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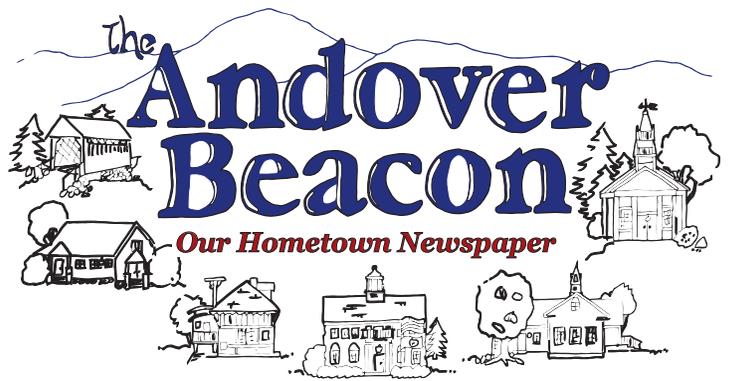
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1-2 PM

Ken Cushing Tells About the Northern RR

A one hour presentation on the history of the Andover section of the Northern Railroad, including the Andover Stations.



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The Libraries' Grand Prize Float-1942-2107. Keeping the crowd quieter is Deb Brower as the 1940's librarian, along with Ella and Grayson Noyes, while Janet Moore anchors the contemporary side. Tossing candy with deadly accuracy are Mark Cowdry's grandchildren, Addy, Cam, and Wes; and his daughter, Caroline Bousher. Photo: Dave Blinn



The Andover Town Float in the 4th of July Parade. From left to right: Jim Reed, Elita Reed, Marj Roy, Keith Blinn, Lois Magenau, Kathy Hildebrand, and Peter the dog.

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Andover Planning Board Meeting Cancelled

Nancy Teach, Planning Board Chair

There will not be a Planning Board meeting on Tuesday, August 22.



Bone Builders Comes to Andover

Susan Chase

“Bone Builders,” the national strength-training and balance-exercise program aimed at those 55 and older will be offered in Andover starting in September at the Andover Hub (Andover’s old town hall) at 157 Main Street.

The ongoing twice-weekly class will be offered in the mornings, probably on Tuesdays and Thursdays, although the exact start date, time and schedule are not yet confirmed. Interested residents should watch for a confirmation of the details in the September issue of The Andover Beacon.

“Bone Builders” is a low-impact class that uses small hand weights and exercises that can be done sitting or standing. Its focus is to increase muscle strength and balance, increase bone density, prevent or

slow the development of osteoporosis and protect against fractures and falls. The class will be led by trained volunteers and will be offered free-of-charge, although donations are gratefully accepted.

Residents who would like to join the group of volunteers to be trained to lead the class on a rotating basis are asked to contact Pat Cutter at 735-5628 or wcutter@tds.net. Donations of one- to five-pound hand weights are also sought and would be greatly appreciated.

Andover Community Space, the group of residents that recently purchased the old town hall, is offering the class in conjunction with RSVP, the Concord non-profit organization that mobilizes volunteers to make a difference in their community and which is the area sponsor of “Bone Builders.”



In the attic of the town office building, solar-installation specialist Steven Dzubak (left) and Randall Costa, a member of the Andover Energy Group, take measurements preliminary to the installation of solar-electric panels on the south-facing roof. The installation, by ReVision Energy of Concord, is expected to take place within the next three months.

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Andover’s Old Town Hall now features a new red door and improved landscaping.

Old Town Hall has New Name

Press release

Andover’s old town hall, at 157 Main Street, will now be known as the Andover Hub, according to the group that purchased it last November. The new name reflects the owners’ goal of turning the building, with community support, into “a center of interest, importance, or activity” – the phrase used by Webster’s New World Dictionary to define the word hub.

The new name was one of many contenders for the title. Others, as noted in the April Beacon, included The 1879 House, The Andover Space Center, Everybody’s Place, The Gathering, Halcyon House, Olde Towne New Town, Second Home, Shared Spaces, and The Welcome Inn. Hub was chosen, according to a conversation with Toby and Walt Locke during which Toby described a place he had come across in a small western town, where people of all ages

gathered and he said it was the hub of the town.”

In addition to naming the structure, the owners – under the name Andover Community Space (ACS) – have been actively planning public programs and gathering input about the best use of the building’s interior space. Beginning in September, a “Bone Builders” exercise program for seniors will be offered. Also in September, a series of yoga classes and a community coffee space will make their debut if current plans are successful. See the September Beacon for the details.

In addition, ACS members are soliciting ideas for creating a commercial kitchen facility, improving the building’s energy efficiency, and making use of the now vacant second floor.

For additional information, or to share ideas about potential uses of the Andover Hub, contact: andover-community03216@gmail.com.



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On July 16, the Blackwater Junction Restaurant caught fire. Emergency Services responded and safely put out the fire.

Fire at Blackwater Junction Restuarant

Rene Lefebvre, Andover Fire Chief

The emergency tones that sound from our fire pagers tell us a lot. This was the case Sunday evening when the tones sounded one after another after another. Just from the tones we are aware of two things, the incident is big and it is your town. The communications center announced a structure fire at 718 Main Street in Andover. Evening plans are over, time to respond.

The first unit to arrive found fire coming from the roof over the kitchen. Plans were quickly made for an interior attack into the structure and engine companies were assigned tasks. Operations, safety, water supply and sector of-

ficers were established and the fight was on. Hose lines were advanced through the front and side doors. Ventilation crews opened the roof over the fire. Very quickly the red glow of the fire darkens down and we changed from firefighting to finding and overhauling hot spots. Fire likes to hide in unseen nooks and crannies. Every firefighter knows if you don't root out every ember you will be returning for a rekindle later.

This fire, like most others, requires the expenditure of great amounts of personal energy. The very best way to recharge firefighters is water, rest and a bit of food. The task of making these sup-

See Fire on page 5



Up on the roof, Dzubak takes additional measures. For the project, approved at this March's Town Meeting, the contract phase is complete and engineering and permitting are underway, as well as steps by the New Hampshire Electric Co-op to upgrade the building's transformer.

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Billy Sanborn posts a positive message for the loyal customers and thanks for all help in advance. Caption and Photo: Donnette McGill

Blackwater Junction Restaurant Update

Press release

Billy Sanborn vows to get the beloved Blackwater Junction Restaurant open again as soon as possible. The diner was opened by his dad, Bill Sanborn, almost 40 years ago and has been a favorite spot for residents and visitors ever since.

The building is no longer on the mar-

ket. There was no fire insurance so Billy will be doing the work himself with the help and support of friends. He can be found down at the diner working, every afternoon and every weekend until the job is done and the doors are open again. To pitch in, stop by and see Billy, or go to: gofundme.com/blackwater-diner.



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Thirty-six Days, 500 Miles – To an audience of 40 in the Highland Lake Grange Hall, New London resident Pam Sanborn described the “life lessons learned” while walking an ancient pilgrimage route through France and Spain during the summer of 2016. The July 12 talk was one in a series of “space explorations” sponsored by the Andover Institute and designed to introduce attendees to (more or less) unfamiliar places and experiences.
Caption and Photo: Larry Chase



At the July meeting of the newly formed Halcyon Poetry Guild, attendees read and discussed poems they had written on the subject of “roots.” Participants included (from left) Thom Smith, Kathy Neustadt, Janet Moore and Diane Ried Hersey. The group is meeting on the third Tuesday of each month, in the Andover Public Library in the Town Office Building. Next meeting is on Tuesday, August 15, at 7 P.M., with readings on the subject of “viewpoint.” For more information, contact organizers Thom Smith at tsmith@kearsarge.org, or Janet Moore at jmpcilley@tds.net.

Andover Real Estate Transactions, June 16 – July 15, 2017

On June 20, Principal Residential Mortgage Inc. sold 72 Main Street to Pretium Mortgage Acquisition Trust for \$165,053. The 2,496 square-foot house has 4 bedrooms, 2 baths, and sits on 36.5 acres.

On June 22, Therese Wetherington sold 22 O’Neil Drive to Richard and Lisa Cotnoir for \$262,000. Stefan H. Timbrell of Coldwell Banker Lifestyles assisted the seller and Allison Lewis of Four Seasons Sotheby’s Int’l Realty assisted the buyer. The 1,778 square-foot house has 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, and sits on 1.14 acres.

On June 26, Emily Furtkamp sold 8 Shirley Road to Timothy and Dianna Wright for \$265,000. Tabitha Lemelin of Coldwell Banker Lifestyles assisted the seller and Michele Holton of Angeli & Associates R.E. assisted the buyer. The 3,077 square-foot house has 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, and sits on 0.21 acre.

On June 28, Daniel R. Kuchinsky Estate sold 219 Flaghole Road to 219 Flaghole Road, LLC for \$150,000. David Liberatoro of BHG Masiello (Tilton) assisted the seller and Dru Anne Cyganowski of Coldwell Banker R.B. assisted the buyer. The 4,200 square-foot house has 1 bedroom, 2 baths, and sits on 5.01 acres.

On June 29, Barbara Roberts sold 143 Currier Road to Marcia Stevens for \$259,000. Marybeth Angeli of Angeli & Associates R.E. assisted the seller and Thomas Nephew of Century 21 Nashoba Associates assisted the buyer. The 2,400 square-foot house has 3 bedroom, 2 baths, and sits on 3.66 acres.

On June 30, John and Linda Perry sold 1101 Franklin Highway to Douglas and Julie Brochu for \$405,000. Jim Reagan of BHG Masiello (Tilton) assisted the seller and Cynthia A. Dumais of BHG Masiello (Tilton) assisted the buyer. The 3,005 square-foot house has 4 bedroom, 2 baths, and sits on 5.0 acres.

Andover Inventory

There are currently 13 residential properties on the market, plus 8 residential properties under contract for sale.

There are currently 8 land parcels on the market, and none under contract for sale.

There are currently 6 commercial or multi-family properties on the market, and none under contract for sale.

Data from NNEREN.com/sold-properties and MerrimackCountyDeedsNH.com for 6/16/2017 through 7/15/2017.

Fire from page 3

plies available has been taken on by the Andover Emergency Services Auxiliary. In the early stages of this fire, the incident commander transmitted an E911 call for the Auxiliary to respond. The team has supplies and wagons staged to be quickly gathered and placed into service. You will see this valuable team wearing bright safety vests delivering food and water to the firefighters. The Auxiliary are an organized team that has been trained in fire ground safety and understand the different stages of an emergency incident and their valuable place in firefighter health and safety.

The kitchen and restaurant did sustain very heavy damage. Every firefighter wishes he could reverse that damage with great firefighting skills, but he cannot. We wish everyone involved our best with future plans.

We thank the super response and hard work of our mutual aid neighbors. Without your support the outcome would have been very different.

The task for the firefighters and Auxiliary is complete. Our equipment is clean and has been readied for our next tone. It is now time for our community to support the great team of the Blackwater Restaurant.



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FNRT-MC volunteer Charlie Baer and board member George Heaton sell raffle tickets, give out FNRT-MC wrist bands, maps, and other rail trail info on the town green. Photo: Lindy Heim

Rail Trail Booth Thanks Volunteers

Thank you rail trail volunteers Patricia and Steve Rasche, Prescott Towle, Pecco and Gail Beaufays, Terri Hook, Charlie Baer, and Ken Leonard who helped board members highlight the features of the 58 miles of trail Andover and nearby towns enjoy.

Raffle tickets will be on sale again both from 9 am to noon on July 29th at the FNRT-MC info booth at the Wilmot Farmers' Market and from 9 am to

2 P.M. on Sunday, August 6th at the Andover Historical Society's Old Time Fair in Potter Place.

The raffle prizes are a Trek hybrid bicycle and two nights at the Highland Lake Inn along with gift certificates to the Flying Goose restaurant, Jake's Market, Pizza Chef, Belletetes, and EMS Sports. Call Peter at 344-4874 for info or to buy a ticket.



Closest to the Pin Fundraiser a Success

Best turnout with 88 tickets sold

Tim Norris

We had the best turnout yet for our Closest to the Pin fundraiser. Eighty-eight tickets were sold. There were lots of people taking their first swings and a strong cadre of really good golfers. Prizes were free golf at CCHH (Kearsarge) and Den Brae, and a carton of PRO V's!

The usual suspects were very much in evidence at the top. Two time winner,

Dennis Phelps of Danbury, struggled with the strong wind and had to make do with 3rd Place at 64" from the pin. There was an unlikely tie for first between Andover's Leighton Terwilliger and Tim Braley at 3'1". A playoff round was decided upon, which went to Tim Braley. Everyone was asking after perennial favorite, Richard Brewster, who has often won, but he couldn't make it this year.

Thanks to all who helped or took part.



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Follow up on the Fourth of July Celebrations

Press release

The Andover Fourth of July turnout was fitting for our 75th year as our citizens stepped up to make this celebration one to remember! By all accounts, this was bigger and better than last years. The ladies of the Blackwater Grange who started this tradition would be amazed! And now let's look at this year's celebration by the numbers.

We had 52 vendors on the Green; 50+ parade entries; 12 of the entries were original floats; 16 were vehicles; 6 animal entries; 5 marching groups; 6 contract participants; several firetrucks; a record number of people on the Green shopping, playing games, and parade watching; and 4 musical groups performed on the Green from 10:15 A.M. until fireworks!

The oldest Andover resident, Mildred Longfellow, rode in a vehicle at the head of the parade behind the Children's Parade...fitting to have the youngest followed by the oldest.

This year for the first time the committee awarded an overall Grand Prize. Speaking of prizes, here is a rundown of all the lucky winners:

Grand Prize: Andover Libraries

Floats:

1st – Andover Fish & Game Club

2nd – William & Brenda Brown

3rd – East Andover Village Pre-school

Vehicles:

1st – George Boyer, Sanbornton, New Hampshire – 1928 Model A Ford Roadster

2nd – Roger Gross, Franklin, New Hampshire – 1959 Chevrolet Corvette

3rd – Ken Blevins & Sal Coco, Bow, New Hampshire – 1931 Ford Roadster

Animals:

1st – Teresa Somersault & Sandy Strout, Danbury, New Hampshire

2nd – Franklin Savings Bank, Franklin, New Hampshire

3rd – Maple Leaf Farm, Franklin, New Hampshire

Some new features of the day were Andover's beloved One Wheelers led by Percy Hill, the Beckettash mini cars, as well as a parade appearance of the

Kearsarge Community Band. In addition there was a dunking booth on the Green where one of our favorite selectmen spent most of the day under water! (Thanks, Jim!). Several new games for kids were also an added attraction.

This year the committee made a first try at a movie night. The movies and refreshments, provided by the Andover Emergency Services Auxiliary, were enjoyed by all who attended. Next year we hope to see more folks there!

Our annual raffle winners and prizes were as follows:

A night at Highland Lake Inn in East Andover was won by Jeff Goodrich.

Hannaford \$25 and Market Basket \$50 gift certificates were won by Carol Adams

The Italian Basket was won by Jim Delaney

Many thanks to the Highland Lake Inn and to Hannaford and Market Basket!

The committee salutes the two young singers, Garrett Niemeyer, who sang the National Anthem, and Cope Makechnie, who sang God Bless America; also to the AE/MS students, Elliot Norris and Triana Caron, who were this year's Andover Lions Club good citizenship winners.

Many thanks to Jim Henderson and the Road Relics for trash can deployment and pickup, Toby Locke for setting up the Reviewing stand, Michelle Gage, Mike Elveth and Irene Haley who lined up the parade, the Pioneers who helped with parking of parade participant vehicles, the ladies who sang the 1942 patriotic medley, Steve Smith for assisting our committee chairman, Bob Ward, with the MC activities, to the parade judges, to Proctor Academy and to all the other people (you know who you are) who helped us make this 75th celebration a success.

Once again, if you enjoy laughter and the feeling of camaraderie, please consider joining our committee. You won't regret it. Our next meeting is on Wednesday, August 2, at the Andover Fire Station at 7 P.M.. Come join us!



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AUSBON SARGENT IN ANDOVER -- At a July reception at the Old College Road home of Randall and Lisa Costa, Debby Stanley (right), executive director of the New London-based Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust (ASLPT), recognized the organization's Andover supporters for the 12 ASLPT-protected conservation easements within the town borders. The Andover easements total nearly 1,000 acres, and will remain undeveloped in perpetuity. Additional Andover property is protected by easements held by the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests, also known as the Forest Society.



A beautiful concert was enjoyed by many at the Proctor Chapel on June 23. The musicians were Martha Woodward, KUUF music director; Robert St. Cyr, music director at Proctor Academy; and Donna Denniston.

Caption: Lois Magenau Photo: Louis Botta

Letters

Andover Emergency Services Receives Thanks

Dear Firefighters of Andover and Neighboring towns:

Thank you so much for your quick response and courageous job in fighting the fire at the Blackwater Junction

Your opinion matters! **Please send a letter to the Beacon** expressing your thoughts on any local matters. Our readers want and need to hear your voice!

Restaurant on July 16, 2017. We are so thankful that no one was hurt. As we watched those men and women perform an outstanding service in making sure that all were safe, the fire was extinguished and no further danger remained, we were in awe. What a coordinated effort by all that responded. Firefighters, emergency teams, police officer, and support staff, in dealing with a terrible situation.

Thank you again
Sincerely,
Greg Hamel and family
Blackwater Junction Restaurant

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Ausbon Sargent Upcoming Hike at Blitzer Easement

Tuesday, August 15 starting at 2 P.M.

Press release

In 1999, Dr. John Blitzer and his wife, Amy, donated a conservation easement on 149 acres of land on Rowe Mountain Road in Bradford

died in June of 2004 and Amy passed away in October 2016. To honor their passion for this property, Land Protection Specialist Andy Deegan will be leading a hike on their trails on Tuesday, August 15, from 2-4 P.M. in Bradford, NH. Refreshments provided. Register by contacting Kristy Heath at: kheath@ausbonsargent.org or 603-526-6555

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TOWN COMMITTEE MINUTES

RSA 91-A:2 states that minutes from each meeting of each Town body must "be promptly recorded and open to public inspection not more than five business days after the meeting."

Minutes are often not in publishable form at that point. Considering the time it takes to make them publishable, and the long lag between issues of the *Beacon*, it may be a month or more before they appear in the *Beacon*.

Select Board

July 5, 2017

Condensed from approved minutes

Present: Marj Roy, Town Administrator; Vicky Mishcon, Select Board Chair; Jim Delaney, Select Board; Dave Blinn, ex-officio; Attorney Matt Serge, Chief Glenn Laramie and Patrolman Dan Shaw; Joanna Sumner, Tax Collector; John Guiheen and Dylan Gortney

Correspondence:

Primex – Contribution Assurance Program (CAP)

The current plan is due to expire in 2018. In order to receive the discounted rate, the town must sign up for an additional three (3) years. The Board discussed alternative providers such as through Davis and Towle. Delaney made the motion not to enter into another three (3) year period with CAP. Mishcon seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion passed.

Abatements – recommended by Avitar and signed by all three (3) Select Board Members: Armand Boisvert, Joanna and Henry Weinstack (x2), Property at 157 Main Street (old town hall building).

Application Reimbursement to Towns and Cities in which Federal and state Forest Land is Situated – Signed by all three (3) Select Board Members, (Forest Land in Kearsarge and Ragged Mountains).

Land Use Change Tax – Philip and Janet Decato

White Oak Pit and 76 Bridge Street Properties:

The Board discussed having both

properties surveyed at the same time so there are clear boundaries for these properties.

Other Businesses:

Delaney informed the Board that the Road Agent has an issue with Hansen, who the State awarded the bid to for the work on Monticello Road Bridge. There is a negative past history with Hansen for a project in town about ten years ago. The contract has not been signed yet. Roy will contact Sean James to find out if there are alternatives.

The Transfer Station's tonnage has increased dramatically compared to the same time last year. The Board will institute a Sticker Day to make sure only Andover residents are using the Transfer Station. Commercial fees and enforcement are being considered.

The Board has noticed numerous road signs missing again throughout town. The Board will ask the Road Agent to get an inventory of signs in town.

The Board will consider dropping the speed on Flaghole Road in the area of Boston Hill Road to 25 mph.

The Board indicated they need a work session with the Transfer Station Manager, Reggie Roy, and Road Agent Thompson.

June 5, 2017

Condensed from approved minutes

Present: Marj Roy, Vicky Mishcon, Jim Delaney, and David Blinn

Also present were: Bob and Rita Norander; Ken Hackmann; Jim Reed, Jon Warzocha, Matthew Bent with Boy Scout Troop # 489; John Kinney; Lenny

Caron; and Chief Glenn Laramie. (Several Boy Scout members from Troop #489 attended the meeting to support Matthew Bent's presentation and to earn their merit badge)

Road Agent Report:

Highland Lake Beach/Chaffee Beach – Roy received an email from a resident who wanted to know who is in charge of keeping the beach cleaned up at Highland Lake. The Board discussed this and different areas of Chaffee Park are taken care of through different entities. Typically, throughout the years, there have been several different volunteer groups that clean up the beach from debris itself. Last year no one volunteered to do the clean-up. The grassy area is kept up by the Highway crew. As for the sand, the town is waiting to hear from DES for adding new sand. However, until DES responds, Thompson said they could rake the sand above the water line. Thompson will add that to their projects to be done this year.

Johnson Lane – Thompson told the Board that one of the repair garages has taken over this town road with parked vehicles. It's made it very difficult for the highway crew to get through this area especially during plowing time because of the vehicles encroached on the town road. The Board asked Chief Laramie to address this with the garage repair person so that the issue will be taken care of before snow plowing season.

Church Lane – A surveyor for the church on Church Lane contacted Roy. The church wants to pave the two parking lots and the surveyor needs to know more information about the road that goes in between both parking lots. The Board discussed whether this road is a town road or a private road. The consensus was that it has always been maintained by the town and therefore is a town road. Roy will contact the surveyor to let him know Church Lane is

a town road.

New Driveway Permit – Thompson is working with some folks on Raccoon Hill Road about their driveway placement on their property. The plan the homeowner shared with Thompson was good for the homeowner, but not so good for the town due to the water flow issues. Thompson suggested putting a pipe in to go under the driveway. The homeowners agreed to buy the piping, at a cost of about \$500.00. The town's cost will be about \$200.00. The Board is in agreement with Thompson's suggested plan.

Dirt Roads – The Board and Thompson agreed the dirt roads are in bad condition around town. The large amount of gravel put on the dirt roads previously has been depleted. The quick fix has been to grade the roads. However, Thompson said the proper way to do the dirt roads is to pull the ditches in and roll it back and forth. However, then you have to fight the mud for six months. Afterwards, the road gets graded making the road in much better condition. As an example, Raccoon Hill Road has many different areas that require different work on them. To just add calcium chloride will only work in some areas of that road and not others. Thompson would like to reinstate the 20-year plan for our roads. After Thompson reviewed the previous plan, he realized that the plan has not been followed. Thompson will come up with a plan for the Board and then start working on it this year.

DOT-Right of Way – Roy received information from the State indicating that they believe the Town is encroaching on their right of way on Salisbury Highway. The Board and Thompson reviewed the map the State sent along. Thompson said that the State's photos are at least two years old and it appears they missed a survey pin on one of the boundaries. Roy will email the state with this information.

Last Street Bridge – Completed
Lawrence Street Bridge Walkway –
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Completed
 Maple Street Bridge – Completed
Matthew Bent – Eagle Scout Project:

Matthew presented the Board with a proposed Eagle Scout Project. The project would consist of creating three picnic benches for the Town Beach. The picnic benches will be chained and cemented. The project would also include replacing the old charcoal grill. Lastly, the project will be to restore the old Chaffee Beach sign by repainting it. Matthew offered to return with the plan all mapped out at the next Board's meeting on Monday, June 19, 2017. Matthew said they will start the project as soon as possible and expect to finalize the project in late fall. Delaney made a motion to accept the Eagle Scout's Project as discussed. Blinn seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion passed.

Andover Community Association – Stand-Up Paddle Board Yoga

In the absence of an association member present at this meeting, Roy explained what the group wants to do. A member contacted Roy who would like to do this activity at Highland Lake Beach/Chaffee Park early Sunday mornings. They inquired about needing permission from the Board to do this activity. The Board discussed and agreed that it's a public beach and there wouldn't be a parking issue, therefore, the Board sees no problem in allowing the activity on early Sunday mornings.

Comcast Coverage Issue

Bob Norander asked the Board for some assistance in getting cable coverage for the five families in his area who must get their television and internet through satellite. Norander stated that about five years ago when he first moved there he was the only person interested in cable. However, currently there are five families out at the end in East Andover who are now interested. The satellite is quite pricey. The Board explained that recently Melissa Pierce from Comcast met with them about contract renewal time. One of the questions the Board asked Comcast was about getting cable out there to these folks. Pierce indicated that when she got

back to the Comcast office, she would inquire about the possibility of cable out in that area. As of today, the Board has not received a renewal contract to review from Pierce or an answer to this question. Roy will contact Pierce for an answer about getting cable coverage in that area.

Correspondence and Signatures

Roy gave the Board the Plodzik and Sanderson Questionnaire to fill out. The questionnaire requires only one Board member's signature.

Lenny Caron – 76 Bridge Road

Caron heard that someone was interested in purchasing this parcel of land. Caron wanted to offer his assistance because he knows the properties on Bridge Road. Caron indicated that the culverts changed through the years. Someone was on the property recently. Caron approached them and will give their business card to Roy. The Board explained that this property is owned by the Town and that in order to know the precise boundaries, the property first needs to be surveyed.

EMS Coverage

Recently, while working on the Maple Street Bridge, one of the workers was badly injured. It was almost an hour before the ambulance arrived. Kinney and the Board are very concerned with the lack of coverage for day time needs. A dinner workshop is set up for Wednesday, June 28 at 6 P.M. to 8 P.M. to discuss with all involved in emergency coverage how to better improve how situations are handled in a timelier manner.

Town Administrator Report

Work Session – A work session for the Board is set for Thursday, June 8, 2017 at 3 P.M. Mishcon will send Roy the agenda for the meeting with all department chairs and vice-chairs before they meet on Thursday. Roy will review the agenda and send all the contact information for the department chairs and vice-chairs to Mishcon.

Draft Policies – Roy presented the

See Minutes on page 10

Office Hours & Meetings

OFFICE HOURS

Town Office: Mon-Fri 9-2
Town Clerk & Tax Collector:
 Mon, Wed, Thu, 9-2
 Tue, 1:30-6:30
 Last Saturday of month, 9-11 (except on long holiday weekends)
Building Inspector: Tues, 6-7
Zoning Code Administrator: Tues, 6-7
Transfer Station:
 Wed, 7-6 (7-5 during Standard Time)
 Sat, 7-5
Swap Event (May-Oct):
 2nd Sat (if rain: 3rd Sat),
 Transfer Station 8-12
Andover Library:
 Mon, 6:30-8:30
 Wed, 9-12 & 6:30-8:30
 Thu, 12:30-4:30 • Sat, 10-12
Bachelor Library:
 Tues, 9-12:30 & 6:30-8:30
 Thu, 3-5; 6:30-8:30 • Fri, 1:30-5

MEETINGS

At the Town Hall unless otherwise noted
Capital Improvement Planning:
 Last Thu, 7
Conservation: 2nd Wed, 7:30
Emergency Medical Service:
 2nd Wed, 7, E. Andover Fire Station
Fire Department: Mon, 7
Fourth of July: 1st Wed,
 Andover Fire Station, 7
Library Trustees: 3rd Thu, 7
 (except Jul & Aug), Andover
 Library or Bachelor Library
Planning Board: 2nd & 4th Tue, 7
Recreation: 2nd Tues, 7,
 AE/MS Science Room
School Board: 1st Tue
 (except July), 6:30, AE/MS
Select Board:
 1st & 3rd Mon, 6:30
Zoning Board of Adjustment:
 3rd Tue, 7

For more information, call the Town Office at 735-5332.

Mark Your Calendar!

Mondays: Fire Department, 7 • **Tuesdays:** Building Permits, 6-7

AUGUST

- 1: School Board, AE/MS 6:30
- 2: 4th of July,
Andover Fire Station, 7
- 7: Select Board, 6:30
- 8: Planning Board, 7
- 8: Recreation, AE/MS
Science Room, 7
- 9: Conservation Commission, 7:30
- 9: EMS, Andover Fire Station, 7
- 12: Swap Event, Transfer Station, 8-12
- 15: Zoning Board, 7
- 21: Select Board, 6:30
- 22: Planning Board, 7

SEPTEMBER

- 4: Town Offices CLOSED
- 4: Town Clerk/Tax Collector CLOSED
- 4: Select Board, 6:30
- 5: School Board, AE/MS, 6:30
- 6: 4th of July, Andover Fire Station, 7
- 9: Swap Event, Transfer Station, 8-12
- 12: Planning Board, 7
- 12: Recreation, AE/MS
Science Room, 7
- 13: Conservation Commission, 7
- 13: EMS, Andover Fire Station, 7
- 18: Select Board, 6:30
- 19: Zoning Board, 7
- 21: Library Trustees, 7
- 26: Planning Board, 7

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Board with the following policies to re-
view:

- Returned Check Policy
- Cash Management Policy
- Investment Policy (annual review re-
quired)
- Procurement Policy (Purchasing
thresholds updated)

Mishcon made a motion that the
Board adopt the draft policies as draft-
ed effective immediately. Delaney sec-
onded the motion. All in favor. Motion
passed.

HVAC System – The heat pump in-
stallation at Town Hall is complete. It is
a hybrid system so when it is very cold
and the heat pump is not as efficient,
the oil burner will kick in. Otherwise,
the heat pump will take care of most of
the heating and cooling. The original
cost estimate was approximately \$46,
000.00. The actual cost ended up be-
ing \$13, 237 which does not include the
\$3,000.00 rebate.

Morrill Hill Road Bridge – The State
found the plan submitted by Hoyle and
Tanner to be satisfactory. The State
now authorized the next step of putting
the project out to bid and then the con-
struction of the project.

New Hampshire Supreme Court
– On Friday, June 3, 2017 the New
Hampshire Supreme Court ruled in the
Town's favor on the question of who is
best to appraise the utility owned prop-
erties, the utilities or the towns. The
New Hampshire Supreme Court af-
firmed the Superior Court's ruling that
the towns are in the best position to be
best able to put a value on their town
properties.

Town Audit – The Town's audit was
recently completed at the end of May.
There were only two findings and those
are already addressed. One was the
cash management policy which the
Board voted in favor of tonight. The
second issue was having the Recreation
Department standardize receipts. That
has been addressed by the Recreation
Department recently doing online sign-
ups.

Primex Alternative – Roy commu-
nicated with Paul Branscombe, former
Town Administrator of Ashland and
Gilmanton, who indicated that he is
working as a consultant with Davis and
Towle Insurance for an alternative to
Primex coverage.

Tipping Fees – The Transfer Station
tipping fees effective from 5/15/17 to
4/14/18 are as follows:

- Single Stream is \$30.50 per ton
- Solid Waste is \$66.61 per ton

Town Office Interior Painting – Be-
ginning the Week of June 12th to 16th,
four work release inmates from the
Merrimack County Correctional Facil-
ity will be painting the interior of the
Town Hall. They will be supervised by
a correctional officer.

Lakes Region Planning Commis-
sion – Roy passed out the results of the
Lakes Region Planning Commission
survey to the Board. Previously, Town

Administrators filled out the survey and
the result is that what they were most
interested in was cheaper electricity.
The Board will review survey informa-
tion and discuss at a later meeting.

Project Status Worksheet – Roy pre-
sented the Board with a project's status
spreadsheet for their review.

Hazard Mitigation Plan – Jane Hub-
bard contacted Roy regarding updating
the hazard mitigation plan. Hubbard of-
fered her services or could recommend
others to do the updating. After discus-
sion, the Board agreed to have Hubbard
do the work of updating that plan.

June 19, 2017

Condensed from approved minutes

Present: Marj Roy, Vicky Mishcon,
Jim Delaney, and Dave Blinn

Road Agent Report: John Thomp-
son was unavailable for this meeting
due to the storm.

Boston Post Cane:

Millie Longfellow, who at 97 years
old, is the oldest resident in Andover
and will receive the Boston Post Cane
and Award this year. There are several
other residents in town who are also in
their nineties. Frank Haley is 96 years
old and the oldest veteran in town. Hale
Shaw and Perley Ordway are also in
their nineties.

Delaney will coordinate with Don-
nette McGill of the Beacon for Roy and
Mishcon to hand the Cane over to Mil-
lie tentatively scheduled for Wednes-
day, June 21, 2017 at 10 A.M.. The Board
would like to recognize Mr. Haley on
the Fourth of July at the podium. Ad-
ditionally, the Board would like to see
if these four residents would be able to
ride along in the 4th Parade together.

4th of July: Blinn and Delaney will
work together on putting flags on the
town vehicles for the parade. Addition-
ally, Blinn offered to purchase the can-
dy that is tossed from the town vehicles
to the children who are watching the
parade along Main Street.

Comcast: Melissa Pierce from
Comcast sent Roy information that
Comcast's Construction Team is work-
ing on the survey and estimating the
cost for residents at the far end of East
Andover at the Franklin line who do
not have Comcast available to them. An
update from Comcast is expected in the
next few weeks. Delaney suggested that
TDS be contacted, letting them know
what Comcast is doing. Roy will con-
tact TDS.

Roy forwarded the email she received
with this information from Pierce onto
Mr. Norander and Mr. Hackmann who
attended the previous Board's meeting
asking for assistance in this matter.

Morrill Hill Road Bridge Update:

Charles Willeke, Project Manager
at New Hampshire Department of
Transportation (NHDOT), emailed
Roy to say that NHDOT reviewed the
bid tabulation and summary provided
by Hoyle and Tanner Associates Re-
port. NHDOT determined the bids to
be competitive and that the Town may

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award Michael Hansen Construction Ltd the contract in the amount of \$462,959.00. The State needs a copy of the signed contract including the "Notice of Award" and "Notice to Proceed." Once they receive those items, the NHDOT will be able to reimburse the Town 40% (1/2 of 80%) of the low bid amount. The remaining eligible construction funds including eligible construction engineering costs will be reimbursed at the end of the project following NHDOT inspection, completion of as-built drawings, and completion of Form 4 load rating analysis.

The Board will review the Hansen bid specifics before their next meeting on July 5, 2017. At that meeting they will summarize it and read it for the public.

Other Business:

Old RP Johnson's building: Delaney indicated that Rite aid expressed some interest in purchasing this property.

Budget Committee: Arch Weathers spoke to Delaney and has asked for the Board's help in getting a secretary to take minutes for this board's meetings. After discussion, the Board agreed to look for someone who would not have to attend the meeting, but could just transcribe from the recording if the Committee records the meeting. Delaney will contact Weathers to have him contact Cheryl Ashburn on Plains Road, a local person who does other transcription.

Transfer Station:

The Board had a legal non-meeting last week to look at the Transfer Station property to see what and where things are placed and what can be done to improve it. The Board needs assistance with how they can improve the design of the Transfer Station.

One idea for improvement is to reposition the hopper. The old office building at the Transfer Station might need to be replaced. The Board would like to gather ideas and discuss the information. Then, once the Board is more prepared with options, they will hold a public meeting.

The Board will attend the Solid Waste Management Roundtable Meeting in Meredith next Thursday, June 29, 2017 for a two-hour session titled "Is Recycling Worth it?" The Board will also invite Reggie Roy, the Transfer Station Manager.

SIGNATURES: Letter to resident signed by entire Select Board
Toby Locke – Timber Tax

Conservation Commission

June 14, 2017

Condensed from approved minutes

Present: Mary Anne Broshek, Tina Cotton, Nan Kaplan, Alan McIntyre, Jesse Schust

May Minutes –After minor revisions, Tina made a motion to approve,

seconded by Nan. Unanimously approved.

Correspondence Review

Letter from McFarland Johnson regarding NHDOT bridge projects- requesting CC input on concerns/issues. Members looked at the map and decided to do a site visit on June 19 at 5:30. Members will meet at Blackwater Junction restaurant.

Lakes Region Planning Commission Annual Meeting Invitation

Thank you letter from ASLPT for membership donation.

ASLPT Update – Ausbon Sargent celebrated their 30 year anniversary at New London Green. Many people attended including local school children

Review of Handouts from 6/12 Meeting with BOS- The handouts from the meeting with the BOS were given to all members. We reviewed the highlights of: Right to Know Requirements, Minutes- what should be included and when they must be available to the public, the new policy on Boards, Committees and Commissions, "Riggins Rules" for Effective and Ethical Service on a Municipal Board, and Civility in Conversation. Members were asked to read the documents and bring any questions to the July meeting.

Bog Pond Update
The road agent is now working on moving the excavated material and will work on the restoration plan once this is accomplished. Jesse will contact John Thompson to check on progress. It was noted that the Conservation Commission will now be notified by the Road Agent prior to any additional excavation.

Review of Action Items from Previous Minutes
Beaver Deceivers and Wilmot- Jesse attended a Wilmot CC meeting to set up a future discussion with them on Beaver Deceivers. Jesse and Nan will see if Skip Lisle and John Thompson can attend the future meeting and will also invite the Road Agent from Wilmot. A suggestion was made to hold this meeting at an Andover Beaver Site and all agreed this was a good idea.

Beaver Deceivers and DOT – We continue our plan to encourage DOT to use beaver deceivers as the most effective and efficient means of dealing with flooding due to beavers. Jesse has identified a potential pilot site. Nan will continue to work with Vicky Mishcon on urging DOT to change their ways.

Culverts –Alan left a message for Stacy Luke at the Merrimack County Conservation District- to check on the progress of the grant application.
Co-occurrence Map Update- Alan has contacted Colby Sawyer to create the updated co-occurrence maps.

Chasing Ice Movie – Jesse and Alan will continue to pursue the video and speaker but are also looking at the link between climate change and tick diseases including the wildlife decline of moose. The focus of this presentation will broaden to include having a series
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of talks on how climate change is affecting New Hampshire business (such as maple sugaring), health and wildlife.

Tick Control Workshop- Jesse reported that Wilmot is holding a workshop in the spring. We will see if we can get UNH's Allen Eaton for late summer or early fall.

Bradley Lake logging- Jerry will report on this next month

Tree City – Mary Anne will contact the arborist we worked with previously for tree purchases and Alan will contact Proctor regarding maintenance of planted trees.

Email on End Dates for CC members

An email has been sent to Marj requesting staggered end dates for Commission member's appointments.

New Loon Biologist

The new loon biologist for Andover area loons is Sarah Cantwell. Observation forms are found on the Loon Preservation Society Website at: loon.org/volunteer-field.php. Emails and phone calls are welcome: 603-833-1828, sunapee@loon.org.

Newspaper articles on loon deaths due to fishing tackle and lead and dogs trained to detect emerald ash borer were reviewed.

Solar – The Energy Committee is looking into establishing a solar array at the old town dump.

Meeting start time will continue at 7 P.M. for the next three months.

Planning Board

May 23, 2017

Condensed from approved minutes

Members present: Nancy Teach, Chair; Randall Costa, Vice-Chair; Paul Currier; Art Urie; Doug Phelps, Jon Warzocha; and David Blinn, Ex-Officio

Also present: Dave Powers, Zoning Administrator; Pat Moyer, Zoning & Planning Coordinator; John Guiheen; Dillon Gortney; Jeff Newcomb; Dan Merzi; Charles Hirschberg; and Ray Critch.

Announcements / Correspondence
 Lakes Region Planning Commission annual meeting notice received.

Capital Improvement Plan inquired whether the Planning Board has any projects at \$10,000 for a time-frame of five years. The board agreed that there were no projects and Teach will notify Town Administrator Marj Roy.

Teach and Currier met with Dan Coolidge, Zoning Board of Adjustment Chairperson regarding the procedure for Planning Board input on site suitability for Special Exceptions. A draft document, Finding of Site Use Appropriateness, was created that could potentially be used by the Planning Board for determining site suitability. It was agreed to confirm the appropriate approach to this matter with Town Council. Costa was tasked with formulating the relevant questions in an email for counsel.

There is now a word copy of the

Zoning Ordinance.

Planning and Zoning Coordinator
 The Home Occupation Registration Form has been submitted to the Selectboard for a vote of approval.

The Zoning Board of Adjustment files being merged with the Planning Board files are half completed.

Site Suitability for Dan Merzi and Charles Hirschberg for 14 Potters Lane

Merzi stated that he had gone before the Zoning Board of Adjustment for three Additional Special Exceptions; however, was advised that the Planning Board had not deemed the site suitable for the use requested. The requests were to operate a contractors yard with outside storage; have a construction material storage yard; and to level a section of the property in order to store the materials. Warzocha stated that there were only two parcels of the four that Merzi owns and Merzi should include any potential future uses into the Additional Special Exception application for their hearing with the Zoning Board. Warzocha made a motion to deem Tax Map 28, lot 059,160 suitable for a building contractors yard including outside storage of equipment and material on the Agricultural / Residential portion of the lot. Urie seconded the motion and the board voted unanimously in favor of the motion. Warzocha made a motion to deem Tax Map 28, Lot 085,090 suitable for sales of construction materials and similar goods requiring outside storage on the Agricultural / Residential portion of the lot. Urie seconded the motion and the board voted unanimously in favor of the motion. Currier made a motion to deem excavation of earth materials on a section of the Agricultural / Residential portion of Tax Map 28, lot 085-090 solely for purposes of leveling in order to store materials. Phelps seconded the motion and the board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

Selectboard Update – Dave Blinn
 Work was started on the Maple Street bridge.
 The State indicated that the Morrill Hill Road Bridge plan formulated by Hoyle and Tanner, the engineers contracted by the Town, was approved by the State.
 There was a presentation by Granite State Power Link during the May 15 Select Board meeting regarding an alternative to Northern Pass which would utilize existing power line right-of-ways, including the high-tension corridor through Andover, and which, unlike Northern Pass, would be allowed to sell power to New Hampshire utilities. The project would widen certain sections of the corridor in Vermont and northern New Hampshire, but not in Andover. The project would raise, on average, one in five of the existing high-tension line towers – Granite State promised that any changes for Andover would be presented publicly with opportunity to comment before the changes were finalized.

Zoning Administrator – Dave Powers

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Property owner at 322 Main Street will apply for a building permit for the expansion of the second floor. Powers requested a letter from the owner confirming that the space will not be an additional dwelling unit, since the owner is not applying for an ADU.

An inquiry was received from a Proctor student as part of an Advanced Placement Environmental Sciences class to place a large scale turbine on top of Blackwater Ski Area. Powers provided the student with the wind ordinance.

The purchaser of the fifth lot of the Ambrose Subdivision challenged the sprinkler covenant in the property's deed, as required as part of the approved subdivision plan for the property. Powers informed the purchaser that the property owner also has the option to install a fire pond.

Subdivision Application Revision – Randall Costa

Teach will provide edits to Costa.

Work on PUD and/or Conservation Subdivision – Randall Costa and Paul Currier

Currier and Warzocha reviewed the framework for the ordinance. The board needs to review for procedures. A letter to Ragged Mountain Fish & Game Club was drafted for the board's review to respond to the email received from John Hodgson.

Additional Items for Consideration

The June 27, 2017 meeting will be a work meeting for the PUD.

May 9, 2017

Condensed from approved minutes

Members present: Nancy Teach, Chair; Randall Costa, Vice-Chair; Paul Currier; Art Urie; Doug Phelps, and David Blinn, Ex-Officio

Also present: Dave Powers, Zoning Administrator; Pat Moyer, Zoning & Planning Coordinator; John Guiheen; Dillon Gortney

Announcements / Correspondence

Urie made a motion for Randall to officially accept the position of Vice-Chair. Phelps seconded the motion. Costa accepted the position of Vice Chair and the board unanimously voted in favor of the motion.

Planning and Zoning Coordinator

A revised draft of the Home Occupation Permit was distributed to the board for review and editing. Currier made a motion to change the form from permit to registration. Phelps seconded the motion and the board voted unanimously in favor of the change. The board voted unanimously in favor of there not being a fee charged for the registration.

Zoning Administrator

Powers sent a letter to the property owner of 21 Ice House Lane regarding the deck near Highland Lake. The owner advised she was referred to the State and received verbal approval from the State. Powers indicated he needs to see the permit from the State prior to is-

suing a building permit and confirm the setback allowed in the Shoreland Act.

Powers received an inquiry pertaining to an addition to the Wagner property on Route 4. The front of the home is 50' from the centerline of the road and the setback will sit back a couple of feet from the existing home. Powers inquired if this was still within the setback and he was advised a variance from the Zoning Board of Adjustment is needed.

Received notice from Proctor Academy regarding the field house project. They will not be doing the entrance tower that was indicated on their original plan. There will be no changes to the exterior, only the interior. Powers needs to confirm if there will be any alterations to the grass, landscaping, driveway or paths.

Powers is concerned that the addition at 322 Main Street could possibly be an accessory dwelling unit.

Selectboard Update – Dave Blinn

Blinn advised the board that the coffee shop at 207 Main Street has been in continuous use for several years by Proctor students and was previously approved. The coffee shop is not open to the public.

Blinn advised the person interested in operating a food truck to pull together a plan to present to the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment. The town is not interested in her using any town property.

Blinn advised the board that the Selectboard is working on a meeting for committee chairs and vice-chairs to review right-to-know laws; ethics and civility guidelines; inter-board communication; budget deadlines for town meeting; board member appointments; and changes to town hall.

There has been an inquiry into the purchase of the property on Bridge Road that the town currently owns. The town will have it surveyed and inventoried and the Selectboard will present any excavation plans to the Planning Board.

Blinn met with Derek Mansell and Jesse Schust regarding Bog Pond.

LRPC Map Project

Phelps will forward the map to Currier; however, it will not include the overlay of the town zoning map.

Non-Binding Consultation: Dillon Gortney

Dillon indicated to the board he is interested in purchasing 1 Potters Road to operate a car dealership and repair shop with inspections. Access will be off Potter Road; there will be employees and have an office in a separate building. The board advised Dillon he will need to submit an application for a Special Exception for commercial use to the Zoning Board of Adjustment and then come before the Planning Board for a non-binding for a Site Plan Review.

Subdivision Application Revisions

Costa indicated that the application is completed for the boards review and Teach will distribute it to the board

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Come Join the Andover Book Club

Press release

Welcome to the Andover Book Club! We meet at 7 P.M. on the fourth Wednesday of every month, at the WA Bachelder Library, 12 Chase Hill Rd, East Andover.

This month, on Sunday, August 23,

we will discuss *The Light Between the Oceans* by ML Stedman, a tale of moral integrity, love, betrayal, and the choices we make.

Copies available at the library. For more info, please call the library at 603-735-5076.



Ken Cushing Will Speak on Railroad History at Old Time Fair

Sunday, August 6 at 1 P.M.

Press release

Kenneth Cushing, author and historian will give an hour long presentation about the history of the Andover (New Hampshire) section of the Northern Railroad at 1 P.M. on Sunday, August 6, 2017 at the Andover Historical Society's annual "Old Time Fair". Ken will discuss the history of the railways and rail stations of Andover. He will discuss the construction of the railway and the dramatic historical events that happened on and near Andover's railways.

The railroad played a vital role in Andover's history, allowing local water-powered factories and mills to distribute goods throughout America. Water-powered factories and mills flourished along Andover's brooks and rivers. Ice from East Andover travelled to Boston for distribution throughout the country. Andover farms flourished along with the development of rail travel, selling

milk, wool and food to markets well beyond the local area. Tourists from Boston and beyond came by rail to stay in the large hotels located near the rail stations in Andover and Potter Place. Daily life was shaped by the presence of railways, which allowed local people to travel for work, school, family and leisure purposes.

Cushing is President of the Grafton Historical Society and an acclaimed researcher of the history of the Northern Railroad. His talks are very popular, so a large tent has been set aside for this presentation. The event is the culminating program for the Old Time Fair, which begins at 9 A.M. and ends at 2 P.M.. The day's events include a flea market and auction, live music, food, vendors, demonstrations, historical and local organizations, children's games, museums (rail station, post office/store, and a caboose).

The Fair and Cushing's talk are both free to the public. The event is located at the Potter Place Railroad Station at 105 Depot St in Andover.



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members via email. The minor subdivision application and major subdivision application has been incorporated into a single application. A public hearing to accept the subdivision application will be scheduled at a future Planning Board meeting.

Work on PUD and/or Conservation Subdivision – Randall Costa

Costa has done the frame-work for the PUD ordinance and he and Paul Currier will continue working on it.

Additional Items for Consideration

Teach will contact Zoning Board of Adjustment Chair regarding the Dan Merzi Special Exception applications.

June 27, 2017

Members present: Nancy Teach, Chair; Randall Costa, Vice-Chair; Paul Currier; Art Urie; Doug Phelps, Jon Warzocha; and David Blinn, Ex-Officio

Also present: Dave Powers, Zoning Administrator; Pat Moyer, Zoning & Planning Coordinator

Announcements / Correspondence

A letter was received from McFarland & Johnson, an engineering firm acting on behalf of NHDOT, regarding rehabbing three bridges on state highways, two in Andover and one in Danbury. The letter was referred to Dave Blinn and he will discuss with the Selectboard.

Planning and Zoning Coordinator

The owner of 474 Main Street met with Pat to discuss his file relative to construction of an apartment and Pat advised him that he needs to meet with the Zoning Administrator.

Selectboard Update

Dylan Gortney inquired regarding attending the Planning Board meeting on June 27, 2017 and was given contact information for Nancy Teach, Planning Board Chair.

A solid waste round-table discussion pertaining to a new lay-out for the transfer station will be attended by Selectboard members David Blinn and Vicky Mishcon, Town Administrator Marj Roy and Transfer Station Manager Reggie Roy.

The Selectboard is reviewing what needs to be done to bring the gravel roads in town back up to the standards they should be at.

There will be an Emergency Management Services meeting on Wednesday, June 28, 2017.

The Selectboard approved Jack and Lisa Braley to construct a home on Monticello Extension, a private road. The Planning Board advised that RSA 674:41.I (d) requires review and comment by the Planning Board before the Selectboard authorizes issuance of building permits on a private road. Discussion regarding Planning Board approval took place. David Blinn will review the record, following which the Planning Board will discuss further.

The Selectboard is negotiating for the lease of town property near the transfer station for a cell tower.

PUD Discussion & Work Session

The Board conducted a work session on Planned Unit Development (PUD) in the context of the priorities to be implemented under the Andover Town Master Plan. The Board reviewed the foundation for PUDs in New Hampshire law, the flexibility of PUDs, and the constraints that could be applied to PUDs. Allowance for PUDs would require amendment of the Zoning Ordinance approved at Town Meeting. Examples of PUDs in New Hampshire were discussed. Advantages of PUD structure, particularly the preservation of open spaces in return for greater habitation density, were discussed, as well as potential disadvantages, particularly relating to the risk of increased development in areas that otherwise would not be economically suitable. The Board's work session concluded with a larger review of Master Plan priorities to protect open space and avoid development that runs counter to the preservation of Andover's rural and scenic character, and also to provide appropriate support for new business development. Next steps include tabulation of building statistics in Andover over the last 10 years, and assessment of the extent to which that building activity has been consistent with the data regarding applications filed and granted with the ZBA for exceptions and DI Special Exceptions. Once this data is gathered and assessed, the Board will seek to prioritize actions under the Master Plan and determine whether the inclusion of the potential for PUD is appropriate.



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An Andover Grave Robbing, 1824

Mary Wadleigh Hilton, wife of Charles Hilton, died in East Andover on Tuesday, October 12, 1824, at the age of 72, after a five weeks' illness. She had lived in Andover almost all of her adult life, had borne her husband seven children, and had outlived him by twelve years. After her family and friends spent a few days in preparation and mourning, they buried her on Friday in the Old North Church cemetery, next to her husband. She was the third Hilton to lie in their family plot there; her mother-in-law, Hannah Pike Hilton, had been the very first person to be interred in this cemetery, in 1794.

On Saturday morning, a young man who lived in the Hilton household went to the cemetery to place a temporary marker on Mary Hilton's new grave (her permanent headstone, of course, would not be ready for some time yet). The following day, however – a Sunday, when many worshippers would have visited her plot before or after the service – the new grave appeared to have been disturbed. "The grave was opened, and the body was gone."

Although records of the scandalous incident are sparse, it is quite clear that the Andover community's suspicions quickly fell on one particular person, a young man named Zenas Johnson. Zenas was something of an outsider, although not exactly a stranger: he hailed from Vermont, but at this time he was living with his brother-in-law's family in Salisbury. He was a bright, hardworking, apparently devout lad, from a good family; in many respects, he was not a likely target for community opprobrium.

But Zenas Johnson, in these unhappy circumstances, had one huge mark against him – a mark that, in most other social situations, would have been a significant distinction in his favor: he was a medical student at the University of Vermont Medical School at Castleton. (His Salisbury brother-in-law, Dr. Jesse Merrill, was the leading physician in that town; Johnson would have been doing an internship with him.) The venerable forensic question, *cui bono* (To whose benefit?), now made him immediately suspect. Who else but a med student or a doctor would want a cadaver?

That suspicion, as a formal inquiry began, quickly hardened to communal certainty, for the circumstantial evidence was compelling. One of the gravediggers recalled that Johnson was "looking on while the grave was digging." Johnson had hired a neighbor's wagon and had gone off with it that Saturday afternoon for four days. He had left Dr. Merrill's house with the wagon late Saturday night, headed apparently toward East Andover; had returned before daylight Sunday morning to change his clothes; and then almost immediately had left again, not returning until Wednesday. One of Mary Hilton's daughters confronted Johnson with her suspicions; "he at first denied having any knowledge of her death or sick-

ness—but afterwards he said he saw her grave."

At the trial next year, further damaging testimony was elicited by the Attorney General, who prosecuted the case for the State, from Dr. Jesse Merrill, Johnson's brother-in-law and host. Dr. Merrill acknowledged that Johnson "knew about the death of Mrs. Hilton, which was a subject of conversation in the family." And while he "recollected of [Johnson's] once saying that he had nothing to do with digging up the body of Mrs. Hilton," he also "remembered a conversation once with Mr. Johnson before the grave was disturbed, in which he said that from the singularity of Mrs. Hilton's disorder he thought she would be a good subject for dissection." Ouch!

Johnson's only defense at the trial (when one of his lawyers was Ezekiel Webster, Daniel Webster's older brother and an eminent jurist in his own right) was to bring forward witnesses to testify that he had stopped at a house in Concord (with a wagon) that Sunday morning, had called there again on Tuesday and stayed the night, and had also called at a house in Warner earlier that Tuesday. But although he had at the time first told others that he was going to Boscawen with that wagon to transport some raftsmen who were working there, and later told several people that he had been visiting relatives in Westmoreland (on the Connecticut River, west of Keene), he produced no evidence to support either claim. Why, the Chief Justice asked in his charge to the jury, had he not done so? "How easy . . . would it have been to prove, by producing those raftsmen, where he actually was?" Again, "this was not a case of so little consequence to the defendant that he might not have brought evidence that he had actually been at Westmoreland." The jury needed little time to deliberate, and found Johnson guilty. He had been present that morning during the trial, but did not appear in the afternoon when he was called to hear the verdict, and thereby forfeited his bond of \$250. Mary Hilton's body was never recovered.

What of the aftermath? Local feelings ran high for a while. Of the many newspapers that reported on the case, one editorialized, "For the information of those who prowl about grave yards, and invade the sanctuary of the dead, we would state that the amount of the bonds in this case is no criterion of the abhorrence in which the people of New-Hampshire hold the crime of 'digging up' their neighbors and friends." Another noted that "this business of a Physician's robbing the grave, is a new charge against the faculty." (It was not so new; and only five years later, in the aftermath of another grave robbing in a Vermont village close to Johnson's medical school in Castleton, some three hundred village men, some of them armed with farm implements, marched on the medical school in a successful ef-

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Become a Woods Ninja

Saturday, August 12
from 10 A.M. to Noon

Press release

Creeping silently through the forest to get close to wild animals is difficult. They usually hear you and are gone long before you can get close enough to snap a picture. So how do wildlife photographers get such great shots? You can learn at an upcoming workshop sponsored by The Little Nature Museum of Warner.

Outdoor survival expert, Rudy Bourget, will conduct the class, "Be-

coming a Woods Ninja" on Saturday, August 12 from 10 A.M. to Noon on the museum grounds at 18 Highlawn Road in Warner. Enrollment is limited to ten people from ages nine and up. The cost is \$15 for members of the Little Nature Museum or Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum, and \$20 for non-members. The rain date is August 13, at the same time. Pre-registration is required by using the registration form at: littlenaturemuseum.org, by calling 603-746-6121, or emailing: nature-museum@conknet.com.

Tucker Mountain School House Open August 13

Sunday from 1 to 3 P.M.

Press release

The Tucker Mountain School House will be open Sunday, August 13 from 1-3 P.M.. Visitors will find many artifacts on display including old school books. The Andover Historical Society's 2018 Calendar "The Beauty of Andover" will be available at \$10 each. Cookies and lemonade will be served. For more information call 603-735-5586.



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50 Years Ago in Andover: August 1967

Transcribed by Virginia Edwards from microfilms of the Journal Transcript of Franklin, NH.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin LaPlante, Sr. of Andover Road who were guests of honor at a surprise 40th Anniversary celebration dinner given by their children, and held at the Daniel Webster Inn. They were married September 8, 1927. The occasion was celebrated early as the whole family was here together on vacation for a week at Duchesne's Bear Mountain Cave in Bristol.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Fenton Jr., and son Leslie of Belfast, Maine spent Saturday with his folks, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Fenton Sr., and with her mother Mr. and Mrs. Don Buswell. Paul came to help celebrate his father's birthday.

Wedding anniversary congratulations go to Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Barrett August 1, and to Mr. and Mrs. Amos Johnson on August 2.

Andover Kids meet New Hampshire. State Troopers: What have the youngsters in the Andover Head Start program been up to this year? Well, first they...but here is a direct report from the youngsters, passed along by their teacher, Mrs. Donald Piper of Tilton:

This week has been a lot of fun. First, we had a visit from a State Trooper who showed us everything he had in his car. He set off a flare for us to see, made his siren work, let us see the night stick, let us wear his hard helmet, and put some of us in handcuffs. Most of the little ones could wiggle out of the handcuffs, but when he put them on Mrs. Piper, there she stayed until he got his key out to unlock them.

We went on a field trip to the Hersey farm, too. You should have seen all of us sitting on the fence chewing a blade of grass talking to the cows. Everyone liked the baby calves best. On the way home from the farm we had our snacks at Highland Lake.

We took our big trip of the summer on Tuesday. Mrs. Ambeau, Mrs. Dwinall from Tilton, and Mrs. Piper took us by car to Steam Village in Gilford. We climbed aboard the train, and with a toot of the whistle, we were off. We had a complete ride around and then stopped for a picnic lunch at one of the picnic areas. After our lunch, we got back on the train for another ride while we sang "I've Been Working on the Railroad" at the top of our lungs. The people who work there were very nice to us. Each of us got a railroad hat to wear on our trip, as well as postcards at the end.

From there we went to the airport just in time to see two airplanes take off. We were a little late starting for home, but our bus driver, Fred, was still waiting for us at the school.

Steven's mother came to visit us at school this week. We enjoyed having her and thanked her for the cookies she brought us.

We just got used to reading our calendar and by gosh the month has changed.

We all know that it is August now, and since we can read our numbers to ten at least these first 10 days will be easy to keep track of.

Good Old Days Prices:

- 1960 Jaguar type E \$5990
 - 1961 Dodge Dart Pioneer \$2787
 - 1962 Ford Galaxy Skyliner \$3350
 - 1963 Buick Riviera \$4300
 - 1964 Chevrolet Corvair Monza \$2335
 - 1965 Ford Thunderbird \$4468
 - 1966 Chrysler Barracuda \$2862
 - 1967 Chrysler Town & Country \$4086
- 40 children, 17 helpers, and teach-

Notice

Our volunteer is retiring and this will be the last posting of the 50 Years Ago article unless someone would like to volunteer to help gather the information for the article. If interested in helping, please email Donnette@andoverbeacon.com or call 603-735-6099.

ers were on hand the first day of Bible School Monday morning. The teachers and helpers are: Nursery: Mrs. Sandy Miller, Cheryl Downes, Rondi Parris, and Dawn Osborne. Kindergarten: Mrs. Eldora Walker, Mrs. Janet Cloutier, and Karen Phelps. Primary: Mrs. Nancy Barrett, Donna Fairbanks, Marjorie MacDonald, and Thea Shanalaris. Juniors: Mrs. Ellen Osborne, Mrs. Robert Peters, Ann Ireland, and Ginger Tornis. Games: Mrs. Beth Frost and Tina Lafiosca. Rev. Hadley led the devotions and helped with singing. All children were welcomed.

Much sympathy goes to Arthur Andrews of New London, formerly of Andover, on the death of his father, Ernest Andrews of Arlington, Massachusetts, and to his granddaughter, Mrs. Clayton Miller, and family of New London, and his nephew, Gerald Walker, of town.

Word has been received of the death of Mrs. N. Charles Emerson "Edith Hersey" July 26 at her home in Pasadena, CA. Edith had just turned 90 years old July 18. Much sympathy goes to the relatives.

In the News, August 1967

August 2: U.S. Lunar Orbiter 5 launched, enters lunar orbit August 5.

The 2nd Blackwell Tunnel opens in Greenwich, London, England.

August 3: 45 thousand U.S. soldiers sent to Vietnam.

August 4: U.S. performs nuclear test at Nevada test site.

August 5: Bobbie Gentry releases her only hit "Ode to Billy Joe"

August 1967 Facts:

President: Lyndon Baines Johnson
1st Class stamp: 5 cents

Vice President: Hubert H. Humphrey

Inflation: 33.4%

U.S. Population: 198,712,056

Unemployment: 3.8%

Federal Spending: \$157.46 Billion

Median house hold income \$7,143

In the News, August 1967

August 11: Al Downing becomes 12th strike-out side on 9 pitches

August 12: New Orleans Saints 1st pre-season victory, beat St. Louis 23 to 14

August 14: Belgian embassy in Kinshasa, Congo, Africa, plundered.

August 15: Pope Paul VI publishes Constitution Regimini Ecclesiae Universae

August 16: Cincinnati Red Jim Maloney retires 9 Pirates, then gets injured.

James B. Hersey Jr., 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. James B. Hersey of East Andover, completed six weeks off Army Reserve Officer's Training Corps summer camp at Ft. Devens Ma., July 28th. He is also a student at the University of New Hampshire, Durham. Upon completion of academic requirements for a degree at the college, he will be commissioned a second Lieutenant in the U.S. Army. Training was given in use of weapons, field communications, map and compass reading, first aid and other military subjects necessary to be an Army Officer.

Attending the 70th annual reunion of Gilman and Hannah Hersey, Saturday at the grove in Hill Village, were 45 members, including 20 children. Several New Hampshire towns were represented as were the states of Connecticut, Maine, and Massachusetts. The oldest member present was Ellen Hersey Taylor, of East Andover, who was the only person who attended the first reunion in 1897, and the youngest was Lisa Jane, 17 month old daughter of Robert and Rita (LaPlante) Norander of Westwood, Massachusetts.

Gilman Hersey, the common forbear of those attending, was born in 1798 and settled in the west part of Hill in 1826. He was a representative of Hill in the House of Representatives in 1851-1852, and afterwards a Selectman for two years. His descendants are scattered throughout the U.S. and overseas.

Top 10 on the POP Music Countdown:

- 1) A Whiter Shade of Pale – Procol Harum
 - 2) All You Need is Love – The Beatles
 - 3) Mercy, Mercy, Mercy – The Buckinghams
 - 4) Pleasant Valley Sunday – The Monkees
 - 5) Light My Fire – The Doors
 - 6) Don't Let the Rain Fall Down on Me – The Critters
 - 7) Windy – The Association
 - 8) My Mammy – The Happening
 - 9) Ode to Billy Joe – Bobbie Gentry
 - 10) Baby I Love You – Aretha Franklin
- Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Harold Stickney on their 49th wedding anniversary August 17.
- Marsha Kimball came in third for Queen at New London Hospital Days.

We are very proud Andover came so close. Milton Quartz received the bicycle that Andover donated to help raise money for the Hospital. They also held two food sales and a car wash, and all donations came to the total of \$1048 from the town of Andover for New London Hospital.

Francis Carney returned home from Franklin Hospital Monday. He got a piece of steel in his leg while running the lawn mower.

August 9, Lisa Miller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donal Miller celebrated her 7th birthday with a party. Guests included Ann Hoyt, Bonnie Ireland, Toni Keyser, Douglas Phelps, Theda and Bobbie Waldo, Tracie, Terri, Trisha Walker, Brenda, Kathy, Sharie, Brian and Brett Bliss, Melanie, Penny, Mike Hunter, Patty French, Mrs. Sharon Waldo, Mrs. Donald Bliss and Mrs. Donna Walker.

Wedding Anniversary congratulations go out to Mr. and Mrs. William George on August 16th, and to Mr. and Mrs. Dale McLeod on August 25th.

Much sympathy goes to the William Thomas family. Mr. Thomas passed away in the New London Hospital this past week. Burial was in Lakeside Cemetery. Mr. Thomas is the father of Mrs. Leo Guptil.

Committal services for Mrs. Edith Hersey Emerson, 90, who passed away in Pasadena, CA on July 26, were held August 21 at Lakeside Cemetery. Rev. Theodore B. Hadley officiated. Mrs. Emerson formerly of the Tucker Mountain section here. She had lived in California for 40 years. She was the widow of Charles Emerson. The H. L. Young Memorial Home of Franklin was in charge of the arrangements.

Pfc. Wayman Ordway left Tuesday for his base in Fort Hood, Texas after spending 30 days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Perley Ordway. His folks drove him to Logan Airport where he took a plane to Texas. Be safe.

Wedding Anniversary congratulations go to Mr. and Mrs. William "Ted" Walker on August 20.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Leon Locke Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Locke Sr. of town. Walter married Linda Hall Wardle of Alexandria, in the Alexandria Village Church on Saturday, August 19.

Wedding anniversary congratulations go to Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Carrier on August 29th.

Murray Smith Jr. is at Camp Drum, New York for two weeks with the 368 Battalion of Laconia. Murry is in the reserves.

FN "SS" Albert Hoyt Jr. of New London, CT, is home on a furlough August 31. He surprised his folks, as he has been on duty for three months without having a leave.

Wedding anniversary congratulations go to Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hersey on September 1.

Annual Beef Barbeque and Chinese Auction on August 19

To be held at AE/MS starting at 5 P.M.

**Amanda Gross
Andover Fish and Game Club**

The Andover Fish and Game Club (AF&G) is holding its Annual Beef Barbecue and Chinese Auction on Saturday, August 19 from 5 to 6:30 P.M. at the Andover Elementary/Middle School. The Chinese Auction will follow the meal. Tickets for the Deer Pool and the Annual Gun Raffle can be purchased during the event. The gun will be raffled off at the Turkey Raffle in October.

The highlight of the meal includes juicy beef, fresh corn on the cob, and strawberries and ice cream for dessert. There will also be homemade side dishes provided by Club members and their spouses, who also prepare and serve the

food during the event. Chinese Auction items, which include hunting and fishing paraphernalia, crafts, gift certificates, and much more, are donated by local businesses and individuals. The AF&G thanks everyone for their time and contributions.

The Beef Barbecue, as the AF&G's biggest fundraiser of the year, provides funds for the two Kids' Fishing Derbies and to send kids to the Barry Conservation Camp, which educates children on hunting, fishing, camping, and other outdoor skills.

For just \$12 for adults and \$5 for kids under 12 years old, come and enjoy a great meal and good company, and help the Andover Fish and Game Club raise money for their many community endeavors. For tickets and more information call 603-735-5311. 

Frank Haley Continues the Walk

Raised \$10,522 in donations

Lauretta Phillips

Frank Haley, 93, and his wife, Ann, have been working together to collect money to support the annual 3K Blind Awareness Walk-A-Thon for 13 years. Ann drives and Frank collects the funds to support the programs that The New Hampshire Association for the Blind (NHAB) produce. Frank being blind himself, decides where they are going and who he wants to "see" and Ann takes him there.

On June 3, Frank accepted the prize for being the top individual fund raiser for 13 consecutive years. His total for this year was a record breaking \$10,522 bringing his grand total to \$74,402. It is because of the generosity of the people who give that he is able to bring so much to the event.

Frank and Ann were joined for the 15th annual walk-a-thon by daughters-in-law, Norma Haley and Vickie Haley; granddaughters Mariah Haley of Danbury, New Hampshire and Shannon Haley and Kate Haley of Andover; Joel Meneff of Penacook, New Hampshire; and Earl and Jennifer Richards, and great granddaughter Tanaya Richards, of Las Vegas, NV.

Frank would like to thank his family, the Andover Beacon, and supporters from the Andover community, and the surrounding towns and communities who so generously contributed money and time to help support the New Hampshire Association for the Blind in this endeavor.

The New Hampshire Association for the Blind provides vision rehabilitation services for New Hampshire people of all ages who like Frank are blind or visually impaired. Some of the services provided by NHAB are rehabilitation therapy, which helps an individual maintain his/her independence, orientation and mobility instruction to help an individual develop safe independent travel skills and learn new routes and environments, and low vision services, which assist people who are partially sighted to use their remaining vision more effectively. They also provide educational services, adaptive technology services, volunteer services, and public education.

For more information about the New Hampshire Association for the Blind or to make a donation contact them at 603-224-4039 or Services@SightCenter.org. 

Grave from page 15

fort to recover the just-stolen body of a local woman. This was the "Hubbard-ton Raid" of 1830.)

Johnson, for his part, returned – probably quite quickly – to Vermont and completed his medical studies. He received his medical degree with honors in 1826, having written a thesis on Cynanche Trachaelis (croup). Probably thinking it wise not to open a practice anywhere in northern New England where his reputation might have preceded him, he moved to Lower Canada and worked there for a few years. Then he returned to the United States, to live first in Ohio and then in Indiana, where he became a pioneering physician in Kosciusko County.

And what had happened to Mary Hilton's body? Certainly Johnson did not have time to convey it all the way to his medical school at Castleton, Vermont. But he apparently had family and friends in Westmoreland, New Hampshire, and he could have taken it there. Such a journey would have been consistent with the evidence that he had traveled through Concord and Warner (and also through Keene, another place he claimed to have

visited on that wagon trip). Johnson subsequently would have been loath to produce evidence that he had been at Westmoreland precisely because he would not want his witnesses there to be forced to testify just why it was that he had visited them and what he had brought with him in that wagon. The best guess, then, is that Mary Hilton's body, preserved in brine, was stowed somewhere in the Westmoreland area for a while until Johnson could retrieve it and take it on to Castleton.

Mary Hilton is memorialized in the Old North Church cemetery, but she does not lie there. Her gravestone stands amidst a row of Hilton family members, between her husband's and her mother-in-law's. Unusually, it is inscribed on the back as well as the front. On the reverse of the small marble marker is the legend, "Niece of Maj. Gen. Henry Dearborn?" (Dearborn, an older brother of Mary's mother, was an eminent soldier and statesman, and had been Jefferson's secretary of war. He probably paid for Mary's headstone.) Beneath this large inscription of his name and relationship to Mary is a smaller inscription noting her final fate: "Body stolen after burial." 

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This photograph of Mt. Kearsarge, taken by Steve Colardeau on a cold and starry night, won both the popular vote and the Judges Choice Award, at this year's second annual Independence Day Photo Contest sponsored by the Andover Institute.

July 4th Photo Contest Attracts Stunning Images of Andover

Larry Chase

The works of a talented group of local photographers drew lots of attention

“There was a lot of excitement in the air as people studied the photographs,” contest organizer Jay Fitzpatrick said.



Cindy Benson of Andover earned second place with her photo of this serene scene taken from the Proctor Boathouse on Elbow Pond.

at this year's second annual Independence Day Photo Contest, sponsored by the Andover Institute, with more than 270 ballots cast by parade goers on the Town Green on July 4th.

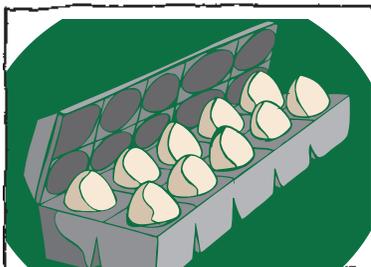
In the end, Steve Colardeau's photograph of Mt. Kearsarge on a starry night, taken off of Shaw Hill Road, won both the popular vote and the Judge's Choice Award. Cindy Benson took second place with her capture of the calm waters and boat dock on Elbow Pond. And Thomas Mackey's image of Cascade Falls earned the third highest tally among the balloters.



Thomas Mackey's image of Cascades Falls earned third place in the public balloting. Most of the photographs entered into the contest will be on display, and up for sale, at the Andover Town Office Building through the end of August.

creation.

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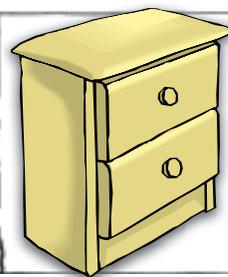
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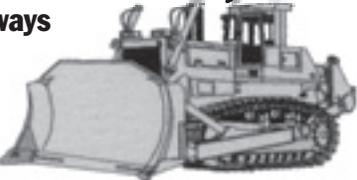
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The Kearsarge Unitarian Universalist Fellowship (KUUF) had a float in Andover's Fourth of July parade for the first time ever. The float was designed by the fellowship's resident artist, Loren Howard, and worked on by several members. KUUF has been meeting in the Proctor Chapel in Andover for close to 25 years, and they continue to enjoy their relationship with the Town of Andover. Caption: Lois Magenau, Photo: Lizzie Klingler



I took these photos about 6:30 this morning. They are dark but you can see that "our" loon family is doing great! The chicks seem to be tolerating each other, too! The lake was very noisy last night with fireworks and I got a call that the loons were calling in distress mode. This morning the lake was so calm and peaceful and the loons were feeding and have recovered nicely. Looks like it is going to be a beautiful day which will mean lots of activity is about to start.
Caption and Photo: Donna Baker-Hartwell

New Hampshire Holds Loon Census

Donna Baker-Hartwell

On July 15, from 8-9 A.M., New Hampshire held its Loon Census. Volunteers observe and tally loons for one full hour and send their results/observations into the Loon Preservation Committee (LPC). This information is critical in keeping records for New Hampshire's loon population as well as reporting osprey.

This morning I reported seeing our two adults with one chick. I can confirm that we have lost one chick in the past 24 hours. Yesterday, I saw both adults and both chicks between Stella's Beach and the island. The chicks were exactly 14 days old. You might remember that last year when the chicks were 14 days old, Chris Hobby reported seeing an adult loon

(one of the parents) kill one of our chicks. I have not heard of reports this year of anyone actually seeing what happened since yesterday morning. We might never know. If someone did hear or see something on the lake, please send me a report.

I have also reported to the NHLPC a pair of Merlin. I confirmed this during the Loon census. Both were seen on the island. The female was feasting on a small bird she had caught. The wide dark bars across their tail distinguish the Merlin from the Kestrel. They have been observed on Highland Lake for several summers now. Merlin is much rarer in these parts than the Kestrel so we should feel privileged to have them!



Loon Update

Babies are doing well

Donna Baker-Hartwell

July 1: I am happy to report that early this morning two loon chicks left their nest and were seen with parents just off the shore. When I arrived at 6:30 A.M., the chicks were in a battle for dominance – pecking, butting chests, flapping wings and rolling over and under each other. Apparently, they tired or perhaps they settled it for the time. One chick stayed hidden under some blueberry bushes for a time while the parents fed the dominant chick. Eventually it swam out from under cover and the adults fed it. Both chicks did agree to share the back of mother loon for a nap after breakfast.

A large snapping turtle swam along the buoys for a quick look. I hope he doesn't stick around! A camera drone flew overhead causing both adults to call out and huddle close.

I will leave the buoys up for as long as the loon family stays in the area. It does give them some extra protection. As always, we will give the loon family lots of space so as not to distract them from taking care of the babies.

July 3: After a very busy day yesterday, I was eager to check on our loon

this morning. I found four adult loons visiting while I will assume one of our parents was negotiating with them. The five were clustered together with some chest display and flapping. Hopefully, the four will move on to another lake for the holiday! One loon parent had our two baby loon chicks 1/4 way around the lake at the northern most end (inlet) and was feeding them. The chicks patiently swim above the water as their parent fishes for just the right size minnow or baby bass. The two seem to be getting along fine. Also, I noted two blue herons on the shoreline and an osprey flew overhead.

July 8: The baby loons celebrate their first week (8 days old, today) and are growing beautifully! They are dipping under water, spending more time swimming and less time riding on their parent's back. This morning they were seen near the public beach. The goose family was hanging out on the shore. I was surprised to see that the loon parents were confident enough to leave their two babies floating alone for short periods of time. They appeared so vulnerable to me! But, I am sure that "Mom and Dad" were keeping a close eye on them, and using their "eyes at the back of their heads".



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Left to right: Members Lorraine Roberts, Nancie Jacobson, Judy Fox, Margo Coolidge, Ellen Langlais, Mary Phinney, and Judy Evans worked at the ASC Slices for Scholarships fundraiser table on July 4 at the Town Green. Caption: Mary Ofenloch Photo: Robin Boynton



While out on Highland Lake on the 4th of July, Joe Ponti captured this amazing photo of a bald eagle.

Andover Service Club Annual Report

Report for the Fiscal Year 2016-'17

Mary Ofenloch, ASC President

Since June 5, 1958, when the Andover Service Club (ASC) was organized, this women's organization has been faithful to its mission of service to the community and the state, while broadening and strengthening their social and intellectual lines.

The ASC fiscal year runs from July 1 through June 30. All meetings begin at 10 A.M. with 15 minutes for refreshments and socializing, followed by business, opening words, and committee reports. The following is a brief synopsis of FY 2016-2017.

July 4, 2016: The annual Slices for Scholarships fundraiser was held on the Town Green.

August 2016: Summer vacation. No meetings.

September 2016: Three new members joined the ASC. More volunteers were needed for the Thrift Shop. Dues were collected by the membership chair, \$10 per year. Plans were made for the Fall Festival Art & Craft Show, the Election Day Lunch & Bake Sale, and the Thanksgiving Pie Sale.

October 2016: Final report was made regarding the Fall Festival Art & Craft Fair on October 8. 28 vendors participated, and ASC held a bake sale which took place in the AE/MS gym. The Election Day Hot Lunch & Bake Sale plans were finalized. Thanksgiving Pie Sale is set and ready to go. Planning for the Gifts Galore raffle also was discussed. The Thrift Shop was in need of a new heating system as the old kerosene heater was failing and parts were no longer available.

November 2016: The Thrift Shop

committee was investigating the possibility of replacing the kerosene heater with a heat pump, a propane heater, or solar panels. Estimates were needed and the budget needed to be adhered to. The Election Day Lunch did very well and all was set for the Thanksgiving Pie Sale. Sign up for the Christmas luncheon at 74 Main in New London took place. Proctor birthday cake fundraiser was running smoothly.

December 2016: Christmas luncheon was held at 74 Main in New London. Delicious! Winners of the Gifts Galore raffle were drawn. Treasurer reported club's finances were doing well so far. Thanksgiving Pie Sale was another huge success. Luncheon ended with members singing Christmas carols.

January 2017: Financial report so far – club was doing well. \$1000 awards were sent to each of the four ASC Merit Scholarship winners. The Thrift Shop committee had received estimates from three different companies regarding the new heating system. A discussion, and decision in favor of sponsoring another art and craft show, was approved for October 28. New fundraiser in progress – postcards or note cards.

February 2017: The scholarship chair reported that posters were ready for advertising, ads sent to The Beacon, and information was sent to the high schools. Treasurer reported that two memorial donations were received in memory of a deceased member; a donation was coming from Bank of America Charitable Foundation which supports its employees who volunteer for their community. A new member who has volunteered 100 hours to ASC is a Bank of America employee. Requests for funding for gifted or special

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An awards ceremony will be held immediately after the tournament is completed and all scores are posted. There will be prizes for 1st place teams, as well as men and women's drive closest to line, and closest to the hole. There

will also be a hole-in-one contest, putting contest (\$5 for 3 shots, 50% cash) and raffle drawing for various prizes.

Coffee available at signup, food at Hole 9, and snacks provided at finish. In the event of inclement weather resulting in cancellation, you will receive a partial refund of \$40. For more information call John Hanscom 603-748-0944, Howard George 603-735-5590, or Bill Leber 603-735-5144.

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Through the Reading Glasses, August 2017

Janet Moore, Library Trustee

August is the season of thanks, for plentiful rain and just enough sun, for time to reflect and relate, for gardens and green trees, and for time to read. Among the many books scattered around the house are Field Guide to the New England Alpine Summits, The Hate U Give, The Invention of Nature: Alexander Humboldt's New World, Beyond Infinity: An Expedition to the Outer Limits of Mathematics, and The Trouble with Goats and Sheep: A Novel. Lots of time on the porch is in order.

And speaking of books...the libraries staged a very successful book sale on July 4th and took grand prize for their float, showcasing libraries in 1942 and

2017. Priscilla Poulin masterminded the entire sale, from sorting donations to packing up leftovers. Thank you, Priscilla, for carrying this tradition forward with so much skill and good heartedness! Deb Brower captained the float, with Alita Phelps, Caroline Moulton, and Janet Moore chipping in furniture, props, and construction time. Billy Sanborn was our experienced truck driver and flatbed renovator and Mark Cowdry once again donated family as library patrons. Thanks to all of the above, Susan Schnare, and Gail Richards for their time at the table inside the Stone Chapel, and to Jesse Schust for on the spot help packing up at the end of a very long Fourth. 

Andover Public Library New Acquisitions

August 2017 Beacon

Adult Titles Fiction

Twain's End, Lynn Cullen
Point of Contact, Tom Clancy
The Switch, Joseph Finder
I Can't Make This Up, Kevin Hart
Matchup, Lee Child
You Will Pay, Lisa Jackson
The Identicals, Elin Hilderbrand
The Wonder, Emma Donoghue
Seven Stones to Stand or Fall, Diana Gabaldon
Into the Water, Paula Hawkins
Windigo Island, William Kent Krueger,
Silent Child, Sarah A. Denzil

Adult Non-Fiction

All the Gallant Men, Donald Stratton
The Imperial Cruise, James Bradley

Children's Titles

Where Is the Brooklyn Bridge?, Megan Stine
Who Was Susan B. Anthony?, Pam Pollack & Meg Belviso
You Want Women to Vote, Lizzie Stanton?, Jean Fritz
Lost in the Snow, Holly Webb
I Survived the Chicago Fire 1871, Lauren Tarshis
I Survived Five Epic Disasters, Lauren Tarshis
Savvy, Ingrid Law
Keepers of the Lost Cities... 1-3 YA, Shannon Messenger
Asylum Books 2, 3 & 4... YA, Madeline Roux
(Don't You) Forget about Me...Y, Kate Karyus Quinn

Bachelder Library New Acquisitions

August 2017 Beacon

Adult Fiction

Frozen Hours: A Novel of the Korean War, Jeff Shaara
Late Edition, Fern Michaels
Alice Network, Kate Quinn
Here and Gone, Haylen Beck
The Secret Corner, Dean Koontz
Trap the Devil, Ben Coes
This Is How It Always Is, Laurie Frankel
Alias Grace, Margaret Atwood
December Boys, Joe Clifford

Children

Clark the Shark, Bruce Hale
Big Cat, Little Cat, Elisha Cooper
Pete the Cat: Out of This World, James Dean
Fancy Nancy Time for Puppy School, Jane O'Connor
I'm Smart, Kate and Jim McMullan
Go To Sleep In Your Own Bed, Candace Fleming
Kobee Manatee: Shipwreck Sea Friends, Robert Thayer
Runaway Fox, Jolene Thompson
Undeclared: Jim Thorpe and the Carlisle Indian School Football Team, Steve Sheinkin
Posted, John David Anderson
Short, Holly Goldberg Sloan

Contest from page 18

Because of interest expressed by the public last year, each of the photographers will have an opportunity to offer their photos up for sale. The public is invited to visit the photo exhibit during regular town office hours, and contact the photographers directly if they are interested in making a purchase.

The Andover Institute is a branch of the Andover Community Association and strives to bring people together to

learn new things, gain new skills and have some fun as well. The Institute wishes to thank the three judges: Edibeth Farrington, Margo Coolidge, and Lorraine Keating who also took their job very seriously.

More technical information about the winning entries, including camera settings, dates, and times captured, etc., and photographers notes can be reviewed on the Institute's Facebook Page: [facebook.com/andoverinstitute03216](https://www.facebook.com/andoverinstitute03216). 



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needs students can be made to the ASC under the Dale Smith Scholarship Fund. A better sign is needed for the Thrift Shop. The next bake sale fundraiser will be in March for Town Meeting Day. Questions were discussed regarding who may apply for an ASC scholarship. It was decided to hold the annual June luncheon at 74 Main in New London. AE/MS has been reserved for October 28 Christmas in October at the Jingle Bell Fair. Publicity for ASC events would benefit if ASC had a social media account.

March 2017: The ASC brochures have been updated and are available at our events and at the Thrift Shop. A heat pump may be installed upstairs in the shop and the kerosene heater in the basement should remain as is. Discussion on the use of an ASC Website ensued, but there is no one to administer it. The scholarship chair was awaiting applications from students. The 2017-2018 budget would be written in April, presented to members in May, and approved at the June luncheon. A new slate of officers was needed for 2017-2018. Term of office for President, Treasurer, and Secretary has been completed; need a new Corresponding Secretary.

April 2017: The Thrift Shop sign was buried in the snow all winter. A more durable sign is needed. Town Meeting Bake Sale went well. July 4 fundraiser will be the next big event. Susan Nye from Image Magazine took photos and interviewed Executive Board members for an article in the summer edition highlighting ASC and other women's organizations in the Sunapee area. Executive Board decided to purchase a heat pump from Ecolectric for the Thrift Shop. Approval of the proposal will be voted by the members at the May meeting. All scholarship applications were received and will be reviewed by committee on April 26. The Board decided to use photos of Andover by local photographers on note cards as a fundraiser. The 2017-2018 budget will increase donations to the community, and another scholarship can be added to the proposal. The heat pump will also be paid for in full. This proposal will be presented to members at the May meeting, and a vote of approval will be requested at the June luncheon.

May 2017: The Treasurer sent the last checks due to the community groups for this fiscal year. Copies of the proposed budget were passed out to members for review. Most contributions to the community have been doubled, the ACA has been added, as well as the AE/MS hot lunch program. Also, another scholarship may be added. Thrift Shop chair consulted with the library and police department regarding a sign at the driveway on Main Street. A unanimous vote of approval authorized the Treasurer to pay Ecolectric for the heat pump. Volunteers at the Thrift Shop were thrilled to finally have reliable heating and cooling in the shop. The slate of officers will be finalized at the June luncheon and an election held. This year four \$1500 scholarships will

be awarded. Members signed up for the luncheon. Art and craft show is moving along. Volunteers and a committee need to be formed for the show.

June 2017: The new heat pump has been installed at the Thrift Shop. Four outstanding applicants were each awarded \$1500 scholarships at graduation. They were Olivia Beauregard, Anika Johnson, Cope Makechnie, and Jackueline Morris. July 4 fundraiser is all set and ready to go. Proctor Cakes fundraising chair had resigned and a new chair was needed. 17 spaces have been reserved for the Art and Craft Show. There are still 18 spaces left.

June 14: The annual June luncheon at 74 Main in New London was a gourmet delight, as usual. The business reports were given, the 2017-2018 budget was unanimously approved, as was the new slate of officers. They are: President Mary Ofenloch, Secretary Eileen Mackey, Treasurer Robin Boynton, 1st Vice President Mary Phinney, 2nd Vice President Evelyn Davis, Corresponding Secretary Meme Bowne, Assistant Treasurer Sandy Miller, and Past President Sandra Graves. A special presentation of \$500 was given to ASC from Bank of America in honor of their employee, member Nancy Jacobson, who had volunteered 100 hours of her time to the Thrift Shop, July 4 fundraising, and other ASC events during the year. As this was Flag Day, the members ended the affair with a joyful rendition of You're a Grand Old Flag.

ASC Thrift Shop on School Street is a major source of income for the scholarship program and financial support of community organizations. Shop hours are Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, 10 A.M. to 4 P.M., and Saturday, 10 A.M. to 2 P.M..

Community organizations supported by ASC were Andover Food Pantry, Andover After School Program, Andover Beacon, EAVP, Andover Children's Christmas, Kearsarge COA, Highland Lake Grange Hall Restoration, Child and Family Services, Danbury School, and FNRT. Most important is the ASC Merit Scholarship Program. The total amount of donations to these groups was \$1425 plus \$6000 in scholarship awards for a grand total of \$7425. Operating expenses for the year were \$6091.

In the proposed 2017-2018 budget, donations for the community organizations have been substantially increased. AE/MS Hot Lunch Program and Andover Community Association have been added to the new budget. However, this is dependent upon loyal participation of the public and the support ASC has received from so many wonderful people in the community as well as the many businesses who support ASC in our mission to help and serve. We sincerely extend our gratitude and deep appreciation to everyone. We hope to continue serving for many years to come.

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Andover Conservation Commission

In July, The Beacon published the first of a three part series, about what residents and visitors can do to help preserve our lakes, ponds, rivers, and streams. In this issue, the focus is on lake friendly boating and recreation best practices while on the water.

Q: I want to buy a new outboard motor, or replace an old one. Any advice?

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(This information, and much of what follows, comes with permission from the booklet "Help Protect New Hampshire's Lakes: A Guide to Wise Lake and Watershed Stewardship," published by the New Hampshire LAKES non-profit organization and available on the internet at the address listed at the end of this article.)

Motorboat operation

Q: Some tips for motorboat operation, care and maintenance, please.

A few simple "rules of the road" to remember and observe:

Operate away from shallow areas. Motors can churn up sediment on lake bottoms, which leads to phosphorus being re-suspended in the water, which leads to algal growth and decreased water clarity. Motors can also fragment exotic plants, potentially causing new areas of infestation as the fragments spread to other parts of the lake. Also, wildlife may be frightened away from their homes and nests by noisy motors.

Eliminate unnecessary idling. It pollutes the air and water, and wasted fuel can be expensive.

Don't operate within 150 feet of the

shore at greater than headway speed, or 6 miles per hour. Not only is it illegal, but wakes can erode the shoreline and damage wildlife habitat.

Care and maintenance

As for care and maintenance tips that impact air and water quality, another 1-2-3 set of rules to remember:

Keep your engine well-tuned, and routinely check for fuel leaks.

Avoid overfilling fuel tanks. Use a funnel or a spout with an automatic stop device to prevent overfilling the gas tank.

Avoid pumping any bilge water with an oily sheen. Use absorbent pads in the bilge area that capture or digest oil, and dispose or recycle this material properly.

Also, wash boat hulls by hand out of the water, using non-toxic and phosphorus-free detergents and cleaning products. If possible, use natural cleansers such as baking soda or lemon juice. And don't discharge rinse water into surface waters or storm drains.

Invasive species

Q: What about helping to control the spread of invasive or exotic species?

Exotic or invasive plants, species not native to New Hampshire, often proliferate more rapidly than native vegetation, allowing them to take over a waterbody. Native aquatic plants, on the other hand, are vital to a healthy lake or pond; their growth is regulated by natural controls including predators and other environmental factors. Exotic species can also be animals. The zebra mussel is an example of an exotic animal.

Other exotic plants are found in more than 70 waterbodies in the state. Exotic species infestations make recreation in and on the water dangerous and unpleasant, disrupt the ecological balance of lakes, reduce shoreline property values, and are difficult and costly to control. Exotic species also pose a threat to many native species and valuable wildlife habitats.

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OBITUARIES

QUINN LOUISE AUSTIN, was born in the early morning of April 26, 2017 in Lebanon, New Hampshire. Because of her very premature arrival into the world, Quinn and her parents, Kate and Trish Austin of Danbury, New Hampshire spent all of their time in the ICN at Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center.

Quinn was loved by all who knew her. She had a special gift of connecting with people through the twinkle in her eyes. If one looked into Quinn's eyes they could see her sweet soul shining through. Quinn was captivating.

She worked very hard each and every day overcoming incredible odds. Her moms would often comment, "She took it like a champ" and a champion she truly was. Quinn was brave.

Quinn enjoyed being read to often. She also enjoyed visits from her family and close friends, but more than anything in the world, Quinn loved her snuggle time with her Mommy and Mama. There is no doubt that she brought them both as much joy as they brought her. They are as close as any family could ever be. Quinn is deeply loved.

In the same extraordinary way that Quinn entered this world, she too quickly was taken from it. Quinn passed away suddenly on June 29, 2017 from

complications following surgery. Her family will hold onto the memories of every minute they were given with her.

Quinn is survived by her loving parents, Kate and Trish Austin; her grandparents, Bob and Debby Smith and Mert and Sharon Austin; Aunts and Uncles, Ben and Wendy Smith, Becky Smith, Tom Austin, and Tracey and Mark Avery; many cousins; and her extended family of Doctors and Nurses at the ICN.

Quinn will forever be remembered for her perseverance and the unending love and joy she brought to her family and all who were fortunate enough to know her. The world is a much better place for having had her in it.

MAVIS (HENDERSON) NEWTON, 79, of Tucker Mountain Road, died July 14, 2017 at the Merrimack County Nursing Home in Boscawen.

She was born in Ft. Fairfield, ME on April 6, 1938 the daughter of Perley B. and Elsie G. (Hanson) Henderson.

She graduated from Andover High School in 1956. Mavis worked at the Mica Shop in Franklin, New England Telephone Company in Franklin, part time at Woodcrest Village in New London and for over 30 years had been employed by Webster Valve in Franklin.

She was a member of the Andover Fish & Game Club, the Andover Service Club, and volunteered at the Andover Thrift Shop.

She loved get-togethers with relatives and being surrounded by family. Mavis had many interests including camping, boating, water skiing, snowmobiling, and riding motorcycles. She also enjoyed gardening, bird watching, and keeping track of the wildlife around her home. Crafts were a favorite activ-

ity and she also liked painting, leather work, and basket weaving.

She is predeceased by her husband, George Newton, and a brother, Roger Henderson. Mavis is survived by her longtime companion, Alan Laughy of East Andover; two brothers, Perley Henderson, Jr. of Boscawen, New Hampshire and David Henderson and his wife, Ann of Andover, New Hampshire; a sister, Shirley Currier and her husband, Clyde of Andover, New Hampshire; a sister-in-law, Betty Henderson of East Andover, New Hampshire; many loving nieces, nephews, family and friends.

A graveside service was held at Lake View Cemetery, East Andover, New Hampshire. Memorial contributions may be made to Andover Fish & Game Club, P.O. Box 253 or Andover EMS, P.O. Box 61, both Andover, New Hampshire 03216 or to the charity of one's choice.

DOROTHY L. KIMBALL 95, died at the Merrimack County Nursing Home in Boscawen on July 17, 2017 following a period of failing health. Born in Salisbury on November 29, 1921 she was the daughter of Harry W. and Annie [Shampney] Lowell.

Dorothy was raised in the Andover and Salisbury area and was a graduate of Franklin High School. She later in life resided in Ashland and most recently in Campton for many years. She was predeceased by her husband Edwin Kimball on October 29, 1998.

She is survived by her son, Brian Kimball, and his wife, Christine, of Alamo Texas, and her grandson, Jordan Kimball, and wife, Nina, of San Diego California.

A graveside service was held at Trinity Cemetery, Route 175 in Holderness. Dupuis Funeral Home in Ashland handled the arrangements.

EDNA MAE (EDDI) MORDECAI, passed away surrounded by family on July 22, 2017 at Dartmouth

Hitchcock Hospital. She was the oldest of four children born to Helen (Huyck) and Daniel Miller on October 1, 1930. While she was born in Omro, Wisconsin, she quickly found her roots in New England where she spent her life.

Her childhood was spent in Keene and Rochester, New Hampshire, where her father was a minister and her mother supported the ministry and raised the family. She



enjoyed riding bicycles long distances to see other parts of New England. She attended the Northfield School for Girls and then Colby College from where she graduated in 1952.

At Colby, she met her husband of almost 64 years, Mark Mordecai. She also made many lifelong friends there, including a group that called themselves "the Robins" who kept up a round robin letter to each other for over fifty years.

She and Mark were married in December of 1953 and started their lives together as a Navy family in New London, CT and Key West, FL. Over time, they had four children, Kathy, Annie, Carol, and Don, eventually moving the family to Waban and then Wayland, Massachusetts where they lived for over thirty-five years enjoying the company of many friends.

In mid-life, Eddi decided to pursue a career in mental health. She eventually earned a certificate in social work, a masters in mental health counseling, and a PhD in Clinical Psychology. As part of her training, she interned at the Mystic Valley Mental Health Center and the Boston Institute for Psychotherapy, where she spent much of her subsequent professional career as a teacher, supervisor, and Director of Training. While there, she founded an infant-family mental health training program;

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supporting the development of infants and parents would continue to be an interest of hers throughout life. She also maintained a private practice in clinical psychology for many years.

Eddi and Mark retired to a home on Pleasant Lake in New London, New Hampshire, where Eddi continued to remain actively engaged in causes she cared about including supporting mothers of young children, and supporting the rehabilitation of women incarcerated in New Hampshire. Despite struggles with chronic health issues and macular degeneration, Eddi stayed active. She was a member of the Kearsarge Unitarian Universalist Fellowship in Andover, New Hampshire, The League of Women Voters, and Ladies Left of Center. She enjoyed traveling with her husband; took many Adventures in Learning courses at Colby Sawyer College in New London; and traveled often to Boston with friends to hear the Boston Symphony Orchestra. When she could no longer read books, she avidly listened to them.

Eddi is survived by her husband, Mark, their children and grandchildren, and two sisters.

A memorial service was held at St. Andrew Episcopal Church, New London, New Hampshire. The family would appreciate donations in lieu of flowers to any of the following organizations: The Kearsarge Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, P.O. Box 1578, New London, New Hampshire 03257-1578; kuufnh.org.

New London Hospital 273 County Rd. New London, New Hampshire 03257; newlondonhospital.org.

Good Beginnings of the Upper Valley (a program that supports mothers and young children), PO Box 5054, West Lebanon, New Hampshire 03784.

RANDY SCOTT DOWNES, 60 years old, of Andover, New Hampshire, residing in Garland, Texas died Wednesday April 26, 2017 at Baylor Heart and Valve Hospital in Dallas, Texas with his son and daughter in law at his side.

Randy was born in New London, New Hampshire on April 4, 1957. He was the son of Faith B and Frank A D o w n e s , both preceded him in death. Randy lived off and on his entire life in Andover, New Hampshire.



Randy was currently working as a construction supervisor and previously served in the United States Army as a Tank Commander in the First Cavalry Division. He graduated from Kearsarge Regional High School in 1975. He became a proud father in December 1976 to Joshua and was God's ambassador to a little girl named Angel for many years.

Members of his family surviving include his son, Joshua and his wife Elvia and their daughter Mia of San Antonio, Texas. Three sisters, Mary Minter and husband Ralph of Boscawen, New Hampshire; Joan Young and husband Sam of Salisbury, New Hampshire; Cheryl Fiske and husband Bob of Loudon, New Hampshire; brother Roy Downes and wife Kathy of Salisbury, New Hampshire and brother Frank Downes and wife Linda of Potter Place, New Hampshire. He also is survived by numerous nieces and nephews as well as grand nieces and nephews.

Randy was well loved and will be missed by the many friends and rela-

tives he leaves behind. We know he is at home making music in heaven playing aside Johnny Cash.

A Memorial Gathering will be held on August 11 at Andover Congressional Church in East Andover at 5:30 P.M. officiant Rev. John Wagner.

ANN EMERSON-KNOTT, After a long illness Ann passed away quietly in her sleep at CVNA Hospice House in Concord in the early morning hours of Sunday, July 23, 2017. Born Ann Louise Emerson on May 28, 1932 in Warwick, RI, the daughter of Erlon Leslie Emerson and Phyllis Marjorie Emerson.

Ann graduated in 1950, with honors from Southern High School in Baltimore, Maryland and worked as a legal secretary until she married John Delbert Knott, Sr. in 1952. After 42 years of marriage, Ann was widowed in 1994. Their children are Margaret (Knott) Whedon and husband John of Franklin, New Hampshire; John Knott, Jr. and wife Lisa of Canaan, New Hampshire; Kathleen (Knott) Hitchmoth and husband Allan of Andover, New Hampshire; and Harold Knott and fiance Angie Cummings of Hill, New Hampshire; 10 grandchildren; and 16 great grandchildren.



Smart Memorial Funeral Home, 584 West Main Street, Tilton, New Hampshire will be in charge of the arrangements. Please visit the Website: smartfuneralhome.com for the full obituary, and to visit Ann's page and sign her guestbook. Calling hours will be held on Saturday, July 29 from 2 P.M. to 4 P.M. with a short service / remarks taking place at 3 P.M.. A reception with refreshments will follow from 5 to 7 P.M. at Danbury Community Center on High Street in Danbury. A graveside burial service will take place at 11 A.M. the following morning at the family plot in the village cemetery on Route 3 in Woodstock, New Hampshire. Ann will be laid to rest beside her husband, John.

A Celebration of Life / Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, August 26 at 11 A.M. with the Rev. Ruth Martz officiating at Sanbornton Congregational Church, UCC on Meeting House Hill Road in Sanbornton, New Hampshire, where Ann became a member in 2007.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you kindly make a tax deductible gift to the Concord Visiting Nurses Association – Hospice House, addressed to: The Slusser Center, Concord Regional VNA, 30 Pillsbury Street, Concord, New Hampshire 03301 or if you prefer, donations may be made online at: crvna.org in memory of Ann Emerson-Knott. Your gift will support the wonderful ongoing care they give to those in need.

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This is a walk-in program.
Walk-In Painting Group
Tuesdays at 1 P.M.
Bring your current painting project to work on. This is an informal group and we'd love to have you join us.

This is a walk-in program.

Friends Program Bone Builders

Exercise Classes
Tuesdays and Fridays from 10 to 11 A.M.

This senior exercise program helps strengthen bone, build muscle and improve balance. You can exercise while seated or standing using small hand weights. Classes are held in the Newbury Heights Community Room, 52 Newbury Heights Road, Newbury.

This is a walk-in program.

Line Dancing with Dee Connors

Wednesdays at 10 A.M.
Kearsarge Community Presbyterian Church, New London

Line dancing includes a variety of styles of dancing, needs no partner, and is lots of fun! An excellent form of exercise for both the mind and body.

Classes will be held through October 25.

Needlework Craft Group

Wednesdays from 1 to 3 P.M.
Love to cross stitch, do needlework, quilt, knit or crochet? We do, too! We'd love to chat, laugh, and get to know the folks who enjoy the same hobbies we enjoy. Please join us!

This is a walk-in program.

Women's Discussion Group

Fridays at 9 A.M.
Get to know your neighbors over a casual cup of coffee.
Join friends to visit, chat and share!
This is a walk-in program.

Bingo!

Fridays at 2 P.M.
Ten games for \$5. Ten bingo sheets with 6 cards on each sheet.
Participants must be 55 years old and older.

Please call COA at 603-526-6368 to register.

Bridge

Duplicate Bridge – Mondays at 12:45 P.M. and Wednesdays at 9:15 A.M.
Contract Bridge – Thursdays at 9:30 A.M.
This is a walk-in program.

Games!

Poker – Tuesdays at 2 P.M.
Hand and Foot Card Game – Wednesdays at 1 P.M.
Dominoes – Thursdays at 4 P.M.
Mahjong – Fridays at 12:30 P.M.

Parkinson's Support Group

Tuesday, August 1, 1 P.M.
You are invited to join this lively, welcoming and supportive group!
This is a walk-in program.

VNA Foot Care Clinic at COA

Friday, August 4 & Friday, August 11 from 9:30 A.M. to 1 P.M.
\$25 (doctor's order required for diabetics)
Please call COA at 603-526-6368 to schedule an appointment.

Blood Pressure Clinic

Monday, August 7 at 9:30 A.M.
This is a walk-in program.

Long-Term Care Planning

Friday, August 11 at 10:30 A.M.
Learn more about your options for long-term care with Wayne Blanchard from ServiceLink.

Please call COA at 603-526-6368 to sign up for this program.

Meditation Class

Saturday, August 12 at 10 A.M.
Meditation is a process of transforming the mind. It enhances clarity, concentration, relaxation and positive mind states while alleviating stress, anxiety, depression and other medical conditions. This is done by focusing the mind, staying present and being aware of thoughts. We will be sitting in chairs and will be doing some silent, guided meditation sessions along with contemplations. No prior meditation experience is necessary. These ongoing classes will be guided by Ilene Venizelos. For questions or to register, please call COA at 603-526-6368.

Humanist Discussion Group

Thursday, August 17 at 1:30 P.M.
This is a walk-in program.
Movie & Pizza Night
Friday, August 18 at 5 P.M.

"Suffragette"

In early 20th-century Britain, the growing suffragette movement forever changes the life of working wife and mother Maud Watts (Carey Mulligan). Galvanized by political activist Emmeline Pankhurst (Meryl Streep), Watts joins a diverse group of women who fight for equality and the right to vote.

See COA on page 30

FNRT Minutes, July 19, 2017

Condensed Form Draft Minutes

Board Attendees: Alex Bernhard, George Heaton, Myra Mayman, Peter Southworth, Nita Tomaszewski

Guest: Prescott Towle (Epsom)

Reports and Routine Business:

The Minutes of the June meetings were approved without amendment.

The Treasurer's Report – submitted in advance by Steve Darling, who was not in attendance – was unanimously accepted. Much-appreciated grants from the Brown Foundation and the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation were received during the last month. These funds, with others, make possible the many current and future projects for Trail maintenance and improvement.

Progress in Current Trail Projects:

Mowing. As of the meeting date, mowing along the Trail had been commenced. Some discussion focused on new mowing approaches, the need to complete the mowing earlier next year and to limit the cost.

Vegetation Control. The vegetation control operation along a 7-mile, overgrown section of the Trail in Franklin has been successfully completed by Prescott Towle of Invasive Weed Control, Epsom.

The planned experiment with goats to control poison ivy has not yet begun, but an appropriate site near Highland Lake in Andover has been discussed with the goat-farmer, and we are hopeful that this experiment can be implemented this summer.

Bridge and Culvert Maintenance. The several bridge and culvert maintenance projects authorized in past meetings (Blackwater Park, East Andover culverts, and three Andover bridges) are actively moving forward, though not yet completed. Peter Southworth and Chris Norris are in contact with contractors in order to ensure good progress.

New and Renewed Initiatives:

Signage. The continued need for good signage – locational and historic – was again recognized as essential to a happy Trail experience, particularly for new users. Recent correspondence from a first-time bicyclist confirmed this: expressing great enjoyment of the Trail, but some frustration with gaps in signage. Three initiatives address the issue.

The value of signs to connect the NRT-MC with others was recognized. Alex Bernhard proposed the installation of a sign on the Trail in West Franklin to connect with the "Winni Trail." Up to \$500 was authorized for this purpose. The sign will be designed and put in near the Congregational Church in West Franklin by Steve Rayno and others.

The good work undertaken by the "signage committee" before Heather Deardorff's departure needs to be continued, as it will lead to both historic and locational markings. Alex Bernhard will discuss the current situation and future plans with Jack Shields and Ed Hiller.

To improve Trail parking areas, George Heaton and Steve Robinson

painted a sign, and installed a box and informational materials in Danbury Center.

Branch and Brush Encroachment. Although the current mowing and vegetation control operations keep the Trail surface clear, they do not address the problem of branches and brush encroaching from above. It was recognized that this issue needs to be monitored and planned for.

In the past, snowmobile clubs have contributed valuably to clearing brush and cutting branches and trees. Prescott Towle agreed to dialogue with these clubs about what might be done in the future, and he will report back to the Board on findings.

Opposition to ATV Use. Allowing ATVs on trails constructed with Federal funds – a non-permitted use – has been requested in the past by Claremont and other towns, resulting in Federal Highway Administration rejection of the request for a waiver. Currently, Claremont and Haverhill are reported to be approaching the New Hampshire Congressional delegation, urging amendments to the underlying law so as to allow ATVs.

After discussion, the Board was united in opposition to any such change in the law, and authorized Alex Bernhard to write to all concerned expressing our opposition.

Abandonment of the PanAm Right-of-Way between Boscawen and Concord Center. On June 30, Alex Bernhard, George Heaton and Ricker Miller joined a walk of some two-dozen interested people (public groups and citizens) along the entire 6 miles of the rail bed being abandoned by Pan Am between Concord and Boscawen.

The walk highlighted the beauty and interest of this possible extension of the Trail. While the prime movers in this project are groups and officials in Concord and at the regional and state levels, FNRT-MC is strongly in favor of it and eager to support its realization.

Summer Celebration Fund-Raising. Two summer celebrations provided an opportunity to promote awareness of the Trail and raise funds for its enhancement. At the Andover Fourth of July celebration, FNRT-MC operated a booth that attracted many interested people and netted approximately \$700 in bicycle raffle tickets and other contributions. Thanks to Peter Southworth for organization, and to many volunteer booth staffers!

On July 22, the celebration of "Music on the Bandstand" in Wilmot netted some \$600 for FNRT-MC from food sales to enthusiastic consumers. Thanks to Lindy Heim and all who contributed food!

Future Dates of Note:

July 29 – FNRT-MC table at Wilmot Farmers Market

August 6 – Andover Historical Society Old Time Fair at Potter Place. NOTE: Bicycle raffle winner announced.

August 16 – Board meeting, 7 P.M., Andover Fire House



Boating from page 25

vehicle, fishing lures, bait buckets and other gear for hitchhiking plants before entering and after leaving any waterbody; removing all plants attached to your boat, vehicle or gear. And don't throw plant fragments back into the water or leave them where they can wash back into the lake; drying, burning or composting (away from water) unwanted aquarium plants; while on a lake, staying away from areas designated as restricted use areas, which may indicate small, contained exotic species infestations; observing signs posted by the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services at public boat launches indicating whether the water body has an exotic species infestation.

The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) reminds boaters of a new law that went into effect on January 1, 2017 to prevent additional aquatic invasive species infestations. Specifically, the law prohibits any transport of any aquatic plants on recreational gear and related trailers, and goes further to require that boats and other water containing devices be in the open drain position during transportation. Violators could face fines ranging from \$50-\$200. This law is being enforced by New Hampshire Marine Patrol, conser-

vation officers and other peace officers.

For more information or to report a potential new infestation, please contact the Exotic Species Program Coordinator at: Amy.Smagula@des.nh.gov or 603-271-2248

The Website for the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services has more detailed information and photos of invasive water plants and animals: des.nh.gov.

Freshwater Fishing: regulations.com/newhampshire/fishing/freshwater/stop-aquatic-hitchhikers.

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Events Calendar

- August 3**
Sister Act the Musical, 7:30 P.M. at Franklin Opera House, franklinoperahouse.org, (603) 934-1901.
- August 4**
Sister Act the Musical, 7:30 P.M. at Franklin Opera House, franklinoperahouse.org, (603) 934-1901.
- August 5**
Wilmot Farmers Market and Curiosity Shop, 9 A.M.–NOON, 9 Kearsarge Valley Road, Wilmot.
- Sister Act the Musical**, 7:30 P.M. at Franklin Opera House, franklinoperahouse.org, (603) 934-1901.
- August 6**
Andover Historical Society's Annual Old Time Fair 9 A.M.–2 P.M. at the Potter Place Railroad Station.
- Blues and Barbecue at The Fells**, 6–8 P.M. TheFells.org.
- August 7**
Salisbury Farmers Market, 3–6 P.M. at the Town Hall.
- August 10**
Altius String Quartet, 7:30 P.M. at the First Baptist Church. Tickets are available on the Web site at: summermusicassociates.org.
- August 12**
Wilmot Farmers Market, 9 A.M.–NOON, 9 Kearsarge Valley Road, Wilmot.
- Becoming a Woods Ninja**, 10 A.M. to NOON at the Little Nature Museum of Warner, 18 Highlawn Road in Warner. (603) 746-6121.
- August 13**
Tucker Mountain School House will be open to the public from 1–3 P.M.
- August 14**
Salisbury Farmers Market, 3–6 P.M. at the Town Hall.
- August 15**
Ausbon Sargent Hike on Blitzer Trails, 2 P.M. in Bradford. Contact kheath@ausbonsargent.org.
- August 19**
Town Wide Yard Sale sponsored by AE/MS Auxiliary, 8 A.M. to 2 P.M. Maps available at Andover Fire Station on Main Street.
- Wilmot Farmers** 9 A.M.–NOON, 9 Kearsarge Valley Road, Wilmot.
- AFGC Annual Beef Barbecue**, 5 P.M. at AE/MS, (603) 735-5311
- August 21**
Salisbury Farmers Market, 3–6 P.M. at the Town Hall.
- August 23**
Andover Book Club, at 7 P.M. at the W.A. Batchelder Library on Chase Hill Road.
- August 26**
NH Permaculture Day, Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum in Warner, 9 A.M.–5 P.M., NHPermacultureday.org
- Wilmot Farmers Market**, 9 A.M.–NOON, 9 Kearsarge Valley Road, Wilmot.
- Chris Brubeck's Triple Play**, 7:30 P.M. at Colby-Sawyer College. Tickets are available on the Web site at: summermusicassociates.org.
- August 28**
Salisbury Farmers Market, 3–6 P.M. at the Town Hall.
- September 2**
Wilmot Farmers Market and Curiosity Shop, 9 A.M.–NOON, 9 Kearsarge Valley Road, Wilmot.
- September 4**
Salisbury Farmers Market, 3–6 P.M. at the Town Hall.
- September 9**
Wilmot Farmers Market 9 A.M.–NOON, 9 Kearsarge Valley Road, Wilmot.
- September 11**
Salisbury Farmers Market, 3–6 P.M. at the Town Hall.
- September 18**
Lions Annual Golf Classic, Registration begins at 9 A.M. at the Country Club of NH. John Hanscom (603) 748-0944
- Salisbury Farmers Market**, 3–6 P.M. at the Town Hall.



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League of NH Craftsmen Hosts Spinning Tales and Weaving Stories Exhibition

Running through September 22

Press release

Every piece of art and fine craft tells a story – the inspiration behind it, and the technique and materials used to create it. The League of New Hampshire Craftsmen is hosting a

of a personal vision.”

The Grodin Permanent Collection Museum

Visitors can also enjoy fine craft displayed in the League’s Grodin Permanent Collection Museum. The Permanent Collection features craft from the League’s early years to the present, including pieces made by some of the world’s renowned craftspeople, such as Otto and Vivika Heino, Edwin and Mary Scheier, and Gerry Williams. The permanent collection pieces on display rotate on a regular basis. Admission to the museum is free.

About the League of New Hampshire Craftsmen

The League of New Hampshire Craftsmen is a nonprofit, craft education organization. Its mission is to encourage, nurture and promote the creation, use, and

preservation of fine contemporary and traditional craft through the inspiration and education of artists and the broader community. The League represents the signature of excellence in fine craft, through the work of its juried members, and its rigorous standards for self-expression, vision, and quality craftsmanship. The League of New Hampshire Craftsmen is supported in part by a grant from the New Hampshire State Council on the Arts. The Gallery has been made possible through the generosity of Concord Orthopaedics.

For information about the Gallery exhibitions or the League of New Hampshire Craftsmen, call 603-224-3375, e-mail nhleague@nhcrafts.org, or visit the League’s website at: nhcrafts.org.



Vase by Andy Hampton

fine craft exhibition, Spinning Tales and Weaving Stories, which showcases the work of our juried members, each with a unique tale to share. This exhibition is open to the public through Friday, September 22 at the Gallery at League Headquarters, 49 South Main Street in Concord, New Hampshire. It includes fine craft in a variety of media, including among others jewelry, pottery, fiber, and mixed media. Most items are available for purchase.

The Gallery is open Monday through Friday, 10 A.M. to 4 P.M., and Saturdays, 10 A.M. to 4 P.M., during the exhibition.

“Creating fine craft begins with a story to tell. There are infinite ways to express the story,” said League Standards Manager Catherine Green. “In the hands of the League’s juried members the result is an exquisite expression

Learn About WWI at The Little Nature Museum

Press Release

Most animals, insects and birds are naturally camouflaged to protect them from predators. Their coloring blends in with the scenery so well, it’s often difficult for us to see them. Visitors to The Little Nature Museum in Warner will learn about the many types of camouflage.

In the early 1900’s, Abbott Thayer, a Dublin, New Hampshire resident and painter, grew fascinated with how wild-life blended in with the environment. His concealing coloration theory used overlapping landscape colors with disruptive patterns to disguise an object.

After Thayer presented his theory to the French during World War I, they adopted it and applied the variegated design to Allied uniforms, American trucks, sniper suits, and observation posts. This design broke up the form of the object to thwart identity. Thayer also utilized pieces of material knotted to wire netting. This material cast shadows that broke up the shapes beneath.

Another of Thayer’s designs was called “Dazzle” camouflage, which was used on United States Navy ships. This type of camouflage doesn’t hide an object, but its brilliant patterns confuse the enemy and makes it difficult to quickly gauge shape, distance, direction and speed, giving the American ship an advantage.

Camouflage in WWI and in Nature is one of three new displays at the museum commemorating the 100th anniversary of the U. S. entry into that war.

“I was fascinated that the “Father of Camouflage” came from New Hampshire,” said Sandra Martin, director of the museum. “As a result of his design, various colors of camouflage have been used in the military since then.”

The crystal radio was another new-

comer during WWI and was widely used. No longer were as many runners needed to deliver messages along the front lines. The crystal radio sent out signals that anyone with a receiver could hear. These radios included a fine wire that touched the surface of a crystalline mineral, now called diode. The crystal has some metallic content, so serves as a crude semiconductor.

Another display at The Little Nature Museum describes the Federal Migratory Bird Act of 1918. Prior to that, many migratory birds were becoming endangered because people killed them for their colorful feathers. Decorating ladies hats was a lucrative business. In 1902, a London auction sales room sold 1,608 packages of herons’ plumes, weighing 30 ounces each. It took four herons to make one ounce of feathers, so 192,960 herons were killed to fill just those packages.

“People don’t realize most birds they see are protected by this Act,” said Martin. “By over hunting, we lost millions of birds. Thousands of flocks of passenger pigeons were wiped out until they became extinct. It was a wakeup call. We needed to do something.”

Those who visit The Little Nature Museum this year will enjoy learning about these WWI era advancements, as well as many other nature related topics.

“We hope people will stop by our museum to see these special displays. The WWI displays will only be up this year,” Martin said. “We have many hands-on interactive displays and artifacts that fascinate adults and children alike.”

The Little Nature Museum is located at 18 Highlawn Road in Warner adjacent to the Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum. More information may be found at: littlenaturemuseum.org.

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It's self-service, no questions asked. Take what you need or drop off what you can.

If you know someone in need, tell them about the pantry. If they are not comfortable going to the pantry themselves, for whatever reason, let a Lion or Beacon volunteer know –

WE DELIVER!

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Faced with increasing police action, Maud and her dedicated suffragettes must play a dangerous game of cat-and-mouse, risking their jobs, homes, family and lives for a just cause. Please call COA at 603-526-6368 to register.

This program is brought to you in partnership with Over There, Over Here: World War I and Life in N.H. Communities, a multi-group collaboration commemorating the 100th anniversary of the United States entry into World War I. www.overthereoverhere.com

Lunch is on the House at Abbott Library

Thursday, August 24 at 12 P.M.

COA brings you “Lunch is on the House” at the Abbott Library in Sunapee.

Join us for a hearty meal and good company as you enjoy this beautiful library. This is a great chance to meet up with old friends or to get to know others who call Sunapee home. Looking forward to seeing you there! Lunch

will be held at the Abbott Library, 11 Soonipi Circle, Sunapee, New Hampshire. Please call COA at 603-526-6368 to sign up.

A New Hampshire Humanities presentation:

“A Walk Back in Time: The Secret of Cellar Holes”

Tuesday, August 29 at 5 P.M.

Presented by Adair Mulligan, Executive Director of the Hanover Conservancy

Northern New England is full of reminders of past lives: stone walls, old foundations, a century-old lilac struggling to survive as the forest reclaims a once-sunny dooryard. What forces shaped settlement, and later abandonment, of these places? Adair Mulligan explores the rich story to be discovered in what remains behind. See how one town has set out to create an inventory of its cellar holes, piecing together the clues in the landscape. Please call COA at 603-526-6368 to register.

AES Auxiliary Holds Town Wide Yard Sale

Saturday, August 19 from 8 A.M. to 2 P.M.

Meghan Barton, Andover ESA

Who doesn't have unwanted "stuff" in their basement or attic? Let us help! Our Andover Emergency Services Auxiliary will hold the first Andover Town Wide Yard Sale on Saturday, August 19, from 8 A.M. to 2 P.M.. We would like to be sure that everyone knows the location of your yard sale. Pay \$10 and get your home on the map! We will be selling maps at the Andover Fire Station on Main Street starting at 8 A.M. for \$2. If you don't have a great location or space for your yard sale items, you can rent space from us at the Main Street Station

for \$15 for a 12' x 12' space and you can also rent a table for an additional \$5.

To top our morning off, we will be having a bake sale with homemade goodies! There was even mention of Tarte Bakery donating some of their fantastic pastries! Thank you Tarte Bakery! All of the money fundraised from this event will go to the Andover Auxiliary to support our Firemen, EMS and Police.

Contact us for a yard sale location form or with questions to AndoverESA@gmail.com or call Meghan Barton at 603-735-5984. We look forward to making this an annual event and hope the community can benefit from this great day!



Andover Congregational Church News, August 2017

Sandra Miller

Andover Congregational Church

Happy Summer! The Missions Committee and their helpers realized almost \$400 profit from the sale of cotton candy at the Fourth of July celebration in Andover. Groceries were purchased with this money and were distributed to the Twin Rivers, Andover and Danbury food pantries. Thanks to all who helped; but a special "thank you" to Joyce Bourdon and Donna Thompson who were in charge.

Our annual church picnic will be held Sunday afternoon, August 13th. Our 9:30 A.M. worship service will be held as usual in the Andover Congregational meetinghouse, to be followed by baptisms at Highland Lake beach starting around 11:30 and then a picnic. Meats for grilling and various salads, desserts and beverages will be provided. Bring a chair and your appetite and join us for a fun time. If you are at the beach or in the area, come on over and join us. We'd love to get to know you.

Members of Andover Church continue to volunteer at the Twin Rivers Food Pantry in Franklin. Others meet weekly outside Franklin City Hall on Fridays at 5 P.M. for prayer and prayer walks throughout the city. For further information call Bob Grover at 470-7248.

We wish Howard and Pat Proctor all the best as they plan a move this month to an assisted living facility near family in Dover, New Hampshire. We very much appreciate their participation and contribution to our life as a church family over the years and, of course, will miss them very much and keep them in prayer.

Don't forget our monthly flea market and bake sale held every last Saturday of the month from 8:30 till 2 P.M. at the Grange Hall. All proceeds are going to a Fund to benefit the restoration of the historic Highland Lake Grange Hall here in East Andover.

Finally, there are many opportunities to pursue God and living out our Christian faith among us. Sunday worship and Sunday school are held at 9:30 A.M.. Visitors are expected and very welcome. For a bigger picture of our life together you might go online to our Web site: andovercongregationalchurch.org Or feel free to call the Church office (735-5160) to speak with Pastor John Wagner for more information about what's going on at the church or if you may need help of some kind.

Thought for the day: "If you can't get to sleep for one night, check your pillow. If you can't get to sleep for two nights, check your mattress. If you can't get to sleep for three nights – check your conscience!"



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FSB Hosts 24th Annual Softball Tournament for Charity

September 20 thru 29 at Odell Park

Press release

Franklin Savings Bank will host the 24th Annual Softball Tournament for Charity on Wednesday, September 20 through Friday, September 29 at Odell Park in Franklin. All proceeds raised will be donated to local D.A.R.E. programs and other youth drug prevention programs.

Teams are coed and participants must be 13 years of age or older to play. The deadline to register a team is Friday, August 25. The team registration fee is \$225 and will cover the costs for the concession, umpires, and field maintenance costs.

Since 1994, the FSB Annual Softball Tournament for Charity has raised over \$73,000 for countless local charities, including the American Cancer Society, local hospice programs, local children's programs, New Hampshire Task Force Against Child Abuse, Mix 94.1 Cash-n-Cans, local animal shelters, American Diabetes Association, Odell Park Centennial Committee, local soup kitchens, the McDonald Family Scholarship, as well as local walking and high school Chem-Free events.

Donations are also welcomed and will receive acknowledgement throughout the week long event. To make a donation, please contact J.J. Winters or

Tab Gerry, FSB Softball Tournament for Charity Co-chairs, at 603-934-4445 or via email at: mybanker@fsbnh.bank.

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Music at the Bandstand in Wilmot, New Hampshire.

News from Wilmot

Upcoming events in August

Lindy and Craig Heim

The Wilmot Historical Society's (WHS) Curiosity Shop will be set up at its usual spot behind the big spruce at the Wilmot Farmers' Market on the Wilmot Town Green, 9 Kearsarge Valley Rd., from 9 A.M. until noon on Saturday, Aug. 5 and again on Saturday, Sept. 2.

The Shop will be selling the best of the best vintage costume jewelry, quality paintings and furniture, antique linens, unusual pieces of china or glass, old fashioned toys and tools, kitchen gadgets, and thingamajigs. All proceeds from the shop will benefit the WHS's efforts to record and archive the history of Wilmot and its residents.

The Wilmot Ladies Aid Society will be hosting the food concession on Saturday, August 12 at 6 P.M.. The dynamic rock band Diamond Special will be entertaining the crowd with classic Rock & Roll music from the 70s, 80s, and 90s while the ladies will be serving up delicious homemade offerings to complement a hot dog supper.

An \$8 supper plate features a steamed hot dog, homemade slaw, beans, pasta salad, cookies and lemonade or water as a beverage.

Don't miss this chance to enjoy the best of what summer has to offer, dining outside with friends and family and listening to live music at the bandstand.

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New London Rotary Club President Jayne Rayne (left) and Janet Kidder (center) welcome new member Kelsie Clarke (right).

New Member Welcomed by New London Rotary

Press release

The New London Rotary welcomed new member Kelsie Clarke. Kelsie is a graphic designer/marketing specialist for Coldwell Banker Lifestyles. Kelsie will help the New London Rotary club with social media and its website.

The New London Rotary Club is committed to making a difference locally and globally. Consistent with Rotary's motto of Service Above Self, Rotarians volunteer and fund literacy programs in our schools and over the last 30 years, New London Rotary Club's Scholarship Program has awarded more than \$500,000 in scholarships to outstanding students in the Kearsarge Regional and Sunapee High Schools.

The New London Rotary Club also partners with local organizations. Rotary serves a pancake breakfast and lunch at Hospital Days. Rotary helps deliver Thanksgiving baskets and donates to a

dozen worthy local organizations in the spirit of helping others for the greater good of friends, neighbors and the community at large.

People join Rotary for many reasons, including community involvement, personal development, professional networking and camaraderie. New London Rotary welcomes individuals who reside in the territorial area of our Club which includes West Andover, Bradford, South Danbury, Newbury, New London, Springfield, Sunapee, Sutton, Warner, and Wilmot OR he/she must be employed by a company/business within the territorial area.

If you are interested in becoming a member of New London Rotary, contact Membership Co-Chairs Debbie Stanley at dstanley@ausbonsargent.org or Steve Ensign at sensign@tds.net or visit the club's website at <http://newlondonrotary.com>

Sister Act is Coming to Franklin

Runs through August 5 at 7:30 P.M.

Press release

For the first time in central New Hampshire, Franklin Footlight Theatre presents Sister Act the Musical. Sister Act is the feel good musical comedy smash based on the hit 1992 film that has audiences jumping to their feet! Starring Tajoura Davis as Deloris Van Cartier (the role made famous by Whoopie Goldberg), and Franklin local Christie Martin as Mother Superior, their powerful voices soar through the historic Franklin Opera House as this musical comes for the first time ever to the Lakes Region!

Featuring original music by Tony and eight-time Oscar winner, Alan Menken (Newsies, Beauty and the Beast, Little Shop of Horrors), this uplifting musical was nominated for five Tony Awards, including Best Musical. A cast of over 60 New Hampshire talents share the stage featuring Rodney Martell, Jack Finley, Derek de Sousa and Garrett Cain as Curtis and his band of thugs. Other outstanding performers include Jennifer Schaffner as Sister Mary Patrick and Sydney Moquin as Sister Mary Robert and John Masse as Eddie, the Philadelphia police officer. Under the direction of Jule Finley, winner of Best NHCTA director and Musical Director Christine

Chiasson, this show is sure to entertain all who attend. Couple that with amazing choreography from Jenness Nordstrom, Addison Granger and Cameron Moquin, all from Creative Steps dance studio, and this is a show you don't want to miss! Franklin City Councilor Vince Ribas performs as the Monsignor and the incredible group of "nuns" include Sue Bitetto, Saige Granger, Jenness Nordstrom, Kaylah Barton, Rebecca Turmel, Wendy de Sousa, Kim Daniel, Rhonda Perry, Erin Wilcox, Hayley de Sousa, Molly Brown, Clarissa Martin and Madi Smith. Rounding off the production team is Producer Leigh Webb, Scenic Design by Christopher Schroeder, Costumes by Annette Andreozzi, Prop Design by Sue Bitetto, Lighting by Dan Darling and Sound Engineer Adam Bates. Technical Director is Robbie LaFlamme and stage managers Mark Bitetto and Bonnie Gilbert.

This is the epitome of true, topnotch community theater based on pure community! Don't miss it! The show runs Friday and Saturday, July 28 and 29 at 7:30 P.M., and Sunday, July 30 at 2 P.M. at the Franklin Opera House (Franklin City Hall) 316 Central St. Tickets \$14 and \$16 at franklinoperahouse.org or by calling 603-934-1901

Second week of performances Thursday, Friday and Saturday August 3, 4, and 5, all at 7:30 P.M.

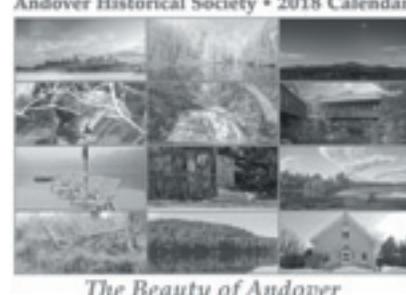


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Press release

Mark your calendar for this fun event at The Fells on August 6 from 5 to 8 P.M.. The Brothers House of Smoke brings the best authentic southern style barbeque. AJ's technique redefines taste—it's tender and messy in all the best ways! To accompany the smoky heat, enjoy a pairing of ice cold brew from the Flying Goose Brewery and the awesome upbeat energized music of the Cardigan Mountain Tradition Bluegrass Band. \$50 per person. For more information or to reserve visit thefells.org.



New Hampshire Permaculture Day Comes to Warner

Saturday, August 26
at 9 A.M.

Press release

New Hampshire Permaculture Day will be held at Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum in Warner, New Hampshire. It starts at 9 A.M. and runs until 5 P.M. on Saturday, August 26.

The fifth annual New Hampshire Permaculture Day is a gathering of permaculture enthusiasts, teachers and interested newcomers from across the state and the New Hampshire borderlands. The day will be filled with over 30 hands-on workshops, demos, talks, walks and sharing of knowledge on topics related to food production, localization, climate change, renewable energy, natural building, homesteading, edible landscape design and much, much more.

Whether you are curious about permaculture or a seasoned practitioner,

there will be something for everyone. The vendor marketplace will offer information and local goods and crafts for sale. A local organic farm to table lunch will be provided. Bring your kids along there will be many family-friendly activities.

This year's event is hosted by the Mt Kearsarge Indian Museum, 18 Highlawn Rd., Warner, New Hampshire. This museum, a local gem which seeks to challenge and inspire all of us to improve the quality of our lives and our world, is located in the heart of the Kearsarge Region, home to a strong and growing organic agriculture and re-localization movement. Warner is conveniently located off route 89, 25 miles northwest of Concord.

Admission is \$30 with the early-bird discount, or \$40 at the door. Student, senior, and family discounts are available. For more information and tickets, go to nhpermacultureday.org



Buy local and check out the collection of classic cars on display on Saturday, August 5 from 9 A.M. – Noon at the Wilmot Farmers market. The car display will be on the lower part of the Wilmot town green at 9 Kearsarge Valley Rd in Wilmot.
Caption: Donna Sprague

Cruising at the Wilmot Farmers Market

**Donna Sprague
Wilmot Farmers Market**

The Wilmot Market heads into the midseason stretch with a slow start in the growing magic area. Growing crops has been a bit tricky this season with vendors having experienced weather conditions which have been less than ideal for growing veggies and ripening fruits. Fingers crossed... the weather will change and those seeds, many of which needed to be replanted, will still bring forth a full bounty of veggies. The Wilmot board is asking everyone to do a little ideal growing weather dance to help our farmers'

gardens this month. We'll wish for warm days with low humidity and nights just warm enough for corn to ripen but cool enough for a relaxing night of sleep. And while you're at it... wish for a classic car display on August 5, a marionette show on August 12, a conservation program on August 19 and a New Hampshire Lakes presentation on August 29. Poof... wish granted! Your Wilmot Market board and vendors wish you to drop by the Wilmot Town Green, 9 A.M. – Noon every Saturday through September 30. For information contact Margaret at: socks.hoyle@gmail.com or 603-744-2244.



Salisbury Farmers Market Meets Mondays

Press release

The Salisbury Farmers Market will continue to have fresh farm eggs, homemade jams and jellies, homemade bread, honey and honey by products, maple syrup, soaps and lotions, and mustards as well as homemade pies. Pies can be ordered and picked up the following Monday. Bead jewelry, woven goods, and antiques are also available at the market. Now that the gardens

are producing we will have fresh produce.

If you are interested in being a vendor or selling your extra vegetables and fruit this summer please contact me at 603-648-2156.

We will be at the Town Hall in Salisbury on Route 4 every Monday from now until the end of September except holidays. The hours are 3 P.M. to 6 P.M..



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Summer Music Associates Presents Altius String Quartet

Thursday, August 10
at 7:30 P.M.

Press release

Summer Music Associates proudly brings the Altius String Quartet to New London, Thursday, August 10 at 7:30 P.M. at the First Baptist Church on Main Street.

The award winning Altius Quartet will present a program featuring some of the most beloved string quartets in the repertoire. The program will open with Haydn's celebrated "Sunrise" String Quartet, a work that gets its moniker through its depiction of the sunrise in the first violin's opening theme. It is considered to be at the zenith of his compositional career and contains all the elements that make Haydn so loved. The program continues with Dvorak's famous "American" String Quartet, a work that was inspired by the composer's experiences while living in the new world. They conclude with Mendelssohn's masterful last String Quartet in F Minor, a mature work that includes all the sturm und drang a nineteenth century romantic can muster.

Children's and student's tickets for all the Summer Music Associates concerts are only \$5, and we hope many

families will take advantage of this low price.

Ticket prices are \$25 for adults and \$5 for students. Tickets are available on the Website: summermusicassociates.org; by phone 603-526-8234; by mail, PO Box 603, New London, New Hampshire 03257; at the door; or (by check or cash) at Tatewell Gallery, Morgan Hill Bookstore, and the New London Chamber of Commerce.

Also in the month of August, Chris Brubeck's Triple Play presents a rousing concert on Saturday, August 26 at 7:30 P.M. at the Sawyer Theater at Colby-Sawyer College in New London.

Triple Play is the name given to three outstanding and versatile musicians, Peter Madcat Ruth (on harmonica, guitar, jaw harp, percussion & vocals), Joel Brown, (folk and classical acoustic guitar and vocals) and Chris Brubeck (son of Dave!) (electric bass, bass trombone, piano & vocals). They have honed a vast and vivid repertoire encompassing Delta blues, Tin Pan Alley standards, New Orleans grooves, jazz gems and incisive originals. With all three contributing vocals, Triple Play delivers an epic sojourn through American music unlike any other band on the scene.

Franklin Animal Shelter Announces New Street Name

Same Location, but new street name

Press release

Franklin Animal Shelter announces its new street name, Rescue Road. The name change is as a result of a recent review of the Franklin community by our NH911 Field Representative. The 911 field representative suggested that a separate road name leading to the shelter and other buildings in the area be considered as a source of less uncertainty to eliminate potential response confusion.

The buildings in the area include the animal shelter, the transfer station warehouse and the transfer station. By following State New Hampshire RSA 226 guidelines, the Franklin Animal Shelter board met and voted on the new name, Rescue Road, which was approved by the Franklin Fire Chief

Kevin LaChapelle.

It is important to note that the Animal Shelter is not moving to a new location. This name change allows the potential for future development and less confusion in locating the building for the response team to provide treatment and/or rescue.

The Franklin Animal Shelter is operated by the Granite State Animal League under contract with the City of Franklin, New Hampshire. The Shelter is a tax-exempt organization. Tax deductible contributions may be made through the Web site, www.franklinanimalshelter.com, or mailed to PO Box 265, Franklin, New Hampshire 03235

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Class of 2019

Magna Cum Laude -David Reynolds and Matthew Reynolds

Class of 2020

Magna Cum Laude – William Furtkamp, Riley Keezer, and Garrett Munson

Citizens from page 40

dies, the custodians, the teachers, and other students. Triana and Elliott are honor roll students and are involved in many sports and activities in the community.

The students received a trophy and had their names added to a plaque in the lobby that includes winners dated back to 1959. In addition, Triana and Elliott rode in the Andover Fourth of July parade in style. George Boyer of Sanbornton chauffeured the Citizenship winners in his antique Ford Model A. The students sat in the rumble seat and enjoyed the ride. Ernie the Eagle walked in front of the car to make sure the winners received full attention.

Triana and Elliott are wonderful examples of the AE/MS Eagle Code and great ambassadors for the community of Andover. They truly are good citizens!



Left to right: Triana Caron, Liam Donovan, and Elliott Norris. Remember how warm a day it was on the 4th of July? Well, special kudos to Liam Donovan who showed above-and-beyond school spirit by donning the AEMS school mascot costume and walking the parade route. Thank you Liam!

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Graduation from page 40

School Board members, presented certificates of graduation.

Students left the stage to the tunes of “The Climb” and “Don’t You (Forget About Me).” Family members and friends shared their congratulations with the students at the end of the ceremony.

Trip from page 40

spent time working at the ecological education center, which is primarily focused on promoting permaculture techniques, local biodiversity conservation and the production of organic food.

A second trip saw ten students and two adults travel to the Pine Ridge and Rosebud Reservations in South Dakota where the group learned from and gave back to the Lakota Nation. Students stayed with a local Proctor family, experienced traditional ceremonies, learned about the history of the Lakota people and the land,

Reunion from page 40

tive. ’43-’48, ’59 and ’63. If there are any out there from these years, try to make it next year. It would be amazing to get someone from every year. I believe the first graduating class was 1937.

Sadly we lost classmates Lois Stuart Shaw ’45, John Eugene Lorden ’49, Roger William Henderson ’51, Nellie Phelps Clay ’51, Albie Sanborn ’57, Tim Frost ’58, and Dale McLeod ’61 We took class pictures and then enjoyed a pot luck lunch. We had a large and varied assortment of delicious food. Jim Emerson’s granddaughter made a cake with a picture of the school on it to com-

emony.

Congratulations to Emily Abrahamson, Sadie Barton, Jarrett Benson, Katie Bent, Ayla Caron, Jim Clough, Colin Coolidge, Liam Donovan, Gavin Elliott, Kyleigh Fanny, Gavin Harvey, Cedar Kiedaisch, Ethan Meyerhoefer, Jazlyn Perkins, and Jaimes Southworth.

and gave back to ongoing projects on the reservation, including work at an equine therapy center with their strength and energy. Students, including Andover’s Chloe Methven ’18, Betsy Abrahamson ’18, and Amanda Hinds ’19, had the chance to meet a number of Proctor alumni who continue to live and invest in their communities in Rosebud and Pine Ridge.

To learn more about Proctor’s Summer Service Trips, check out Proctor’s Website: www.proctoracademy.org/page/off-campus/summer-service-learning or read student reflections at blogs.proctoracademy.org/

memorate his 60th class reunion. (1957)

Stu Lenk’s wife, Carol, won the door prize and Walt Walker won the prize for the closest guess of crackers in a jar.

Everyone agreed that AE/MS was the best place to meet. Our thanks to Jane Slayton for making this possible and Mike Wiley for setting up . We plan to gather again next year the Saturday after the Fourth of July. Hope to see you then.

P.S. Margie Frost Fenton wrote the poem and a part of was in the May issue of The Beacon. Also it would be nice if some of you alumni wrote into The Beacon about some of your memories of AHS and what you have been doing since graduation.



Fred Anderson, former NHEC President/CEO and husband of the late Kathy Anderson, congratulates Kimberlee Esposito of Wilmot upon being named the recipient of the 7th annual Kathy Anderson Scholarship.

Wilmot Woman Wins Kathy Anderson Scholarship

Awarded \$2,500 toward studies at SNHU

Press release

Kimberlee Esposito of Wilmot, New Hampshire was selected as the 2017 recipient of the 7th annual Kathy Anderson Scholarship.

Esposito, a New Hampshire Electric Co-op (NHEC) member and mother of a young daughter, will receive \$2,500 to help continue her studies at Southern N.H. University, where she is pursuing an associate degree in General Studies/Business Management. She plans to go on to earn a bachelor's degree in Communications.

Named for the late Kathy Anderson, wife of retired New Hampshire Electric Co-op President/CEO Fred Anderson, the scholarship was created to help a deserving New Hampshire woman who is seeking to better her life through education.

"Kimberlee is a very grateful and

motivated woman with a strong passion for her daughter and her continuing education. This was very clear upon meeting her in person," said Fred Anderson.

The Kathy Anderson scholarship was established in 2011 and awards one \$2,500 scholarship annually to a non-traditional female learner over the age of 25 who is a US citizen, resident of New Hampshire and is a member of NHEC. For more information regarding the Kathy Anderson Scholarship, please visit the Community tab at www.nhec.com. The Kathy Anderson Scholarship is funded by individual contributions made in Kathy's name to the NHEC Foundation, a 501 (c) 3 charitable fund that has contributed over \$3 million to charitable organizations within NHEC service territory since 2006.

NHEC is a member-owned electric distribution cooperative serving 84,000 homes and businesses in 115 New Hampshire communities.

New Hampshire Electric Cooperative Foundation Awards Scholarships

Press release

Seven members of New Hampshire Electric Cooperative (NHEC) were named recipients of the 2017 NHEC Foundation Scholarships.

Nearly 100 candidates applied for the \$1,500 scholarships, which are available to high school seniors, students returning to college, and non-traditional students enrolled in an accredited, undergraduate educational or training institution. One scholarship is reserved for a student entering a vocational or technical institution. All applicants are either Co-op members, or legal dependents of a Co-op member. The scholarships were awarded based on work experience, activities and leadership contributions, community service, educational/career objectives and overall scholastic achievement.

The following individuals were awarded a \$1,500 NHEC Foundation Scholarship:

Christin Badylak-Reals of Plymouth will be continuing her education at the University of New Hampshire where she studies Mechanical Engineering.

Eric DuBois of Moultonborough is in his second year at Brown University where he is studying Biomedical Engineering.

Emma Hardie of Alton will be attending New Hampshire Technical Institute where she will earn her degree in Dental Hygiene.

Meghan Hurley of Moultonborough is in her second year at Colby College where she is studying Environmental Policy.

Dylan McLaughlin of Moultonborough will be attending the University of New Hampshire where he will study Mechanical Engineering.

Charlotte Pitts of North Woodstock is studying Art History and Archaeology at Wesleyan University in Connecticut.

Caitlin Royer of Fremont will enter her third year at Great Bay Community College where she continues her studies in Veterinary Technology.

NHEC is a member-owned electric distribution cooperative serving 80,000 members in 115 New Hampshire communities. Scholarship funding is provided by the NHEC Foundation, a non profit 501(c)3 fund that receives contributions from NHEC members who agree to have their monthly electric bill rounded up to the next dollar with the proceeds benefiting the Foundation. For more information about the Foundation please visit nhec.com/nhec-foundation/

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Addison Bickford reads to Samantha Upton about Koalas.



Troy Smith researched Yeti Crabs



Adalyn Boucher does the wall climb.



Paige Orcutt is enjoying the rope swing.



Linden Morgan taught me about the immortal jellyfish.



Victoria Koron reads about Lipizzaner Stallions to Julianna Champagne.



Titus Chenette competes in the sack race.



Isaac Norris and Colin Murphy compete in the sack race.

Second Graders Create Non-Fiction Books

Gretchen Hildebrand, AE/MS

The second graders of AE/MS spent their last weeks of school combining researching in books and online reading, writing, keyboarding, and drawing to create non-fiction hard cover books about topics that interested them.

Some of the topics were: How Chocolate Is Made, Giant Squids, Viperfish, Sloths, Tigers, Cheetahs, The Harlem Hellfighters, Immortal Jellyfish, Yeti Crabs, How the Titanic Sank, How the Titanic was Found, and many many more! I learned so much from this project...and I think the students did, too.

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Eight Students Earn Perfect Attendance

Jane Slayton, AE/MS Principal

Eight students did not miss a single day of school this year! The following students were honored with Perfect Attendance Pizza certificates on the last day of school: Grade 1 Kyle Hammond and Sydney Pourby; Grade 2 Colin Murphy; Grade 4 Kaden Fanny; Grade 5 Enrico Mori; Grade 7 Fenn Davis; Grade 8 Liam Donovan and Kyleigh Fanny.

These students are active in sports, the spring play, and other activities beyond their school day. The students in the play were here several nights a week until 5 or 6 at night from

October until April. Several of the students played sports, both in our community and outside, as part of travel teams.

The students were presented gift certificates to Pizza Chef. They were also invited to ring the town bell during the Fourth of July festivities. Thank you to Scott Allenby for coordinating the bell ringing. It is both an honor and fun for the students!

Congratulations to the eight healthy, hard working students! I hope they enjoy a well-deserved summer break.



Farrell Field House renovations at Proctor Academy are underway, with the first phase of the project focused on overhauling the gymnasium.

AE/MS Summer News

Jane Slayton, AE/MS Principal

It may be the middle of July but AE/MS is a very busy place these days as preparation for the 2017-2018 school year is the priority. When the year ends all classroom materials are boxed and labeled and the classrooms are emptied. Some classrooms are painted, all are scrubbed clean, and all have carpets cleaned or floors waxed to a bright shine. Cleaning has been complicated this year as the lift is not in service. It has been a challenge to get heavy supplies and cleaning equipment from one floor to another. We are ahead of schedule and the building is looking good!

Speaking of the lift, it will be replaced early this fall. While this is a large (and expensive) undertaking the bulk of the work will occur before the students return.

As we get closer and closer to our building project much prep work is taking place. Architects and engineers are on site measuring, testing, and planning. Many meetings have taken place as we move forward. Construction will begin in April and then go full force when students are dismissed for the summer vacation. This is very exciting!

Summer School is nearing an end. Students attending have ranged from first grade to eighth grade. Mrs. Kim Tilton and Mrs. Deana Crucitti provided a challenging work day but also allowed some time for fun. They will end their week by enjoying "Stuart Little" at the New London Barn Playhouse.

Our school hosted One Light Theatre's Performing Arts Summer Camp in July. Several AE/MS students participated in the camp. It was wonderful having the arts energy in the building

and it was especially nice for our students to have this local opportunity.

The 2017-18 school year will include new faculty members. Alex Ager will be teaching the K-8 music classes, leading the bands, directing the chorus and providing musical instrument lessons. His enthusiasm and energy for AE/MS music education will be contagious! He brings his experience from the Kearsarge School District.

Megan Philbrook will be teaching middle school social studies classes. Mrs. Philbrook comes to us from Southside Middle School in Manchester. She brings strong skills, creativity, energy and enthusiasm. She has lots of new ideas for her social studies classes. Students will also notice new social studies materials in K-8. Most classes have a combined model of a text and a web-based program.

Kindergarten Orientation is Monday morning, August 28, at 9:00 A.M.. The new kindergarten students and their parents will have the building to themselves as they explore where they will spend the next nine years. The families will also have the opportunity to ride the school bus around the village to get a feel of what to expect as a bus rider. We are excited to welcome this new class!

The first day of school for all students is Tuesday, August 29. Students will have a three-day school week followed by a four-day school week as they transition back into the academic routine.

Stay tuned for details regarding a back-to-school picnic – all are invited. At AE/MS we celebrate both the end and the beginning of our school year!



Building Initiatives Continue in The Campaign for Proctor

Scott Allenby, Proctor Academy

Proctor's brand new, net-zero ready dining facility, the Brown Dining Commons, opened its doors in September 2016, followed by a new dormitory on the west end of campus in December. These buildings represent the first two completed projects in a \$30 million capital campaign to address Proctor's aging infrastructure and learning spaces. Earlier this summer, Proctor shifted its attention to the aging Farrell Field House where a complete renovation of the building will overhaul the gymnasium, fitness center, and former dining hall into a facility focused on the health and

well-being of Proctor's students, faculty, and staff. New classrooms and wellness studios will reside on the southern end of the building, while a new fitness center, athletic training room, and office spaces will overlook a refinished gymnasium on one side and the Farrell Field turf field complex on the other.

This phased project is underway, with Phase 1 (new gym floor) scheduled to be ready in September, and Phase 2 (new fitness center, athletic training room, office spaces) scheduled for completion in December 2017. Stay tuned for more updates as this project continues!



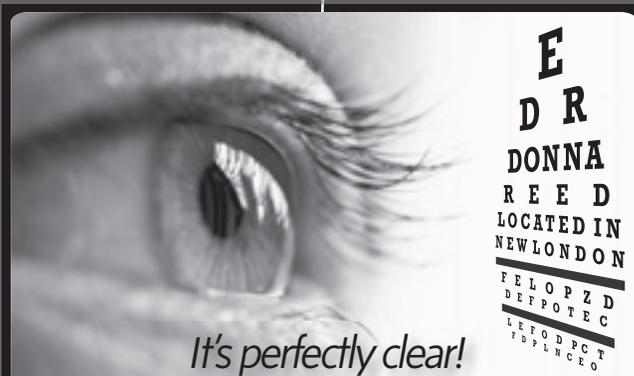


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Andover's Chloe Methven '18, Betsy Abrahamson '18, and Amanda Hinds '19 traveled to the Pine Ridge and Rosebud Reservations in South Dakota as a part of Proctor Academy's Summer Service Trips.

Proctor Academy Summer Service Trips

Scott Allenby, Proctor Academy

Each summer, Proctor Academy offers two Summer Service Trips during the months of June and July to students and faculty/staff. The first trip saw 14 students and three faculty members travel to Guatemala where the group worked alongside Lemonade International in La Limonade (the largest slum in Central America) for one week before living and

volunteering with the Mesoamerican Permaculture Institute (IMAP), a non-profit organization located in the community of Pachitulum, on the south edge of Lake Atitlán between San Lucas Tolimán and Santiago Atitlán. In addition to staying with local families in a homestay setting, students, including Andover's Vienna Marcus '20 and Sean Slick '20,

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Andover High School Reunion attendees.

Andover High School Reunion

Judy Perreault '53

Thirty-one Andover High School alumni and guests met for their annual reunion on July 8, 2017 at AE/MS, which we remember as Andover High School.

In the morning we socialized, checked out the memorabilia, and some of us took a tour of the school. There was a lot of discussion of where our home rooms were and where certain classes were held when we were students. As we did not have a gym at the time we figured out what two rooms were connected by a sliding partition where assemblies were held. Our gym was the old town hall and hot lunch was downstairs in the stone chapel. Lloyd said it was originally in the Home Economics room which I think is now the music room. Our playground

and ball field was where the gym and Middle School is now. We had a teacher for physics called Lou Voltous, and we called him low voltage. Not to his face of course. We were all so close, planning events, dating classmates, even marrying some of them. Lot of fun memories in those rooms.

Our meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance, the Andover Cheer, and a couple of school songs. We still have a lot of school spirit even though the High School has been closed for 54 years. Our earliest attendee was Monroe Haley '41 who was commended on his fundraising for the blind. From 1941 to 1963 there were only seven years that we did not have at least one representa-

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Left to right - Elliott Norris, Mr. George Boyer, and Triana Caron. Mr. Boyer, Elliott and Triana pose for a photo while preparing to participate in the 4th of July parade. The Ford Model A was patriotically decorated and the students threw beads and candy along the parade route.

Caption and Photo: Jane Slayton

Andover Lions Club Presents Citizenship Awards

Jane Slayton, AE/MS Principal

At the Andover Elementary Middle School Eighth Grade Graduation it has been a longstanding tradition for the Andover Lions Club to present the Citizenship Award. The recipients this year were Triana Caron and Elliott Norris and the presentation was made by Mr. John Hanscom.

Triana and Elliott are consistently kind, respectful and often lend a hand to other students. They are great role models for the younger students. They can be counted on to always make the right choice and to even encourage others to do so as well. They show their appreciation of others hard work to the lunch room la-

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AE/MS Eighth Grade Graduation

Jane Slayton, AE/MS Principal

Fifteen students culminated their K-8 experience at Andover Elementary Middle School on June 21. The students will move on to Proctor Academy and Merrimack Valley High School. This talented group of students has much to offer to their new schools and will most certainly make a positive difference over their high school years and beyond.

A slide show of the graduates from birth to present started the evening as families and friends settled in. The slide show was crafted and presented by Gretchen Hildebrand and Michael Wiley.

River Turnbull and Garrett Niemyer, a very talented 7th grade duo, entertained with "Count on Me" by Bruno Mars. Both boys sang while River played the ukulele.

Katie Bent and Jaimes Southworth cordially welcomed family members

and friends to the graduation. Sadie Barton and Jazlyn Perkins led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Principal Jane Slayton shared remarks with the students and wished them success as they move forward. Superintendent Mark MacLean's message to students was educational and heartfelt.

Liam Donovan and Kyleigh Fanny received Perfect Attendance Awards. Academic awards were presented by individual teachers and distributed among students. Several graduates received the Presidential Academic Excellence award.

Cedar Kiedaisch, Ayla Caron, Emily Abrahamson, and Jaimes Southworth came forward and shared speeches of appreciation for their teachers and families.

Superintendent Mark MacLean, Principal Jane Slayton, and Andover See Graduation on page 36