



A yearbook photo of Dick Bellefeuille and his family during his time at Proctor Academy.

Former Proctor Faculty Member Dick Bellefeuille Passes Away

Scott Allenby, Proctor Academy

In the fall of 1968, Dick Bellefeuille arrived on campus with his wife, Helen, and his young family. Along with serving as the dorm parent in Mary Lowell Stone, Mr. Bellefeuille (as he was always known by students) taught Spanish and coached reserve football, skating club, and lacrosse. Over the next thirty-two years (1968-1999), he would expand his teaching role to the

time when schools were first creating such positions. He continued to teach in the science and math departments, offering unique courses like astronomy, sports medicine, and anatomy and physiology, as well as serving as the athletic trainer until his retirement in 1999.

Always an advocate for his advisees, dorm residents, and students, Mr. Bellefeuille was respected for his will-



Long-time faculty member and coach, Dick Bellefeuille, poses with one of the Proctor Academy Hockey teams in a yearbook photo.

science and math departments and become Proctor's first athletic trainer in the 1980s. Through these varied roles, his career impacted thousands of students' lives and left an indelible mark on the Proctor community. On December 28, Dick passed away at home in Concord, New Hampshire under the care of hospice.

Dick Bellefeuille's career at Proctor spanned three headmasters and a sea of cultural change from the late 1960s through the late 1990s. With a background in the sciences and a prior career in the military, Mr. Bellefeuille pursued his passions as a teacher at Proctor, teaching Spanish throughout his first two decades; he spent a sabbatical year going back to school to become a certified athletic trainer at a

ingness to share candid advice with those around him. This same quick wit and candor was central to his relationship with his colleagues. One of his lasting legacies at Proctor, aside from the athletic training program, is Proctor's abroad program in Spain. Shortly after Proctor launched its Mountain Classroom program in 1972, Head of School David Fowler and the school's leadership were looking for additional experiential, abroad options for Proctor students. Through a friend in Spain, Mr. Bellefeuille connected Proctor to Sampere School willing to host students for the term, thus establishing Proctor's first term abroad in Spain in 1974 - a program that has evolved and continues to run today.

February Varsity Athletic Schedule at Proctor Academy

Proctor encourages members of the community to attend athletic contests on Proctor's campus this winter. Below is a schedule of varsity home games and races during the month of February—all contests are free of charge. For a complete schedule of games, visit: www.proctoracademy.org/Page/On-Campus/Athletics.

Ski Races:

- 2/10 - 2/11 - FIS Slalom Race - Proctor Ski Area - All Day
- 2/21 - Snowboarding - Competitive Team vs Rail Jam at Proctor Ski Area 2:00 PM
- 2/24 - Nordic Skiing NEPSAC Championship at Proctor Ski Area 10:00 AM

Varsity Hockey Games:

- 2/7 - Varsity Girls vs Brewster Academy 3:45 PM
- 2/9 - Varsity Boys vs Berwick Academy 5:30 PM.
- 2/10 - Varsity Girls vs Dexter Southfield School 2:00 PM, Varsity Boys vs Kents Hill School 4:15 PM
- 2/14 - Varsity Girls vs Holderness

- School 2:00 PM, Varsity Boys vs Kimball Union Academy 4:00 PM
- 2/17 - Varsity Boys vs New Hampton School 2:00 PM, Varsity Girls vs Rivers School 4:30 PM

Basketball Games:

- 2/5 - Varsity Girls vs Bradford Christian Academy 4:30 PM
- 2/7 - Varsity Boys vs Cushing Academy 3:30 PM
- 2/9 - Varsity Boys vs Holderness School 6:00 PM
- 2/10 - Varsity Boys vs St. Andrew's School 2:30 PM
- 2/14 - Varsity Girls vs Holderness School 5:00 PM
- 2/16 - Varsity Boys vs Brimmer & May School 5:30 PM
- 2/17 - Varsity Girls vs Putnam Science Academy 3:30 PM, Varsity Boys vs Northfield Mt. Hermon School 5:00 PM
- 2/21 - Varsity Girls vs Phillips Exeter Academy 3:30 PM
- 2/24 - Varsity Boys vs Tilton School 3:00 PM

LRGH Focusing on Sustainability in Challenging Healthcare Climate

Press release

Like many healthcare organizations in New Hampshire and all over the country, LRGHealthcare has faced many barriers in an ever-changing healthcare climate. Over the past four years, LRGHealthcare has gone through many changes as an organization, but has also seen great growth in terms of technology, positive engagement with stakeholders, and improved quality to better meet patient need.

LRGHealthcare closed out fiscal year 2017 with a modest surplus from operations; however fiscal year 2018 has, to this point, not performed as well as anticipated. There is no single reason for this performance. Rather, it is a combination of factors including lower volume overall, but increased volume in those areas where payers are not favorable; coupled with slightly higher expenses.

Kevin W. Donovan, LRGHealthcare

President and CEO, stated, "LRGHealthcare will likely need to determine actions to cut expenses and/or increase revenue. Therefore we need to look hard at the services we provide and whether they can be done more efficiently. It might also mean deciding there are certain things we just cannot do anymore. We would not be doing our job if we did not consider all options."

One of many areas under review is the Family Birthplace. This review is due to a number of factors, including declining birth rates, poor reimbursement from Medicaid and difficulty in recruiting and retaining providers willing to cover the service frequently. "To be clear, however, no decisions on the future of the Family Birthplace or any of our services have been made," stated Donovan. As LRGHealthcare determines a course of action, staff, providers and community will be informed and involved.

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