetinghouse in Barnet Village on Friday, November 10th from noon to 7 p.m., Saturday, November 11th from 10 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Sunday, November 12 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

TAKE WHAT YOU NEED; LEAVE WHAT YOU CAN. All proceeds benefit the Barnet Good Neighbor Fund, which in turn helps Barnet residents every year!

DONATIONS are being accepted from October 30th to November 9th. We are looking for gently used clothing (no holes, stains, broken zippers, missing buttons), bedding, towels, curtains, pocketbooks, backpacks, footwear and winter outerwear.

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Community Input Session: Northeast Kingdom Council on Aging at the å Free Public Library

Wednesday, November 1st, 10:30-12:30pm at the Groton Free Public Library We would love your ideas! Staff from the NEK Council on Aging will be hosting a community meeting to gather ideas on ways the Council can support the Groton Community at our Library. Emily Sanderson will provide information on the extensive wellness programs at the Council. Classes are free to those 50 and older. Felicity Norko will invite community members to serve as Senior Companions, a national program to help neighbors live independently. Karen Desrochers will provide information to support caregivers-one-on-one personal support, respite vouchers, monthly support groups, Trualta, our online elearning platform, and dementia care and support. All are welcome, refreshments will be provided.

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Letter to the Editor

To the Editor

I am submitting a letter I recently wrote to the editor of the Wall Street Journal. That illustrious publication did not run the letter, perhaps because it was critical of the paper's coverage, nor did it confirm receipt of the letter, which I submitted twice.

The letter addresses what I see as a problem in journalism today, so I am hoping the editor of Trendy Times will see fit to publish it. Trendy Times is a small community paper, of course, but I believe it shows more integrity and commitment to real journalism than that grand "newspaper record" in New York. I want to make clear that the complaint I make in my letter applies to many news outlets, large and small, but NOT to Trendy Times, which, from what I have seen and read, reports the facts accurately and treats all letter writers fairly and honestly. The local community is fortunate to have a publication like Trendy Times. This free, unpretentious tabloid is truly a voice of the people and for the people.

Following is my letter to the Wall Street Journal.

Stick to Journalism, Please!

I am writing in regard to these and many other recent articles in the Wall

First I will thank you for your words reagarding Trendy Times. We like to refer to ourselves as a "Viewspaper" as we do not go out to collect news, but rather publish letters like yours as well as articles from our elected officials, and articles about upcoming events. Of course we also sprinkle in some articles from our writers

Street Journal:

- Trump Has Sought to Intimidate Witnesses, Filing Says (9/16/23)
- DeSantis Says 'Of Course' Trump Lost 2020 Election: Florida governor further distances himself from the former president's false claims about the race (8/7/23)
- Trump Says He Received Target Letter in Jack Smith's Jan. 6 Case (7/18/23)
- Jack Smith Probe of 2020 Election Challenges Focuses on Trump Lawyers (7/3/23)

The Wall Street Journal has descended into the kind of biased "journalism" practiced by what I used to consider less-respected and less-reliable news outlets. As a former newspaper, books, and magazine writer and editor, I am appalled by the Journal's editorializing disguised as news reporting and, specifically, by the paper's frequent references to Donald Trump's "false" and "baseless" claims about election fraud in 2020.

Maybe Trump's claims are false, maybe they're true. The point is, I don't want to know what a reporter or editor thinks about the veracity of Trump's claims. That's editorializing, and that's not the role of a journalist. As a reader, I just want to know what the subject said or did. I want to be

given the facts and the opportunity to decide truth or fiction for myself. If a reporter thinks a claim is false, fine, but his or her opinion does not belong in a news story. Opinions belong on the op-ed page.

If someone tells a reporter the earth is flat, that's his opinion, true or false. He has every right to that opinion and may even offer evidence. If the reporter thinks the guy is nuts and his claim is false, he or she nonetheless should quote the fellow accurately and then present evidence to the contrary. By no means should the reporter characterize those claims as "false" or "baseless." And yet, that is exactly what the Journal and many agenda-driven news outlets are doing.

Because "opinion creep" occurs in so many of the Journal's articles about Donald Trump, can only assume the company has a policy encouraging its writers to take shots at the former president at every opportunity. This is disgraceful. How many other news articles are similarly tainted with the Journal's arrogant political viewpoint? How do I know what's fact and what's colored by opinion? How can I believe anything in the Wall Street Journal?

that can be informative as well as opinioned. But they are intended as such.

The only other ting I will add is please continue to offer your opinions and your point of view. I continue to encourage all to do so. It is with discussion and thought that every idea, incentive or improvement can move forward. Gary Scruton, Editor

What are things that you are thankful for?
Let us know by 11/09 and we will be sure to put it Randomly in the next issue.



Your Pine Trees Are Too Crowded By Jim Frohn, Grafton County Forester, **UNH Extension**

A goal of many landowners is to maintain a "healthy forest". This has a variety of meanings, depending on the landowner's objectives. Among other things, a healthy forest contains many healthy trees. A healthy tree is one that creates enough of its own food to grow vigorously and resist insects and disease. Often on woodlots, however, the trees are too crowded to be healthy.

Like all plants, trees need sunlight, water, nutrients, and room to grow. When trees grow too close together, they compete for these resources, and few get enough of any of them to be healthy.

Trees live by photosynthesis. This is how they make their own food from sunlight and carbon dioxide. If a tree doesn't have enough foliage in relation to its mass, it's not creating enough carbohydrates for it to thrive. It may just be surviving, or slowly dying.

White pines are particularly sensitive to growing too close together. In a crowded stand of pine, the trees' lower branches can't survive in the deep shade created by the closed canopy. This reduces the amount of live foliage, which reduces the live crown.

Live Crown Ratio

Live crown ratio is a term that describes the amount of live foliage on a tree, expressed as a percent of total height. The total height of the tree from the ground to the tip is one hundred percent, so the percentage of that height covered in live foliage is the live crown ratio. A tree should have at least thirty percent live crown ratio to be healthy.

A tree with a low live crown ratio is just surviving or slowly declining, leading to stress, which makes it much more susceptible to insects or disease.

Diseases that impact white pines include needle cast, Caliciopsis canker, and blister rust. These fungal diseases impact white pines in various ways, but the net effects are slow growth, degraded wood quality, or death. In a densely stocked pine stand, there is less air flow and more moisture, which are conducive to the fungal diseases that impact pines.

How to Improve Health and Vigor

To improve the health and vigor of a crowded pine stand, the stand needs to be thinned. Thinning focuses on keeping the healthiest trees and cutting the competitors. The trees in the stand should have a minimum average of thirty percent live crown ratio. If most trees in the stand have less, they won't respond well to thinning and will be more likely to break or uproot in a windstorm or under heavy ice or snow. Trees left to grow after a thinning should not only have the fullest crowns, they should also have good form as straight as possible and mostly free of crooks caused by white pine weevil damage. White pine weevil is an insect that lays its There is more to thinning a pine eggs on the terminal bud (the tip) of white pines. The larvae feed on the terminal leader. which then dies. A side branch takes over, creating a crook in the trunk. Repeated

weevil damage gives a pine a shrubby appearance and destroys the lumber value. If you're going to invest time and money into thinning a pine stand, the work should not only improve the health and vigor of the remaining trees, it should also result in higher value future timber. Even if timber isn't the primary goal, it's beneficial to maintain the option to harvest good quality logs in later years.

The best time to thin a pine stand is when it is around three to six inches in diameter at breast height (DBH, 4.5 feet above the ground), and at least sixteen feet tall. Thinning at this size will ensure that there will be at least one log that is free of weevil damage and plenty of wood to grow over any pruned knots.

At this point the treatment will be pre-commercial, meaning that the thinning does not result in revenue from the cut trees. They can be left on the ground to provide habitat and eventually become soil.

Pre-commercial treatments are an investment in the future stand. Funding for this work can be provided out-ofpocket, from the proceeds of a commercial timber harvest, or through government funding. The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) can provide funding as well as technical assistance for pre-commercial treatments. Your county Extension forester can also provide you with advice on these

Thinning pine stands can also be done when the trees are of commercial size, generally twelve inches DBH and up. It's best to start when they're smaller than this, however, when there are more options regarding trees to grow. If a landowner waits until a commercial harvest, they likely lose opportunities to improve the trees' form and value. For example, a young weevil damaged stand often has straight trees among the crooked ones. The

dominant trees in the stand tend to be weevil-damaged, and they continue to dominate the stand if it is not thinned, resulting in a stand of large weevil-damaged trees of little to no value. Precommercial thinning earlier in the stand's cycle can remove the damaged trees and favor the straight trees while it's inexpensive to cut them. Waiting until a stand is of commercial size before thinning can also result in trees with poor live crown ratios, in which case thinning is no longer a viable option and heavier cutting is necessary.

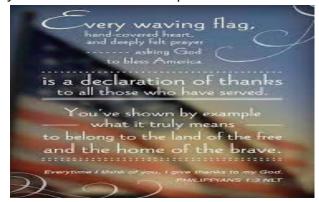
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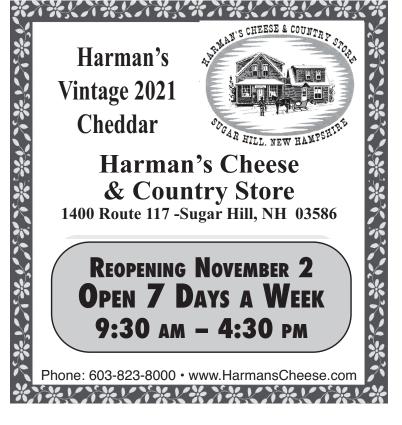
stand than described here. Interested landowners can seek advice from a professional forester. UNH Extension County Foresters are a



great place to start. They can assess the stand, provide advice on its suitability for thinning, and point you toward professionals and resources that can help get the work done.

For more information on white pine health, check out the Field Manual for Managing Eastern White Pine Health in New England from the University of Maine, or contact your local UNH Cooperative Extension







Storytelling Event Do Tell! Returns to The Colonial Theatre

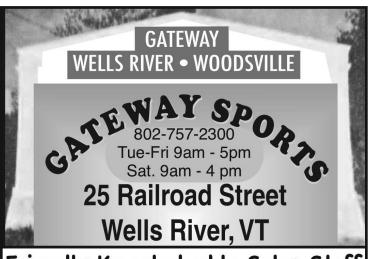
The Colonial Theatre in Bethlehem, NH will host the return of the live story-telling event, Do Tell! Live Stories at the Colonial, Friday, November 3.

Join North Country storytellers, led by Master of Ceremonies Jane Storella for an evening of humor, suspense, and surprise as they take The Colonial Theatre stage to recount true life experiences.

"It's such a joy to have an opportunity to work with these neighbors as they tell their stories," said Director of Programming, Susanna Brent. "They are all so warm and openhearted! I can't wait for everyone to see this event!"

Doors open at 7:00 PM and the show starts at 7:30 PM. General admission tickets are \$12, member tickets are \$10. Tickets are available online at www.Bethlehem-Colonial.org.





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Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

Area local boards 'take a knee" by NOT sauting American flag

Colin Kaepernick would be proud of the way some New Hampshire area local boards open their monthly meetings ...by choosing "No!" to salue our American Flag before their monthly meetings. As if on cue from the NFL, our area local boards are "taking a knee" right under our noses! Since attending some of these local area board meetings (town & school) in the last few months, I've learned that all but one of the SAU White 35 Mountain Boards School have chosen NOT to say the 10-second Pledge to our Flag!

Why would they choose to do this to words which unify our citizens, which assimilate newcomers to our culture and way of life, which honor members of the community-at-large whom these board members represent, such as the infirmed, the elderly, the taxpayers, the parents, the

veterans, the businesses, and the children for whom they should be setting an example?

Shouldn't these board members show some gratitude to the hardworking taxpayers whose American "greenbacks," whether in the form of local tax dollars or in the form of federal grant

monies, pay for many, if not all, of the facilities, heat, salaries, books, programs, transportation, lunches, after-school programs, field trips, sports programs, computers & technology, pensions, and other necessary items like electricity which make these schools function? We also pay for the SAU building which comprises many additional departments, equipment, and personnel.

One very important historical event that occurred in America during its formation as to why these local New Hampshire town and school boards, as well as state boards, should be saluting our American flag before their monthly meetings goes back to June 21, 1788 when the independent state of New Hampshire was THE crucial and allimportant state who cast the 9th vote (2/3 vote needed by the 13 states) to ratify the Constitution, thus creating the newlyformed "United States of America." We created this new Constitutional Republic and the new symbol of the "red, white, and blue." How can we create a new country with a new symbol, and then refuse to honor it every chance we get!?

It's like creating a child, and then abandoning it!

Some of these boards don't even display our American flag to its rightful place of honor during public meetings. I guess selectboard

members, planning board members, school board members, and other officials were never Boy Scouts or Girl Scouts, or perhaps never served in the military. Some boards have our American flag up on a wall hidden from view by a pile of boxes while others place our American flag in the alcove near the bathroom door, hidden dastardly from public view. There's a whole book dedicated to proper placement of American flag whether it be displayed at local public meetings, on a street, from a building, with foreign flags, on one's door post, on one's porch, over a door, when to fly it at half-staff, when to fly it at full-staff, how long to fly it on holidays (Veterans' Day = full staff all day; Memorial Day half-staff until noon only. and then raised to fullstaff).

A Fifth-Grade teacher had a wonderful reason why his students should always salute our American flag...."see those 50 stars," he would explain. "They represent millions and millions of other Americans whom you never get to see or meet personally. Saluting our flag is a way of saying, 'Hello!' to each of them every day!"

Nick De Mayo, Sugar Hill, NH

Nick,

As a former member of the US military, and a former Boy Scout, and a very proud American, I also do have issues on occasion with the way some people treat the US flag. However, I also strongly support everyone's right to their own opinion and therefore how they honor our flag, as well as our country.

Yes there is a book, as well as many pamplets, articles, etc. about how to display our flag. Placing the flag at half-staff far too often is one of my pet peeves.

But does it mean that everyone at all of these meetings feels the same? Are they all disrespecting the flag by not saying the Pledge before their meetings? I don't know the answer to that question. Does everyone who does something different from the rest of the crowd become an enemy? I point back to everyone having the right to an opinion. Or look at our country's history. Were we wrong to stand up to British rule? History can teach us a lot, if we take the time to look at it with an open mind. Our past is our past. We should not ignore it and we certainly should not try to change it.

Gary Scruton, Editor

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Blueberry Lemon Ricotta Cake



Hello hello my fellow chefs! How are you all doing today? I'm doing good and feeling like a bear in hibernation. I love being home with my furry babies. My good friend Jane is in the hospital, she's having trouble breathing, she had a flare up with her COPD. I'm not sure what the plan is but I have been praying for her. It's a terrible illness and so many people have it.

Well let's get started with today's recipe and how to make it. It's "Delicioso" kind of a cakey cheesecake, very different and I think you will love it. The recipe uses a springform pan so that's what I used. Ingredients

3/4 Cup butter softened- 1 1/2 sticks

1 1/4 cups sugar

2 cups whole milk ricotta cheese (if there is any liquid on top drain it don't mix in).

- 3 extra large eggs
- 1 tsp vanilla extract
- 1 lemon zested and juiced 1/2 tsp baking soda
- 1/2 tsp salt
- 1 1/2 cups flour
- 2 cups fresh blueberries Powdered sugar for dusting cake

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Grease a 9" springform pan using butter. I used butter flavored Pam spray and it was fine. Set aside. In large mixing bowl cream butter and sugar until light and fluffy. Add ricotta cheese and mix 4-5 minutes until light and fluffy. Use a timer this is an important step. Mix in eggs one at a time, blend. Add lemon zest and juice and mix. Add baking soda, salt and flour and mix just until combined then fold in blueberries. Pour batter into prepared springform pan scraping sides and bake immediately for 45-55 minutes. Mine took 50 minutes until cake is set and toothpick inserted into center comes out clean. Cool in pan 15 minutes then remove collar and finish cooling on wire rack. When completely cool sprinkle powdered sugar on top. I refrigerated mine and had to re-apply powdered sugar when I served it. My blueberries sunk to the bottom. Next time I'll try mixing only one cup in and pushing the other cup in the top so you can try that. I also heard if you toss the bluedefinitely make it again. Please give it a try it's easy peasy and your family will think you are a star. Well folks that's it for

today's recipe. If you have any questions or comments please contact April or Gary and I will help you out.

Happy Halloween and stay safe and healthy my friends. Until next time I am signing off,

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fore adding to batter. Either

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