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Work Completed at Transfer Station

Jim Reed, Transfer Station Operator

Most of the new construction and landscaping work at the Andover Transfer Station has been completed, according to station operator, Jim Reed. The top photo shows the new compactor building with landscaping done by Dan Merzi Excavating.

The new compactor building, (bottom left & right) was erected by Stephen Barton and Sons Construction. The new building includes a break room and restroom for the use of the town employees.

To help alleviate the rodent problem, the Andover Highway Department, under the direction of John Thompson, installed large concrete blocks and stone on the hillside to the left of the building. They also built up the area to help with traffic flow at busy times.

Containers have been put in place for the bales that will be created with cardboard, plastics and aluminum cans when the new recycling program begins. Separated recyclables will be accepted beginning October 31.

Information for Election Day, November 6

Bonnie Wesley, Interim Town Clerk

Just a reminder that Election Day is Tuesday, November 6, 2018. Voting will be held at the Andover Elementary/Middle School. The polls will be open from 8 AM to 7 PM. The Town Clerk's office will be closed on that day.

If you are not yet registered to vote, you may do so on Election Day at the Supervisors table. Be sure to bring a photo ID with you.

You will also need to bring a photo

ID to show to the ballot clerks at check in.

We are always looking for volunteers to help with counting the ballots at 7 PM. If you would like to help, please call the office at 603-735-5018 and I'll add you to the list. Your help will be greatly appreciated.

If you have any questions regarding the elections please feel free to call the office.

See you at the polls!



Pat Cutter receives Lifetime Achievement Award

Press release

Andover Historical Society past President Pat Cutter received a Lifetime Achievement Award from the Association of Historical Societies of New Hampshire, on Saturday October 27 in Grafton, NH. The award is a formal recognition that Pat has for many decades "displayed outstanding volunteer commitment and contributed to state or local history in a substantial way that may be a model for others."

Pat was nominated for this award with unanimous and enthusiastic agreement of the Officers and Board of the Andover Historical Society, and supporting materials were received from former Presidents of the Society as well as Board members of the Wilmot Historical Society. Volunteers and members of the AHS are delighted that Pat is being recognised at the State level for her extraordinary work.

Passages from Pat's nomination:

Pat Cutter has worked with the Andover Historical Society (AHS) for many years. She joined the governing board in 1993 as Vice President – working alongside most of the founders of the organization. She later served in a variety of other roles - Museum Direc-



Pat Cutter was awarded a Lifetime Achievement Award from the Assoc. of Historical Societies of New Hampshire on October 27.

File photo

tor, Collections Curator, and Annual Fair Coordinator. She served as President for twelve years, from 1996-1998 and 2006-2016.

She has made many major contributions to the work of the AHS as well as to neighboring historical societies. Most officers and volunteers in the AHS were recruited and trained by Pat. She has brought continuity and vision

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Kathy Ordway Wins NHLTA Volunteer of the Year Award

Janet Moore, Library Trustee

President Mary Castelli of the New Hampshire Library Trustees Association will bestow upon Kathy Ordway their "Special Library Service Contribution Award" on Thursday, November 15, 6 PM at the Bachelor Library in East Andover. The public is invited to celebrate with Kathy and the trustees and director at this very special event. Below are excerpts from the nomination letter.

"Kathy Ordway has been holding together the Bachelor Library through the past three directors' terms and no doubt will continue to do so as a stellar volunteer. She came on board as the primary volunteer when Gail Fitzpatrick became the director in 2014. Patrons came to rely on her friendly nature and knowledge of books. When Gail suddenly retired two years ago, Kathy "manned" the helm for the summer until we could find a replacement." "She accumulated the knowledge and

expertise to order new books, navigate the Interlibrary Loan system, run the circulation desk, coordinate programs and activities, and maintain a cheerful demeanor. When Laura Pauling was hired, Kathy and Andover Director Priscilla Poulin arranged on the job

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Kathy Ordway, volunteer at Bachelor Library recived NHLTA Volunteer of the Year Award.

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- Civil Issue/Stand-by: 3
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- Manner of Operation: 4
- Sexual Assault: 1
- Suspicious Person/Vehicle/Incident: 5
- Theft: 2
- Traffic Offense-Citation: 2
- Traffic Offense-Warning: 98

Arrests

- Eric St Clair, Newbury, Age 43: Abandoned Vehicle

Schedule of Town Budget Meetings Set

Press release

The town budget committee has set the following schedule of meetings to prepare the town budget for presentation at the next town meeting.

Department Presentations:

- Wed., Nov. 28 Police, EMS
- Wed., Dec. 5 Highway, Transfer Station
- Wed., Dec. 12 Village District, Andover Fire, Cemetery, Recreation
- Wed., Jan. 2 Library, Conservation Commission, Planning/Zoning
- Wed., Jan. 9, 2019 School Budget
- Wed. Jan 30, 2019 Town, Precinct,

District

Public Hearings

- Wed., Jan. 16, 2019 School Budget
- Wed., Feb. 6, 2019 Town Budget (Town, Precincts, District)
- Fri., Feb. 15, 2019 Additional Public Hearing-Town Budget (if necessary)
- Tue., Feb 19, 2019 Warrant Articles (if needed)

School Meeting

- Mon., March 4, 2019 at 7 PM

Town Meeting

- Tue., March 12, 2019



Town Clerk/Tax Collector November Hours

Bonnie Wesley, Interim Town Clerk

The Town Clerk/ Tax Collectors office hours in November will be as follows:

- Tuesday, November 6 (Election Day) closed
- Monday, November 12 (Veterans Day) we will be open. However, we will have no software support.

- Thursday, November 15, the office will be closed in the morning but will open from 1:30 – 4:30 .
- Thanksgiving weekend, November 22–24 closed
- Saturday, December 1, we will be open from 9 to 11AM to make up for being closed over Thanksgiving.



Planning Board Seeks Public Input on Zoning Changes

Several changes being considered

Press release

The Planning Board (PB) is looking for public input to several possible Zoning changes and adjustments to both the Andover and Cilleyville Village Districts. The PB has been in general conversations surrounding commercial and housing growth for the town, consistent with our desire to maintain the rural atmosphere while recognizing the need to provide opportunities for the town to grow and fulfill the town's Master Plan's priorities.

With that in mind, a series of public meetings will be scheduled. A presentation approach will be offered to show some thoughts under discussion. These will be discussion points, not finalized plans and the PB wants and needs your insights as residents. All of us have a vested interest

in properly and thoughtfully moving the town forward. We are sure several meetings will be needed as various thoughts and ideas are gathered and explored.

The upcoming PB meetings will take place 7 to 9 PM in the Town Hall meeting room on: November 13 & 27, December 11, and January 8 & 22. Please mark your calendars. The PB will post notifications well in advance with the times and dates. Details can also be found on the Town's Web-site: <https://www.andover-nh.gov>.

The PB will guide the meetings with available maps and open discussion.

The PB welcomes your participation and attendance. We anticipate good ideas coming forward and from residents, business owners, Proctor and other town boards, committees and commissions. Thank you for your thoughts and ideas.



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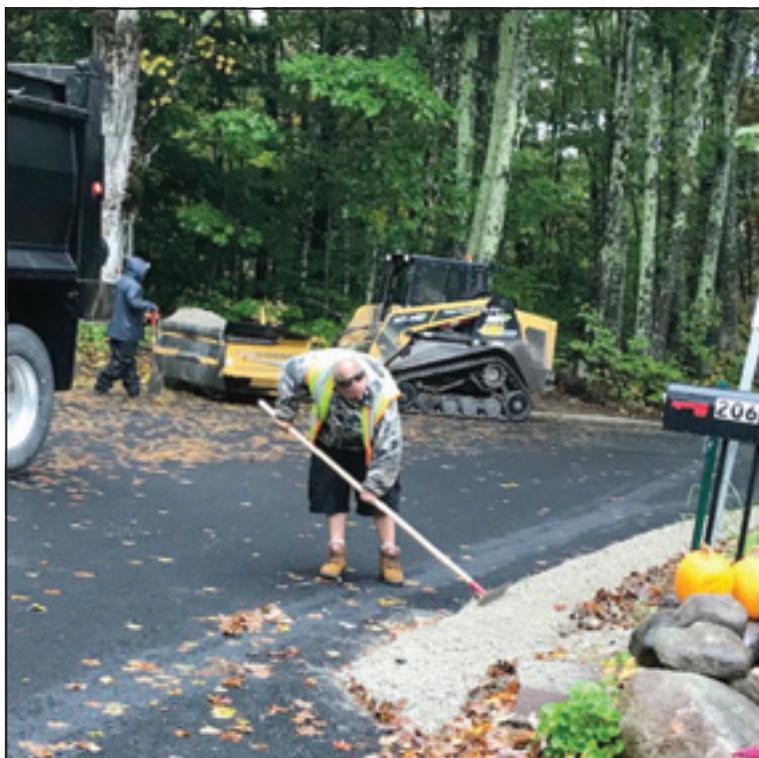
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GMI has finished grinding, grading and paving Old College Road in East Andover. Here they are applying fine gravel on the shoulders.



This painting entitled "Child on Beach" by Annaleida Van't Hoff was one of many works of art exhibited at the Andover Hub in October. The exhibit featured Van't Hoff and Winslow Eaves, who were both Andover residents.

'Retrospective' Exhibit Draws Crowd to Hub

Press release

Well over 250 old friends and relatives, art lovers and collectors, and others curious to know more about two of Andover's best-known artists paid a visit to The Andover Hub during the Oct. 19-21 weekend to view the art and sculpture on display in a 'Retrospective' exhibition mounted by the Andover Historical Society.

Featuring the artwork of Annaleida

van't Hoff (1909-1997) and the sculpture of Winslow Eaves (1922-2003), the 110 exhibited works filled the main hall and dance studio of The Hub, once Andover's town hall. Smaller rooms offered biographical information, showed how the two artists created their work, and presented TV interviews of Eaves made in the 1960s and 1990s. An illustrated catalog containing additional biographi-

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Fatal Motorcycle Crash on Route 11

Andover Fire Department and Emergency Medical Services were called out in the evening of October 10 for a motorcycle accident which occurred on NH Route 11 and Morrill Hill Road. On arrival responders found that a motorcycle had left the road and collided

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Each month the *Beacon* holds a random drawing among Andover residents who have donated to the *Beacon* in the past calendar year. **Andover residents:** Support the *Beacon* every year and join the fun! This month's winners are:

Andover Pizza Chef	Large 2-Topping Pizza	Brenda Godwin
Naughty Nellie's Ice Cream	Gift Certificate	Derek Mansell
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JJ's Market & Deli	Gift Certificate	Tanja & Joe Cloutier
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Help Needed to Preserve Historic Grange Hall

Grange Hall Preservation Committee

The Highland Lake Grange Hall Renovation Committee hired an engineering firm partially funded through the N.H. Preservation Alliance to do a structural evaluation of the Highland Lake Grange Hall.

The following recommendations for the main building structure were recommended:

- Reinforce rafter-to-rafter connections and rafter-to-ceiling joist connections with plywood gussets or similar
- Consider gutters and surface grade drainage improvements to keep bulk water away from the base of mortared stone foundation walls. Consider installing a poly barrier and stone drip edge to reduce splash back onto the building
- The first floor girder beam in the rear addition should be visually monitored for signs of distress such as sagging at mid-span, and crushing at support location. The beam appears to be performing adequately, however analysis indicated that it is undersized
- Confirm post-tensioning metal rods are tight at ends
- Confirm metal rods at the eaves are tight
- Confirm the condition of the sill beam along the 1850 foundation walls. Deteriorated portions of the sill should be replaced in kind
- Check for splitting along the notched first floor joists. Joists that have split should be sistering with new framing and re-supported with face-mount joist hangers
- Replace wood cribbing with concrete footings below newer first floor framing posts in crawl space
- Confirm size and type of interior piers supporting first floor timber columns. Check for deterioration at the base of the timber columns. Columns that have deteriorated should be replaced with preservative treated

timber. A moisture break between the timber and pier such as a stand-off post base or membrane material should be utilized

- Repair and repoint cracks in the stone foundation walls
- Repair and stabilize the Cupola. The framing of the base of the Cupola requires strengthening. The existing framing is in poor condition and deteriorating. Replace previous existing railings
- To make 2nd floor usable:

Option 1: Place a ridge beam or purlins at the roof with supporting posts on the first and second floors, under the main floor

Option 2: Install new post-tensioned beams under the existing second floor girders. This option may prove to be more costly and complex however, no columns would be needed in open floor space

- Re-shingle roof
- Clapboard and paint the remaining 3 sides of the building.

The estimated repair costs are \$84,000 for structural engineering and construction costs. Addition costs for shingles, clapboards and finishes to the first and second floor could reach another \$50,000.

We need your help to keep this old historic building going for many years to come. Many organizations and families use this building and appreciate its character and charm. Together we can make the Grange Hall beautiful and strong again.

The report was funded, in part, by a grant from the New Hampshire Preservation Alliance, which receives support for its grants program from the N.H. Land and Community Heritage Investment Program (LCHIP).

Donations can be sent to ACC, Attn: Donna Thompson, PO Box 211, East Andover, NH 03231. Please note your check to ACC to be used for the Grange Hall.

Thank you, Grange Hall Renovation Committee



Beacon Mails Appeal to All Who Haven't Donated

It's up to all of us to support our community newspaper!

Beacon Board of Directors

"We haven't received your donation to the Beacon this year." That's the first line of a letter that will arrive in about 900 Andover mailboxes in mid-November.

If you've already donated to Andover's non-profit community newspaper this year, thank you! You won't be receiving a letter, because you're already doing your part to help the Beacon continue in its vital role of knitting the community of Andover together.

Now, for those of you who haven't donated to the Beacon yet this year: You've been receiving the Beacon all year for free; but did you realize that

because there are no economies of scale in publishing a newspaper for a town of only 1,200 households, each issue you receive costs about \$1.50 just for printing and mailing -- not counting salaries, insurance, computers, etc.?

Advertisers cover about half of that, but that still leaves a big chunk that has to come from the community that enjoys and benefits from the Beacon; yet sadly, only 11% of readers have donated to the Beacon so far this year.

If you receive a letter from the Beacon in mid-November, we sincerely hope you can support the Beacon in 2018. We promise to make your tax-deductible gift go a long way toward keeping Andover a place in which we're all proud to live!



Early Publication Date For Andover Beacon December Issue!

We are bringing out the December issue of the Andover Beacon on November 30th this year, rather than the usual mid-December date. We feel this will give advertisers and event announcers more time for people to see their ads and announcements. It also gives our readers more coverage of upcoming December events.

While this also means that the time in between the combined December/January issue and the February issue will be longer, the benefit of an earlier December issue should outweigh that minor inconvenience for both readers and advertisers.

Notice to Advertisers and anyone wishing to announce a December event: **The absolute deadline for submissions/ads is November 20th.** This is very important as the Thanksgiving holiday comes in the middle of production time. Our Editor and volunteers would like to enjoy some turkey!

Advertising specials for the December/January issue:

- *The usual 2 for 1 red and green spot color pricing.*
- *Eighth page ad coupon section. \$25 each. B&W. Coupon ads must contain either a freebie or a discount to the customer.*

Shelley Geoghegan, Publisher

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Local Chef Starts New Restaurant

Anna Hollenbaugh

Brian MacKenzie is opening a restaurant in Andover. He is hoping to create a place for the community to gather.

Brian studied at The Culinary Insti-



Brian MacKenzie is renovating the old Belletes Hardware Store into a new restaurant.

tute of America, worked at a Virginia country inn, managed a restaurant in Colorado, ran the Inn at Pleasant Lake for more than a decade, and most recently worked in the student center at Proctor for two years. His next stop is opening a restaurant in the old Belletes building across from the Circle K in Potter Place.

Brian has worn many hats in the cooking industry, he has been a chef, manager, and dishwasher. The new

establishment is on 4 Mill Road in Andover with renovations still in progress. Brian said with a smile, "We were hoping to have it done in July of last summer, it is supposed to be done this week, so it will probably be done in January! Why I do this, I don't know! I am a glutton for punishment."

Brian's new restaurant is building on his southern roots and will feature barbeque, an area he has explored at length over the past few years with his catering business: Brother's House of Smoke. He hopes what will make his restaurant stand out is its casual atmosphere where people come together to talk, catch up, watch a game, and enjoy each other and good food.

There will be a bar and in the center of the restaurant along a take-out counter where people can grab prepared salads and foods for a quick, delicious meal. Brian's main goal is to create a place where the community can gather and connect with each other. Brian and his partner are searching for the right name but haven't finalized one yet. Keep your eyes out for the opening of Andover's newest restaurant.

Anna Hollenbaugh is a senior at Proctor Academy from Summit, New Jersey.

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to the AHS for more than 25 years. Her depth of knowledge and experience has been instrumental in creating the AHS as it currently is.

Some of her significant contributions to the AHS:

Pat has organized the annual Old Time Fair for nearly two decades, turning it into a major event which educates and entertains while raising the bulk of the AHS funds every year.

Pat oversaw the acquisition of the Railroad Freight Shed and then coordinated the installation of a historical freight car at the Potter Place Rail Depot museum.

She produced the annual AHS Calendar, which gives the community access to our photographic holdings and helps to raise funds.

Pat brought the AHS into the computer age by acquiring the first computer for the organization, and overseeing the digitization of the AHS collections database. She ensured that the oral histories held by the organization as audio cassettes were conserved into digital audio files as well as initiating a project to transcribe them, and personally transcribing a large number of them. She oversaw the transcription of Helen Phelps' diaries which have been made available to the public during the past year. Pat also played a major role in helping the neighboring Wilmot Historical Soci-

ety digitize aspects of their collection in a similar manner.

In her role as a Cemetery Commissioner, Pat has created a centralized catalogue of the gravestones and cemeteries in Andover (some of which date back to the middle of the 18th century).

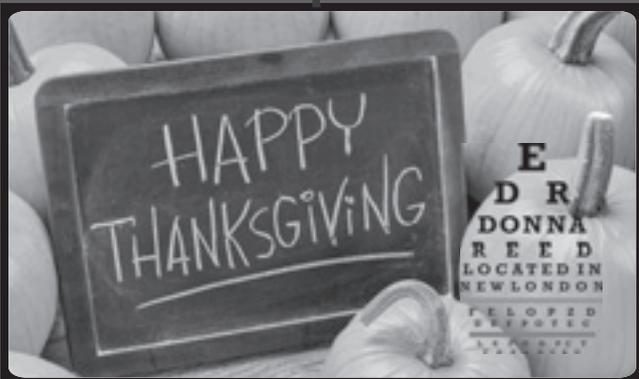
Pat has made an incalculable contribution in building the AHS collections. She secured numerous donations and has always been active in identifying and liaising with donors, resulting in a richer set of collections and helpful future contacts for the Society. She also organized the transfer of relevant items between the AHS and other local Historical Societies.

Pat's outreach has been unparalleled. She engages the support and interest of professionals and local volunteers. She has a knack for identifying the natural interests and potential of volunteers, inspiring people to take on new roles, and empowering them to work independently. This base of local support allows the AHS to open its museums every weekend throughout the summer, and to stage one of Andover's two major community events.

The practices and relationships that Pat has brought to the AHS over a quarter century will ensure the preservation and local appreciation of Andover's history for decades to come



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training, and Kathy went on to help Laura facilitate programs. Then Laura was offered a full time position at Libby Cass Library in Springfield. Not again! But again Kathy stepped in: she came, she saw, she conquered."

"Within a few weeks, with Kathy's strong support, we hired a new director, a former teacher who loved books of all genres. The synergy between Tina Wegler and Kathy was inspiring and wonderful; add to the mix the Andover director, and we were off and running. And then-yes, again! Tina returned to teaching, and Kathy ran a crew of volunteers until things settled down.

Priscilla Poulin is currently running both libraries as we prepare for an upcoming search."

"Time and again Kathy has provided strength, stability, good humor, and a passion for reading not only when we needed her but every day at the little William A. Bachelder Library in East

Andover. As a member of the Andover Libraries Book Club, she shares her voracious appetite for books. Since processing new titles is part of her volunteer job, she catches the good ones and manages to zip through the books before the public even knows they're there. She is, simply, crazy about books."

"Kathy has also been the point person for community programs at the library. She started a morning sewing/knitting/handcrafts group, and when interest grew, she moved it to the Hub, as the Thursday morning "UFO" group. She was part of a "Zentangle" club that met Tuesday evenings in the winter, when the Bachelder is a cozy and inviting place to socialize. She has also taken her community commitment to AEMS on SHARE Day, an annual event in which school and town share interests and expertise."

Need something done at the Bachelder? Kathy has been and still is our volunteer extraordinaire. Congratulations from all of us, Kathy!



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Events Calendar

November 1
"Grease" by Franklin High
School: 7:30 PM at Franklin Opera House, FranklinOperaHouse.org, (603) 934-1901

November 2
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November 3
Neighbor Helping Neighbor Giveaway: 9 AM to 2 PM, Highland Lake Grange Hall, E. Andover
Merrimack County Home Craft Fair: 10 AM-4 PM, 325 Daniel Webster Hwy., Boscaawen, (603)796-3207

Native American Flute Seminar: 2 PM presentation, concert 5 PM, Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum, Warner, (603) 735-5311, IndianMuseum.org

"Grease" by Franklin High
School: 3 PM & 7:30 PM at Franklin Opera House, FranklinOperaHouse.org, (603) 934-1901

November 4
Seminar on Southwestern Jewelry: Noon, Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum, Warner, (603) 735-5311, IndianMuseum.org

"Grease" by Franklin High
School: 3 PM at Franklin Opera House, FranklinOperaHouse.org, (603) 934-1901

November 6
State/National Election: 8 AM to 7 PM at AE/MS

Andover Service Club Bake Sale: (during election), at AE/MS

November 8
Jared Beerman Action Figure Photography Expo & Talk: 7 PM, Wilnot Public Library, Wilnot

November 9
Turkey Raffle Drawing: 7 PM at Andover Fish and Game Club, (603) 735-5311

"Fall into Art" Show: 5-7 PM, WCA Red Barn, Wilnot, WimotWCA.org

November 10
Andover Institute Photo Expo: 9 AM, Andover Hub, Andover, (603) 735-5076

"Fall into Art" Show: 9 AM-Noon, WCA Red Barn, Wilnot, WimotWCA.org

Seminar on Tribal Sovereignty, Land Reclamation, etc.: Noon, Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum, Warner, (603) 735-5311, IndianMuseum.org

"Bubble Show" Performance: 3 PM at Franklin Opera House, (603) 934-1901, FranklinOperaHouse.org

November 11
Seminar-Abenaki Perspective on Personhood: 1 PM, Mt.

Kearsarge Indian Museum, Warner, (603) 735-5311, IndianMuseum.org

November 14
Andover Service Club Mtg.: 10 AM at Highland Lake Grange Hall

November 15
Kearsarge Region Senior Lunch: 11:30 at WCA Red Barn, Wilnot, (603) 526-6368

November 16
Andover CoffeeHouse: 7 PM at Highland Lake Grange Hall, E. Andover, AndoverCoffeehouse.org

Holiday Happy Hour: 3:30 to 6:30 at South Danbury Church, Rte. 4, Danbury

November 17
Lake Sunapee VNA Craft Fair: 9 AM to 2 PM, Kearsarge Comm. Presbyterian Church, New London, (603) 735-5311

The language of Baskets Seminar: 1 PM, Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum, Warner, (603) 735-5311, IndianMuseum.org

Scott Spradling Band: 7:30 PM at Franklin Opera House, FranklinOperaHouse.org, (603) 934-1901

Patrick Ross in Concert: 7 PM at Whipple Hall, Colby-Sawyer College, New London, CenterForTheArtsNH.org/concerts

November 18
The Way of the Moccasin Seminar: 10 AM, Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum, Warner, (603) 735-5311, IndianMuseum.org

Kearsarge Chorale Concert: 3 PM at Sawyer Center Theater, Colby Sawyer College, KearsargeChorale.org

November 20
Senior Health Clinic: 10 AM to 1 PM at Andover Hub, (800) 924-8620, ext. 5815

Andover Service Club Pie Sale: 11 AM to 6 PM, Circle K Store, Rte. 11 Andover

November 21
Andover Service Club Pie Sale: 11 AM to 6 PM, Circle K Store, Rte. 11 Andover

November 28
Andover Library Book Club: (603) 735-5076, wablibrary@comcast.net

December 1
Christmas Craft and Bake Sale: 9 AM to 2 PM, Highland Lake Grange Hall, E. Andover, (603) 744-6858

Wilnot Ladies Aid Cookie Walk: 9 AM at New London Outing Club Gym, New London, Lindy@heimfamily.org

December 2
Dicken's "A Christmas Carol" reading: 2 PM at Salisbury Town Hall

November Senior Health Clinic in Andover

Tuesday, November 20, 10 AM to 1 PM

Press release

Concord Regional VNA is holding a Senior Health Clinic at the Andover Hub, 157 Main Street in Andover on Tuesday, November 20 from 10 AM. to 1 PM.

All Senior Health Clinic services are provided for a suggested donation of \$10; however, services are provided regardless of a person's ability to pay. Services offered include foot care, blood pressure screening, B-12 injections, medication education, and nutritional education. Call (603) 224-4093 or (800) 924-8620, ext. 5815 for an appointment. 

Andover Fish & Game Club Annual Turkey Raffle in November

Drawing on Friday, November 9 at 7 PM

Press release

The Andover Fish and Game Club's Annual Turkey Raffle will be held on Friday, November 9 at 7 PM at the Clubhouse in East Andover. All participants will be treated to refreshments and a free door prize. Come try your luck at winning the popular 50/50 raffle, turkeys and hams (just in time for those holiday meals), and other special items.

A Mossberg O/U 20-gauge/12-gauge combo Silver Reserve shotgun will be raffled off that night, as well as \$500. worth of fuel. Tickets can be bought that night or in advance. Deer

Pool tickets will be available for purchase as well.

The Turkey Raffle helps raise money for the Club's two annual kids' fishing derbies and to send kids to the Barry Conservation Camp. Raised money is also donated to charities, other clubs, and people in need, and is used for supplies and upkeep of the Clubhouse.

Come have a great night out with your family and friends, while helping the AF&G pursue their mission to educate the public, particularly children, about the outdoors, wildlife, and outdoor sports such as hunting and fishing. Contact Rich Gross at 735-5311 with any questions about the Turkey Raffle. 

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Andover American Legion Post to Dedicate POW/MIA Memorial

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The American Legion Crosby-Gilbert Post 101 of Andover will dedicate a memorial to the town on November 8th at the Andover Elementary Middle school in memory of the thousands of prisoners of war (POW) and missing in action (MIA) service members who are not accounted for.

This event will coincide with the Annual Veterans Day celebration at the school.

The Memorial will include an empty chair depicting an unoccupied seat waiting for the POW/MIA to return and join the audience. Let us never forget the sacrifices each of our service members have given.

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OPINIONS

Karrick Responds to Mendola and Wells

David Karrick

David Karrick is a candidate for NH House District 25. He previously served in the house and is a frequent contributor to the Beacon.

I was interested to read former SAU 65 School Board Member Joe Mendola's letter in several local papers supporting New Hampshire Legislature candidates Natalie Wells and Terry Cox and advocating unlimited school choice. Neither Joe Mendola nor Representative Natalie Wells seem to care that State support of private and religious school choice reduces the payments the State makes to our public school districts and increases your property taxes since the towns have to make up the difference in costs.

Public Schools have fixed costs even with a reduced school population such as teachers' already inadequate salaries, building maintenance, security, sports, and other expenses such as unfunded mandates. NH State Senate Bill 193 would have created a private school voucher program open to any public school student. It is estimated that this

program would drain up to 100 million dollars from school districts over the next 11 years. There is also the probability that State support of private religious schools is unconstitutional. Furthermore it has been found that charter schools, private schools, and home schooling have very limited State supervision. There is no assurance that students outside the public schools will have the necessary education to compete in today's increasingly complicated world.

It seemed that the zombie voucher bill, Senate Bill 193, was dead after being referred to Interim Study last May by the NH House but it is once again being considered in committee and will probably emerge little changed in the next legislative session. If you elect Ken Wells and me to the NH House on November 6 we will do our best to see that this bill is permanently killed. Furthermore we'll work to see that the State finally fulfills its promise made in the 1990s to ensure all public students receive a good 21st century education without regard to local property values. 

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cal information and photographs of selected works was available for purchase, and remains on sale at a price of \$15. Contact co-curator Gail Richards at 498-6439 for details on how to obtain.

About the 'Retrospective'

In the catalog introduction, co-curator Patty Eaves, Winslow's daughter-in-law, writes:

"In 1952, Winslow Eaves, fresh

et road in East Andover. Soon she began teaching art classes at the local school.

"It wasn't long before Winslow and Annaleida became friends. Through their shared love of and enthusiasm for their art, they worked with other local artists and art lovers to establish the Andover Creative Arts Association in 1966. The Association was active for over 20 years and presented an annual 4th of July arts and crafts exhibit at Proctor Academy featuring professional and amateur artists alike, and drawing thousands of visitors to the area.

"Winslow's sculptures range from the whimsical to the monumental, in bronze, marble, granite, wood, metal and clay. He once said, 'I want people to enjoy my sculpture, to study it from all sides, touch it, think about it - I think people should try to experience the work directly.'"

"Annaleida's paintings, on the other hand, '...should say what cannot be said by any other means - not by words, nor music, nor by touch.' Her work in oil, enamel, pastel, watercolor, acrylic, charcoal, pencil, print and mixed-media includes portraits, landscapes, still-life, animals and abstracts."

"This exhibition is designed to create awareness of Andover's historic tradition of art in the community through education, exhibits and interpretive materials by spotlighting these two notable Twentieth Century Andover artists."

"May it inspire us all!" 



Voice of the Turtle, basswood sculpture by Eaves, co-curator Gail Richards at left. from studying at Beaux Arts in Paris and starting a job teaching sculpture classes at Dartmouth College, moved his young family to a large, drafty colonial in Andover, NH.

At the same time, Annaleida van't Hoff was also looking for a fresh start. With years of studying and showing her art under her belt, she moved from New York City to a quaint farmhouse on a qui-

Letters

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!

Elbow Pond Washout

The engineers for the proposed Elbow Pond Road culvert repair met with the Andover Conservation Commission on October 3. Select Board member Vicky Mishcon was present along with several residents of the road.

The project is to repair the washed out so-called east culvert which is 69 yards west of the Mountain Brook Bridge and 71 yards east of the so-called west culvert. Water under both culverts and the bridge flows into Elbow Pond. The section of road between the two culverts washed out previously in 2005 and then cost more than \$50,000 to repair.

Plans for the new project were displayed. Vicky Mishcon explained the Select Board was asking for quick Conservation Commission approval of the plans so that an emergency wetlands permit could be submitted to the state. This permit should bring approval within 30 days so that construction

could proceed this fall. The Commission voted to approve the plans.

At the time of this writing, the engineering firm tells us the cost estimate for the project if done by an outside contractor is \$193,000. The Select Board believes the cost will be much lower if the work is done by the town, but no actual estimate has been calculated. Almost \$20,000 additional has already been spent for design and fees.

A flood relief grant application for the work has been submitted to FEMA, and the town believes \$61,000 has been approved.

Questions arise:

- 1) Why the rush to do the work?
- 2) While the Select Board has the authority to spend this money, is it proper or appropriate for them to spend an amount equal to 10 percent of the annual town budget on this small project without the voters' approval?
- 3) Is the repair really necessary?

Our comments about the questions follow:

Where is the emergency? The road has been closed for a year. So far as we know, no one has suffered.

Would not work on this wet project go better in a warmer, drier season than in the high water and freeze ups of late fall?

Looking at costs, the future also needs to be considered. The west culvert is exactly the same construction as the washed out east culvert. Some future flood likely will wash it out. Repair of this would cost just as much as the east one will now.

Also, the Mountain Brook Bridge needs repairs or replacement. The new Morrill Hill Road Bridge over the Elbow Pond outlet cost more than \$600,000. How many hundreds of thousands of dollars will a new Mountain Brook bridge cost?

Complaints have been heard about the creation of two dead end roads. But Andover already has more than 40. Why would two more be such a problem?

Also, there are at least 10 of these now dead end roads in Andover and 5 more running into other towns, that could be reestablished as through roads by upgrading class VI connections.

Some of these would be unrealistic projects and many would be opposed by the present residents who like their quieter, safer, more secure dead ends - just like most of our Elbow Pond Road neighbors do now.

All these previous through roads became dead ends when maintenance of uninhabited portions became too costly

relative to their usefulness. Is not Elbow Pond Road now in exactly this same situation?

Some say all this doesn't matter because we have FEMA money. Some call FEMA money "free" money. But should we call federal dollars free? Doesn't Washington raise its money by taxation?

We hope the people who would like the culvert repaired are not those who favor low taxes and small government.

Is this hurry-up project maybe a government boondoggle?

Here we have the town ready to spend \$100,000 or more with the strong possibility that many more hundreds of thousands will need to be spent in the not too distant future, all this on 150 yards of dirt road that most of the road's residents would prefer be kept closed. Please think about it.

*Bill Bardsley
Andy Prokosch*

Vote for Natalie Wells

To Citizens of Warner, Webster, Salisbury, Danbury and Andover, I urge you to vote for Natalie Wells for State Representative on November 6.

She has proven to be a responsive representative and concerned with her constituents problems and seeks solu-

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The mission of *The Andover Beacon* is to serve and strengthen the Andover community. To that end, we welcome civil, reasoned letters addressing specifically local issues, events, and developments. Submissions must not be critical of another's religion; blasphemous; obscene; hateful; legally objectionable; or commercial in nature. The *Beacon* reserves the right to edit or not publish submissions it deems inappropriate for any reason.



Andover Area Democrats, Progressives & Independents enthusiastically support

**Ken Wells for State Representative District 1
David Karrick for State Representative District 25
Mason Donovan for State Senate District 7**

This team of Democratic candidates will work hard on behalf of local residents to:

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- ★ Protect Medicaid expansion that has already helped more than 50,000 NH families;
- ★ Keep our local public schools strong by not giving away taxpayer dollars to private schools;
- ★ Work with towns to improve roads and bridges and expand high-speed internet in rural towns;
- ★ Move NH toward a sustainable future, supporting renewable energy, local farms and local forestry.

We, the undersigned, encourage voters to join us in voting on November 6 for the entire slate of Democratic candidates.

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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*.

Planning Board

August 14, 2018

(Condensed from Approved Minutes)

Members present: Paul Currier, Acting Chair; Randall Costa, Vice Chair; Art Urie; Jon Warzocha; Nancy Teach; Randy Monti; Doug Phelps and Dave Blinn, Ex-Officio ; Pat Moyer, Zoning & Planning Coordinator; Bill & Betty Bardsley; Steve Miano; Pierre Bedard

Bill Bardsley – Non-Binding Consultation – Lot Line Adjustment / Annexation

At a previous non binding consultation the board requested a survey of the portion of the property to be annexed. Moyer received a letter from Colin Brown of Central Land Surveying, who conducted the property survey shown by Bardsley to the PB (Planning Board). The letter states that the survey points depicting the land to be annexed and the new property line were correct on the plan. The PB advised that the survey needs to be recorded as a plot plan in the Merrimack County Registry that shows clearly the land to be annexed, the new property line and the plan needs to coincide with a “meets and bounds” deed and the plan needs to be recorded with the Merrimack County Registry of Deeds.

Completeness Review for Kenneth Grant, Tax Map 6, Lot 278,561 for a Boundary Line Adjustment

Pierre Bedard presented a boundary line adjustment application for a completeness review. The PB advised the existing septic location needs to be indi-

cated on the plan and that all structures on the Sears lot (abutter) need to be indicated on the plan for the application to be deemed complete. The following written requests for waivers were presented: IB Topographic; II Soils; IV Surface Water Run-Off; V Preservation of significant natural and historic features; and VI Construction plans.

Public Hearing – Kenneth Grant, Tax Map 6, Lot 278,561 for a Boundary Line Adjustment

The public hearing was opened at 7:33 PM. No one was present to testify. There being no further discussion, the public hearing was closed at 7:43. Urie made a motion to approve the waivers as presented. Phelps seconded the motion and the PB voted unanimously in favor of approving the waivers as presented. Phelps made a motion to deem the application complete. Warzocha seconded the motion and the board voted unanimously in favor of deeming the application complete with the exceptions noted above. The PB advised Mr. Bedard that a vote on the annexation would be taken and a Mylar signed at the next PB meeting when the revised plan is approved.

Non-Binding Consultation for conversion of a garage into an apartment - Lizabeth Thurston - 153 Cilleyville Road - Map 21 Lot 674-297

Thurston stated there is a total of 113 acres with a garage on the edge of Cilleyville Road. She would like to subdivide the property to create a separate lot for the garage and convert the garage to a dwelling. The parcel has very little road frontage. It was explained to her that a subdivision would need to meet

Office Hours & Meetings

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Town Clerk & Tax Collector:

See article on page 2 for November hours.

Zoning Code Administrator: Tues, 6–7

Transfer Station: Wed & Sat, 7-5

Andover Library:

Mon, 6–8

Wed, 9–12 & 6–8

Thu, 1–5 • Sat, 9-12

Bachelder Library:

Tues, 9–12 & 6–8

Thu, 1–5 • Fri, 1–5

MEETINGS

At the Town Hall unless otherwise noted

Capital Improvement Planning: Last Thu, 7

Conservation: 2nd Wed, 7

Emergency Medical Service: 2nd Wed, Andover Fire Station, 7

Fire Department: Mon, 7

Fourth of July: 1st Wed

Andover Fire Station, 7

Library Trustees: 3rd Thu, 7 Andover or Bachelder Library (except July & Aug)

Planning Board: 2nd & 4th Tue, 7

Recreation: 2nd Tues, 7,

AE/MS Science Room (except July)

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!

NOVEMBER

Mondays: Fire Department, 7

5: Select Board, 6:30

6: School Board, AEMS, 6:30

7: Fourth of July, Andover Fire Station, 7

13: Planning Board, 7

14: Conservation Commission, 7

14: Andover EMS, Andover Fire Station, 7

14: Recreation, AEMS, Science Room, 7

15: Library Trustees, 7

19: Select Board, 6:30

20: Zoning Board, 7

22: Town Clerk/Tax Collector CLOSED

22: Town Office CLOSED

23: Town Office CLOSED

24: Town Clerk/Tax Collector CLOSED

27: Planning Board, 7

24: Town Clerk/Tax Collector CLOSED

27: Planning Board, 7

DECEMBER

Mondays: Fire Department, 7

3: Select Board, 6:30

4: School Board, AEMS, 6:30

5: Fourth of July, Andover Fire Station, 7

11: Planning Board, 7

12: Recreation, AEMS, Science Room, 7

12: Andover EMS, Andover Fire Station, 7

12: Conservation Commission, 7:30

17: Select Board, 6:30

18: Zoning Board, 7

20: Library Trustees, 7

25: Town office CLOSED

25: Tax Collector/Town Clerk CLOSED

the Zoning Ordinance minimum road frontage as well as the requirements for lot width to depth ratio. It was asked if there was any other road frontage and the response was No. A possible ADU was discussed and it was asked if there was room for a septic system. The re-

sponse was yes, probably.

Zoning Administrator:

1. An inquiry was made about requirements for composting toilets for a tiny house. Currier stated if there is running water The Zoning Ordinance and NH State regulations require a septic system.

2. Tanya Jackson submitted a plan for 19 Ives Road. The Jackson’s request a building permit for construction of a

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From the Andover Historical Society, Thank You!

As noted elsewhere in this issue of The Beacon:

Well over 250 old friends and relatives, art lovers and collectors, and others curious to know more about two of Andover's best-known artists paid a visit to The Andover Hub during the Oct. 19-21 weekend to view the art and sculpture on display in a 'Retrospective' exhibition mounted by the Andover Historical Society.

Featuring the artwork of Annaleida van't Hoff (1909-1997) and the sculpture of Winslow Eaves (1922-2003), the 110 exhibited works filled the main hall and dance studio of The Hub, once Andover's town hall. Smaller rooms offered biographical information, showed how the two artists created their work, and presented TV interviews of Eaves made in the 1960s and 1990s.

As one attendee remarked, "It was a show worthy of New York City!"

From the Andover Historical Society officers and trustees, thank you to everyone who helped make it happen!

'A Retrospective' Contributors



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Two Andover Organizations to Join Forces to Better Serve Community

Andover Comm. Assoc. and Andover Hub to merge

Press release

Two local organizations, both dedicated to serving the Andover-area community in a variety of ways, have begun steps to merge operations in order to improve effectiveness, efficiency and outreach. At a series of meetings beginning in mid-summer, representatives of the Andover Community Associa-

tion in late 2016, will donate the building to the new organization soon after it attains non-profit status. The ACA, which was formed in late 2015, will supply that non-profit status, making the new organization a federally designated 501(c)(3) non-profit. That designation will allow supporters of the new organization to deduct their donations from their federal income-tax returns.

Among the first orders of business for the combined organization are these:

- to host a community party in the new year to celebrate this new collaboration and also to gather input from local residents about how best to serve the community;

- to bring together a governing body or steering committee representing a wide variety of local interests, skills and concerns;
- to identify sources of funding for capital projects, operating funds, staffing needs and programming opportunities.

A bit of history:

To date, the ACA has served as the umbrella organization for three subgroups: The Andover Community Coffeeshouse, which is now wrapping up its fourth year of highly successful



Recent art/sculpture exhibition at The Hub drew rave reviews. Works by Winslow Eaves displayed near front door.

tion (ACA) and The Andover Hub have compared their similarities and differences, shared their goals and means to achieve them, and considered a variety of ways that a combined organization could be governed and funded to better serve the local community. Our conclusion: a single non-profit organization, with its headquarters based in The Andover Hub building (Andover's old town hall at 157 Main Street) and its direction shaped by a broad spectrum of local volunteers, provides the best roadmap for the foreseeable future. Representatives of both organizations agreed that the name -- The Andover Hub -- reflects the mission of both groups and have further agreed that it will continue to be the name of the newly merged organization going forward.

Though the new organization has not adopted a merged mission statement, its general purpose is suggested by the wording of its now-separate statements:

The Andover Community Association: "The purpose of the Association shall be to help nurture and enhance a more vibrant, resilient, and sustainable local community and encourage a sense of belonging and personal investment in Andover and its surroundings."

The Andover Hub:

"Our mission is to serve the community by reviving this historic old Town Hall as a place for people of all ages to gather for social, educational, cultural, recreational and economic activities."

The Hub's current owners, who purchased the building in a foreclosure auc-

monthly concerts, held in the Highland Lake Grange Hall in East Andover; the Andover Institute, which has offered about two dozen events (many of them billed as "space explorations") to introduce area residents to activities and surroundings that they would otherwise not experience; and the ACA Communications Group, which published the 88-page "Andover Business & Resource Directory" in 2016.

Since its purchase in November 2016, The Andover Hub has hosted a wide variety of programs, workshops and other events, varying widely from yoga to zumba, cribbage to karate, a twice-weekly drop-in Coffee Hour and several ongoing craft groups; also, programs aimed at retired area residents, a meeting place for a variety of community organizations, rental space for small private events such as birthday parties and baby showers, space for local businesses to meet with clients, and social events like Paint & Sip. Most recently, The Hub served as a gallery for the Andover Historical Society's retrospective exhibit of the sculpture and paintings of two well-known artists long associated with Andover. (See separate article in this issue.)

Current members of the ACA Board of Directors who have been involved in the merger discussions are Paul Currier, Jay Fitzpatrick, and Grace Schust. Hub owners are Deb Brower, Susan and Larry Chase, Pat Cutter, Gisela and Steve Darling, and Stacey and Eric Viandier.

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tions that are sensible and satisfactory.

Natalie takes a practical approach to government and her independent thinking adds to improving the end results of making laws or determining whether there is a need for more laws.

It is not an easy position, with little rewards, but Natalie has volunteered to serve and I admire her willingness to take on the responsibility again.

Natalie Wells deserves to be reelected to the State House of Representatives to continue her fair and conservative views in the many debates during the next session.

Most important, that you go out and vote and protect our individual rights.

God Bless America.

William "Bill" Leber

Andover, NH

Vote for Ken Wells

As Andover residents, concerned about both local and state issues, we are very impressed by Ken Wells, a candidate for NH House District 1 serving Andover, Danbury, and Salisbury.

Ken has been a high school teacher for more than 30 years, with a very strong science background. He understands very well the important problems and issues that we face and also knows how to formulate and analyze possible solutions.

If you are concerned, as we are, about local property tax funding of public schools with only minimal state support, and the possibility of further state support reduction due to diversion of taxpayer funds to private and religious schools, then you should seriously consider voting for Ken. For more information on his thinking on many aspects of what the future of New Hampshire should include, please visit his website, www.electkenwells.org.

Refreshingly, Ken is very interested in dialog with voters, to the point where he will provide his personal phone number with his campaign card, and invite you to call any time to discuss your concerns and issues.

A vote for Ken Wells is a vote for rational, thoughtful policies and solutions to our most pressing state and local issues. He would be a superb addition to the NH House of Representatives.

Bill Radzelovage

Marie Nardino

Andover, NH

People of this area have a wide range of political views and experiences. I value everyone's views on matters that impact on the local area. We need local representatives who will listen to the community as a whole and work with everyone. I believe that Ken Wells is this sort of candidate. He will take time to listen to people and find solutions that help our community and state without getting caught up in partisan politics. I plan to vote for Ken Wells, and I recommend him to people who want everyone

to be heard by our state representative.

Jesse Schust

Vote for Louise Andrus

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Sincerely yours,

Charles Baer

Expressing Support

for David Karrick

We are writing this letter to express our support for David Karrick, who is running to represent the towns of Andover, Danbury, Salisbury, Warner, and Webster in Merrimack District 25. We've come to know David over the course of the last few years and we are impressed with his intelligence and his priorities.

David is an experienced legislator, having served as a District 25 Representative for four years, sitting on the Ways and Means Committee. He also served as a Selectman in Warner. As our Representative, David will be responsive to the concerns of all his constituents, unlike our current Representative.

David's positions on the issues facing New Hampshire are pragmatic and ideologically neutral. For instance, he understands that the State funding contribution for public education for Grades K-12 is unsustainable and will act to resolve this long-festering problem. He understands that previously reduced State funding for tuition for UNH and for other post-high school educational institutions must be increased in order to provide tuition relief for in-state students. He understands the most basic of economic principles, which is that the State must increase, rather than continually decrease, its contributions to education in order to (a) provide an adequate education to all NH children; (b) provide tuition relief to New Hampshire's college and vocational students; and (c) provide much-needed property tax relief to long-suffering taxpayers.

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Andover Community Church News-November 2018

Sandra Miller
Andover Community Church

This is an abbreviated update on what's going on at the Church. See feature article elsewhere in this paper on the results of a special meeting held on October 14th. Saturday, November 3rd, we will be having a "Neighbor helping Neighbor" give-away. This event will be held at the E. Andover Grange Hall (next to the Church) from 9 AM - 2 PM.

EVERYTHING IS FREE - all flea market items, all clothing, books, puzzles, toys, etc. Shop for Yourself or for anyone you might know who might have a need for certain things. Continental breakfast and luncheon will also be provided - also AT NO COST! We encourage you to come and shop. Pass the word to your friends and neighbors.

Also, on Saturday, December 1st, we will be having our annual CHRISTMAS CRAFT AND BAKE SALE (See ad elsewhere in this paper.)

We are in the process of filling over 100 shoe boxes with items for children in third world countries. This is a mission project of "Samaritan's Purse" under the leadership of Franklin Graham.

You are always welcome at the Andover Community Church. Feel free to call the Church office (735-5160) to speak with Pastor John Wagner for more information on what's going on at the Church or if you need help in any way. Our Church service and Sunday School begin at 9:30 AM every Sunday.

Thought for the day: "He who throws dirt loses ground". (Read Ephesians 4:25)

Andover Congregational Church Changes Its Name

**Now Andover
Community Church**

Press release

Andover's original "Congregational, parish church" is becoming a congregation in the Anglican Diocese of New England. Andover's historic, protestant Christian congregation (the building itself dates back to 1796-97) is pleased to announce that, after a long journey of prayer and discernment concerning denominational affiliation, a vote was taken on Sunday, October 14. By an overwhelming majority the members decided to join the Anglican Church in North America (ACNA), partnering with Anglican provinces in Africa and across the globe.

In the ten years since we voted to leave the United Church of Christ, the church has grown and stretched in new ways that have led us to choose the ACNA as the larger fellowship of churches which best reflects who we are now (and have been becoming for some time). One of our purposes in joining the Anglican denomination is that we might embrace the fullness of Christ's Church in its three historic streams:

1) There is the "catholic" stream (small "c") meaning, "according to the whole" or what has been believed and practiced by Christians almost universally in all times and places. C.S. Lewis, a famous Anglican, spoke of "mere Christianity." The Anglican way looks to the ancient creeds of the Church and writings of the Early Church to guide its faith and practice.

2) They are "reformed" and ever reforming according to the written Word of God, the Old and New Testaments. The "reformed" or evangelical stream recaptured in the Reformation of the English Church in the 1500's, reestablished the primacy of the Holy Scripture for establishing Christian doctrine and the saving Gospel of Jesus Christ. (If it's not in the Bible it's not necessary for salvation). Yet, the Word without the Spirit remains lifeless and without power to transform lives which is the Gospel.

3) Anglicans fully embrace the

"charismatic" stream with its emphasis on the need for the gifts and power of the Holy Spirit to do the ministry of Christ in the world. What does this mean for us practically, here at Andover Community Church?

If you were to visit us you would find some of all three streams in operation. God's Word is taught here and preached and recited in the responses and liturgies of the Sunday service. Worship follows Anglican forms of the liturgy of the historic Church (including the Eucharist or Holy Communion) along with contemporary forms of praise and worship music; and place given to the leading of the Holy Spirit through the worshipping body of believers. (We believe in the priesthood of all believers in the manifestation and ministry of the gifts of the Spirit).

Andover's Church will remain the community church we have always been, with our members coming from a variety of church backgrounds (Congregational and Episcopal, Baptist and Catholic, etc.) and no background whatsoever. We also, aspire to be a church in ministry and Christ's mission to the community, to Andover and the surrounding area.

Come, visit with us to see first hand what we are doing; and if you are a Christian believer without a church home, give us a serious look. Seekers and the curious are also very welcome. We would also love to have you join us for the Alpha Course in the Winter. Alpha is designed for seekers and non-Christians to learn about the basic Christian faith in a non-judgmental environment where all questions may be asked and opinions expressed.

We don't claim to have it all for every Christian, nor that there won't be further things for us to learn and do differently in the coming days. But believing we are being led by Christ's Spirit to this "church home," we recognize this as a good thing, not only for us personally but also that we might more effectively do the mission Jesus has given us to do in this time and place, and into the future.

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Press release

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- **Grief Support Group:** Wednesday, November 7 and 14, from 2 to 4 PM at the office.

- **Blood Pressure Clinics:** Thursday, November 1, 11:15 to Noon at Salisbury Senior Center, Tuesday, November 27, 10:30 to 11:30 at Rowell Community Center in Franklin.
- **B-12 Injections:** Wednesday, November 7 at the office. Call for appointment.
- **Foot Care Clinics:** Every Wednesday, at the office. Call for appointment
- **Bereavement Drop-In Support:** Monday, November 12, 2 to 3:30 PM at the office.

Andover Service Club News

Mary Ofenloch

November is a very busy month for the ladies of ASC. The annual Election Day bake sale will take place at AE/MS on November 6. A large variety of baked items will be for sale with coffee or tea. Tickets for the fourth Gifts Galore Raffle will be sold on Election Day, at the Thanksgiving Day pie sale, and at the ASC Thrift Shop. Winning tickets will be drawn on December 12, at the annual Christmas luncheon at 74 Main in New London.

The annual Thanksgiving pie sale will take place on Tuesday, November 20 and Wednesday, November 21 at the Food Stop in Potter Place. Delicious homemade pies in a variety of flavors such as apple, blueberry, pumpkin, and pecan, etc will be sold. Proceeds from

these events will benefit the ASC Merit Scholarship Fund and local community non-profit organizations.

On October 27 the ASC sponsored its fourth art & craft fair: Christmas in October at the Jingle Bell Fair. Vendors from Andover and many other surrounding towns participated for a very successful day. Customers purchased one-of-a-kind gifts for themselves, family, and friends.

The ASC will meet on November 14 at 10 AM in the Highland Lake Grange Hall. Tammy Astle, OT, will be the special guest speaker. Her topic will be The Care and Feeding of the Brain. All women (young, old, or in-between), are invited to attend. The Grange Hall is located on Chase Hill Road in East Andover.



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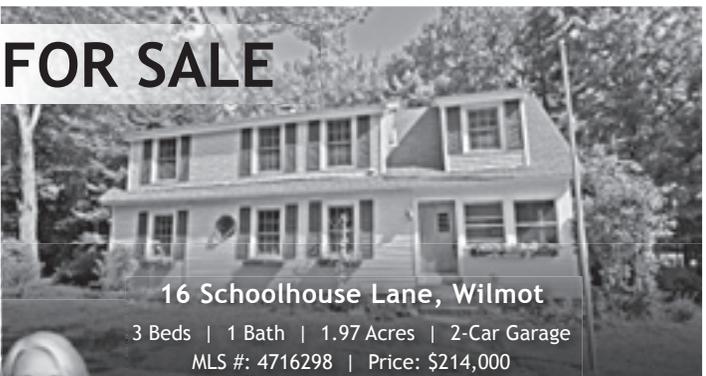


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Henry Bendel, formerly of Andover and now of Hayward, California, is shown below with his mother Robin Boynton at the SKYE Bistro in Honolulu having concluded their ten day hiking tour of Kauai and Oahu in celebration of her birthday and third i.e., final retirement. NOTE: They brought along the September issue of the Beacon! The trip was a gift to Robin from her children.



Joanna Sumner and Dan Coolidge are standing in front of Bunratty Castle, a restored 15th century castle between Limerick and Shannon in Ireland. They enjoyed their trip to Western Ireland and Aran Islands celebrating Joanna's recent retirement, and their birthdays which are on the same date. Also, celebrating Dan's new Irish tweed cap!

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Through the Reading Glasses— November 2018

Janet Moore, Library Trustee

The United Nations Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change Report was released in early October. Go to www.ipcc.ch for a four page press release detailing key findings and suggestions and links to the report. Also, pick up a copy of “The Green Energy Times,” which is available for free around town and learn about alternative energy and green solutions on a very local basis.

Need more science? “Discover Magazine” provides in depth articles for the layperson on everything from quarks to sharks, plus the latest in archeological findings and deep space research. “Northern Woodlands” is one of my favorites, as we live in the middle of

the New England woodlands. Bogs, bugs, bees, birds, beeches and birches, articles on conservation, reforestation, biomass fuel—it’s all in here.

For a broader take, “National Geographic” and “Smithsonian” delve into exploration and cultures of the world, while maintaining a focus on current expeditions and past discoveries. Where did I learn about Afghanistan, Machu Picchu, Easter Island, Switzerland’s Matterhorn, and Lake Baikal? I sat enthralled, curled up in my favorite chair, leafing through “National Geographic” until the pages wore down. Try these on for size and plan your next fantasy trip. Enjoy!



Bachelder Library New Acquisitions

November 2018 Beacon

Adult Fiction

Bearskin, James A. McLaughlin
If Not for You, Debbie Macomber
Texas Ranger, James Patterson and Andrew Bourelle

Field of Bones, J.A. Jance
Unsheltered, Barbara Kingsolver
There There, Tommy Orange

Adult Nonfiction

Fear: Trump in the White House, Bob Woodward
Can't We Talk About Something More Pleasant?: A Memoir, Roy Chase
If A Place Can Make You Cry:

Dispatches from an Anxious State, Daniel Gordis

Killing the SS: The Hunt for the Worst War Criminals in History, Bill O'Reilly and Martin Dugard
The Poison Squad: One Chemist's Single-Minded Crusade for Food Safety at the Turn of the 20th Century, Deborah Blum

Children's Books

Llama Llama Holiday Drama, Anna Dewdney
Llama Llama and Me: My Book of Memories, Anna Dewdney
On the Go with Daniel Tiger, various authors
The Story of Peppa Pig, Neville Astley
Peppa Pig and the Lost Christmas List, Neville Astley

Bachelder Library Seeking New Librarian

Press release

The Bachelder Library in East Andover is seeking a new librarian. This is a part time job: Tuesday morning and evening and Thursday and Friday afternoons. The Bachelder is

a small town library with a quiet but powerful presence in the village.

Applicants may contact Susan Chase at srfchase@gmail.net or Janet Moore at jmpcilley@tds.net for details. Library or teaching experience helpful.



Andover Book Club November 2018

Janet Moore

The Library Book Club will meet again on the 4th Wednesday of November, the 28th, at the Bachelder Library in East Andover. Our selection will be “The Bean Trees,” a prize-winning author Barbara Kingsolver’s first book. Kentucky native Taylor Greer leaves home to drive across America, and while passing through Cherokee territory in Oklahoma, an Indian woman hands her a small child to keep. Taylor and the

newly named “Turtle” proceed on their journey, landing in Tucson, where they learn to navigate the justice system, deal with Native American parental rights, and establish friendship and family.

If you’re a Kingsolver fan, her first book and its sequel, “Pigs in Heaven,” are well worth re-reading. Never had the pleasure? Come join us and get ready for an introduction to an alternate American family life from Turtle and Taylor’s point of view.



Andover Public Library New Acquisitions

November 2018 Beacon

Adult Fiction

CIRCE, Madeline Miller
The First Love, Beverly Lewis
Field of Bones, J.A. Jance
Leverage in Death, J.D. Robb
Pachinko, Min Jin Lee
Raspberry Danish Murder, Joanne Fluke
A Spark of Light, Jodi Picoult
Red War, Vince Flynn and Kyle Mills
Bury the Lead, Archer Mayor
A Forgotten Place, Charles Todd
Lethal White, Robert Galbraith

Adult Nonfiction

The Penny Poet of Portsmouth: A Memoir of Place, Solitude, and Friendship, Katherine Towler
Every Day Is Extra, John Kerry
If A Place Can Make You Cry:
Dispatches from an Anxious State,

Daniel Gordis
Fear: Trump in the White House, Bob Woodward
Educated: A Memoir, Tara Westover

Children's Books

Goodbye Summer, Hello Autumn, Kenard Pak
Goodbye Autumn, Hello Winter, Kenard Pak
Peppa Pig and the I Love You Game, Neville Astley
In the Middle of Fall, Kevin Henkes and Laura Dronzek
On Morning Wings, Reeve Lindbergh and Holly Meade
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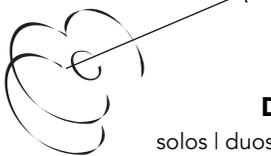
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The Scarecrows of October

Spearheaded by Janet Moore, the Main Street in Andover and East Andover have been adorned with some pretty interesting and artistic Scarecrows during the month of October. It is hoped that this will become an annual event.

The stated purpose of the event was to “build a scarecrow and watch community spirit grow.” stated Moore. Judging by the comments of the builders and admirers along Main Street, the project was successful.

(Top L to R) East Andover Village Preschool (2 photos), Andover Community Church, Barton Performance, (2nd Row) KOR Motor Sports, Andover Hub, Town Hall, Andover Public Library, and BirdsEye View Aerobotics. (Opposite page) Bar Harbor Bank, Ragged Mountain. Physical Therapy, and AE/MS.

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health care; obtainable clean energy, including the removal of limits on net metering; obtainable statewide high speed internet and broadband service.

It is irrefutable that New Hampshire is having difficulty attracting and keeping young people and young families. On the Republican agenda for 2019 is the continuing suppression of voting rights, reduction of access to comprehensive health care, privatization of education, corporate tax relief. David's opponent publicly states that she is aligned with Americans for Prosperity—an outside Koch Brothers organization devoted to cutting business taxes, removing business regulations (especially energy regulations), and privatizing education. None of these goals benefit us—the people.

Please join us in voting for David Karrick to represent us in Merrimack District 25. Thank you.

Marie D. Nardino

William Radzelovage

Andover, NH

Vote for Ken Wells & David Karrick

On November 6th, I hope you will join me in supporting my good friends Ken Wells and David Karrick for Merrimack 1 and Merrimack 25 districts as State Representatives. Ken is a retired teacher and David is a former State Representative who both understand that education and education funding are crucially important for New Hampshire to retain its youthful population. For too long now, the state has reneged on its obligations to our schools, downshifting costs to our towns. In the last two years of complete Republican control in our state, we have witnessed the legislature give \$100 million in tax breaks to a handful of rich corporations instead of sending the money back to our towns. Representative Natalie Wells and State Senator Harold French have both supported this giant give away under the guise of helping businesses to come to New Hampshire when the real problem is the lack

of trained workers to fill the existing employment opportunities. Again, education and training are the answer. We can no longer afford to short change our students and we sure could use a break in our property taxes.

On a personal note, Ken Wells has been my good neighbor for many years. Ken and his wife Lee have been involved in many Andover community organizations, such as the Andover Energy Group, the Historical Society, the Friends of the Rail Trail and the Service Club.

I enthusiastically recommend both Ken and David. I hope you will join me in voting for both of them on November 6th.

Manio Ratzki

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Thank You for your support in the past and I ask for your vote on November 6th. I have been endorsed by the Concord Police Union, The NH Troopers Association, The Merrimack County Chiefs of Police, and the Merrimack County Sheriff Office Union.

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Cindy Benson's photograph, "Field Fog," was taken on Old Coach Road in Sunapee, looking out toward Mt. Kearsarge after a rain and hail storm in the early evening. Cindy will be presenting two workshops at the November 17 Photo Expo in Andover. The event begins at 9 AM. at The Hub.

Andover Institute to Host Photo Exposition

Saturday, Nov. 10 at the Andover Hub

Press release

Spectacular photographs of birds in flight, ocean views, peoples from foreign lands, local landscapes and scenic views of Antarctica will be featured at the November 10 Photo Expo at The Hub in Andover. Doors open at 9 AM.

Dan Robusto of Meredith, who along with his wife Sheila has traveled extensively inside and outside the United States, will be the keynote speaker, showing and describing the images he brought home from journeys through Antarctica and those from his "Birds in Flight" collection. His presentation will start at 12:15 PM.

See Photo on page 24



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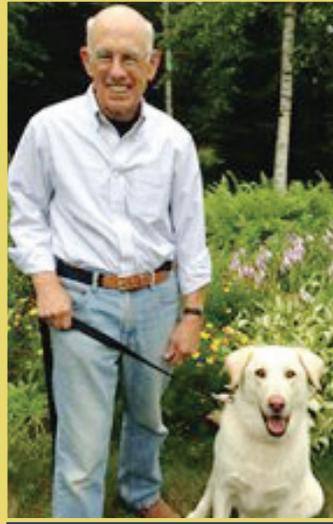
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Fall Concert Features Alex Ager, Musical Director at A.E.M.S.

Sunday, November 18 at Colby-Sawyer College

Linda Barnes

Alex Ager, Music Director of Andover Elementary/Middle School, will conduct his own arrangement of The Long Day Closes by Sir Arthur Sullivan at the Kearsarge Chorale fall concert to be held on Sunday, November 18th at 3 PM at the Sawyer Center Theater at Colby-Sawyer College. The program, titled All of Us, will include the lovely and melodic Sunrise Mass with string orchestra by contemporary composer Ola Gjeilo as well as the final movement of Craig Hella Johnson's epic work Consider-

ing Matthew Shepard, a tribute to the young gay man who has become an American icon and a symbol for hope and redemption.

The concert will conclude with Seasons of Love from the musical Rent.

A number of singers with residences or occupations in Andover will be participating, including Molly Kidane, a teacher at AE/MS, Linda Barnes, Jesse Schust and Nancy Tripp.

Tickets (\$15 each and \$5 for students) will be available at Tatewell Gallery and Morgan Hill Bookstore in New London, at MainStreet BookEnds in Warner, at www.kearsargechorale.org and at the door.



Dan Frechette and Laurel Thompsen were the headliners at the October Coffee house performance. Photo: Steve Colardeau

November Andover Coffehouse to Feature 'Soulfully Gritty Singing'

Press release

Stopping by the Andover Community Coffeehouse as part of a nationwide tour promoting his new album, and offering "a cocktail of rock, country and blues influences," singer-songwriter Toney Rocks will headline the November 16 "third Friday" concert starting at 7 PM in the Highland Lake Grange Hall at 7 Chase Hill Road in East Andover. The concert is open to the public at no charge, though donations are gratefully accepted.

According to his website, "Drifting," Rocks' new album, "is a solo work that features the artist's soulfully gritty singing over either acoustic guitar, piano, or ukulele. No one sounds quite like Toney Rocks." For more information, go to www.toneyrocks.com.

Rocks will share the spotlight with up to a dozen open-microphone performers, whose past contributions have ranged from the spoken word to show-business, jazz, folk, bluegrass, and country-and-western tunes, often to standing ovations.

While many of the open-mic participants are repeat performers who bring their fans with them, the Coffeehouse also warmly welcomes newcomers. Doors to the Grange Hall open at 6 PM for food purchases offered by the Andover Congregational Church, and for open-mic sign-ins on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Sponsor for the November event is the Andover Community Association (ACA), parent organization of the Coffeehouse. Sponsor donations defray room-rental costs and, along with pass-the-hat audience donations, enable the Coffeehouse to offer performances at no charge.

Coming up: On Friday, December 21, the Coffeehouse Christmas Concert will feature Hiroya Tsukamoto, "a one-of-a-kind composer, guitarist and singer-songwriter from Kyoto, Japan." Tsukamoto came to the U.S. in 2000 upon receiving a scholarship from the Berklee College of Music in Boston. The December event will mark the completion

of four years of Coffeehouse concerts.

Sponsor for the December concert is NineJuly, a website-development and video-production company devoted exclusively to supporting artists in the folk-music community. Learn more at NineJuly.com.

Information about future dates and scheduled performers, and a photograph-



Andover's Gary Cassidy performs during open mic at the October Coffehouse.

ic record of performers, both headliners and open-mic participants, are shown on the Coffeehouse website at andovercoffeehouse.org, or on the Facebook page "Andover Community Coffeehouse."

Video recordings of past programs are shown on a number of community-access channels across the state and are available for viewing anytime on the Andover town website at www.andover.nh.us/ by clicking on "Town Information" and then "Video Archive."

The coffeehouse venue, a former Grange Hall, is now the property of the Andover Congregational Church, which is located next door at the intersection of N.H. Route 11 and Chase Hill Road in East Andover.

Directions: From Franklin, take Route 11 West (Franklin Highway) toward Andover for about five miles. Turn left onto Chase Hill Road, immediately after the Andover Congregational Church, also on the left. The Grange Hall is across the parking lot from the church. From Andover village, take Route 11 East (Franklin Highway) toward Franklin for about five miles. Turn right onto Chase Hill Road just before the church.

2018 Wilmot Ladies Aid's Famous Cookie Walk Planned

Press release

The Wilmot Ladies Aid Society (WLAS) will be hosting its famous annual Cookie Walk starting at 9 AM on Saturday, December 1st as part of the Wilmot Community Association Holiday Craft Fair at New London Outing Club gym, Cougar Court next to the elementary school in New London.

As always, people flock to the WLAS Cookie Walk to stock up on fancy cook-

ies for the holidays. Buy the tin and fill it yourself by selecting from a huge four table long assortment of yummy home-baked fancy holiday cookies.

Proceeds from this project fund the Society's charitable giving and the WLAS Merit Award Scholarship Program.

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garage on an existing foundation. The consensus of the Board is that the plan in insufficient. A survey is needed that shows the surveyed location of Ives Road and the foundation that indicates the setbacks been met.

Planning Board Chair:

1. Costa, Currier and Teach met with the Select board, Marj Roy, Town Administrator and Pat Moyer regarding the Emery Road situation. St. Jacques needs to go to the Selectboard. Currier will draft a letter for mailing to the St. Jacques regarding the procedure.

2. Administration/Enforcement of town land use ordinances and regulations was discussed. The Selectboard indicted that if the PB wants additional personnel the PB needs to develop a budget proposal and present it to the Selectboard for the next Town meeting. If the Selectboard supports the request, then the request will be presented to the Budget Committee.

3. A survey for the school property was discussed. There is no state law requiring a survey and it appears that the school district and town are exempt from the town subdivision regulations. Costa, Currier and Teach recommend that a subdivision plan be prepared and recorded to avoid any future problems in determining boundaries between town land and school district land. The Selectboard will ask the School Board to present a plan to the PB.

4. Warzocha will review the state requirements and prepare a flow chart for the administration and reinforcement of land use regulations modeled after the Town of Wolfeboro. The Canaan Junkyard Policy was distributed to the board members for review. The Selectboard will review it. Warzocha will review the solid waste permit and Phelps will work on the flow chart.

Brothers House of Smoke – Site Plan Review Application

A plan was presented along with the Site Plan Review Application for review. Urie and Phelps will review the application for completeness and the board will schedule a completeness review for Tuesday, September 11, 2018.

Champagne Special Exception Application for an Excavation (Route 4 & Bay Road) PB suitability review advice and comment for the Zoning Board of Adjustment

The board reviewed the Special Exception Application as provided for in the Zoning Ordinance Article IX.D.3 and determined the proposal is consistent with the area and current activity in the area.

The Master Plan Guiding Principles were reviewed and the PB made a motion to adopt the PB review and comment language as described by Randall. Costa will draft a communication to the ZBA to be transmitted by Currier to the ZBA chair.

September 11, 2018

(Condensed from Approved Minutes)

Members present: Paul Currier, Acting Chair; Randall Costa, Vice

Chair; Art Urie; Jon Warzocha; Nancy Teach; Randy Monti; and Dave Blinn, Ex-Officio; Brian MacKenzie, Linda MacKenzie, Anthony Giglio, Peter Sanborn, Russell Bowne, Jeffrey Newcomb, Alden Beauchemin (Keyland Enterprises), and Ron Charles

Reports and Announcements

Chair – Teach will resume her place as PB (Planning Board) Chair at the 9/25 meeting. Vice Chair Costa will take a leave for an extended period of time and will let us know by the end of this year his future plans. The PB is looking for alternate and possible new members.

Select Board Ex Officio – Blinn reported that a public information session is scheduled for an update on the Lawrence Street Bridge Project. Renovations at the transfer station are underway. The town has received FEMA money for the Elbow Pond Bridge project.

Completeness determination and Public Hearing– Site Plan Review Application – AABL/Brothers House of Smoke/4 Mill Road (Giglio and Mackenzie) Tax Map: 28 Lot 294, 105 – for a restaurant and catering service. Giglio and Beauchemin provided the following information: Parking and capacity – based on septic and well specifications the capacity is 91 parking places. 50 places have been achieved and were shown on the plans.

Ingress and Egress – the natural gradient will be kept to help with outside storage. The PB requests the grade to the driveway next to the storage barn be changed to decrease the driveway slope to 10% and start closer to Mill Road. The plans should show where the outside storage will be located and the location of the proposed privacy screen. The PB requests the plans identify the boundary markers as “found” where that is the case.

The well and septic system for the tenants were shown on the plans.

Set Back –The northwest corner of the existing building closest to Route. 11 is non-conforming. It extends by 8 feet, exceeding the setback requirements. This was only recently discovered by the applicant during their preparation of the detailed site plan.

Signage – The sign plans and requests intend to comply with the sign permit ordinance.

Exterior lighting – LED “dark sky” lights will light the entrance and Route. 11 road side. The PB requests locations for exterior lights that are “dark sky” compliant be shown on the plan.

Questions and Comments: Will breakfast be served? Reply – not in the immediate future.

No records in the town office files, from over +/- 30 years ago, show that a ZBA (Zoning Board of Adjustment) hearing granted a Variance for the original building addition (formerly R. P. Johnson & Son) to exceed the setback requirements. Therefore the applicant needs to request an Equitable Waiver of Dimensional Requirements for the front setback from the ZBA.

See Minutes on page 25

Bubble Show Set to Dazzle at Franklin Opera House

Saturday, November 10 at 3 PM

Press release

Casey Carle set a goal “to make people laugh and to make them go ‘wow!’ “He translated that desire into a career that has far exceeded his expectations.

Carle is considered one of the greatest “bubble artists” on the professional circuit today. During his shows, he creates a plethora of dazzling bubbles in various shapes and sizes, even “trapping an audience member inside a gigantic soap bubble.”

Humor and audience interaction are part of the charm.

Carle brings his skills to the Franklin Opera House on Saturday afternoon, November 10, at 3 PM with “Bubble-Mania!” His shows, combining art and comedy, are for all ages.

Carle says he realized while getting his theater degree in college that although

he enjoyed working as an actor, director and stage manager, “What I really liked was being a character actor in plays for children,” he writes on his website. “The zanier the play, the more I liked it.” And since he was hooked on “zani-ness,” a friend suggested he become a circus clown. By the late 1980s, he found himself working for the Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey circus. “I tried juggling, magic, uni-cycling, but what I liked best was using bubbles to amaze and amuse”.

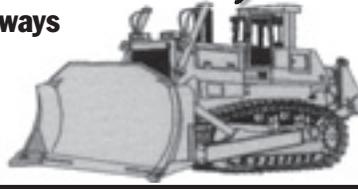
“My bubble act in the circus was the first of its kind and I was the first person in the history of the world to put people inside bubbles as part of a circus routine. When I left the circus and started doing my own show, so many people liked it that I knew it was going to be ‘my thing.’”

Tickets for the show are \$8 for younger kids, \$10 for students and seniors, and \$12 for adults, and can be purchased at the door, or in advance at www.FranklinOperaHouse.org.

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A Dramatic Reading of Dickens' 'A Christmas Carol'

Gail Henry
 Sestercentennial Committee

Our year of celebration is winding down and we have one more wonderful event for the public to enjoy. A dramatic reading of Charles Dickens' A Christmas Carol will take place at the Salisbury Town Hall on Sunday, December 2, at 2 PM. If you were there for this reading last year you're likely to return and bring

your friends and, especially, children. Presented by only two people, the whole story of Ebenezer Scrooge and the Christmas ghosts is condensed into an hour or so, with one intermission. It's a great way to kick off your holiday season and get you in the mood. There is no charge for this event and refreshments will be served.

Nature Discovery Center Hosts Friends Program

Press release

As part of its Community Outreach Program, the Nature Discovery Center of Warner recently hosted children and their mentors from the Concord-based Friends Program.

Friends pairs children in need of adult mentors with volunteers who serve as positive role models. The Nature Discovery Center teaches children and adults about the many wonders of nature and how they can help preserve it.

"The children really enjoyed themselves," Nature Center Director Sandra Martin said. "They had fun trying the different activities and they stayed for quite a long time."

The Nature Discovery Center offers a wide variety of displays from mount-

ed wildlife and insects to plant life, sea life, fossils, rocks and minerals. Its outdoor pollinator garden and nature trail are well visited.

"Ours is a hands-on interactive nature center, where children can handle the objects and get a close look at them," Martin said. "For every four activities they try, they win a free nature prize, and the kids really like that."

The Nature Discovery Center will be closing for the winter at the end of October and will reopen in late May. During the winter and early spring, the Center offers free indoor nature programs at either the Hopkinton Town Library or the Pillsbury Free Library in Warner. These programs will be listed soon on its website: ndcnh.org and on its Facebook page.

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The non-profit Andover Institute, which is sponsoring the event, this week announced the schedule of workshops, which are open to the public:

- 9:30 AM "How to Get Great Photos With Your I-Phone"
- 10:45 AM. "The Science, Art and Joy of Digital Photography"
- 2 PM "Creating a Photo Book Online Using Shutterfly"
- 2 PM "One Photographer's Workflow...from Capture to Wall-Hanging" (Including Software and Printing)

Workshops will be led by local photographers Cindy Benson and Jay Fitzpatrick.

Cindy recently won first prize in the

Lake Sunapee Protective Association 2018 Photo Contest, and has just concluded a three-month-long exhibit at the Andover Town Hall.

Jay has won several awards for his photographs and exhibits his work at the Lakes Region Art Association Gallery at the Tanger Outlet Mall in Tilton.

Exhibiting photographers will also include Joyce Bourdon, David Bashaw, Phyllis Meinke, Lynne Tiede and Tom Mackey. Attendees can also purchase raffle tickets in hopes of bringing home framed images donated by participating photographers.

The suggested donation for a full day of attendance is \$7. The Hub is located at 157 Main Street, Andover, NH. For more information, contact Jay Fitzpatrick at jall@tds.net or (603) 455-6595.



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Over the course of their lives, many people pick up a variety of financial accounts from multiple sources. They might have a few IRAs from different providers, a couple of old 401(k) plans from past employers, an insurance policy (or two) purchased many years ago, and a scattershot of stocks, bonds, certificates of deposit and other investments.

If this picture describes your situation, you may want to think about consolidating. For one thing, having a variety of accounts can run up a lot of fees. Furthermore, you'll have lots of paperwork to keep track of all your accounts, including several different tax statements. Plus, just by having so many accounts, you risk forgetting about some of them – and if you don't think you'd ever forget about your own money, consider this: Well over \$40 billion in unclaimed cash and property, including 401(k)s, pensions and IRAs, is awaiting return to the rightful owners, according to the National Association of Unclaimed Property Administrators.

But beyond reducing your possible fees, paperwork and potential for lost assets, consolidating your accounts with one provider can give you a centralized, unifying investment strategy, one that can help you in the following ways:

- Diversification – If you own

several different financial accounts, including IRAs, 401(k)s and online accounts, you might have many similar investments within them. You might even own a cash-value insurance policy containing investments that closely track the ones you have in the other accounts. This type of duplication can be harmful, because if a market downturn primarily affects one type of asset, and your portfolio is dominated by that asset or similar ones, you could take a big hit. But if you have all your investments in the same place, a financial professional can review your holdings and recommend appropriate ways to diversify your investment dollars. (Be aware, though, that while diversification can reduce the impact of market volatility on your portfolio, it can't guarantee profits or protect against all losses.

- Staying on track – With all your accounts in one place, you'll find it easier to keep the big picture in mind and make the moves necessary to help you progress toward your financial goals. Two main actions include buying or selling investments and adjusting your portfolio to make it more aggressive or conservative, depending on your situation.

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to work with the Town to determine what land can be placed under conservation easements now and to explore options with other landowners. So far, two landowners have been contacted. Jesse and Alan will identify the next group of landowners to be contacted.

Jesse has contacted the state prison regarding the design and purchase of wetlands markers and will report back progress next month.

Website: Alan will submit an article to the Beacon announcing and describing features of the new Conservation Commission website.

Verizon Cell Tower: We do not know who will serve as the Forester at the Verizon site during the clearance of the work site and access route. We will be requesting additional funds for monitoring the 150 foot landscape easement (forest buffer) which has been agreed to with Verizon.

Wetlands Presentation: Jesse will let Marion of Wilmot CC know who to contact at Proctor to arrange use of the Stone Chapel.

Co-occurrence Map: Alan will reach out to Harvey Pine (who is away) to determine how the ACC can access the map of Andover wetlands and how the co-occurrence maps can be updated with the latest information.

Bradley Lake: We discussed the planned logging at Bradley Lake (White/Bendixen). Bradley Lake residents have asked whether this is still planned and indications are that the logging is intended to continue this winter. In July, we were advised by Jay Aube at NHDES that "NHDES staff members performed a site inspection in the spring and determined the erosion control devices were installed and functioning as designed – no evidence of silt or sediment migrating into Bradley Lake was observed. We plan to perform an additional site inspection shortly."

We will follow up with Jay on the later site visit.

Beaver Deceiver Meeting With DOT: Vicky Mishcon advised the ACC that a meeting took place with the Selectboard, John Thompson and Skip Lisle to discuss the benefits of beaver deceivers as a statewide policy. The meeting went well and there will be future meetings beginning with the trails division at DRED.

Other Business: Alan is arranging a bat conservation program for October 11 or 19. He is also arranging a climate change in NH program on October 4 at 4:30 PM. Both will be held at Proctor, and open to the community.

Alan is working on an article about the Proctor pond dredging, for the Beacon.

September 12, 2018
 (Condensed from Approved Minutes)

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

ASLPT: ASLPT is working on a range of conservation easements at the moment. Some changes in monitoring arrangements have been proposed for

properties in Andover and elsewhere in order to simplify things.

Monitoring updated: Derek has done monitoring at Green Mountain (Donaldson), Jones, Bernhard /Mayman, Fenvale and Buddenhagen. The Newman property was also visited and Derek inspected areas previously damaged by ATVs. There doesn't appear to be any recent damage. We are grateful to Derek for his work.

Bog Pond: Mary Anne and Paul Currier have discussed the potential easement area. We are considering a minimum easement area that would be the wetlands boundary plus 100' buffer. We are planning to talk to three landowners with contiguous land along/near the southern edge of the Bog Pond.

We discussed putting up more permanent signage to show the mapped wetland boundary in the vicinity of Bog Pond. Alan made a motion to budget up to \$350 to put up signage to demarcate the Bog Pond wetlands. Nan seconded and all were in favour. Jesse will get approval from group via email for the design and costs. Jesse will get prices for this and 4x6 - 5x7 (durable 20 years if possible).

Bradley Lake Logging: Mary Anne met on August 13 with Bradley Lake landowners and others who are concerned about the possibility of logging taking place on the White/Bendixen property during this winter. We discussed these concerns and Mary Anne will continue to follow up.

Beaver Deceivers: We have news that the Beaver Deceivers of Andover are working well and the DOT may be exploring the option of utilizing them on state roads.

Wetlands Ordinance: Sandy Crystall will be helping us in October to look at options that would best suit Andover should we wish to propose a draft Wetlands Ordinance.

Events of the Conservation Commission:

Climate Change (Sherry Godlewski) 6:30 PM Stone Chapel held on Oct 4

Water Quality (NH Lakes and DES) 4:30 PM Town Hall downstairs held on Oct 6

Bat Conservation (Jesse Mohr) 6:30 PM Stone Chapel held on Oct 11

Forestry Workshop: Jerry is exploring an option for a Forestry workshop.

Verizon Cell Tower: Tim Wallace (a local forester) will monitor the logging at Verizon for \$30 per hour.

Tim is currently working with Steve Lord on some logging on Tucker Mountain. Alan made a motion (Nan seconded) that the Conservation Commission pay Tim Wallace for up to three hours of monitoring the initial tree marking and cutting of the access route and work areas for the cell tower installation. All agreed. The purpose of this monitoring is to ensure that the cut stays within the agreed upon scope as specified in the Land Easement Deed agreement between the Town of Andover and Verizon.

Website: Website integration is underway. Alan is updating the Town See Minutes on page 27

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Website information and creating links out to the new Conservation Commission Website.

Beacon Article on Pond Dredging: Alan is working on this.

Co-Occurrence Map: Harvey Pine has not yet been in touch. We will continue to try to reach Harvey.

Swearing in of CC members: Tina, Alan, and Jesse have been sworn in. The others still need to be sworn in. Nan has stepped down but plans to continue to attend meetings. We now have a vacancy to fill. We are very grateful to Nan for her work on the Conservation Commission.

Pollinator Meadow: Jon Champagne and the UNH Extension continue the process of planning a pollinator meadow on Jon Champagne's land (after soil disturbance is finished).

Site Visit for Eversource Pole Replacement Work: Jesse & Alan visited the site of Eversource planned work and took photos in the vicinity of Kearsarge Mountain Rd. and Bridge Rd.

Elbow Pond Road Culvert Repair Work: The Conservation Commission will be invited to a meeting with the Select Board and the firm responsible for the design of a replacement culvert.

Intent to cut: The CC request to receive copies of Intents to Cut has been denied. We hope we can develop a useful notification system.

October 3, 2018

(Condensed from Approved Minutes)

Members present: Mary Anne Broshek, Tina Cotton, Alan McIntyre, Jerry Hersey, Jesse Schust

Andover Select Board: Vicky Mishcon

Residents and Landowners: Betty and Bill Bardsley, Andy Prokosch, Joanne Edgar, Greg Walsh

Hoyle, Tanner and Associates Environmental Consultants: Kimberly Peace, Josef Bicja (Engineer)

Purpose of this meeting: The select board wishes to proceed with repairs to the Culvert on Elbow Pond Road. Because the area of impact will include an area of designated Prime Wetland, Hoyle, Tanner & Associates consultants must get the Conservation Commission to provide a letter of approval before the design and wetlands application can be submitted to the state for review.

Presentation by Hoyle, Tanner & Associates (HTA):

Kimberly explained the process by which the culvert was damaged during last October's storm. The foundation of the culvert was undermined (the blocks were set on the streambed). The size of the culvert was correct, but the footing and abutment were impacted because the foundation was not deep enough.

The culvert repair will have temporary impacts on the wetlands (a few weeks). Once the repair is complete, the stream bed and culvert size will be the same as it was previously, but the culvert will be much better protected against storm events. The functions of the wetland will not change as a result

of this temporary impact.

There is a copy of the wetland evaluation by a wetland scientist in the application. The culvert will be set up as a flat level one - just like before. The blocks that are there will be reused (the old blocks will make up 1/3 of the materials used in the repaired culvert). Another 2/3 of materials used to repair the culvert will be brought in from elsewhere. The bottom of the whole structure will be clean firm stone gravel fill, and then the blocks will be set on top of that.

The dewatering process will allow time for the wetland creatures to escape before the work begins. The process of sandbagging both sides in order to dewater will allow the work to take place in a dry location. The projected time scale is just a few weeks.

The beaver deceivers will be left intact (little or no movement of the equipment will be required).

The intention of HTA is to submit this application tomorrow (October 4th) if the Conservation Commission will approve of this project tonight. Because this is a Prime Wetland, the process requires this. There is a different process if a repair takes place in wetland that is not a Prime Wetland.

HTA has asked DES for a waiver of a public hearing. The Select Board felt this was appropriate.

John Thompson will be obligated to use the stamped design provided by the engineer. HTA will be involved and will look at the implementation and approve the final result.

HTA checked about whether or not to remove the gravel bar that came from the culvert into the Prime Wetland downstream. There is a design proposal of planting live speckled alder to help to stabilize this gravel bar.

The plan keeps the width of the culvert the same in order to avoid focusing the water through that location because of the scour pool that would result. This is a dynamic system with three different locations that water passes under the road (the bridge, the western culvert

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Next Senior Luncheon for Kearsarge Region Scheduled

Press release

The second fun-filled luncheons serving seniors in the Kearsarge Region will take place at the Wilmot Community Association (WCA) Red Barn at 11:30 AM on Thursday, November 15.

Reservations are required for each luncheon. First time attendees wanting to enjoy a hot lunch, the camaraderie of other seniors and an occasional short program are requested to call the New London Council on Aging at (603) 526-6368 by November 5.

Door prizes and books will be given out and fun entertainment will follow the meal.

A \$2 donation is suggested for the meal and a \$3 donation for the WCA for providing the space and kitchen for a total of \$5. For those aged 60 years and under, the charge is \$6 for CAP and a suggested donation of \$3 for the WCA.

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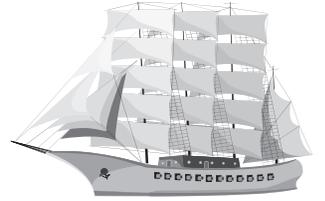
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and the culvert being repaired).

The plan would be to do the repair this autumn, before the winter freezes things up.

Questions from the Public:

Andy voiced concern about a sump pump running 24 hours a day. He stated that this would become a noise nuisance. Vicky suggested that Andy could check with the Braley's about what the pump was like on Morrill Road (where another damaged culvert was recently repaired). HTA stated that the pump would be running only as necessary-not all the time.

Concerns were voiced about what would happen if the weather became a problem (with freezing or flooding). HTA would work with the Town to stabilize the site and evaluate the best way to proceed. The backfill could be a problem because of frost-heaves, but it still could be worked with.

Questions were raised about the funding for the project. FEMA has provided funding that should cover a significant amount of the costs (likely the full amount). Josef estimates \$180K if using a contractor, but much less for Andover because we're using the Road Agent and Highway Dept. to do the work. HTA discussed the plans with FEMA and the Town. As a result, the work was designed to meet the funding requirements of FEMA and the needs of the

town. Eventually, FEMA agreed to fund the improved foundation (which they were initially reluctant to fund).

Bill asked how likely it was that the western culvert might fail. Josef replied that the culvert survived the last major event that impacted on the eastern culvert. There is no indication that the western culvert is likely to fail, even though it is constructed in a similar manner.

It was noted that the east bridge is currently posted with a weight limit and there are plans to replace this in the near future.

Letter of Approval:

In the interests of time, Kimberly prepared a draft letter for the Conservation Commission to adapt before the meeting. Jesse made small changes in the draft letter and brought printed copies of the letter to the meeting.

The Conservation Commission reviewed the letter and Tina proposed that the Commission accept the letter as printed. Jesse seconded the proposal. All were in favor and no comments or questions were raised.

Mary Anne signed the letter and expressed that her main concern is to have HTA involved and reviewing the way the work progresses.

Mary Anne asked that abutters and neighbors contact the Select Board, the Conservation Commission or HTA if they see any issues that concern them.

Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum Announces Native American Month

Press release

The Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum announces an entire month of lectures and presentations during November to celebrate Native American Month.

November 3: Allan Madahbee will present "Flutes of Turtle Island" a presentation from 2 to 4 PM, followed by a refreshment break, and then a concert from 5 to 6 PM.

Madahbee, of the Ojibway (Chipewewa) nation, will give an interactive talk on the history of indigenous flutes from various tribes and will bring a variety of instruments for people to try. Allan has pursued the traditional music, arts, and crafts of his ancestors, created paintings, flutes, beaded moccasins, wood carvings, among others. (Admission Costs: Members- \$25 for 1 session or \$40 for both sessions. Non-Members- \$30 for 1 session or \$45 for both sessions. Natives- Free)

November 4: Ed Bullock will present "A Practical Guide to Southwestern Jewelry" from Noon to 3 PM This will be an informational session to help distinguish differing styles and methods of Southwestern Native jewelry. Included will be examples of silversmithing techniques, stone identification, regional specialties and evaluation. Bring in your special piece for identification of origin, materials, structural integrity and possibilities of repair or re-purposing. Learn how to detect natural stones from synthetic as well as ways to distinguish Native Made jewelry from imports.

Bullock, a Wampanoag, has owned and operated the Little Bull, in York Beach, Maine for over 30 years. He has been selling, making and repairing silver jewelry in many capacities since 1988. A second generation trader of Native American goods he has perspective to share as well as a story or two. (Admission Costs: Members- \$15. Non-Members- \$20. Natives- Free)

November 10: Chief Don Stevens presents " Tribal Sovereignty, Land Reclamation and more..."

Stevens, Chief of the Nulhegan Band of the Coosuk - Abenaki Nation, is an award-winning leader, businessman, writer, and lecturer. He has been featured in magazines, books, TV shows, and documentaries. Don served as chair of the Vermont Commission on Native American Affairs for two terms. He helped lead the fight to obtain legal recognition for the Abenaki People in Vermont. Don was able to acquire tribal land for the Nulhegan Tribe which had been absent for over 200 years. (Admission Costs: Members- \$15. Non-Members- \$20. Natives- Free)

November 11: Melody Walker Brook presents "The Light Behind Our Eyes" Abenaki Perspectives on Personhood from 1 to 3 PM. Identity is the heart of the human experience. Indigenous people occupy a unique cultural space and view the world through a different lens.

Melody Walker Brook is an educator, activist and artist, currently an adjunct

professor at Champlain College. She has done ground breaking research on Abenaki Spirituality and is heavily involved in the Abenaki cultural revitalization movement. She works with museums, lectures in both the K-12 and collegiate level classroom on topics relating to the Eastern Woodlands and indigenous history. (Admission Costs: Members- \$15. Non-Members- \$20. Natives- Free)

November 17: Sherry Gould presents "The Language of Baskets" from 1 to 3 PM. Gould lives in Warner, NH with her husband Bill. They celebrate their Abenaki heritage and love of making beautiful baskets. Sherry studied Abenaki fancy baskets in 2004 and 2007 with master artist Jeanie Brink of Barre, VT through grants from the New Hampshire Arts Council, Traditional Arts apprenticeship program. Together Sherry and Bill studied utilitarian Abenaki basket-making in 2006 under master artist Newt Washburn of Bethlehem, NH. Sherry's basket focus is on fancy baskets. From 2009-2013 Sherry has taught four apprentices, some through an award from the NH Arts Council, Traditional Arts program. She became a juried basket maker through the League of NH Craftsmen in 2006, being the first Native American artist in the league. (Admission Costs: Members- \$15. Non-Members- \$20. Natives- Free)

November 18: Darlene Kascak presents "The Way of the Moccasin" from 10 AM to Noon. Kascak (Schaghticoke Tribal Nation) is the Education Coordinator at The Institute for American Indian Studies and is active in the Schaghticoke Women's Traditional Council. She is a member of Connecticut's Storytelling Center and serves on the board of the Connecticut League of Historical Organizations and the Hammonasset Festival planning committee. She will present an interactive discussion on a variety of tribal moccasins, their construction, and decorations. Darlene's style of teaching from a Native American's point of view allows children and adults the opportunity to broaden their perspectives for a new understanding of Indigenous Peoples' lives, both in the past and in the present. Her work brings awareness to impact that stereotypes and myths have on the perception of other cultures as well as the legacies of native contact with other groups. (Admission Costs: Members- \$15. Non-Members- \$20. Natives- Free)

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Press release

Winter is almost here, and snowmobile education classes are underway across the state. To operate a snowmobile or Off-Highway Recreational Vehicle (OHRV) in New Hampshire, any person age 12 or older must have either a valid Motor Vehicle Driver's License or have successfully completed an approved OHRV/Snowmobile Safety Education class. Additionally, all children under the age of 14 must be accompanied by a licensed adult when operating a snowmobile or OHRV, unless they are on property belonging to their parents, grandparents, or guardians.

Sign up soon if you or someone you know needs a class. There is no charge for traditional classes, which are completed in a single day. For a current class schedule, visit www.wildnh.com/ohrv/education.html. New classes are added as they become available. Traditional classroom OHRV and Snowmobile safety education courses, taught by nearly 150 Fish and Game-certified volunteer instructors and Regional Coordinators, are available statewide at no charge and offer the preferred method of certification. Parents are welcomed and encouraged to attend.

As an alternative to the traditional courses, participants may complete the safety training online for a fee of \$29.50. "The online courses provide a convenient

opportunity for students to obtain their NH Rider Certificate, at their own pace, while learning key safety information important for riding both OHRVs and snowmobiles," said Captain David Walsh, OHRV/Snowmobile Education and Law Enforcement Coordinator for NH Fish and Game. "The entire course can be taken on a smartphone, tablet, or computer and offers a fun approach to learning by using live-action video and interactive learning modules."

Many of the trained volunteer instructors are affiliated with one of the more than 100 snowmobile clubs in New Hampshire. "Joining a snowmobile club is a great way to learn about safe riding, help support local landowners, and help maintain trails for your own and others' enjoyment," Walsh said. For more information on how to become involved with a snowmobile club, visit www.nhsa.com.

In addition to safety education, this winter Fish and Game Conservation Officers will be out on the trails conducting patrols to detect and apprehend impaired snowmobile operators, enforce speed limits, deter unlawful off-trail riding, and detect machines with modified exhaust. Their efforts will help to keep the state's snowmobile trails open and safe for all outdoor enthusiasts during the upcoming season.



The Artist of Artist Hill - Part 2

Mary Weston, Andover's First Artist, Launches her Career

John Hodgson
Andover Historical Society

After Mary Pillsbury's idealistic, foolish attempt, at the age of fourteen, to run away from home so that she could seek out her destiny as an artist was frustrated by her loving family, she remained at home in Sutton for a few more years. She still passionately wished to become an artist; her parents now acknowledged and accepted her inclination, while still hoping to keep her with them for some time yet. (There seems to have been no suitor for her hand to offer another alternative.)

When she was nineteen, while on a visit to Lynn, "she saw a portrait painted by a lady, which seized her attention among a collection of indifferent pictures. The longing to be a painter again possessed her so strongly that she felt it an irresistible passion." A year later, in Boston – it seems that she had now moved to this city – she saw another fine painting, this one in a shop window, that again fired her ambitions. This time she followed her dream. She decided that, if she could find some place where she could watch a real artist work, and could refine her own talents for a year or so while supporting herself by painting cheap pictures in the meantime, she could that way manage to establish herself finally as an artist. "It seemed that she must either do this or die."

So once again, in another act of sheer independence, Mary simply went her own way. "Without consulting anyone, with only twelve dollars in her possession, she left Boston in the early morning train, leaving her trunk behind, and taking only a basket with a few changes of clothes." Alarmed on the train by the attentions of an old man in the seat opposite her who asked too many questions, she positively dashed, upon her arrival at Providence, to the boat bound for New York.

Seeking respectable lodging in that city and guided by advice she had received from the packet boat's staff, she found her way to a decent neighborhood, then stopped in a milliner's shop for advice ("She knew there must be many girls there, respectable, though poor, and thought that she might hear of a lodging through some of them"). There she was directed to the boarding house of an old lady. "On being asked for references, she frankly owned that she had none; and, as the best explanation she could offer, related her story."

And this old lady in New York City had already heard of her! "The landlady had heard, through a pious friend in Boston, Mrs. Colby, a lady well known for benevolence, of the strange girl who wanted to be a painter, and she willingly received the wanderer." Somehow Mary Pillsbury had again launched herself into a safety net.

And now, suddenly, she was on her way. The next day she learned of an artist who lived in the neighborhood, went to him to ask for advice about how oil-colors were used in painting, and was allowed

to watch him at work painting a portrait. Then she went to Dechaux, who kept a store for artists' supplies. (We find him in the newspapers of the time – "a Frenchman named Edward Dechaux, who keeps an artists' color and furnishing store on Broadway, near Duane Street.") Then she immediately set to work, painting first a portrait of her landlady's little grandson, which helped to pay her board.

Within a week of arriving in New York, Mary had new opportunities. "Her hostess advised her to go to Hartford, Connecticut, and gave her a letter of introduction to the Rev. Henry Jackson of that place. Thither she went, and was kindly received." She immediately won recognition as a skilled painter and found dozens of sitters for her portraits. Meanwhile, "Mrs. Colby . . . had written to Mr. Jackson, requesting him to advance money on her account to Miss Pillsbury, should it be necessary; but the young artist had no need of more than she could earn."

Here again, we need to pause in the narrative rush of Mary's early biography to appreciate the implications of her untold story. In her brief time in Boston, it seems that she had already managed to attract the attention of at least one potential benefactor, and her story was already spreading around the Northeast. Who were Mary's guardian angels during this time? Her account to Ellet says almost nothing about this, save for that later passing mention of a pious Boston lady, "Mrs. Colby, a lady well known for benevolence." This Mrs. Colby was clearly an interested well-wisher; apparently she was a patron as well, possibly even a friend. Among the paintings that Mary Pillsbury Weston later began exhibiting in 1851 was a portrait of "A Distinguished benevolent Lady of Boston," and presumably this is the same person: Mary Weston's own descendants later familiarly referred to the portrait as "Mrs. Colby." But Mary had not resided very long in Boston. How had these two women come to know each other then?

Susan McCarthy, who has researched the Weston archives in Kansas, speculates that "Mrs. Colby may have been the wife of Gardner Colby, a prominent Boston philanthropist and founder of Colby College, although her identity has not been established definitively." The guess is a very shrewd one: Gardner Colby, although still a young man (27 years old) at this time, was already becoming known in Boston for his philanthropy. He and his new wife (Mary Low Roberts Colby, from Gloucester, 24 years old) had been married only one year. Most importantly, they were active, ardent Baptists, and they made Baptist and educational causes the foci of their charitable gifts and activities; Mary's background story thus might have seemed particularly interesting and appealing to them. Moreover, they knew the Rev. Henry Jackson of Hartford (pastor of the North Baptist Church there) very well. He in fact had been called to his ministry in Hartford only recently, in 1836; before then he had been the minister of the First Baptist Church in Charlestown, MA, immedi-

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News From South Danbury Christian Church

Press release

Thank you from the South Danbury Church to everyone who participated in our October events! We are so glad for your support, and we hope you enjoyed everything as much as we did!

On Sunday, October 7, our friend and neighbor Rev. Andy Gilman led the worship and communion service. This was our first formal worship service, complete with pulpit and pews, in our “resurrected” meetinghouse (as the church founders called it). October 1867 was the first time that the newly-built meetinghouse was used for worship. Andy’s inspiring sermon was about “Sacred Places,” the experience and knowledge they embody, and the stories and lessons they convey.

On Friday evening, October 12, the Speaker Series featured Keegan Farr, an extraordinarily talented singer/songwriter, who performed classic songs from the 60s to the present, and a selection of his own compositions, reflecting the evolution of his music and poetry. Keegan has a standing invitation to perform at the South Danbury Church; but until he returns in person, you can reward yourself with his music whenever you wish, at his You Tube channel -- [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCU-](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCU-6JNkEhxDvGJ33uRlppN5A)

6JNkEhxDvGJ33uRlppN5A -- and his ReverbNation site <https://www.reverbnation.com/keeganfarrvt>.

Saturday, October 13, was the Third Annual Pie and Gently Used Cookbook Sale – plus crafts. Despite the rain, there were many happy (and eager) visitors. THANK YOU to church members and friends who brought books and baked pies, to the helpers and sellers, and to everyone who bought pies and baked goods and crafts and books! All of the proceeds of the pie/book sale go to our Mission Fund, and will make a special difference in the lives of many people.

In November, the Holiday Happy Hour returns on Friday, November 16, from 3:30 to 6:30 PM. Stop by and warm up with a cup of mulled cider or cocoa, and an apple donut. Learn about local businesses and their wares. Chat with author Mary Lyn Ray, who will be selling and signing her books for children. Browse the handmade crafts and holiday items, plus pies and baked goods (doggie treats, too). And stock up on a wide variety of delicious homemade meals to go.

Donations of baked good, crafts, or holiday items will be gratefully accepted! All proceeds benefit the Church Preservation Fund. 

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“We didn’t have a voice, but Representative Wells and Executive. Councilor Kenney both advocated for us,” Donna said.

Very quickly the DES Commissioner and staff, the Senior Assistant Attorney General and the Governor were involved. When the issue was finally resolved, construction resumed and the family breathed a deep sigh of relief. Now, Dave and Donna Bates and their three children are grateful to be living in their modest home near Frazier Brook.

“I’m just happy to have worked with the family to make sure their dream materialized,” Representative. Wells said. “It was a stressful time and I’m proud to have been able to help them. They’re a fantastic family. 

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Introductory Fly Tying Course Offered in New London

Press release

Interested in learning the art of fly tying? The New Hampshire Fish and Game Department's *Let's Go Fishing Program* is offering free introductory courses in November and December. The classes will be held in Dunbarton and New London and will be taught by master fly tier and Let's Go Fishing instructor Scott Biron.

The Dunbarton course is a four-evening introduction to be held on November 29, December 6, December 13, and December 20. The two-hour class will run from 5:30 to 7:30 PM, and will be held at the Dunbarton Public Library, 1004 School Street, Dunbarton, NH.

The New London program is a three-evening overview scheduled for the following Tuesdays: November 27, December 11, and December 18. The classes will be held from 5:30 to 7:30 PM at the Tracy Memorial Library, 304 Main Street, New London, NH.

Pre registration for both workshops is

required and is first-come, first-served. Participants must commit to attending all sessions. These courses are limited to 12 participants, age 15 and older. All program materials and equipment will be provided, and no experience is necessary.

Visit <https://nhfishandgame.com/EventWeb/Event/AllEvents?EventTypeId=161&ClassActivity=20> to sign up.

Participants will learn to tie several fly patterns that are commonly used in New Hampshire waters. They will be introduced to the use of all of the basic tools and materials necessary to tie flies and learn what the flies imitate. Instructors will also discuss insect anatomy and explain why a particular fly is used.

New Hampshire Fish and Game's "Let's Go Fishing" program has taught thousands of children and adults to be safe, ethical, and successful anglers. Find out more at <https://wildlife.state.nh.us/fishing/lets-go-fishing.html>. This program is federally funded through the Wildlife & Sport Fish Restoration Program. 

Chapin Senior Center November Programs

Tom & Tom's Men's Discussion Group - Mondays at 8:45 AM. This is a walk-in program.

French Discussion Group - First and Third Mondays at 4:15 PM. Participants at all skill levels are welcome! This is a walk-in program.

Chair Exercises - Mondays and Fridays at 10:15 AM. Low impact exercise program. This is a walk-in program.

Walking at Proctor Academy Gym - Monday through Friday at 8:30 to 10 AM. Please call COA at 526-6368 for more information. This is a walk-in program.

Outdoor Recreation for Seniors - Tuesdays at 10 AM. Bike, hike, kayak and more! Call COA at 526-6368.

Memoir Writing Group - Tuesdays at 10 AM. This is a walk-in program.

Walk-In Painting Group - Tuesdays at 1 PM. Bring your current painting project to work on. This is a walk-in program.

Shamabla Reiki with Linda Luck - Fourth Tuesday (November 27). Appointments from 10 AM to 3:30 PM. Please contact the COA at 526-6368 for an appointment.

Friends Program Bone Builders Exercise Classes

Tuesdays and Fridays at 10 to 11 AM. At the Newbury Heights Community Room, 52 Newbury Heights Road, Newbury. This is a walk-in program.

Needlework Craft Group - Wednesdays at 1 to 3 PM. This is a walk-in program.

Tai Chi - Wednesdays at 2:30 PM Kearsarge Community Presbyterian Church, New London, NH. This is a walk-in program.

Caregiver Support and Discussion Group - 1:30 PM, November 15 due to Thanksgiving. Please call COA at 526-6368 to register.

Women's Discussion Group - Fridays at 9 AM. This is a walk-in program.

Bingo! - Fridays at 2 PM

Participants must be 55 years old and older.

Bridge - Duplicate Bridge - Mondays at 12:45 PM and Wednesdays at 9:15 AM

Contract Bridge - Thursdays at 9:30 AM **Games!**

Poker - Tuesdays at 2 PM Hand and Foot Card Game - Wednesdays at 1 PM

Mahjong - Fridays at 12:30 PM

Money Smarts for Older Adults - Thursday, November 1 at 1 PM, Call COA at 526-6368 to register.

VNA Foot Care Clinic at COA - Friday, November 2 & November 9 at 9:30 AM-1 PM. \$25. Please call COA at 526-6368 to schedule an appointment.

Computer Class with Laura Thompson - Saturday, November 3 at 9 to 11 AM. Sign up for a one-on-one half hour session by calling 526-6368.

Blood Pressure Clinic - Monday, November 5 at 9:30 AM. This is a walk-in program.

Parkinson's Support Group - Tuesday, November 6 at 1 PM. This is a walk-in program.

Movie Matinee - Thursday, November 8 at 2 PM. *Mamma Mia!* Please call COA at 526-6368 to register.

Morning Book Group - Tuesday, November 13 at 9:30 AM. *The One-in-a Million Boy* by Monica Wood Please call COA at 526-6368 to obtain a book.

Humanist, Agnostic, Atheist Discussion Group - Thursday, November 15 at 1:30 PM

Healthy Living for Your Brain and Body - Thursday, November 15 at 1 PM. Please pre-register with the Alzheimer's Association by November 13 at 1-800-272-3900.

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OBITUARIES

CHARLES P. GOODY, 87, died peacefully on Sunday, October 21, 2018 at Saratoga Hospital.

Charles was born in Schenectady, NY on 10/31/30. He was the son of A. Peter Goody and Hannah Cline Goody. He was predeceased by his parents and daughters, Pamela Cirilli and Barbara Caulfield and also his grandson, Christopher Goody. He is survived by his loving wife of 67 years, Delores Schroder Goody of Saratoga Springs, New York; sons, Paul (Kate) Goody of Charlton, New York and Bruce (Carol) Goody of Queensbury, New York and his grandchildren, Bryan (Kimberlee) Goody of Salt Lake



City, Utah, Peter Goody of New York, New York, Elizabeth Goody of New York, New York, Amanda Cirilli of Buffalo, New York, William Goody of Killington, Vermont, and John Charles Cirilli of Nanuet, New York. He also leaves his brother, James W. Goody of Andover, New Hampshire; his brother-in-law, E. Hank Schroder of Spring Lake, New Jersey; his sister-in-law, Marilyn Lane of Albuquerque, New Mexico and son-in-law, John P. Cirilli of Nanuet, New York and several nieces and nephews. Charles was a graduate of WH Lynch High School in Amsterdam, NY and from Union College in Schenectady, New York. He was employed for 53 years at General Electric Research and Development as a Mechanical Engineer. He helped develop the early MRI's. He was a volunteer fireman for the Jonesville and Rexford Fire Departments which he was passionate about. He was a member of Shenendehowa Methodist Church for 58 years and active in local

Boy Scout Troops. He volunteered for Captain in Clifton Park. His hobbies included Western Square Dancing, camping, hiking and traveling, including several mission trips. A memorial service was held at Shenendehowa Methodist Church, 971 RT 146, Clifton Park, NY on Saturday, October 27 at 2 PM. Charles gifted his body to the Albany Medical College Anatomical Program. If you wish, donations may be made to Shenendehowa Methodist Church, or the Jonesville or Rexford Fire Departments. The family would like to thank the doctors, nurses and staff at Saratoga Hospital for their loving care.

PATRICIA (RICHMOND) HESS, 70, of Poverty Plains Road, died Wednesday, October 24, 2018 at CRV-NA Hospice House.

She was born in Exeter, NH on April 24, 1948 the daughter of Herbert and Ruth (Pollitz) Richmond.

Pat graduated from Oyster River High School in 1966 and went on to receive an Associate's Degree from UNH. She was knowledgeable in many areas and worked for various locations including UNH, Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, Phillips Exeter Academy, firms in Tulsa, OK, and owned and operated a secretarial service in New London, NH. She was also employed by Sigma Data in New London and David

McLaughlin, former president of Dartmouth College, retiring in December 1999.

Pat was all about family. She had a wonderful childhood with loving parents and lots of fun was had with her siblings.

Her husband, Norman L. Hess, was the love of her life and he died in 2007. She is survived by her son and his wife, Brian H. and Jen Kucharski of Warner, NH. Pat was incredibly proud of Brian and was so comforted living close to him. She also has three grandsons who brought her much happiness, Mason, Gabe and Will. Pat is also survived by her sister, Polly House of South Acworth, NH, her brother and his wife, Russ and Jennifer Richmond of South Berwick, ME; a nephew, Chris Richmond; two nieces, Sherry Simmons and Amanda Richmond; Norm's family, Peter, Cheryl, Chad, Colby, Brett and Kevin and many devoted and thoughtful friends.

Friends may call at the Chadwick Funeral Home, 235 Main Street, New London, NH on Saturday, October 27, 2018 from 10:00-12:00 noon.

Memorial contributions may be made to CRVNA Hospice House, 240 Pleasant Street, Concord, NH 03301.

CHARLES "BRUCE" ROBERT, 80, of Andover, died at Laconia Genesis Eldercare in Laconia on Wednesday, October 10, 2018.

He was born in Laconia on March

10, 1938, the middle son of 7 children of Melvin L. Sr. and Amelia "Millie" (Davidson) Robert. He was a 1956 graduate of the former Tilton-Northfield High School and was a 20 year U.S. Air Force veteran. He was predeceased by sisters, Ann (2004) and MaryLou (2013) and brothers, Melvin (2009) and Andrew (2010).



His family includes his brothers: Donald and his wife Judith of Tilton, Thomas and his wife Sally of Northfield and nieces and nephews.

Private services will be held for the family at a later date.

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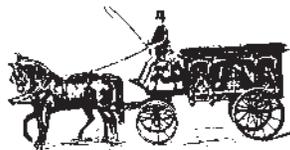
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'Tear It Down!' - An Andover Family's Nightmare

Barbara Mills Lassonde

What would you do if your dream home was nearly built and you were ordered to tear it down? That's what happened to Dave and Donna Bates of Andover.

were up, the roof was on, windows installed, and the wiring was being strung, but the January winds not only brought the cold, they brought despair.

"We received a letter from the State Department of Environmental Services

saying we were not in compliance with the law. They told us to stop construction immediately and tear the house down! Every last bit of our savings was poured into this," Dave said.

The couple was frantic. They called DES, where they were told they did not have the required setback from the waterway, and DES could not make any exceptions.

"But we had all the necessary permits," Donna said. "Our attorney told us to contact our representatives, so we called Representative Natalie Wells, Representative Anne Copp and Senator Harold French. Natalie made a point of finding people to tell our story. She reached out to be sure all the bases were covered, and she didn't give up."



Gathered on the Bates' front porch, L-R, standing: David Bates, Rep. Natalie Wells, Executive Councilor Joe Kenney. Seated right: Donna Bates. Front row: J.T., Sydney and Eric. Missing from photo: Senator Harold French.

Photo by Barbara Lassonde

Before the couple purchased land along Eagle Brook, they checked with the town to be sure it was a buildable lot. With that assurance, they bought the land, received a building permit from the town and septic design approval from the state.

The Bates couple so loved the setting, they were married there in the summer of last year. It is a peaceful spot surrounded by trees, with the shallow stream marking their southern and westerly boundaries.

With all of the necessary permits in hand, construction on their new home began and by January, the house was progressing nicely. The exterior walls

The day after Donna spoke with District 1 Executive Councilor Joe Kenney, he drove out to Andover during a snowstorm to view the situation.

"I want to do the right thing for our citizens and take care of NH families, so I went to DES to clarify the Cease and Desist order. It was important to protect their ownership," Kenney said.

Executive Councilor Kenney got to the bottom of the problem: the state had changed the name of the stream and it was reclassified, which required a greater setback. Because of a mix-up, that information was not relayed to the town.

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ately north of Boston, for fourteen years. This was the very church that Gardner Colby had long attended, and Jackson was the very minister who had so strongly influenced Gardner's faith and who had baptized him in 1830.

In retrospect, then, we can begin to fill in some of the blanks in Mary's story. Although her parents, while now well aware of her artistic ambitions, had hoped to keep her at home with them still, the arguments for letting her venture forth on her own were becoming ever stronger, just as was her own longing to become a professional painter. "Mr. Pillsbury was not rich, and his daughter had the prospect of being ultimately obliged to depend on her earnings for a subsistence." Now the family's situation had worsened. "Her father needed all the aid she could give him: he had suffered much, and sickness in his family had crippled his narrow resources." So Mary, it would seem, was finally allowed to go to Boston to seek employment and opportunity there. But she was a young woman – still a minor – venturing alone far from home: certainly her father would have done all that he could to help and protect her at this fraught time. Most obviously, he would have written about her to his Boston friends and contacts, informing them of her move to that city and asking them to do what they could to help her there. And these Boston contacts would inevitably have been for the most part Baptist ones – fellow ministers, missionary and temperance society colleagues, other prominent Baptists.

Although he had always lived and served in small, rural New Hampshire towns, Rev. Pillsbury had gained wide recognition over the years for his goodness, capability, and intelligence, and had forged many connections that could well have helped him (and Mary) now. He had been an early trustee of the New Hampton Academy in New Hampshire (an early seminary for Baptists not far from Hebron), and was also a trustee of the New Hampshire Baptist Domestic Mission Society and a leader in the Merrimack County Temperance Society. His religious activities in New Hampshire were regularly followed by the Christian Watchman, which was published weekly in Boston by the Baptist Missionary Society of Massachusetts. Beyond the church, he also had forged connections in government and politics, since he had served several years in the New Hampshire State Legislature as the representative from Hebron (1827-28) and Sutton (1833).

These connections now served him well. Mary, alone in Boston, soon found that she had advocates and even protectors there. Her guardian angels, it would seem, were primarily Baptist, although perhaps she herself never puzzled out all the connections.

By 1837, then, Mary was living and working in Connecticut, dividing her time between Hartford and Willington. She quickly won admirers, patrons, friends; she completed several dozen portraits. In Willington she painted portraits of the members of many families, including

that of Jonathan Weston, whose daughter, Susan, three years younger than she, became a particular friend. This was another staunchly Baptist family: Jonathan was a deacon of the Willington Baptist church.

Mary kept busy as an artist for a few years, and "had now many offers of a home, and invitations to spend her time in different families, but she preferred living entirely for her art." Eventually, however, another offer, from Jonathan Weston's brother Valentine, a New York City widower who "took a great interest in her paintings" when he encountered them and her while visiting his brother in Willington, made her think. "He urged her to visit New York, and improve herself by lessons and study"; and now again she felt her old desire "to revisit the city, and find some method of making more rapid progress" in her artistry. Soon one of Valentine Weston's daughters followed up by inviting her to New York, "where she could profit by the instruction of experienced artists." Mary, although tempted, felt she could not yet afford the luxury. But the invitation was soon repeated and earnestly strengthened: "Her father . . . would procure her a teacher, and would make arrangements for the winter. She was pressed to make her home at his house; and should she not be successful in her undertaking, he pledged himself to see her safely back to her friends."

The opportunity was irresistible: Mary accepted the invitation and moved to the New York household of Mr. Valentine W. Weston in the fall of 1839. True to his word, Mr. Weston encouraged and supported her artistic studies. But, as Ellet decorously notes, Mary "must soon have made the discovery that another feeling, besides the wish to foster genius, had led Mr. Weston to be so anxious for her presence. Suffice it to say, that in three months she became his wife, with the understanding that she was to pursue the profession she had chosen without restraint." They married on January 5, 1840, on Mary's twenty-third birthday.

Theirs was of course a Baptist wedding, at the Oliver Street Baptist Church in New York. The minister who married them, the Rev. Spencer Houghton Cone, was a famous orator and the most prominent and popular Baptist minister in the country (although the abolitionist-leaning Rev. Pillsbury might well have been privately dismayed by Rev. Cone's South-friendly, compromising attitude toward slavery). So Mary Pillsbury Weston, child of rural New Hampshire, "the strange girl who wanted to be a painter," was now established at the very center of America's art world, New York City, with a husband both eager to support and encourage her artistic gifts and, as it happened, well situated socially to introduce her to important patrons for her portraits. She would continue to develop her remarkable talents for the next several years. When she returned to New Hampshire – this time to Andover – in about 1848, she was a well-established, highly accomplished artist – and also on the verge of becoming a new mother.

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phase project in 2016. Work continued through summer 2017 and the first portion, a completely renovated and redesigned gym, was completed in the fall of 2017, followed by a fitness center and new athletic training room space. Phase 3 has been going on for a little less than a year and the goal is to have it completed for December.

Proctor Academy Athletic Director Gregor Makechnie shared some of his thoughts on the new space. He states, "I am very excited about the new locker room space for female athletes and coaches. For many years, our locker room facilities have been inadequate. I am also excited about the spacious lobby that will offer a welcoming entrance to the Field House, a social gathering space for athletes and parents following competitions, and a comfortable space for community members to relax prior to, and following, athletic practice.

Beyond athletics, the renovation includes seven new classrooms and additional meeting spaces for the English, Social Science and Wellness departments. The two athletic trainers are also looking forward to the completion of

phase 3 of the project as both will have brand new office space.

The field house was built in the 1960's and has served the Proctor community in many ways. Gregor shared some of the hardships the renovation has caused the athletic department, "The athletic department has shown incredible patience and flexibility. Much of our athletic equipment has been temporarily housed in construction trailers. We have moved out of office into temporary office space, or accommodated construction workers in our offices. But, these are short-term sacrifices. Although inconvenient, they have not dampened excitement about the renovation efforts. In the winter, we will enjoy an amazing new space."

This space will benefit each and every member of the community who spends a portion of the day in Farrell Field House whether it be watching a basketball game, using the fitness center, or attending class or a wellness activity. Be sure to come see this new space this winter!

Henry Bechok is a senior at Proctor Academy from New London, New Hampshire.

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Proctor's Farrell Field House saw extensive renovations in 2017 as part of a three phase project. Phase three is underway giving a new look and purpose to the front part of the building that was formerly the dining hall.

Commotion on Field House Lane

Henry Bechok, Proctor Academy

Every day construction equipment continues to flow; a steady stream in and out of Proctor's campus. The Farrell Fieldhouse is home to the Proctor Academy basketball courts, fitness center, locker rooms, athletic training room, and athletic equipment room, however, it is getting a brand new look and a new purpose with the addition of seven classrooms on the south side of the building.

Most recently, the school finished

the first and second phases of the field house renovation process. The third phase, the front of the fieldhouse (the space that was formerly used as the dining hall) is underway now. It will include an open lobby, athletic offices, a second and third floor with classroom spaces, as well as a wellness classroom and home for the school's counselors on the third floor.

The school starting funding this four See Field House on page 35



Proctor Academy Journalism Class poses for a group photo in front of the pond on the Proctor Campus following a meeting with Beacon editor, Steve Foley. Peter Southworth is the class instructor.

Proctor Students to Write for the Beacon

Peter Southworth, Proctor Academy

Proctor's first full year journalism class is fortunate to have the support of Editor Steve Foley of the Beacon to develop their writing skills and gain a wider audience for their writing. In September, Steve came to talk with the class about production of our town paper, ideas for writing, and how Proctor students might contribute.

As an elective class in the English Department, the sixteen students' focus is planning, interviews, and writing. The class, with help from the Proctor Communications department, produces The Hornet's Nest, a collection of feature articles every three weeks.

Most students are pleased to have a

new challenge and welcome the principles of "Keep your article clear, engaging, and concise." Writing an intriguing lead, including quotes or statistics, and shedding light on the Proctor or Andover communities is a big challenge that will hopefully help students write effectively for college, business, and the world beyond high school.

We hope the perspective of Proctor's students will add to the impressive work that the many volunteers and town members put into writing, taking photographs, and publishing the Andover Beacon. If you have ideas for articles you'd like Proctor Journalism students to tackle, contact Steve Foley. Thanks in advance for reading!

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L to R: Mychal Reynolds, Dylan Hammond, Jack Colvin, Ollie Grotnes (foreground), Dante Mori (background), Nate Bain (foreground), Isaac Bowers (background), Dominic Delany (foreground), Caleb Warzocha (background), Caleb Moriarty, Ben Newton, Nick Horbert, Hayden Moriarty, Sofia Bass, Trinity Delaney (foreground), Asa Gilman (foreground). Foreground girls: Cilla Abrahamson, Anna Warzocha, Indira McIntyre, Ella Labrie. Photo taken by Coach Reynolds.

Andover Middle School Cross Country at Manchester Invitational

Press release

On September 20 the Andover Middle School Cross Country team competed in the Manchester Invitational. Affectionately called "Little Manch" since it precedes the High School meet that took place on September 22.

Andover ran 8 girls. They were led by Trinity Delaney who finished 240th running through a cold. She was followed 2 minutes later by Hayden Moriarty and a minute later the team pack of Indira McIntyre, Sofia Basso, Ella Labrie, and Anna Warzocha all finishing together in 22:35. Completing the day for Andover were Cilla Abrahamson and Asa Gilman finishing around 27:30. It was a good day for our very young team. They improved the group running time gap between the first and 5th runner to 2:55.

On the boys side Andover had their

best performance in 3 years attending the meet. The boys were led by Donte Mori who finished in a personal best on the course 15:14 in 88th place followed closely by Mychal Reynolds in 15:43 and then a group of three to close out the Andover scoring: Jack Colvin, Isaac Bowers, and Ollie Grotnes. Next for Andover was Nate Bain, 8th grader Caleb Warzocha, Dylan Hammond, Nick Horbert, Ben Newton, Caleb Moriarty and Dominic Delaney. Andover had 5 athletes who had run the tough Manchester course before and 3 of them ran personal bests on the course. Dante, Mychal, and Caleb Warzocha all improved on the course.

Next up for the Andover Harriers is a meet at Sant Bani School, followed by a meet at Hopkinton and then the season culminates with the Division 3 State Championship at Coe Brown on October 20.

Players Sought for Annual Lions Basketball Tournament

Press release

The Eighth annual Andover Lions basketball tournament has openings for a boys' middle school team and a girls' middle school team. Tournament will be at Proctor Academy on December 28-29. Entry fee is \$100 per team.

Contact Dick OConnell at 934-0245 or email xlpdroc@metrocast.net.



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