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Photos taken during the 1980 and 1981 Andover 4th of July Celebration. Who do you recognize? Photos: Courtesy of Doug Phelps

## Plans Are Rolling Along Towards Andover's July 4<sup>th</sup> Celebration

### Press release

Imagine you are on a roller coaster, cresting the very first hill. Hold onto your seat! You're about to start a wild ride with a soft landing on the 4th of July!

Canvassers are out and about getting advertisers for the Program. This year's Program will have a new look. You are going to love it!

We're seeing a brisk pace of registrations for vendors on the Green. The committee is working on increasing availability of electricity on the Green. Other features this year will be an activity/demonstration tent, a new Bluegrass band, and back by popular

demand, the "Where are You From" map. Last year we saw responses from coast to coast.

Other fundraising activities include our extremely popular raffle, which as of this date has 25 items. We will have as many if not more items than last year. They include gift certificates, services, and merchandise. With so many prizes, you have a good chance to win!

The first year of the Andover 4th of July celebration (July 4, 1942) was a Children's Parade. Once again this year, our 77th year, the Children's Parade will follow the Color Guard at the front  
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If you haven't donated to The Andover Beacon yet in 2019, then watch your mailbox in May for a letter asking you to donate. It's important!

Photo: Charlie Darling

## Beacon Mails Appeal to All Who Haven't Donated in 2019

### Andover Beacon Board of Directors

If you've already donated to Andover's non-profit community newspaper this year, thank you! If you haven't, then watch for a letter in mid-May asking you to do your part to help the Beacon continue in its vital role of knitting the community of Andover together.

The Andover Beacon delivers news of your community that you can't get anywhere else. We deliver that news in your mailbox...online at AndoverBeacon.com...and on Facebook at facebook.com/AndoverBeacon.

But we can't do all that without your donations! A large chunk of our annual budget has to come from the community that enjoys and benefits from the Beacon; sadly, less than 4% of Andover households have donated to the Beacon so far this year.

If you receive a letter from the Beacon in mid-May, we sincerely hope you can support the Beacon in 2019. 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!



The Andover Highway Department was hard at work recently, finishing up the replacement of the bridge on Last Street. Last Street is just west of the Franklin Town Line. The old bridge structure was completely removed leaving only the abutments, which were used to support the new bridge.

Photo : Steve Foley



Learn about the many ways of tapping into solar energy at Solar Saturday on May 4 at Andover Town Office Building.

## Andover Energy Group Presents Solar Saturday in Andover

May 4 at Andover Town Office Building

### Press release

Do you have an interest-even a remote one-in generating electricity on your own property via a solar-electric (or photovoltaic) system, and thereby lowering your carbon footprint, saving energy, and saving money?

If the answer is yes-or even maybe-then plan to drop in at the May 4 "Solar Saturday" event in Andover, being offered by the Andover Energy Group, between 10 AM and 2 PM, in the meeting room in the Town Office Building at 31 School Street. During that time, you'll be able to:

learn about Solarize Kearsarge, a  
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## Andover Lions Club Annual Pancake Breakfast

Popular 4th of July breakfast is back!

### Press release

The Andover Lions Club Annual Pancake Breakfast will take place Thursday, July 4, 2019 at the Andover Elementary/Middle School, from 7 to 10 AM.

Prices are \$8 for ages 12 and up. Ages 6 to 11 are \$5, and under 5 are free.

We are looking for volunteers to help out with little tasks. Call Virginia at 768-3443 or email at zinnthewhitexmas@aol.com.

We hope to have a wonderful breakfast!



## Andover Real Estate Closings

March 15 to  
April 15, 2019

### Ty Morris for the Beacon

On March 25, Heather Rogers sold 14 Thompson Point to Kathleen Kennedy and James Vara for \$415,000. The 3453 sq. ft. home has 3 bedrooms and 3 baths and sits on 1.1 acres. Assisting the seller was Stephen Brown of Brown Family Realty. Assisting the buyer was Dan O'Halloran of Keller Williams Lakes and Mountains Realty.

On April 15, Scott Plaut sold 131 Flag-hole Road to Christine and Matt Heath for \$241,000. The 2,458 sq. ft. home has 3 bedrooms and 3 baths and sits on 2 acres. Assisting the seller was Dan O'Halloran of Keller Williams Lakes and Mountains Realty. Assisting the buyer was Joshua Lizotte of Keller Williams Lakes and Mountains Realty.

On April 15 there were 12 active residential listings with 5 under contract, 4 parcels of land and 1 commercial/multi-family.

Data from NEREN.com/sold-properties and MerrimackCountyDeedsNH.com.



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### Wilmot House



Once a boarding house, Wilmot House is a property rich with history! Purchased over a year ago by the current owners, the antique home has been updated and restored to its former glory. Exposed wide pine floors, beams and details. Updated fixtures, appliances and wiring. Original antique features with a fresh look and feel. Large open kitchen with dining area, gorgeous formal living room leads to a first floor den or office, 2nd floor has three bedrooms and 1.5 bathrooms. Here the sounds of babbling Kimpton brook on the opposite side of Route 4A. So much charm and ready to move in!

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### Patricia Moyer, A.P.D. Secretary

The Andover Police Department handled 258 Calls for Service during March, including:

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- Assist Citizen: 5
- Assist Social Service Agency: 3
- Criminal Mischief: 1
- Dog loose: 3
- Drug Possession: 1
- Juvenile Complaint: 2

- Noise Disturbance: 2
- Road Hazard/Obstruction: 3
- Traffic Accident: 2
- Traffic Offense – Citation: 1
- Traffic Offense – Warning: 24
- Welfare Check: 3

### Arrests:

- Jessica Gaudette, age 35 years, Franklin: Possession of Drugs; Resisting Arrest; Destruction of Evidence



### Solar from page 1

six-town volunteer project (including Andover, New London, Newbury Sutton, Warner, and Wilmot) now underway that is offering tiered installation pricing, with costs decreasing as more neighbors sign a contract by June 30 with Granite State Solar, a Bow-based solar installer selected by the volunteer team after a competitive application process

- discuss the advantages of solar electricity with several satisfied Andover property-owners
- pick up directions for visiting a number of local homes with operating solar systems on their roofs or grounds, also between 10 AM and 2 PM
- talk with a representative from Granite State Solar about feasibility issues, pricing, financing, and timing
- schedule a free site visit to your property by the installer to determine whether solar is right for your home, and receive a free estimate for system size, costs, and potential savings
- and, as an added attraction, take a good look at several all-electric and hybrid vehicles lined up in the parking area in front of the Town Office Building
- The Solarize Kearsarge project is part of a larger initiative led by Vital Communities, a Vermont-based nonprofit, to help homeowners across the Upper Valley go solar. In 2014 and 2015, 370 homes were solarized in 25 Upper Valley towns thanks to various Solarize campaigns, a model that has since been successfully copied by communities across Maine and New Hampshire. One of those projects focused on

### Solar Installations You Can Visit on Solar Saturday 10 AM-2 PM

Mary Anne Broshek,  
76 Old Shaw Hill Road

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41 Chase Hill Road

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41 Pleasant Road

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206 Bridge Road

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12 Depot Street

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373 Elbow Pond Road

Lee and Ken Wells  
92 Maple Street

Andover, New London and Wilmot. Partly as a result of these efforts, Andover now has more than 60 separate solar-electric installations.

The Solarize campaign follows on the heels of the Weatherize Kearsarge project, also coordinated by Vital Communities. That project offered residents of the same six towns an opportunity to have their homes weather-sealed and insulated by experienced area contractors at reduced costs, often with financial assistance. The opportunity to participate in that project ended in late March.

The Andover Energy Group, composed of several local residents interested in alternative energy and energy efficiency, has guided all these activities at the local level. It has also played a prominent role in improving the comfort and energy efficiency of the Town Office Building via a year-long project that included weatherization, a solar-electric system, and the installation of air-source heat pumps to replace an oil heating system.



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of the parade. All children are welcome. Decorate bicycles, wagons, selves... anything goes! Parents are encouraged to walk along with kids.



The parade theme this year is Sports! This includes any sport...winter, summer, any sport you choose. How about doing a sports related family float...like camping, fishing, hunting, skiing, golfing? You choose. Businesses, organizations and neighborhood groups are also encouraged to enter a float. It's free! And remember! A Grand Prize of \$250 will be awarded to the float winner! Also, cash prizes will be awarded to three other categories: vehicles, other vehicle types and animals.

This year you will hear the thump, thump of drums and blare of the horns coming up Main Street as the Muchachos Marching Band joins our legendary parade.

Keep an eye out for increased activity on Carr Field prior to the fireworks. The committee is working on some game booths, refreshments, glo sticks and toys.

We would like to thank just a few of our many sponsors: Proctor Academy for the use of their grounds and facilities,

Byron Septic for supplying Porta Potties for the event, Belletetes for providing tents, a truck and driver, cash donation, and raffle merchandise. The committee and the town are grateful to all these great sponsors provide. Watch for our next article for more sponsors!

Last year's free concert at the AE/MS amphitheater was such a success we have decided to do it again. Mark your calendars for Thursday, June 6th! Nick's Other Band and Diamond Special will be performing. The Andover Emergency Services Auxiliary will have refreshments for sale to benefit their organization.

For more information, contact Doug (phone: 977-0037 or email: doug.phelps80@gmail.com), Donna (phone: 735-6131 or email: donnafrench@comcast.net) or Beth (phone: 735-5562 or email: bfrost99@icloud.com).

It's a simple formula. Wake up to a beautiful day, stop in for the pancake breakfast, hit the market on the Green, honor our country at the flag raising, enjoy a fabulous parade, soak up some



good Bluegrass music, play some games at Carr Field, enjoy a snack while you watch an epic fireworks display...fall into bed!



Andover School Board Clerk Christie Coll swears in Adam Jones and Dean Barker to a new term. Adam is a new school board member, and Dean is a returning board member. Our community appreciates their volunteer efforts. Left to Right - Adam Jones, Christie Coll, and Dean Barker

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## LOCAL BEACON SUPPORTERS WIN!

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:

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## Andover Service Club Planning Fifth Annual Art and Craft Show

Mary Ofenloch, Andover Service Club

The fifth annual "Christmas in October" Arts & Craft Show is now in its planning stages. The date for the show will be October 26 at the Andover Elementary/Middle School. Look for more information in the June issue of the Beacon.

May is the month in which we celebrate mothers, grandmothers, godmothers and stepmothers. To show our love, we buy flowers, chocolates or jewelry for our special moms. This year, why not give that special lady the gift of a one-year membership in the Andover

Service Club? For \$10 per year she will meet new friends, enjoy and participate in club events. For more information, e-mail [maryo.asclub@live.com](mailto:maryo.asclub@live.com).

The next meeting of the ASC will be on May 8 at 10AM in the Highland Lake Grange Hall. After refreshments, socializing, and business reports the special program will be a presentation of Fiber Arts with fiber artist Priscilla Parmenter. If you are interested in seeing how the club members work together, and would like to join us, just come to the meeting. You will be welcomed to join us.

## Events Sponsored by Conservation Commission and Proctor Academy

Press release

The Andover Conservation Commission and Proctor Academy are working together to offer two interesting programs in the month of May.

### When the Dam breaks

Thursday, May 16 at 6:30 PM at the Stone Chapel on the Andover Town Green.

Join us for a lesson from conservationist, biologist and inventor, Skip Lisle (Beaver Deceivers LLC) on the natural history of the North American Beaver and its impacts on the NH landscape.

### Conserving Bats

Thursday May 23 at 6:30 PM at the Stone Chapel on the Andover Town Green.

Join Jesse Mohr (Native Geographic, LLC) to learn about the ecology of

New Hampshire bats, bat-friendly forestry, and what you can do to help local bats. The presentation and discussion will examine bat habitat needs, current research and conservation efforts to protect one of our best predators of mosquitoes and other insect pests.

Jesse Mohr is the a wildlife biologist, forester, and ecologist. He is also the owner of Native Geographic, an ecological consulting firm for the New England region. Jesse has over 15 years of experience in conservation, forestry and natural resource inventories.

All programs are free and open to the public. Education is the answer! Join us!

Please note that parking is restricted to designated parking lot areas due to the need for emergency access.

## Concord Regional VNA Holds Senior Health Clinic in Andover in May

Tuesday, May 21 at Andover Community Hub

Press release

Concord Regional VNA will be holding its monthly Senior Health Clinic at Andover Hub, 157 Main Street in Andover on Tuesday, May 21 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.

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## 'Ask a Pharmacist' to be Presented at The Hub

Monday May 20  
at 10:30 AM

### Press release

Not sure when a prescription's side effect is a cause for concern? Wondering if one medication might interact with another in a not-so-good way? Curious about herbal and nutritional supplements?

Ann Marie Bisson, a licensed pharmacist with Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association (VNA), will lead a conversation, and answer participants' questions when "Ask a Pharmacist" is presented at The Andover Community Hub on Monday, May 20, at 10:30 AM.

The presentation, at 157 Main St. in Andover, is open to the public at no charge. For more information, contact

TheAndoverHub@gmail.com.

According to the VNA, as people age they often find themselves taking numerous medications, both prescription and over-the-counter, to deal with various health problems. Learning to manage those medications, especially when seeing several doctors for different health issues, and what to do if you suspect a problem, is increasingly important.

Knowing about possible side effects, how medications may interact with one another, as well as how individual factors like age, weight, alcohol or nicotine use can influence their impact, are all important factors in getting the most benefit and the least harm from medications.



## Adult Art Class Offered at the Hub

Runs five Thursdays in  
June and July

### Press release

Molly Leith, professionally trained artist and Andover resident, is offering a beginner art class for adults, on five Thursdays, beginning June 20 and skipping July 4, 6:30-8:30 PM. The series will take place at The Andover Community Hub, 157 Main Street in Andover.

The class is intended to combine technical skills training, art history, and fun. Participants will develop observational skills, compositional strategy, and a knowledge of color theory and style. They'll gain confidence in their own creative abilities while also exploring the work of a variety of well-known artists including Kathe Kollowitz, Claude Monet, Georgia O'Keeffe, Josef Albers, and Franz Bischoff.

Pre-registration and pre-payment

for the series is required; the fee for the series is \$125. Participants are asked to register by contacting TheAndoverHub@gmail.com by the registration deadline of June 13. As an early-registration incentive, the first five students to register will receive a signed artist's print by Molly Leith.

Payment is requested before the class begins. Checks may be made out to Molly Leith and mailed to her at 12 Shirley Road, Andover, NH, 03216, or dropped off at The Hub during open hours.

Most class materials and supplies will be provided by the instructor, but students are asked to bring their own acrylic paints, either individual tubes or a basic set that includes black, white, red, blue & yellow (good sets can be found at Michael's for around \$20, and specific suggestions will be provided at registration), as well as a 2B pencil and a 6B pencil.





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## What's Up at the Hub in May

### Press release

There's a smorgasbord of happenings at The Andover Community Hub in May. For more information on any of the following, or to share an idea you'd like to help organize or would love to have offered, contact TheAndoverHub@gmail.com or at PO Box 157, Andover 03216.

"Coffee at the Hub" is always available on Tuesdays and Thursdays, 8:30 to 11 AM. Drop in for a cup of coffee and to socialize a bit, maybe play a game of Scrabble, work on a jigsaw puzzle or play a few tunes on the piano!

A new offering for kids is called "That Thing at The Hub" -- an afterschool chance for 4th through 8th graders to hang out with friends, have a snack and create something interesting, 2:45 to 5 PM each Wednesday. Local resident and educator Donna Duclos always has ideas for creating, building, and crafts, but kids are free to create on their own too. Registration forms are available at AEMS or from TheAndoverHub@gmail.com. Home-schooled kids are also welcome.

The 1st Friday Film Society meets next on May 3, 2:30 PM. The movie is Mary Poppins Returns, the 2018 musical based on the book series set in 1930s London. Popcorn too!

The Senior Health Clinic, offered by the Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association (VNA) is on May 21 -- always the third Tuesday -- 10 to 1 PM by appointment. Services include toenail clipping and foot care, blood pressure screening, B-12 injections, medication and nutritional information. For an appointment, call nurse Jean Chapman, 410-9754.

The UFO\* Crafters meets Thursdays at 10 AM. Bring your \*UnFinished Objects to chat while finishing up your projects. Email Donna Duclos, dcduclos@gmail.com, to be kept posted on meeting times, schedule changes and crafts-related outings.

Ongoing Karate Classes for Kids, Teens & Adults on Mondays -- ages 6-8, 4:45-5:45 PM; beginner/intermediate age 9 to adult, 6 to 7 PM; advanced age 10 to adults, 7 to 8 PM. Taught by Tiger Mountain Shotokan Karate; fee \$65/month. For information, contact Gayle Fleming, 603-477-3174.

Gentle Yoga classes are offered Wednesdays, 5:15 to 6:15 PM, \$11/session, and Fridays, 8:15 to 9:15 AM, \$10/session. All levels welcome. Emphasis on core fitness, flexibility, balance and stress reduction. For information, contact teacher Maris Wofsy at Maris.Wofsy@gmail.com.

The Beginning Tai Chi class may continue after the current series ends May 16. If interested, contact TheAndoverHub@gmail.com. Beginners and those with some experience welcome.

Bone Builders takes place every Tuesday & Thursday, 9 to 10 AM. This ongoing strength and balance class is free, both men and women are welcome and newcomers can start at any time.

German Conversation takes place the fourth Monday of each month, 5 to 6 PM. Both fluent German-language speakers and those less so are welcome. For information, contact Gisela Darling at 735-5681.

"Ask a Pharmacist" on Monday, May 20, 10:30 AM. See separate article on this page in The Beacon.



### Take a Closer Look at Myths Surrounding 529 Plans

If you want to help pay for your children's college educations, you might want to consider contributing to a 529 plan. With this plan, your earnings grow federally tax-free, as long as the withdrawals are used for qualified higher education expenses such as tuition and room and board. Yet, you may have heard some things about 529 plans that are keeping you from investing in one. However, these concerns may be more myth than reality -- so let's take a look at a few of them.

"I need a lot of money to contribute to the plan." This myth has essentially no truth to it. Typically, only a modest amount is required to open your 529 plan, and you can generally transfer small sums to it from your checking or savings account.

"If my child doesn't go to college, I lose out on the money I've put in." This myth runs counter to one of the 529 plan's greatest benefits: flexibility. If you've named one child (or grandchild) as a beneficiary of a 529 plan, and that child or grandchild decides against pursuing higher education, you can simply change the beneficiary to another eligible family member. Furthermore, if none of your intended beneficiaries will need the 529 plan, you can name yourself the beneficiary and use the money to take classes or receive some other type of qualified education opportunity.



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In a worst-case scenario, in which the money is never used for education, you will be taxed on the earnings por-

tion of the withdrawals -- but had you never contributed to a 529 plan, the funds would have been taxed, anyway. (However, you might be subject to a 10% penalty tax, in addition to regular income taxes, again on the earnings portion of the withdrawals.)

"I have to invest in my own state's plan." Not true. You're free to invest in the 529 plan of any state, no matter where you live. But it could be advantageous for you to invest in your own state's plan, as you might receive some tax breaks for state residents. (The tax issues for 529 plans can be complex, so you'll want to consult with your tax advisor about your situation.) Investing in your own state's plan also might provide access to financial aid and scholarship funds, along with possible protection from creditors.

"A 529 plan will destroy my child's chances for financial aid." While a 529 plan could affect your child's financial aid prospects, it might not doom them. And the benefits of building significant assets in a 529 plan could outweigh the potential loss of some needs-based financial aid.

Before investing in a 529 plan, you'll want to explore it thoroughly, as you would any investment. You can find details about a 529 plan's investment options, share classes, fees, expenses, risks and other information in the plan's program description or offering statement, which you should read carefully before making any purchasing decisions.

But, in any case, don't let "myths" scare you off from what could be one of your best college-savings vehicles.

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

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## Report from Concord

### Representative Ken Wells

Things have continued to be very busy in the State House, and I've been in the thick of things.

Starting on a personal note, I will admit it was a thrill (and a bit scary!) to make my first speech before 400 Representatives, media and gallery guests "from the well", as the pulpits on the House floor are called. I was happy that the the bill (HB358) I spoke for passed, stopping the yearly release of up to 500 pounds of lead up smokestacks. The bill repealed existing law which allowed burning construction debris such as painted wood (some from out-of-state) by big municipal incinerators like the one in Penacook. The lead would settle over the homes, schoolyards and agricultural lands of all the nearby towns. I'm astounded how many legislators voted to allow this pollution to happen! There is no cure for the damage caused by lead poisoning. You just have to ask, "Whose interests are they representing?" Certainly not the people of our towns!

I believe the new budget passed by the House improves the Governor's budget in several areas:

- Funding for education, including fully funding the state's obligation to support SPED and special-needs students. Up to this point the disproportionate cost of providing this much-needed support has fallen to the towns, not the state. This has driven up property taxes and put particular hardships on our locally-funded schools, who have been without adequate state support.
- Local property tax relief is my strong priority, and we have built strong bipartisan support for further progress with Representatives in rural towns across NH, including local Representatives Karrick, Ebel, Schamberg and Carson in the Andover Beacon's circulation area.
- Supporting mental health, heading off the opioid crisis, and supporting women and children's services.
- Raising \$150 million of new money annually by extending the existing Interest & Dividends 5% tax, to include capital gains made (for example) in the stock market. This tax will not affect most low and middle income people, but will impose a tax on folks who can well afford it. The 5% rate is still lower than in neighboring states, so it will not force the wealthy out of NH. The exemptions for retirees are raised from \$2500 to about \$7000, so only those who make more than \$7000 annual profits on sale of stocks will actually pay this tax. The intent of this new revenue is to provide local property tax relief, restore revenue sharing among the towns,

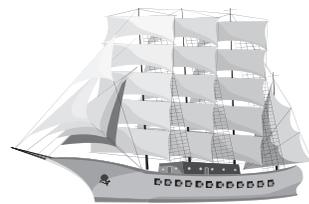
and continue stabilization grants to our schools. What this means to Andover, Danbury and Salisbury citizens is that the state will be able to pay more than \$3600 per pupil in our schools, thus reducing the town's dependence on raising property taxes to cover school costs.

I've been working on improving broadband access, especially in northern Danbury where cell and internet connectivity is spotty, if not non-existent. I'm calling out the communications companies whose representatives claim their service is great "in 98%" of NH towns, and 95% everywhere else". Among several options, I'm investigating USDA grants that could help bring access to 21st century technology to our rural areas, and encourage young people to work and live in our towns.

Right now, my committee is working on Science, Technology and Energy bills submitted to us by the Senate. Many of these bills look for ways to

- lower citizens' and business' electricity costs through programs for energy efficiency
- head off our rapidly increasing electric transmission costs
- protect our environment, which our forestry and our tourism industry, indeed, our very future, depends upon.
- Judging from the large number of calls I've received from all of you, the deteriorating condition of Route 4 is an important issue to nearly everyone. I have spoken with the chair and vice chair of Public Works and Highways, as well as our District 2 Engineer about the desperate need for repairs to Route 4. The good news is that work will begin around the end of May and includes the entire stretch from the Boscawen rotary to Naughty Nellie's Ice Cream, as well as Route 3 to West Franklin. The bad news is that NHDOT is too underfunded to do more than a light repave. To fix the underlying road bed properly requires a million dollars per mile and Route 4 is not the only project in the state. So new sources of funding for paving and red-listed bridge projects needs to be found. To that end, I support the House vote to block continued reductions in state business taxes. Had those tax cuts for businesses gone through, the shortfall would have been made up through even higher property taxes and road (gasoline) taxes. In an overwhelming bipartisan vote of 362-5 the House passed HB25 to spend \$12.5 million of state money to improve NH roads and bridges. The state leaves the actual scheduling of the work (and detours) up to the paving contractors

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## Andover Fish & Game Club's Annual Kids' Fishing Derby

Saturday, May 11 at Highland Lake Channel

### Press release

The Andover Fish and Game Club is sponsoring its 23rd Annual Kids' Spring Trout Fishing Derby at Highland Lake in East Andover. The Derby will be held at the channel on Saturday, May 11. This is for all kids 15 and under.

Registration starts at 7 AM ( at the clubhouse by the channel). You may be-

gin fishing from then until 10 AM.

Food and drink are provided, with lucky prizes, and ribbons awarded. Please bring your own fishing pole and bait.

There will be a stocking of the trout on Friday, May 10 around 6 PM along the channel. All kids are welcome to come and help stock the channel.

For further information or questions, please call 735-5311. 

## Andover Historical Society May 2019 Events

### Press release

Mark your calendars! The Andover Historical Society (AHS) announces the following schedule of public events beginning in May and continuing through mid-October. All are free and open to the public. For more information about the Society, go to [www.andoverhistory.org](http://www.andoverhistory.org).

Saturday, May 4: Indoor spring clean-up, 9 AM–Noon, at the Potter Place Railroad Station Museum and J. C. Emons store. All welcome to lend a hand.

Saturday, May 11: Outdoor spring clean-up, 9 AM–Noon, at railroad station grounds in Potter Place. All welcome to lend a hand.

Saturday, May 25: AHS museum sites—the Potter Place Railroad Station and Museum, and the J.C. Emons General Store and Post Office, both in the village of Potter Place—open to the public on weekends through mid October. Exhibit features Andover's covered bridges. Saturdays 10 AM–3 PM, Sundays 12:30–3 PM.

Saturday, May 25: AHS sale of works of celebrated N.H. artist Annalida van't Hoff (1909-1997), and items donated to AHS, begins and continues on Saturdays through mid-October, 10 AM–3 PM in the Gordon-Lull House, Potter Place. See separate article on page 14 in this issue. 

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# Letters

## Think White Water Park

I would like to clarify that the White-water Park is not a plastic slide, amusement park. It is whitewater rafting and kayaking on the Winnepesaukee River that rapidly makes its way into downtown Franklin, and we are fortunate to have this resource.

While families may be drawn to Franklin for the water park, they will also extend their vacation beyond Franklin. Due to the beautiful bike/walking trails that spring from our city, vacationers can visit places far and near. Picture dad or mom coming for the thrill of running the river while the other parent takes the kids on a biking adventure, or the whole family hits the trails with a trip through

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Andover (stay at a B & B); maybe even as far as Lebanon. Perhaps they'll head south to Concord and visit the State House and NH Museum, or east toward Laconia. No matter where they go, they will need food and lodging; free to stop at any community for their needs.

It would be short-sighted to deny this community the opportunity to expand their economic base, while at the same time denying the State of New Hampshire its share of revenue. Supporting this park will help feed all communities throughout New Hampshire by creating another reason to visit our state, spend time with us, and spend money with us, thus increasing revenues for the entire state through increased economic activity.

Judith Ackerson  
Franklin

## Lack of Reporting From the State House

Upon reading the April issue of the Andover Beacon, I was disappointed with the limited information on reporting of "bills" by State Rep Ken Wells (Andover, Danbury, Salisbury) and could not find a report from State Rep David Karrick (Andover, Danbury, Salisbury, Webster, Warner). Obtained information of their voting on bills, and I don't understand either one of them and why they voted to spend, spend, spend which we the citizens will have to pay, and they voted to pass HB564 which would infringe on our Second Amendment rights.

I love the State of New Hampshire

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.

and our motto "Live Free or Die." I do not take my freedoms for granted. With all the spending of money the Dems have either voted to pass or kill in this Legislative Session, it is theft and in my opinion is not the will of the people. With the spending and the passing of HB564, it will change our State forever. These two people moved to NH because they loved our State and now they are voting to take it all away from us. In my opinion it is not acceptable. Write to your reps and give them your opinion.

The following is how Ken Wells and David Karrick voted on some of the bills:

HB282—Requiring Fish&Game officers, like all other officers, to have a warrant before they can search a boat, car, or person. Killed.

98% of Democrats voted to Kill.

Karrick, David (D, Warner) Kill

Wells, Kenneth (D, Andover) Kill

86% of Republicans voted to Pass.

HB124—Repealing a never-used and unconstitutional infringement on free speech. Killed.

100% of Democrats voted to Kill.

Karrick, David (D, Warner) Kill

Wells, Kenneth (D, Andover) Kill

93% of Republicans voted to Pass.

HB120—Declaring that young job seekers won't know how to safely pierce ears unless they first pay \$110 to the state. Passed.

99% of Democrats voted to Pass.

Karrick, David (D, Warner) Pass

Wells, Kenneth (D, Andover) Pass

73% of Republicans voted to Kill.

HB497-0113h—Reducing the state-wide property tax. Killed.

100% of Democrats voted to Kill.

Karrick, David (D, Warner) Kill

Wells, Kenneth (D, Andover) Kill

94% of Republicans voted to Pass.

HB185—Reducing the interest & dividends tax. Killed.

99% of Democrats voted to Kill.

Karrick, David (D, Warner) Kill

Wells, Kenneth (D, Andover) Kill

99% of Republicans voted to Pass.

HB210—Holding public officials individually accountable if they knowingly violate a court order. Did not pass.

99% of Democrats voted to Kill.

Karrick, David (D, Warner) Kill

Wells, Kenneth (D, Andover) Kill

87% of Republicans voted to Pass.

HB211—Micromanaging businesses' hiring practices. Passed.

98% of Democrats voted to Pass.

Karrick, David (D, Warner) Pass

Wells, Kenneth (D, Andover) Pass

96% of Republicans voted to Kill.

HB253—Micromanaging businesses' hiring practices. Passed.

See Letters on page 12



The Andover Area Democrats are proud to support the Andover Beacon!



# Events Calendar

**May 3**  
 1st Friday Film Society, Mary Poppins Returns: 2:30 PM at Andover Community Hub  
 First Friday Gallery Stroll: 5:30-7 PM in down town New London, www.CenterForTheArts.org, (603) 526-4444  
 Pemigewasset Choral Soc. Concert: 7:30 PM at St. Gabriel's Parish, Franklin  
 Mary Poppins the Musical: 7:30 PM at Franklin Opera House, www.franklinopera-house.org, (603) 934-1901

**May 4**  
 Birding by Sight and Sound at the Fells: 7:30-9 AM, www.thefells.org, (603) 763-4789 x3  
 Solar Saturday in Andover: 10 AM-2PM, Andover Town Office Bldg.  
 "The History of Lumbering": 1 PM at Blazing Star Grange Hall  
 "School Lunch" by Book Nook Theater Group: 4 PM at Warner Town Hall, (603) 456-2289  
 Mary Poppins the Musical: 7:30 PM at Franklin Opera House, www.franklinopera-house.org, (603) 934-1901

**May 8**  
 Andover Service Club Mtg: 10 AM at Highland Lake Grange Hall, E. Andover  
 Foot Care Clinic: by appointment, Franklin VNA/Hospice, (603) 934-3454

**May 10**  
 Heather Pruning at the Fells: 9:30 AM, www.thefells.org, (603) 763-4789 x3  
 Mary Poppins the Musical: 7:30 PM at Franklin Opera House, www.franklinopera-house.org, (603) 934-1901

**May 11**  
 Kids Fishing Derby: 7 AM at Andover Fish and Game Club, E. Andover, (603) 735-5311  
 Franklin Community Day: Parade and Fair begin at 10 AM, Central Street & at Odell Park in Franklin  
 Henry Homeyer-The Gardening Guy at the Fells: 10 AM, www.thefells.org, (603) 763-4789 x3  
 Colby-Sawyer College Commencement: 10:30 on the Quad, New London, malaika.sidmore@colby-sawyer.edu or 603.526.3720  
 Dancing With Lake Sunapee Stars: Reception & Silent Auction at 5:30, Show at 7 PM, www.CenterForTheArts.org, (603) 526-4444  
 Mary Poppins the Musical: 7:30 PM at Franklin Opera House, www.franklinopera-house.org, (603) 934-1901

**May 12**  
 Mary Poppins the Musical: 7:30 PM at Franklin Opera House, www.franklinopera-house.org, (603) 934-1901

**May 13**  
 Walk In Grief Support Group: 2 PM at Franklin VNA/Hospice, Franklin VNA/Hospice, (603) 934-3454

**May 15**  
 Foot Care Clinic: by appointment, Franklin VNA/Hospice, (603) 934-3454  
 Care Giver Survival Tips: 4 PM Franklin

VNA/Hospice, (603) 934-3454

**May 16**  
 "When the Dam Breaks" with Conservationist Skip Lisle: 6:30 PM at Stone Chapel, Proctor Academy  
 30 Years of Artice Sea Ice Adventures with Dr. Terry Tucker: 7 PM, Wilmot Public Library

**May 17**  
 Andover Coffeehouse with Finn the Fiddler: 7 PM at Highland Lake Grange Hall, E. Andover, www.AndoverCoffeehouse.org

**May 18**  
 Grange Supper (Roast Pork): 5-6:30 PM at Blazing Star Grange Hall, 15 N. Rd., Dandury, www.BlazingStarGrange.org, (603) 768-5579

**May 19**  
 "WWII in New Hampshire" with John Gfroerer: 2 PM at Wilmot Town Hall, www.WilmotHistoricalSociety.org

**May 20**  
 "Ask a Pharmacist: 10:30 AM at Andover Community Hub, TheAndoverHub@gmail.com

**May 21**  
 Senior Health Clinic: 10 AM-1 PM at Andover Community Hub, (603) 410-9754, TheAndoverHub@gmail.com

**May 22**  
 Foot Care Clinic: by appointment, Franklin VNA/Hospice, (603) 934-3454  
 Care Giver Survival Tips: 4 PM Franklin VNA/Hospice, (603) 934-3454  
 Rediscovering Mt. Washington's Hidden Culture with Dan Szczesny: 7 PM at Wilmot Town Hall

**May 23**  
 "Conserving Bats" with Jesse Mohr: 6:30 PM at Stone Chapel, Proctor Academy

**May 25**  
 Franklin Town Wide Yard Sale: 8 AM-2 PM, Maps at front of Franklin High School, Central St. Franklin  
 Biggest Yard Sale in NH: 8 AM-1PM at Kearsarge Comm. Presbyterian Church, (603) 526-4800, Officem@tds.net  
 Wilmot Garden Club Plant Sale: 8 AM-Noon, Wilmot Town Green, Kearsarge Valley Rd.

**May 26**  
 Franklin Animal Shelter 5K Race/Walk: 9 AM at Paul Smith School in Franklin, www.FranklinAnimalShelter.com  
 Andover Historical Society Art Sale: View items at Gordon-Lull House, Potter Place, www.andoverhistorical.org  
 Out and About at The Fells: 10 AM, www.thefells.org, (603) 763-4789 x3

**May 28**  
 Blood Pressure Clinic: 10:30-11:30 AM, TRIPP Center, Rowell Drive, Franklin

**May 30**  
 Thursday's Child Benefit Dinner: 5:30 PM at Coach House Restaurant, New London (603) 526-2791

**June 3**  
 Salisbury Farmers Market: 3-6 PM at Salisbury Town Hall, (603) 648-2156

## Andover Area Democrats Meeting

Andover area Democrats will meet at the Andover Community Hub on Thursday, May 9 at 7 PM. The Hub is located at 157 Main Street in Andover.



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## WILMOT HISTORICAL SOCIETY

PRESENTS

### World War II in New Hampshire

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# TOWN COMMITTEE MINUTES

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

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

## Select Board

March 18, 2019

*Condensed from approved minutes*

**Members Present:** Marj Roy, Town Administrator; Dave Blinn, Chuck Keyser, and Bill Keyser, Select Board Members; John Thompson, Road Agent; and Police Officer Dan Mori.

**Also present:** Herbie Barton and Kim Pease

The Board entered into Non-Public Session at 5:31 PM by Roll Call Vote and returned to the Public Meeting at 6:30 PM by Roll Call Vote.

**Reorganization of the Board:** After Town Meeting, the first task of the Board is to elect a chairperson. After discussion, Blinn made a motion to nominate Chuck Keyser as the chair. Bill Keyser seconded the motion. Chuck Keyser accepted the nomination and is the Select Board Chair until next year after Town Meeting.

**Road Agent Report by John Thompson:** General Work - Last week the highway department dealt with snowing conditions. This week, the highway department is dealing with muddy roads. Sand and gravel were put down to help with the muddy road conditions. The gravel is frozen and hard to gather. However, a local steam cleaning business owner offered his assistance in thawing out the gravel with his steam machine. Within two hours, the gravel was thawed enough to use it.

The gravel was used on the bottom half of Tucker Mountain Road. Once Tucker Mountain Road is taken care of, Bradley Lake Road from the dam upwards, will be worked on. The road is rough, but is passable.

Signs – Thompson will bring his list of missing town street signs that he has been running for a while to Roy so the signs can be ordered. Thompson will check to make sure the list is complete. Chuck Keyser questioned if there are brackets or something else that would prevent so many town signs from being taken.

Biennial Bridge Road Report from Department of Transportation (DOT) – Thompson stated that most of the bridge signs are posted.

Last Street Bridge – The hardware they needed came in today. Thompson is ready to make arrangements with the residents on that road to close the road down so it can be repaired.

White Oak Pit Damage – The six pieces of special order pressure treated wood for the Last Street Bridge were damaged while being stored. Thompson will ask one of the highway work employees to check with Josif from Hoyle Tanner and Associates, to find out if those can be swapped out for just 2x6’s instead of special ordering replacement pieces.

*At 6:55 the Board recessed to attend the Andover Village District Meeting in the Library. At 7:15 the Board resumed*

## Office Hours & Meetings

### OFFICE HOURS

**Town Office:** Mon–Thu 9–2

**Town Clerk & Tax Collector:**

Mon, Wed & Thu 9–2

Tue 1:30–6:30

Last Saturday of month, 9–11

**Zoning Administrator:** Mon 9–12,

Tues, Thur 1–4, Weds 9–4

**Transfer Station:** Weds 7–6 & Sat, 7–5, Swap Shop - 2nd Sat 8-12

**Andover Library:**

Mon, 6–8

Wed, 9–12 & 6–8

Thu, 1–5 • Sat, 9–12

**Bachelder Library:**

Tues, 9–12 & 6–8

Thu, Fri 1–5

### MEETINGS

*At the Town Hall unless otherwise noted*

**Cemetery Trustees:** 2nd Tues, 10 Last Thu, 7

**Conservation:** 2nd Wed, 7:30

**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 Wed, 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.**

*the public meeting.*

**Tucker Mountain Road – Kim Pease:**

Pease told the Board of her concern about the conditions of the dirt roads in Town, specifically Tucker Mountain Road where she resides. Pease stated that the roads need to be maintained regularly. Pease suggested two pieces of equipment that the highway department should consider purchasing. The Board thanked her for her concerns and offered to go visit and meet with her and her neighbors to view her concerns. The Board also noted that all towns at this time of year are dealing with muddy roads.

**Review of Select Board Operation Guidelines – Marj Roy**

Roy provided the Board with a packet with information including the fol-

lowing:

- RSA’s – duties and responsibilities
- Meetings, Non-Public Sessions, and Non-Meetings
- Code of Conduct
- Rules of Procedure
- Meeting Order

Roy briefly explained the different items included in the packet. Roy also explained that the only additional task for the Chair of the Board is to set the Agenda. Roy explained that all towns do it differently as to who takes care of the agenda. Roy has been doing the agenda in the past. Roy will have a conversation with Chuck Keyser to find out what works best for him. See attached.

Roy felt that the Volunteer Table sign-up at the Town Meeting was helpful and thought it should be done yearly. Roy was able to get four names of people who are interested in serving on town boards.

**Town Meeting Action Items:** The Board discussed ways to improve Town Meeting next year. The Board received feedback from people who indicated that confusion was the biggest issue. Next year the Board will review each department and if people want to inquire specifically about a line item, they will address it. The Board feels they missed opportunities to explain all the positive things that were accomplished last year.

**Town Administrator Report:** Roy explained the office is working on all the paperwork that is needed after Town Meeting voted on certain appropriations, that is required by Department of Review (DRA). The office will also be working towards the yearly audit which is scheduled for the first week in May.

Roy indicated that the office has had  
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## Mark Your Calendar!

### MAY

*Mondays:* Fire Department, 7  
 1: Fourth of July, Andover Fire Station, 7  
 6: Select Board, 6:30  
 7: School Board, AE/MS, 6:30  
 8: Recreation, AE/MS, Science Room, 7  
 8: Andover EMS, Andover Fire Station, 7  
 8: Conservation Commission, 7:30  
 11: Swap Shop, Transfer Station, 8-12  
 14: Planning Board, 7  
 16: Library Trustees, 7  
 20: Select Board, 6:30  
 21: Zoning Board, 7  
 27: TOWN OFFICES CLOSED  
 28: Planning Board, 7

### JUNE

*Mondays:* Fire Department, 7  
 3: Select Board, 6:30  
 4: School Board, AE/MS, 6:30  
 5: Fourth of July, Andover Fire Station, 7  
 8: Swap Event, Transfer Station, 8-12  
 11: Planning Board, 7  
 12: Conservation Commission, 7  
 12: Andover EMS, Andover Fire Station, 7  
 12: Recreation, AE/MS, Science Room, 7  
 17: Select Board, 6:30  
 18: Zoning Board, 7  
 21: Library Trustees, 7  
 25: Planning Board, 7

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a good response to Avitar's letters on the solar credits.

Roy also indicated that the next set of letters will be sent to verify the exemptions and credits.

#### Correspondence and Signatures:

- Intent to Cut – Map 12-725-509, Merzi, Beech Hill Road
- Intent to Cut – Map 23-581-532, Bent, 325 Tucker Mountain Road
- Intent to Cut – Map 7-48-426, Clough, 680 Franklin Highway
- Intent to Cut – Map 28-309-529, Skow, 154 Route 4-A

All of the above items were signed by the 3 board members.

- Intent to Excavate – Map 20-490-291, Caron, 30 Bridge Road
- Sanders Searches, LLC, Newmarket, New Hampshire agreement with the Town

**Previous Minutes:** Blinn made the motion to accept the minutes of March 4, 2019 as amended. Bill Keyser seconded the motion. All in favor. The March 4, 2019 are approved as amended.

#### April 1, 2019

*Condensed from approved minutes*

**Present:** Marj Roy, Town Administrator; Chuck Keyser, Select Board Chair; Dave Blinn and Bill Keyser, Select Board Members; John Thompson,

Road Agent; and Police Officer, Dan Mori

**Also present were:** Ed Becker and Jon Warzocha

**Road Agent Report** by John Thompson:

- Mud Season - The Highway Department has been working on the muddy roads and patching the mud holes. Thompson noted that mud season will soon be gone and it will be time to start with the cemeteries, summer projects and maintenance.
- Elbow Pond Road Culvert - Thompson reviewed the plans that Hoyle Tanner and Associates prepared.
- Last Street Bridge - Thompson expects to talk to the residents tomorrow about starting the project. Thompson already spoke to the Fire Department and the Police Department about safety issue plans.
- Shirley and Poplar Streets Recharge Basins – Thompson reviewed rough plans with Josif from Hoyle Tanner and Associates. Chuck Keyser asked Thompson if he thought the Board should meet with the Water Commissioners about the issues. Thompson agreed.
- Old College Road - Bill Keyser asked Thompson if he will be taking care of the big dip. Last week, Thompson was in touch with Jeff at

GMI and also spoke to him today.  
 • Beaver Deceiver Maintenance – The deceivers on Switch Road need some maintenance and cleaning. Thompson indicated that the deceivers are generally cleaned out twice a year. Usually near Memorial Day and in the Fall when the leaves and sticks need to be cleaned out.

- Ed Becker - Mail Box Issue – Becker stated that during the winter plowing season, his mailbox was left shattered and wrecked by the plow drivers. However, he thinks a solution between Thompson and him has been made. The Highway Department will dig a hole for a new post. Roy will give Becker \$35.00 for the replacement mail box. Becker will use that money to purchase a treated post. It was also agreed that the work won't be done until the ground thaws but not later than April 10th unless otherwise agreed.

#### Conservation Memo - White Oak

**Pit:** Conservation is concerned about the wetland setbacks being adhered to. The Board discussed and decided that they would not be concerned at this point because the Town does not actually own the property. Once the property survey is completed, the Board will

concern itself with the wetland issues.  
**Zoning Board Of Adjustment Appointment:** The Board signed the appointment paperwork for Jon Warzocha for the open full member position. Warzocha signed the paperwork.

#### Work Session Schedule:

- A regular work session is scheduled for next Monday, April 8, 2018 at Noon.
- A short work session is scheduled for Wednesday, April 10, 2019 at Noon to develop the new Appointed Road Agent position. Instead of having a committee for this process, the Board will hold one-on-one sessions to gather important information. The Board requested that Thompson be one of the experts.

#### Buswell Property On Main Street

**(Tax Map 20-268-419):** Roy received a phone message from the party interested in purchasing the property. Roy has a letter and a copy of the deed that Town Counsel drew up. At this time, Roy does not have the exact 2013-2017 tax figures for the purchase and will talk with the Tax Collector tomorrow to go over it and come up with a final figure for the interested party. Once that figure is calculated, Roy will contact the interested party with that number. The

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## Friends Of The Wilmot Public Library Annual Meeting and Guest Speaker

Wednesday, May 22 • 7 PM



Our guest speaker, journalist and author Dan Szczesny, will relate his adventures from having spent a year on Mount Washington.

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## Center for the Arts First Friday Gallery Stroll Features Six Galleries

Friday, May 3  
in New London

### Press release

The Center for The Arts Lake Sunapee Region presents First Friday Gallery Night and Opening Receptions at six New London galleries on Friday May 3, from 5:30 to 7 PM. Stroll the CFA MicroGalleries, enjoy some refreshments and meet the artists; The New London Inn features a captivating Group Photography Show, the Blue Loon Bakery features the wonderful watercolors of Mary Belez and Bar Harbor Bank and Trust on Main Street will be showing the outstanding work of Kearsarge Middle and High School students. These CFA exhibits will be on display through

July 31 during regular business hours. Joining the CFA galleries for the First Friday stroll this month will be, Emil Nelson Gallery, Tatewell Gallery and the New London Hospital. The Hospital's opening reception will be in the Main Lobby from 5 to 7 PM.

CFA is pleased to have these fine galleries participate in May's First Friday Gallery Night. All are located in New London and all First Friday events are free and open to the public. So come on out to enjoy and support the arts.

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### Letters from page 8

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### FMLA Fee Equals Income Tax

The budget passed by this legislature veers dangerously away from historic New Hampshire budgetary restraint. With alarm, I thought of personal lessons learned during a few short years away from New Hampshire, embodied in one example from this budget.

We left New Hampshire several years ago for North Carolina, and the income tax impact painfully surprised us. A lack of vision and understanding led to two years of financial difficulties as our family adjusted and our income increased. That short-sightedness did not lead to opportunity.

Now back in New Hampshire, I can't help but notice our current legislature vigorously pursuing a path, similarly lacking vision and understanding. The terminology for it is decorative (a fee), high minded (affordable FMLA funding), and compassionate (expanded protection for families). This flowery reimagining by Democratic lawmakers, including our own Ken Wells and David Karrick, is strictly wordsmithing. This is the insidious beginning of a State Income Tax.

The argument will be that the 0.5% fee can be absorbed by New Hampshire families. The real question is whether we should have to absorb it. Do the research on income tax rates. Once the door is opened, for whatever reason or necessity, it will never be shut again. It will become the panacea for all that ills the state coffers and is extortion of our hard-earned money. Governor Sununu needs to veto any bill with a disguised income tax. Legislators voting for one, regardless of its name or reason, should receive a harsh rebuke at the ballot box.

*Steven Bowers*  
Andover-Danbury Republicans



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# Andover Libraries Page

## Andover Libraries Newsletter

### Janet Moore, Library Trustee

Thanks to the generosity and support of our local businesses, the March Madness Raffle at the libraries was a great success. Patrons received a raffle ticket for every visit during which they checked out library materials. The winners' names were drawn at the end of the month. Eight lucky patrons received gift cards or gift certificates from Blackwater Junction Restaurant, Repeat Boutique, Belletetes, Circle K, JJ's, Andover Pizza Chef, The Kitchen, and Naughty Nellies.

Want to honor a special person in your life? Please consider donating a book to either library in their honor! It could be for a birthday, an anniversary, a graduation, a special thank-you to a friend or neighbor or teacher, or—for no particular reason at all. We will be happy to order the book, make out the special bookplate, and gift wrap it—and the honoree will automatically become the first person to check out the book.

The Bachelder Library will host the East Andover Village Preschool Art Show for the month of May. Grand opening is April 30th at 5 PM. The featured artists, all students, will attend the opening and be happy to explain their artwork to interested viewers. If you can't make it on the 30th, do come by sometime during the month.

We will be going in a different direction for the May Book Club meeting.

Rather than have participants read the same selection, we have instead decided to have everyone read a middle grade or young adult novel of their own choosing and then present a—you guessed it—book report! As grown-ups, we tend to overlook middle grade and young adult literature, but those stories are often just as complex and serious and often as humorous as adult fiction is; it's just that they're told from a child's viewpoint. Take a risk and come share with us. We meet on the 4th Wednesday of the month, from 7-8 PM at the Bachelder. Ask the librarians if you need suggestions, or a retired librarian: jmpcilley@tds.net; Janet Moore is full of ideas!

Now that the weather is warmer and the roads are finally clear of ice, it's an even better time to join the WABL Walkers! Weather permitting, we meet at the Bachelder on Mondays and Wednesdays at 9:30 AM and head up Chase Hill Rd onto Emery, turning back when everyone has had enough. It's a hilly walk but with spectacular views, and we end with tea at the library, and check-outs if you desire. There's no set pace, only what you like, and the schedule and route are always up for grabs. Come join us for a welcome breath of fresh air. And if you'd like to receive our monthly e-newsletter, just give us a buzz at wablibrary@comcast.net or andoverpl@comcast.net. 

## Through the Reading Glasses—May 2019

### Janet Moore, Library Trustee

Carter Jones has got it tough: it's the first day of 6th grade (good grief—middle school), one sister is missing a sock, another's hair isn't done, they've run out of milk, his mom isn't coping well, it's pouring outside, and the doorbell rings. What now? It's a man in a bowler hat, impeccably dressed and sporting a very large black umbrella, and he says he's come to assist the family. Wha...? Within 15 minutes, the 3 girls are in order, Carter Jones is back packed and ready to go, breakfast and lunch and the over-excited Dachshund have been cleaned up, and they're out the door and hold on, what's that?! "That" is a purple Bentley that whisks them off without so much as a by you leave, with the very proper butler, Mr. Bowles-Fitzpatrick, in the driver's seat.

Carter Jones is floored and suspicious. Could anything be stranger in his little town? Well, no, not really, for when Mr. Bowles-Fitzpatrick picks them up, they learn he's been sent by their grandfather as a present, a permanent presence, to their family. And very quickly, life in the Jones household takes on a new kind of order. Since Carter's father

has re-deployed to Afghanistan again, (and isn't sending his full paycheck home) Mom is struggling to hold things together. Add to that the grief from her son, Currier's death 3 years ago, and it's clear that Mr. B-F has arrived in the nick of time.

"Pay Attention, Carter Jones!" That's the title by Gary Schmidt and the best and most helpful advice Mr. B-F can give to Carter. The little girls fall in love with the new man in the house, Carter walks the dog and learns to drive the Bentley (yes!). Mom starts to face life and emerges from her cocoon and lands a job as the church accountant. Mr. B-F introduces the sport of cricket to the school (every chapter is headed by a cricket regulation) while gradually pushing Carter to face the truth about his father.

Oh yes, this book has a serious side, but it's handed to the reader gradually and ever so gently. A book for all ages, "Pay Attention, Carter Jones!" Tops my list for best book, beyond just the MG/YA ranking, of the past couple of years. As LIFE said in the commercial: "Try it, you'll like it." 

## Bachelder Library New Acquisitions

### May 2019 Beacon

#### Adult Fiction

*The American Agent*, Jacqueline Winspear  
*Any Day Now, The Best of Us*, Robyn Carr  
*American Spy*, Laura Wilkinson  
*Beauchamp Hall*, Danielle Steel  
*Beneath the Same Stars*, Phyllis Cole-Dai  
*The Cassandra*, Sharma Shields  
*Connections in Death*, J.D. Robb  
*Death in Provence*, Serena Kent  
*Early Riser*, Jasper Fforde  
*The Good Pilot Peter Woodhouse*, Alexander McCall Smith  
*The Island of the Sea Women*, Lisa See  
*Less*, Andrew Sean Greer  
*The Lost Girls of Paris*, Pam Jenoff  
*The Moroccan Girl*, Charles Cumming  
*Never Tell*, Lisa Gardner  
*Playing For Keeps*, Jill Shalvis  
*Queenie*, Candice Carey Williams  
*Redemption*, David Baldacci  
*The Tattooist of Auschwitz*, Heather Morris  
*To Keep the Sun Alive*, Rabeah Ghaffari

*Unto Us A Son Is Given*, Donna Leon  
*Untouchable*, Jayne Ann Krentz  
*The Wartime Sisters*,

Lynda Cohen Loigman  
*Wolf Pack*, C.J. Box

#### Adult Nonfiction

*Maybe You Should Talk to Someone*, Lori Gottlieb  
*Say Nothing: A True Story of Murder and Memory in Northern Ireland*, Patrick Radden Keefe  
*Madame Fourcade's Secret War: The Daring Young Woman Who Led France's Largest Spy Network Against Hitler*, Lynne Olson

#### Children's Books

*Harold Loves His Woolly Hat*, Vern Kousky  
*How To Be A Lion*, Ed Vere  
*I'll Love You Till the Cows Come Home*, Kathryn Cristaldi and Kristyna Litten  
*The Unbudgeable Curmudgeon*, Matthew Burgess and Fiona Woodcock

#### Middle Grade and Young Adult

*Pay Attention, Carter Jones!*, Gary D. Schmidt

#### Books on CD

*In a House of Lies*, Ian Rankin

#### DVD's

*Green Book*  
*Isle of Dogs*

## Andover Public Library New Acquisitions

### May 2019 Beacon

#### Adult Fiction

*Secrets Between Us*, Valerie Keogh  
*The Parade*, Dave Eggers  
*Run Away*, Harlan Coben  
*I Invited Her In*, Adele Parks  
*The Last Woman in the Forest*, Diane Les Becquets  
*The Chef*, James Patterson and Max DiLallo  
*Wild Card*, Stuart Woods  
*The American Agent*, Jacqueline Winspear  
*Desolation Mountain*, William Kent Krueger  
*I Have Lost My Way*, Gayle Forman  
*Celtic Empire*, Clive Cussler and Dirk Cussler  
*The Last Second*, Catherine Coulter and J.T. Ellison  
*The Cornwalls Are Gone*, James Patterson and Brendan DuBois

#### Adult Nonfiction

*Dark Tide: The Great Boston Molasses Flood of 1919*, Stephen Puleo

*Calypso*, David Sedaris  
*Dark Money: The Hidden History of the Billionaires Behind the Rise of the Radical Right*, Jane Mayer  
*Learning to Walk in the Dark*, Barbara Brown Taylor  
*Small Fry: A Memoir*, Lisa Brennan-Jobs

#### Children's Books

*Puppy Birthday to You!*, Golden Books and Fabrizio Petrossi  
*3 Caillou Story Books*  
*How To Two*, David Soman  
*Ladybug Girl and the Dress-up Dilemma*, Jacky Davis and David Soman  
*Big Nate: Payback Time!*, Lincoln Peirce  
*The Judy Moody Star-Studded Collection*, Megan McDonald and Peter H. Reynolds

#### Middle Grade and YA

*Mr. Lemoncello's Great Library Race*, Chris Grabenstein  
*Warriors: Tigerstar and Sasha #1: Into the Woods*, Erin Hunter  
*The Final Kingdom: Tombquest Book 5*, Michael Northrop  
*Red Queen, Glass Sword, King's Cage, War Storm*, Victoria Aveyard



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Examples of works by Annaleida van't Hoff that will be offered for sale by the Andover Historical Society on May 26. Proceeds from the sale will benefit the Society and the van't Hoff Art and Music Trust.

## Art Sale to Benefit Andover Historical Society

May 26 at Society's Gordon -Lull House

### Press release

A collection of over 50 sketches, pen-and-ink drawings, pastels, oil and water-color paintings, and prints by celebrated

New Hampshire artist Annaleida van't Hoff (1909-1997) will go on sale on Saturday, May 26, in Andover, where van't Hoff lived and worked for much of her life.

The works have been made available by Lisa McCall, van't Hoff's granddaughter, on the condition that proceeds

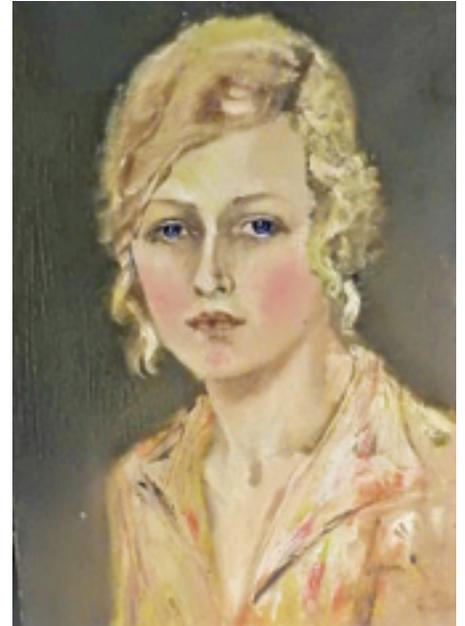
from the sales be divided evenly between the Andover Historical Society and the Annaleida van't Hoff Art and Music Trust, which was established in 1997 to support student projects in the Andover Elementary/Middle School.

The collection may be viewed at the Historical Society's Gordon-Lull House in Potter Place, on Saturdays throughout the summer and early fall, between 10 AM and 3 PM. The Gordon-Lull House is directly across Depot Street from the Potter Place train station, also owned and maintained by the Historical Society.

In addition, the collection will include several van't Hoff abstracts done in oil and enamel and offered for sale by local residents. The proceeds will also benefit the Historical Society.

Also on sale will be a number of antiques and collectibles donated by Mary Perry, former owner of Barker's of Salisbury Heights antiques business, who made them available to the Historical Society as a source of income.

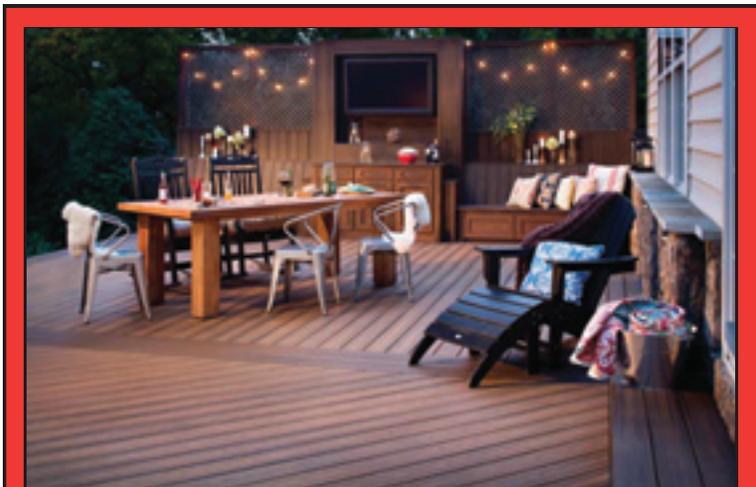
According to van't Hoff's grand-



daughter, the idea for the sale was stimulated by the success of last fall's Historical Society exhibit entitled "A Retrospective: The World and Works of Winslow Eaves & Annaleida van't Hoff." Eaves (1922-2003), also a longtime Andover-based artist and sculptor, was a friend and colleague of van't Hoff. Both won international acclaim for their work.

The van't Hoff works offered for sale have been evaluated by Rosanna Eubank Long, a principal in the art advisory firm of Rosanna Eubank LLC based in New London. Price tags will be shown on each work.

Born in Ithaca, N.Y., and educated in Pennsylvania, Maryland, and New York City, van't Hoff moved to Andover in the 1950s to continue an artistic focus begun literally as a pre-teen. She also taught art in private classes and in elementary schools. In 1960, she and Eaves helped to found the Andover Creative Arts Association, which for years was dedicated to bringing art programs, exhibits and events to the area.



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## 30 Years of Arctic Sea Ice Adventures

Presentation by Dr. Terry Tucker on May 16 at 7 PM

### Press release

On Thursday, May 16 at 7 PM, at the Wilmot Library, Dr. Terry Tucker from the Cold Regions Research and Engineering Laboratory will speak on his “30 Years of Arctic Sea Ice Adventures.”

In his talk Terry will describe a variety of the field expeditions in which he participated. He will highlight the objectives of the trips and how the research teams tried to accomplish those

objectives. He will briefly describe the current loss of Arctic sea ice.

W. B. (Terry) Tucker has conducted research on Arctic sea ice for over 30 years. He is a retired research geophysicist for the US Army Cold Regions Research and Engineering Laboratory. His research has ranged from small-scale physical properties of ice cores to ice thickness in the Arctic basin. He participated in many field expeditions over his career from icebreaking ships, camps on the ice, and aircraft flights over the ice.

## Rediscovering Mount Washington’s Hidden Culture

May 22 at 7 PM at Wilmot Town Hall

### Press release

On Wednesday, May 22, at 7 PM in the Wilmot Town Hall, Dan Szczesny will talk about his experience over the course of one calendar year. Journalist Dan Szczesny explored the history and mystique of New England’s tallest mountain. Mount Washington is more than just a 6,288-foot rock pile; the mountain is the cultural soul of climbers, hikers, and tourists from around the world looking to test their mettle against some of the most extreme conditions, in return for a chance to be inspired by some of the most intense natural beauty.

From being on the team of a ninety-seven-year-old marathon runner, to dressing as Walt Whitman and reading poetry up the mountain, to spending a week in winter cooking for the scientists at the observatory, the moun-

tain became Szczesny’s muse. In The White Mountain, Szczesny turns a veteran journalist’s eye toward exploring Mount Washington’s place in the collective consciousness of the country and how this rugged landscape has reflected back a timeless history of our obsession and passion for exploration and discovery.

Dan Szczesny is a long-time author and journalist living in New Hampshire. His books include travelogues on Nepal, Alaska, and the White Mountains. He is a Hemingway Foundation finalist for short fiction and has also written a collection of short stories and of poetry. He has traveled widely throughout the country speaking about adventure travel and the importance of getting kids into the outdoors. He currently calls Manchester, New Hampshire his Base Camp where he lives with his wife and daughter. Learn more about Dan’s work at [www.danszczesny.com](http://www.danszczesny.com).

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## Danbury Historical Society Holds Free Presentation “The History of Lumbering”

Saturday, May 4 at 1 PM at Grange Hall

### Press release

The Danbury Historical Society is holding a free presentation on the “The History of Lumbering” on Saturday, May 4 from 1 to 3 PM at the Danbury Blazing Star

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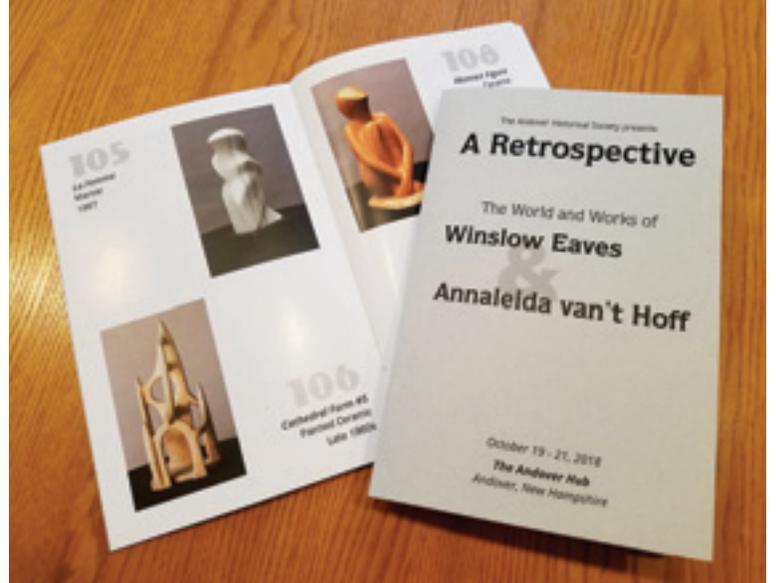
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This group of ladies had a great time at a recent "Paint and Sip" at the Andover Community Hub. The session was led by local artist Molly Leith (top left). To stay on top of all the activities at the hub, join their email list at [TheAndoverHub@gmail.com](mailto:TheAndoverHub@gmail.com). Photo: courtesy of Gretchen Hildebrand



The catalog for Andover Historical Society's exhibit of local artists, printed by Echo Communications earned them a regional award of excellence.



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## Echo Communications Wins for Art Retrospective Catalog

Award of Merit for excellence in printing

### Press release

Echo Communications of New London, the publisher of The Kearsarge Shopper, and a popular local print shop, is an award winner in the Printing Industry of New England's (PINE) regional Awards of Excellence Competition. The announcement was made with hundreds of industry professionals in attendance at PINE's Industry Awards Gala, held at the Boston Marriott Burlington in Burlington, Massachusetts on April 11.

Echo won an Award of Merit in Division 1 for Digital Printing: On Demand for the quality of the printing it provided in the Andover Historical Society's catalog for its October 2018 retrospective of "The World and Works of Winslow Eaves and Annaelda van't Hoff." The catalog was a collaborative effort of many, including Gail Richards and Patty Eaves, co-curators; Edibeth Farrington, Charlie Darling, and Jay Fitzpatrick.

PINE's Awards of Excellence Competition attracted over 300 entries from

over 35 printing and imaging companies across New England competing in a variety of printing and graphic communications categories, such as best annual report, direct mail campaign, labels and packaging, and more.

PINE assembled a panel of judges with extensive experience in printing and print production to examine the wide range of work submitted. Each entry was judged anonymously on its own merit in a category with similar printed pieces.

The judging criteria included: registration, clarity and neatness, sharpness of halftones and line drawings, richness and tonal qualities of color, paper and ink selection, ink coverage, difficulty of printing, effective contrast or softness, overall visual impact and bindery.

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Mason Darling "swinging into spring!" at East Andover Village Preschool.

## East Andover Village Preschool May News

### Press release

We can't believe how quickly this year is flying by! We currently are finishing up some art projects we've been working on in preparation for our Art Show at the William Bachelder Library in East Andover. Our children's impressive work will be on display for the entire month of May. Please stop by and check it out during regular library hours. The library is open Tuesday 9 AM-Noon and 6 to 8 PM, and Thursday and Friday 1 to 5 PM.

We are looking forward to our Spring Family Hike to Hawkins Pond, which will be led by Kim Drouin and take place on Sunday, May 5. We will meet at

the preschool at 9:30 AM and caravan to the trail head. All current and past EAVP families are invited to attend.

We are working on some surprises for our mothers, which we will present at our "Muffins for Moms" event on May 10. We have some pretty great Moms and want to show them that we love and appreciate them!

Do you have an up-and-coming preschooler? There are just a few morning openings left for the fall. If you are interested in enrolling your child, or would like more information, please call or email us at (603) 735-5105 or [eavp@tds.net](mailto:eavp@tds.net).



The new Meriden Telephone Co. display at the NH Telephone Museum displays equipment from the last "hand crank" phone system which operated until 1974.

## Cool Stuff Happening at NH Telephone Museum

Curtain raised on new season

### Press release

Without question, the telephone has taken center stage in most people's lives. Studies show that the average person spends 4 hours per day on their phones. But, long before the telephone played

such a big role in our personal lives, it became a budding star in other ways.

The New Hampshire Telephone Museum's 2019 special exhibit, That's Entertainment! The Telephone's Role in Cinema, Television and Music, is sponsored by TDS Telecom and explores the important roles the telephone played. See Telephone on page 20

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## 15th Annual Franklin Community Day Planned

Saturday, May 11  
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### Press release

Plans are underway for the Fifteenth Annual Choose Franklin Community Day, co-sponsored by Clear Choice MD, Franklin Savings Bank, Hannaford, and Service Credit Union, with media sponsor Mix 94.1 FM. The event will take place on Saturday, May 11, 2019.

The day begins with a parade at 10 AM which will step off at Franklin High School and proceed easterly to downtown turning on Smith Street and end-

ing at Odell Park. This year's theme is "Everyone is VITAL for Revitalization".

A fair will be held at Odell Park from 10 AM to 3 PM and will include vendors, crafts, food, games, amusements and entertainment.

If you are a crafter, local business-person or member of an organization who would like to participate in the fair and/or the parade, contact Jan Andrus at 671-1255 option 1, or Krystal Alpers at 934-2118 or download forms at [www.sau18.org](http://www.sau18.org), click on Community Day under News & Announcements.



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## May Coffeehouse to Feature Fiddler from North Carolina via Brazil

Friday, May 17 at Highland Lake Grange Hall

### Press release

From Asheville, North Carolina, by way of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, Andrew “Finn the Fiddler” Magill will headline the program at the monthly “Third Friday” Andover Community Coffeehouse concert on May 17.

The performance will begin at 7 PM in the Highland Lake Grange Hall, 7 Chase Hill Road in East Andover. Admission is free, although donations -- which are shared with the performers and the Andover Community Church, owner of the Grange Hall -- are gratefully accepted.

Magill grew up studying with many of the world’s best traditional American and Irish fiddlers. More recently, he’s been based in Brazil, leading a choro band called O Finno. (According to Wikipedia, “Choro is a Latin American music genre characterized by virtuosity, improvisation and subtle modulations, and is full of syncopation and counterpoint.”) Learn more at [www.andrewfinmagill.com](http://www.andrewfinmagill.com).

Joining Magill on the Grange Hall stage will be Boston-based Nathan Gourley, “a talented multi-instrumentalist of Copley Street fame fast gaining a recognition as one of the leading American exponents of Irish traditional instruments.”



Andrew Magill, known as “Finn the Fiddler” will be the featured performer at the Andover Coffeehouse on May 17.

Between their sets, open-microphone performers from around the region -- up to a dozen of them -- will have time in the limelight to display their musical talents and respect for the spoken word.

Sponsor for the May concert is The Andover Beacon, Our Hometown Newspaper. Your donations support us!” Sponsorship funds help support the ongoing renovation of the Grange Hall.

## Thursday’s Child Benefit Dinner in New London

Thursday, May 30 at 5:30 PM

### Press release

The May Thursday’s Child Benefit Dinner at the Coach House Restaurant will benefit Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust. The dinner will be on May 30 at 5:30 PM.

The restaurant is located at the New London Inn, 353 Main Street, New London. Please call the restaurant directly at (603) 526-2791 to make reservations.

A portion of the proceeds of the evening will be given to Ausbon Sargent for land preservation! More information at [www.AusbonSargent.org](http://www.AusbonSargent.org).

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## Salisbury Farmers Market Opens in June

Monday June 3 at Salisbury Town Hall

**Press release**

The Salisbury Farmers Market will open Monday, June 3. The hours are 3 PM to 6 PM at the Town Hall on Route 4. We won't be open on holidays that fall on Mondays. We will have some new vendors this year as well as the ones we

have had in the past three years. There will be vegetables as well as starter plants, bead jewelry, woven items, silk items, handmade wooden spoons and more, jams and jellies, maple syrup and honey.

If you would like to be a vendor, please contact Helen Binette at 603-648-2156.



## The Fells Event Calendar for May 2019

**Press release**

For more information on any of these programs visit the The Fells Historic Estate and Gardens, [www.thefells.org](http://www.thefells.org). To register for programs call (603) 763-4789 x3.

**First Thursday Hike at The Fells**

Thursday, May 2, 11 AM

Join Brick Moltz, Education Director at The Fells, for a one-hour hike on The Fells property. Members: free, non-members: included with regular admission fee. No reservations necessary. Meets at The Fells Kiosk. First Thursday Hikes will not occur during the summer months but will resume in September.

**Birding by Sight and Sound**

Saturday, May 4, 7:30–9 AM

Join local expert Peter Newbern for an early morning easy to moderate bird walk. Meets at the Fells Kiosk. Members: free, non-members: \$10. Advance registration requested.

**Heather Pruning**

Friday, May 10, 9:30–11:30 AM

Learn about gardening with hardy and beautiful heather. Bring lightweight hedge trimmers (if you have them), dress in layers and wear gloves. Free to all. Meets at the Heather Bed, beyond the Rock Garden. Advance registration requested.

**National Public Gardens Day**

Friday–Sunday, May 10–12, 10 AM to 4 PM

Explore the beauty of The Fells. Admission is free to all the entire weekend.

**Henry Homeyer: The Gardening Guy**

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Saturday, May 11, 10–11 AM

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**Gallery Exhibit: Bringing the Outside In**

May 25–October 14

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**Gallery Exhibit: Painting at The Fells—Then and Now**

May 2–October 14

This exhibit tells the story of The Fells through paintings, photos, and words. Many of the paintings have been done during past Artists Weekends. Included with regular admission fee.

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**Ecology Exhibit: Listening to the Land**

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**Out and About at The Fells: Spring Babies, Blooms and Bugs**

Tuesday, May 28, 10–11 AM

Join the Lake Sunapee Protective Association education staff in this program for preschool age children and their caregivers. Free. No reservations necessary. Meets at The Fells Gatehouse.

**Members Opening Reception**

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**Telephone from page 17**

phone played—and still plays today—in the movies and television shows we watch, the music we listen to, and the books we read.

The exhibit kicks off with a special red carpet event, sponsored by the Sugar River Bank, on Friday, April 26 at 7 PM and will run through the month of October. Entry into the exhibit is included in the price of museum admission.

In addition to the special exhibit, the staff has been hard at work freshening up existing displays and adding new ones, including the recently acquired equipment from the Meriden Telephone Company. Meriden has the distinction

of being the last hand-crank telephone system in New Hampshire, converting to dial in 1974.

2019 also marks the return of the ever-popular 4th Phridays at the Phone Museum series, made possible by the Law Offices of Upton and Hatfield, the annual Brews for Bell beer tasting fundraiser and a special appearance in October by renowned master storyteller, Odds Bodkins.

New events and programming are always being added, so be sure to visit [NHTelephoneMuseum.org](http://NHTelephoneMuseum.org) or our social sites, Facebook and Instagram for more information. Come see why people say “Wow!” when they walk through the door!




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Backs to Camera (left to right): Judi Hull, Gail Beaufays, Pecco Beaufays, Pat Cutter, Kent Hackmann, Cynthia Schwenk. Facing the Camera (left to right): Alex Bernhard, Tim Blagden, Kristen Riley, Ed Hiller, Becky Hiller. Photo was taken by Dave Topham, Founder and current Treasurer of the Bike-Walk Alliance of New Hampshire

## Coach House To Host Benefit for FNRT-MC

Thursday, June 6 in New London

### Press release

Don't miss the next Friends of the Northern Rail Trail-Merrimack County (FNRT-MC) event coming up: its Twelfth Annual Thursday's Child Fundraising Dinner, scheduled one night only, Thursday, June 6, 2019 at The Coach House Restaurant at the New London Inn in New London, New Hampshire.

The Coach House will offer the restaurant's regular menu, which is varied and outstanding, in both its tavern and dining room. There is no set time or set menu, you decide when you want to have dinner and with whom. Just make early reservations, sit back and enjoy.

"The atmosphere promises to be festive as the dinner crowd tends to be made up of exuberant trail supporters," observes Lindy Heim of Wilmot, FNRT-MC co-president. Coach House has generously continued a tradition of

allowing a portion of the night's profits to benefit local nonprofits -- in this case, FNRT-MC, which will use this year's proceeds for trail maintenance and amenities.

Reservations can be made by calling the New London Inn at 603-526-2791. Dinner may be enjoyed as early as 5 PM in the Tavern (reservations not necessary) or 5:30 PM in the main dining room.

Besides participating in the June 6 dinner, which is the FNRT-MC's sole annual fundraising dinner event, another way to help the rail trail effort is to become a member, Heim points out. "In return for your membership dues, you'll get email updates on the rail trail, FNRT-MC meetings, and events." Membership categories start at \$15 and can be processed securely online.

For more information about past and future rail trail activities, printable trail maps, membership, and giving opportunities, go to [www.fnrt.org](http://www.fnrt.org) or visit us on Facebook.



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### Press release

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Proceeds from registration fees and map sales to benefit the Twin Rivers Interfaith Food Pantry that serves income eligible individuals and families in the towns of Franklin, Salisbury, Andover, Danbury, Hill, Northfield, Sanbornton, and Tilton.



## Minutes from page 11

Board is allowed to assess 10% interest to cover the fees incurred.

**Cilleyville Road Bridge Abutments:** Roy received an email message from Charlie Darling who noticed the abutments shifting. Darling spoke with Mark Stetson who was on the committee for this project. After discussion, the Board will have John Thompson review the abutments and give his opinion. The Board would like to resurrect the committee so that research for grants can be explored. If those are not available, the Board will discuss going to Town Meeting to request funding for the project work.

**Electrical Pole Amendments - Marj Roy:** The law changed in January. In order to have the utilities provide the Town with information for assessing, the first step is a petition to amend the pole and conduit licenses. The second step is to have a public hearing. The Public Hearing is set for Monday, April 15, 2019 at 6 PM. The assessing will determine what the utilities owe the Town for taxes. This could change because the issue is still in litigation.

**Correspondence And Signatures:**

- Intent to Cut – Tim Gallagher, Flag-hole Road (Tax Map 02-686-030)
- Intent to Excavate (Annual) - Jonathan Ohler, Morrill Hill Road (Tax Map 18-520-168)
- Gravel Tax Levy – Lenny Caron (Tax Map 20-490-291), January 1, 2018 to March 31, 2019
- Gravel Tax Levy – Jonathan Ohler (Tax Map 18-520-168), January 1, 2018 to March 31, 2019

The meeting was adjourned at 7:33 PM.

### Chair - Teach:

1. The annual Planning & Zoning Conference will be held June 1, 2019.

2. Board members did a site visit to the Buswell property on January 25, 2019. Teach distributed draft comments to the Selectboard for review. Urie made a motion to replace “suggestions” with “recommendations”. Phelps seconded the motion and the board voted unanimously in favor of replacing “suggestions” with “recommendations”. The comments will be forwarded to the Selectboard and will also become a part of the Planning Board record.

3. Warrant Articles pertaining to Village Districts Proposed Changes need to be drafted for submission to the Town Report.

4. A proposal to the Budget Committee for \$4375 for a Deputy Zoning Administrator.

5. Jon Champagne would like to be on the agenda for the February 26, 2019 Planning Board meeting.

**Planning & Zoning Administrator:** An Alteration of Terrain Application was received from Proctor Academy.

**Enforcement - Doug Phelps:** A revised flow chart for enforcement was distributed for board review and more changes were discussed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 PM.

### February 26, 2019

*Condensed from approved minutes*

**Members present:** Nancy Teach, Chair; Paul Currier; and Dave Blinn, Ex-Officio

**Also present:** Pat Moyer, Planning & Zoning Administrator; Jon Champagne; John Bentley; Dave Burnham, representing Roy Sell; Jeff Raymond; Steve & Jill Colardeau; Edward & Madilyn Constant; Donna Duclos; Michael Falvey; John Ferris; and Bill Stack

### Chair - Teach:

1. The deadline to submit Warrant Articles for town meeting was missed for 2019. Therefore the plans for expanding the Andover Village and Cilleyville Districts will be on the 2020 Town Warrant.

2. The next meeting of the board will be Tuesday, March 26, 2019.

3. The workflow for Enforcement was shared with the Selectboard and they are in favor of it.

4. An all board meet and greet has been considered.

**Public Hearing- Border Line Annexation for Roy Sell:** presented by Dave Burnham – properties at 206 and 212 Switch Road. Tax Map 4 Lots 370,467 and 354,472. Rural Residential Zone: Teach opened the public hearing at 7:30 PM. Burnham, as owner, presented a revised plan. As there was not a quorum the hearing will be continued to March 26, 2019.

**Non-Binding Consultation:** Jon Champagne: A letter dated February 15, 2019 was sent from the State of New Hampshire, Department of Revenue Administration to the Andover Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA), copy to the

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## Planning Board

### February 12, 2019

*Condensed from approved minutes*

**Members present:** Nancy Teach, Chair; Art Urie; Paul Currier; Doug Phelps; and Dave Blinn, Ex-Officio

**Also present:** Pat Moyer, Planning & Zoning Administrator; Pierre Bedard

**Non-Binding Consultation:** Border Line Annexation – Pierre Bedard, Licensed Land Consultant representing Roy Sell, 206 and 212 Switch Road, Tax Map 4, Lots 354,47 and 370,467 in the RR Zone: Bedard presented a plan and an Annexation Application and advised that Sell would like to straighten the current property line between his two properties and add .20 acres to Tax Map 4 Lot 354, 472 from Tax Map 4 Lot 370,467. The board reviewed the application and Phelps made a motion to deem the application complete. Urie seconded the motion and the board voted unanimously in favor of deeming the application complete. A public hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, February 26, 2019.

**Alex Estin – Lot Merger:** for Tax Map 17, Lots 163,448 and 170,442: The board reviewed, approved and signed the application for a Lot Merger.

Reports of board members

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**Minutes from page 22**

PB, regarding the Jon Champagne Earth Excavation project on Rt. 4. A request for an appeal of the ZBA decision for Champagne was received from the attorney representing Steve & Jill Colardeau.

**Non-Binding Consultation: Proctor Academy** represented by Bill Stack and John Ferris – pre-site plan review for a new building – the Outdoor Lodge. AOT (alteration of terrain), maps and documents have been submitted: Plans were presented for the construction of an outdoor center which would replace the existing old fire house which currently houses the sports equipment, near the field house and hockey rink. The use will remain the same. The new building will be a two story structure with two entrances in the front and one entrance in the rear. There will be rain gardens for each roof line along with a retaining wall in the rear and on the west side of the building. The access path to the tennis courts will have to be relocated and the underground fuel tank will also be relocated. The storm water run-off will overflow into the existing drainage system and the utilities will hook into the existing utilities. There are no plans at this time for an elevator as the second floor will be storage only. Any future elevator will be on the exterior. There will be proper ventilation due to ski waxing. Proctor will apply to the Zoning Board of Adjustment for a height variance.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 PM.

**March 26, 2019**

**Present:** Nancy Teach, Planning Board Chair; Dave Blinn, Select Board Ex-Officio; Doug Phelps, Randy Monti, Planning Board Members; John Hodgson, newly sworn-in Planning Board Member and Vicky Mishcon, newly sworn temporary alternate Planning Board Member.

**Also present were:** Marj Roy, Town Administrator; Pierre Bedard, Land Surveyor agent for applicant Roy Sell; Bill Stack, Steven Smith and Associate's engineer agent for applicant Proctor Academy; John Ferris, Proctor Academy's Chief Financial Officer; Bill Bardsley; and John Henderson.

**New Members Sworn In:** Roy presented Mishcon and Hodgson with their oath of office to read and sign. Both Mishcon and Hodgson acknowledged their duties and signed the oath. Hodgson was sworn in as a full member and Mishcon was sworn in as a temporary alternate member.

**NH RSA 91-A:**

Roy presented the Board with information regarding the 91-A Right-to-Know law for their review. Roy explained the importance of this law. Roy noted page 10, the first bulleted item on the right column. Roy explained about email communications and having a central point for the boards emails to be sent to and through instead of individual conversations. The Planning Board Chair or the Zoning Administrator should be

the central point. Discussion revolved around the quorum and public meetings.

**Continued Public Hearing For Roy Sell:**

At the February 26th meeting, the Board during the Public Hearing, reviewed the Annexation Plan for Sell's properties at 206 Switch Road (Tax Map 4-370-467) and 212 Switch Road (Tax Map 4-354-472) in the Rural Residential Zone. At that time, there was not a quorum present to act on this application and the hearing was continued to the next meeting, which is tonight.

Bedard reviewed the plans with the Board. Blinn made the motion to accept the application and deem it complete. Phelps seconded the motion. All in favor. The Annexation Plan application was deemed complete by a unanimous vote. The mylar was signed by members and will be filed at the Merrimack County Registry of Deeds by Moyer.

**Non-Binding Consultation For Bill Bardsley:** Several months ago, Bardsley presented incomplete information for this annexation plan on his property on Elbow Pond Road (Tax Map 25-606-176). The property is located in the Agricultural Residential District. At that time, the Board advised Bardsley a survey was needed. Tonight, Bardsley presented a survey to show where the boundary line adjustment is with the abutting Miano property (Tax Map 25-693-093). The issue was that for years, generally folks thought the boundary line between these properties was the fence line. However, an old survey did not agree with that information.

Bardsley requested the boundary line be adjusted to coincide with what folks have generally thought; that the boundary line is the fence line. After reviewing the information, Blinn made the motion to accept this application as complete and move forward to a public hearing. Phelps seconded the motion. All in favor. The application was deemed complete and a public hearing will be scheduled for Tuesday, April 9, 2019 at 7:15 PM.

**Non-Binding Consultation For John Henderson:** Henderson would like to separate the residences with each having their own lot. This property has complicated issues. It is located on Flag-hole Road (Tax Map 03-074-499) and is in the Agricultural Residential District. The following are some facts and issues with this property:

- The property is Lot #6 of a 2001 Thisell subdivision.
- There are two residences on the one lot.
- The lot is approximately 1.75 acres with approximately 187' of road frontage.
- There are two separate well and septic systems. One for the original house built in 1986. And, one for the garage, later renovated into an upper floor in-law apartment.
- In 2001, the owners filed for a Variance with the Zoning Board of Adjustment to convert the upper floor

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**Franklin Animal Shelter Upcoming Events**

**Press release**

The Franklin Animal Shelter of Franklin continues its busy schedule with a 5K walk/race in May and a Golf Tournament in June.

In May will be the shelter's sixth annual US track & field certified 5k race/walk. Sponsored by WATTS Water Technologies of Franklin, it will be held on Sunday, May 26 at 9 AM. The race starts at Paul Smith Elementary School, 41 Daniel Webster Drive, Franklin. Registration is \$25 online until Friday May 24 and \$30 on day of the event.

To register online, visit our website at: [www.franklinanimalshelter.com](http://www.franklinanimalshelter.com) or [www.millenniumrunning.com](http://www.millenniumrunning.com).

"Grab your clubs and come join us on June 24th as the Franklin Animal Shelter (FAS) holds its annual Golf Tournament fund raiser at Canterbury Woods Country Club. The event will be an 8:30 AM Shotgun start. Entry fee is \$400 per team, which includes green fees, golf carts, lunch, and prizes.

A putting contest and mulligan will be available for a modest donation as well as a silent auction which will be offering a number of special and unique items.

Go to the [www.franklinanimalshelter.com](http://www.franklinanimalshelter.com) and scroll down on the right hand side for more information to sponsor or register. Credit cards are accepted. For additional information: Contact Tom at the Franklin Animal Shelter by email [gsalfranklin@yahoo.com](mailto:gsalfranklin@yahoo.com) or call Tom at (603) 671-3909

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## May News from the South Danbury Christian Church

### Press release

Everyone is always welcome at the South Danbury Church! Sunday worship is at 11 AM. If you would like to receive our weekly email news, or to be notified of church events, please let us know with a short message to

southdanburychurch@gmail.com, or a text to 603-491-3196. Follow us on Facebook at "Friends of the South Danbury Christian Church." And whenever you see any activity at the church, please do stop by for a visit! We're located at 1411 U.S. Route 4 in South Danbury. 

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of the garage into an in-law apartment. The Variance was granted on the condition that once the in-laws left, the apartment was not to become rental property.

- In 2010 those owners lost the house to foreclosure.
- At some point afterwards, the garage grew into more residential space although keeping one garage bay as a garage.
- No building permits are noted in the file.

The Board discussed how to reconcile the property. To do a subdivision, the applicant will need to attain a Variance for the road frontage and a Variance on the acreage. In that district you need 250' minimum of road frontage (for 2 lots, 500' needed) and 2 acres minimum is needed.

The Board discussed turning the garage into an Accessory Dwelling Unit. The Board discussed an Equitable Waiver of Dimensional Requirements.

After reviewing and discussing the Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Regulations in regards to this property, the Board advised Henderson to move forward to the Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) and prepare both an Equitable Waiver of Dimensional Requirements and Variance applications and allow the ZBA to decide which form will best clear up this property. Henderson will apply for both.

**Non-Binding Consultation/Site Plan Completeness Review For Proctor Academy:** Stack and Ferris presented the plans for the new Outdoor Lodge building on the Proctor Campus. The Board reviewed the pages of the plan presented (pages 1-9 and A-101 and A-401). The Board then reviewed the application item by item.

Some of the items noted are as follows:

- The building is 74'x74'.
- The west and back sides of the building will have a retaining wall.
- The access road will be shifted about 8' towards the tennis courts to allow more room to travel through.
- There will be no elevator needed because the second floor will be storage room only. There will be no exterior lighting other than the down lighting under the porch roof. After discussion, Blinn made the

motion to deem the application as complete. Monti seconded the motion. All in favor. The application was deemed complete. The applicant will now move forward to a public hearing which is now scheduled for Tuesday, April 23, 2019 at 7:15 PM.

Proctor will need to apply to the Zoning Board of Administration for a Variance on the height exceeding 35' as required by the zoning ordinance.

Ferris indicated that the site work will probably start at the end of April. Proctor would like to complete the project by the end of 2019.

### Chair Announcements And Report By Nancy Teach:

- Teach encouraged members to attend the 25th Annual Spring Planning & Zoning Conference on Saturday, June 1, 2019 at the Courtyard by Marriott in Concord. Moyer provided information to members on the agenda and to sign up for the conference.
- Review and approval of February 12, 2019 and February 26, 2018 will be delayed until the next meeting due to the Planning Board Secretary's absence.
- At the next meeting on Tuesday, April 9, 2019, the Board will reorganize as required by the Zoning Ordinance Regulations.

### Ex-Officio Report By Dave Blinn:

- According to a communication between Blinn and Attorney Manougian who represents Verizon's interest, the Andover cell tower project has been taken off Verizon's project list for 2019. It was strictly a business decision. However, it may appear on the 2020 project list.
- Blinn told the Board that the Buswell property on Main Street (Tax Map 20-268-419) will be put up for sale to get it back on the tax rolls. There has only been one person who expressed an interest in purchasing the property from the town.
- Town Administrator Marj Roy plans to call a meeting with all the Chairs and Vice Chairs of the various town committees, boards, etc. to review important information.
- The Town Meeting approved the funds for the Deputy Zoning Administrator. The Select Board would like some recommendations from the Planning Board on appropriate candidates to fill this position. 



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## Franklin VNA & Hospice Hosts Series for Caregivers of People with Dementia

### Press release

It can be scary, frustrating, isolating. Your loved one has changed. It may be your spouse, a parent or a sibling. Perhaps it started out with some personality changes. Suddenly they didn't seem like the same person that you've always known. Maybe you were getting repeats of stories or questions, or your loved one starting to lose things that don't normally get lost. Difficulty getting to places that you know he or she knew how to get to. It could be missed doctor's appointments or bills left unpaid, but suddenly the competent, responsible adult that you once knew is a different person. A person who might be angry that you're trying to get involved. When you finally hear the diagnosis of dementia, it's almost a relief, because now you have a name for the scary spiral that your loved one's life has taken. But with that diagnosis, comes a whole series of new questions, especially, "What are we going to do now?"

In New Hampshire alone there are thousands of adults living on either side of that scenario every day. For those caregivers of people with Dementia, it can be a confusing and lonely road where stresses take tolls on the health of those caregivers, and caregiving comes with huge financial impacts. Franklin VNA & Hospice in partnership with Peabody Home is running a series of workshops for caregivers of people with

Dementia. Led by Cheryl Barnes, Certified Alzheimer's Disease and Dementia Care Trainer, Certified Dementia Practitioner, and RN, the series of six sessions will cover everything from how to address problems with self-care in the early stages of dementia, to the very significant physical changes that can occur with advanced dementia. The group will also bring together those caregivers who are usually so isolated from each other.

Barnes says, "There are other people going through what you are going through. There are ways that this can get better."

The sessions are free but do require pre-registration. To register, call 934-3454. When asked why they chose to host this series of sessions Tabitha Dowd, Executive Director for Franklin VNA & Hospice said, "The population in our area has unique needs when caring for those with Dementia and other memory illnesses. We felt there was such a great need for this type of support group and we're glad to be able to partner with such a strong educator as Cheryl Barnes, to bring help to those families and their loved ones who need it."

For her part, Cheryl says simply, "Caring for those with Dementia and memory issues is hard. There is help out there and you don't need to feel alone. Together we can support each other through the hardship and help each other find the joy." 

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**Press release**

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**Reiki Information Workshop**  
Tuesday, May 14 at 1 PM

Appointments available between 9:30 AM and 3 PM. \$5/session. Call ahead.

**Free 15-Minute Chair Massage**  
Thursday, May 16

Appointments begin at 10 AM. Massages provided by Teresa Colan-gelo, Licensed Massage Therapist. Please call ahead.

**Zentangle with Deborah Coffin**  
Tuesday, May 21 at 1:30 PM

There is no charge for this class. Please call ahead.

**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 wel-

come! This is a walk-in program.

**Chair Exercises**

**Mondays and Fridays at 10:15 AM**

This is a walk-in program.

**Walking at Proctor Academy Gym - Monday through Friday at 8:30 to 10 AM**

This is a walk-in program.

**Outdoor Recreation for Seniors**  
Tuesdays at 10:00 AM

Please see the weekly schedule listed at [www.coachapincenter.org](http://www.coachapincenter.org) or call.

**Memoir Writing Group**  
Tuesdays at 10 AM

This is a walk-in program.

**Painting Group**  
Tuesdays at 1 PM

Bring your current painting project to work on. This is a walk-in 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.

**Slower Spokes for Older Folks Bike Group - Wednesdays**  
Call ahead.

**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.

**Bike Group**  
Thursday mornings

Call ahead. Weekly schedule also available at [www.coachapincenter.org](http://www.coachapincenter.org).

**Women's Discussion Group**  
Fridays at 9 AM

This is a walk-in program.

**Bingo! - Fridays at 2 PM**

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**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 - Thursdays at 12:30 PM

VNA Foot Care Clinic at COA  
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**Computer Class**

Saturday, May 4 at 9:30 to 11 AM

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**Blood Pressure Clinic**  
Monday, May 6 at 9:30 AM

This is a walk-in program.

**Computer Tutoring**  
with Nick Oursouff

Tuesday, May 7 and Tuesday, May 21, 9 to 11 AM & 2 to 4 PM  
half hour one-on-one tutoring sessions. This is a walk-in program.

**Morning Book Group**  
Tuesday, May 14 at 9:30 AM

*The Feather Thief* by Kirk W. Johnson. Please call to obtain the book.

**Gentle Yoga**

**Tuesdays, May 14 and May 28 from 3 to 4 PM**

Bring a yoga mat and wear comfortable clothing. Please call ahead.

**Humanist, Agnostic, Atheist Discussion Group**  
Thursday, May 16 at 1:30 PM

This is a walk-in program.

**Caregiver Support and Discussion Group**

Thursday, May 23 at 1:30 PM  
Please call ahead.

**Movie & Pizza Matinee**  
Tuesday, May 28 at Noon

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es, "It's [sedation] really only for those 'ADD' horses that are just getting distracted and not cooperating." Also, if a horse is being very aggressive and uncooperative, he might have to give up on it because it's just not something that will work for that horse, although he tries his hardest to make it work. He says the best patients are "Very calm, very relaxed, and not moving." So it's really very similar to working with people - they're just a lot bigger with a tendency to kick when startled.

Chiropractic treatments make up around 40% of Kurt's work. The other 60% is more traditional, with dentistry, lameness exams, X-rays, vaccinations, bloodworm treatment, etc. Being an equine vet, he has to travel a lot because it's easier for him to go to the horses, than for the horses to come to him. He has to travel farther to meet patients because there isn't a very dense population of horses in Andover. He says, "I

do spend a lot of time in my car! During the busy season, March-November, I probably drive 100-180 miles a day, four or five days a week. So I'm in the car for 2 to 4 hours a day

Kurt adds, "I love living in Andover, and being a part of both the Andover and Proctor communities. We're close to the mountains and ski areas; the access to unpopulated, beautiful places, lakes, ponds, rivers, woods, places like Elbow pond, makes it pretty special. It's a great and healthy place to raise kids too."

Kurt is very passionate about what he does as a veterinarian and a chiropractor and wants people to know that horse chiropractic is incredibly important to a horse's well being. He treats horses all over the state, so the next time your horse needs a good back-cracking, Kurt can come to the rescue and get your horse back to feeling like itself again. "There are some challenges, but it's also very rewarding when you get to see the horses feeling better, and the riders noticing the difference."

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## Report of FNRT-MC April Board Meeting

### George Heaton, FNRT-MC

The monthly board meeting was held on April 17, 2019 at the Andover Community Hub in Andover

**Board Attendees:** Steve Darling, George Heaton, Lindy Heim, Chris Norris, Jack Shields, Nita Tomaszewski; (via media connection): Charles Martin

**Loyal Trail Supporters and Welcome Guests:** Elaine Clow, Bruce Crawford, Ricker Miller, Prescott Towle

Visitor: David White, Friends of the Concord-Sunapee Rail Trail

### Business Matters:

1. Minutes of February 2019 Board Meeting, accepted unanimously without amendment.

2. Treasurer's Report. The Treasurer's Report showed a healthy balance in the bank, and good prospects for the coming Annual Appeal. The use of PayPal and an online appeal both have been successful, putting income from fundraising ahead of this time last year.

Tax filings are due May 15. And New Hampshire sign permits for the coming year have already been filed.

Unanimous approval was given to the report, which shows FNRT-MC in a good position to embark on various projects during the warm-weather period.

3. Insurance Review. The issue of liability insurance coverage for FNRT-MC—and in particular, its Directors and Officers—was brought up for discussion, with the welcome input of Prescott Towle, whose firm has been involved in providing such coverage in the past. The sense of the discussion was that while FNRT-MC general liability coverage was adequate, there may be a need for more coverage for Directors and Officers. Prescott will review this situation with the local insurance agencies we have been dealing with and present a report at the next Board Meeting.

### Trail Projects:

1. Needs-Inventory: With the advent of spring, Chris Norris and Ricker Miller are making an inventory of the entire Trail, to systematically determine

maintenance needs and priorities, particularly ditching, culverts and resurfacing for the rest of the year.

2. Bridge Repair. Chris Norris reported on the status of previously authorized projects to repair four bridges, two each in Franklin and Danbury. Frequent-contractor to FNRT-MC Rodney Judkins has been committed to do this work.

Chris reported further on the need for another, unanticipated bridge project (in fact, two bridges in close proximity) at Chance Pond in Franklin. Preliminary estimates for this work imply a significant cost, beyond what has been budgeted. Accordingly, Jack Shields will approach the NH Trails Bureau about the work needed. And Lindy Heim will gather information on the possibility of RTP (Recreational Trails Program) grants. Further consideration will be given to this at the next meeting.

3. Mowing. Chris Norris reported the commitment of mowing-contractor Jim Shaw to undertake this work. Mid-July is the envisioned optimal time period.

4. Bridge Replacement in Danbury. As reported in prior meetings, the NH DOT has plans to replace the Rte. 4 bridge that crosses the Trail south of Danbury. In this connection Alex Bernhard has been working with DOT and the Division of Cultural Resources on a Memorandum of Understanding as to the preservation of historic features at the site (e.g., "Telldales") as well as overall design. This MOA is an important template for protecting the Trail.

### Special Presentations:

1. Elaine Clow, Boscawen Historical Society. Under the MUSE Program (Museums Sharing Experiences), the year 2020 will see a large number of historical exhibits in towns along the Trail, focusing on issues as diverse as major train wrecks, cemeteries, and depots. Suggestions from the Rail Trail public are solicited!

2. David White, Director, Concord-Lake Sunapee Rail Trail. This newly established Trail is envisioned to proceed over a 35-mile path from Concord to Lake Sunapee. Now actively in the

early stages of realization, it is using a variety of right-of-ways and surfaces, mostly private easements. The Concord-Sunapee Trail will provide a major new opportunity in our area, to which FNRT-MC gives its whole-hearted support, and urges others to do so as well.

### Upcoming Events:

Next Meeting: Wednesday, May 15, 2019, 7 PM at The Hub, Andover. All are invited!

Annual "Stuffing Party," Wednesday,

April 24, Highland Lake Inn, E. Andover. (To make the mailing for this year's Annual Appeal.) All "Stuffers" welcome!

National Trails Day – June 1

Thursday, June 6: "Thursday's Child" dinner at the Coach House Restaurant at the New London Inn. One half of the net proceeds is donated to FNRT-MC.

Concord Market Days – June 20-21-22, at which FNRT-MC and the Friends of the Merrimack River Greenway Trail will jointly staff a booth. Come! 



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# OBITUARIES

**GRACE A. W. STETSON**, 86, died on December 29, 2018 surrounded by her loving family, at Havenwood Heritage Heights in Concord, NH, after a period of declining health.

Born in Richford, VT on September 16, 1932, she was the youngest of 4 children born to Albert O. & Bernice (Child) Wright. She graduated Valedictorian from Richford High School in 1950, attended UVM and graduated from UVM Medical School in 1958. She was very proud of the fact that she completed her higher education entirely on scholarships and by working part-time. After her internship at Swedish Hospital in Seattle, WA, in 1958 & 1959 she did her residency at Mary Hitchcock Hospital in Hanover, NH from 1960 to 1963. Dr. Stetson was a pioneer in Mammography and did the first mammograms in N.H. during that residency. Grace enjoyed a 29 year career as a Radiologist at Wentworth-Douglas Hospital in Dover and at Frisbie Memorial Hospital in Rochester, NH. During that time she was a member of both hospital staffs, the N.H. Medical Society and the N.H. Roentgen Ray Society. In 1992, Grace and Dick moved into what had become their retirement home in Andover, NH where she was an active volunteer for the Andover Service Club, Kearsarge Council on Aging and the Andover Historical Society. Grace enjoyed volunteerism, many crafts, and traveling. Grace was predeceased by her parents, her three siblings, Marion (Wright) Benjamin, Dana Wright, and Doris (Wright) Irvine, her husband Rich-



ard F. Stetson who died in 2004 after 46 years of marriage, and her great granddaughter Hannah Lynn Stetson in 2008. She is survived by her son Mark Stetson, his wife Susan, their son Gregory, his wife Michele and their daughter Kaitlyn. She is also survived by her sister in-law Martha Stetson, brother in-law Ralph Stetson and many nieces and nephews, including her dear nephew Wayne Benjamin. The family would like to extend a special thanks to W. Kent Smith, MD, Concord VNA Hospice, Concord Hospital, all of the staff at Havenwood-Heritage Heights, especially those caring folks in the home health office, house-keeping and the nursing staff on the second floor at the Havenwood Health Services Center who cared for Grace during her final days. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Stetson Family Scholarship held by the N.H. Charitable Foundation, 37 Pleasant Street, Concord, NH 03301, or the First Congregational Church of Wilmot, PO Box 204, Wilmot, NH 03287.

Burial will take place at 1 PM on Saturday May 18, 2019 at the Proctor Cemetery. A celebration of life will follow at the Highland Lake Grange Hall in East Andover.

**DOROTHY W. HATCH**, died peacefully on March 20, 2019, the first day of spring. A super full moon shone down on her that evening.

She was born in Franklin, New Hampshire, on November 25, 1925, the daughter of Dr. James B. Woodman and Ethel E. Woodman. She and her young family



moved a number of times to places including New Hampshire, Massachusetts, and New Jersey. Her anchor was always Ragged Mountain Fish and Game Club in Andover, New Hampshire, where she spent her summers and met her husband, Howard S. Hatch Jr., at age 10.

She attended Dana Hall School in Wellesley, Massachusetts, and Wheaton College in Norton, Massachusetts. Later in life, Dorothy lived in Jupiter, Florida, and then spent her last years in Portland, Maine.

Dorothy was a world traveler, involving business and pleasure. She was the owner of a Color Me Beautiful consulting business. Many lucky clients of hers are still checking their colors according to her recommendations. Dorothy also enjoyed several years of selling real estate in Conway, New Hampshire. Her hobbies included knitting, needlework, sewing, and jewelry making. She had a green thumb, tending to beautiful gardens in the many places where she lived. She was a volunteer in many organizations including the Red Cross, The League of Women Voters, and the Brownies as a troop leader. Dottie's favorite job was being a loving mother to her three children, grandmother to five, and great-grandmother to four. She was always caring and compassionate, and was noted for her unflagging sense of humor.

She was predeceased by her husband, Howard S. Hatch Jr., and brothers, Dr. Everett M. Woodman, and James B. Woodman. Survivors include her children, Howard S. Hatch III and wife, Betsy Taylor, Susan H. Barton and husband, Alan, Judith H. Oberg and husband, Peter. Grandchildren include Hallory Haley, James Oberg, Sumner and Travis Hatch and Sam Barton. Her great-grandchildren are Jackson and Jayne Oberg, Sawyer and Ellis Haley. She is also survived by numerous beloved nieces and nephews.

Memories of her grace, charm, and sense of humor will endure in many hearts. Many thanks to the staff at The Barron Center. Their loving care is appreciated by all in the family. We love you Mom, and will miss you. A celebration of life will be held in August of 2019. Details to be announced.

Please visit [www.advantageportland.com](http://www.advantageportland.com) to sign Dorothy's guest book and leave memories and condolences for the family. Memorial contributions are encouraged with your favorite charity.

**GEORGE A. KIDDER** A graveside service for George A. Kidder, Jr., 92, who died on March 8, 2019, will be held on Saturday, June 1, 2019 at 10:30 AM in Proctor Cemetery, Andover, NH.

A celebration and lunch will follow at 11:30 AM at the Highland Lake Grange Hall in East Andover, corner of Route 11 and Chase Hill Road. Remarks will be at Noon.

**JUDITH C. RAYNO**, 81, of Wilmot, was born April 7, 1937 at Sacred Heart Hospital in Manchester, New Hampshire, and entered into eternal life on April 1, 2019.

The daughter of Frank R. Cutler and Alma Smith Cutler, Judy was educated at Wilmot Elementary School. She attended Andover High School, the University of New Hampshire, and graduated from Colby Junior College in 1957. After college, Judy briefly worked at Kearsarge Telephone Company, and in December of 1957 she married Army Private, Gerald (Jim) Rayno.



Judy then accompanied her husband to Fairbanks, Alaska where their first daughter was born. Following Jim's military career and the birth of two more daughters, the family settled in

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Judy returned to college at Plymouth State College in 1967 to pursue a degree in Early Childhood Education. She graduated two years later, Summa Cum Laude. Judy's first teaching position was in New Hampton, New Hampshire. A year later she accepted the position as first Grade Teacher in Andover, New Hampshire, where she spent a long, satisfying career. While teaching in Andover she obtained her Masters Degree in Early Childhood Education from Plymouth State University, after which, Judy taught First Grade and Remedial Reading at Kearsarge Elementary for another 20 years.

Judy most loved to travel. She traveled extensively throughout Europe, Britain, and North America, and particularly enjoyed traveling through Ireland.

Judy was a talented crafter who excelled at sewing, knitting, and especially quilting. Her beautiful quilts were often used as exhibitions and fundraisers for many causes she held dear, such as her church, and the Wilmot Cemetery Committee, where she served for many years.

Judy is predeceased by her parents and her Brother, Alan Cutler.

Judy is survived by her husband, Jim; her three daughters, Laurie Russell of Sutton, New Hampshire, Mary Phelps of Port Charlotte, Florida, Susan Rayno of Naples, Florida; her Foster Son, Huy Nguyen of Murphy, Texas, five adoring Grandchildren, Tracey Phelps, Brooke Daniels, Christopher Russell, Jessica Nguyen and Kevin Nguyen.

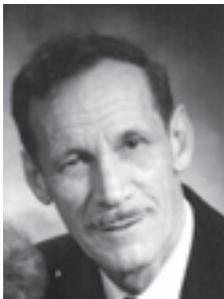
Friends called at the Chadwick Funeral Home, 235 Main Street, New London on Friday, April 5, 2019 from 6 to 8 PM. A Celebration Mass was held the following day, Saturday, April 6, 2019 at 11 AM at Immaculate Conception Church in Potter Place, New Hampshire followed by a gathering of friends and family at the Red Barn in Wilmot behind the Post Office. Burial will be later in the spring.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Wilmot Community Association, P.O. Box 23, Wilmot, New Hampshire 03287, or St. Labre Indian School, Ashland, Montana 59004.

**CHESTER ALBERT BARKER**, was born June 14, 1928, and died on February 28, 2019, in Hudson, N.H.

Mr. Barker was born in Hill, N.H., and grew up in nearby Danbury, with his parents, four brothers and a sister. His childhood consisted of hunting, fishing, and subsistence farming in small town rural New Hampshire. He was quite unaware that his family was poor. Mr. Barker was drafted into the United States Army during the Korean Conflict and served honorably in the European theater. He returned home on leave to marry his childhood sweetheart, Althea Currier of Wilmot, N.H., in 1951. They celebrated their 64th wedding anniversary in 2015 shortly before Althea's death. Chester had nursed his wife's chronic medical condition for over 20 years. He never complained. Not once. She was his wife, lover, confidant, and very best friend. He never recovered from the loss.

Mr. and Mrs. Barker had five sons: Gary Barker of Seminole, Florida, Kevin R. Barker (deceased), Keith R. Barker and his wife Deborah of Amherst, N.H., Kent M. Barker and his partner Aprille C. Jameson of Merrimack, N.H., and Kyle G. Barker of Concord, N.H. Mr. Barker is survived by eight grandchildren: Christopher Barker and his wife Melissa of East Haddam, Con-



necticut, Michael Barker and his wife Mary of Boston, Massachusetts, Rachel Barker and her fiance Ryan Sweeney of Amherst, N.H., Elena Barker and her fiance Justin Contois of Nashua, N.H., Ethan Barker and his wife Aramish of Houston, Texas, Nicholas Barker of Merrimack, N.H., Hannah Barker and her partner Jordan Scott of Scottsdale, Arizona, Jonathan Barker and his fiance Chénais McConnell of Milford, N.H. Chester was also survived by two great-grandchildren, Rose Althea of East Haddam, Connecticut, and Jackson Michael Barker born fourteen days after his Great Grandfather's death.

Chet was an engineer by trade. He attended Wentworth Institute in Boston and the University of New Hampshire though he was largely self-educated. Personable and energetic, he was well-liked by his co-workers throughout a long and successful career with Sanders Associates and Raytheon Company.

A hunter, fisherman, and woodsman, Mr. Barker loved the outdoors he had grown up in. Rugged hills and ledges, brooks, ponds, and swamps were the places he liked the best. Chester's sense of humor was his signature, especially in his later years. He took his work, family, and responsibilities very seriously but refused to take himself seriously. The result was a relaxed, childlike manner that put everyone he met at ease. It is hard for those who knew him to keep from smiling when they think of him. He had a long and happy life in which he was well

loved. He leaves behind an appreciative family that he loved well. Chester looked forward to being reunited with his loving wife, Althea. He is now at rest.

A Celebration of his Life will be held on May 4, 2019, at Bennett Funeral Home, 209 North Main Street, Concord, N.H. Visitation will be held from 10 to 11 AM. Memorial service will follow at 11 AM. There will be a procession to Blossom Hill Cemetery for a committal service with military honors. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to The Multiple Sclerosis Society.

Arrangements are entrusted to the Bennett Funeral Home of Concord. Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at <https://www.BennettFuneral.com> for the Barker Family.

**LOUISE M. PERKINS**, was born on November 13, 1937 and passed away on Saturday, April 27, 2019.

Louise was a resident of Andover, New Hampshire at the time of passing.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10:00 AM on Thursday, May 2 at Immaculate Conception Church, 9 Bonney Street, Penacook, NH. Interment will follow immediately at New Hampshire State Veterans Cemetery, 110 Daniel Webster Highway in Boscawen.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association online at [www.act.alz.org/donate](http://www.act.alz.org/donate).

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There is sure to be a nice variety of plants at the Wilmot Garden Club's annual sale on Saturday, May 25.

## Wilmot Garden Club to Host Annual Plant Sale May 25

**Press release**

The Wilmot Garden Club's famous annual plant sale will be held from 8 AM till Noon on Saturday, May 25 on the Wilmot Town Green, right off Route 11, next to the bandstand and town offices at 9 Kearsarge Valley Road. Follow the signs from Route 11.

In preparation for the plant sale, Wilmot Garden Club members dig, pot, and nurture perennials donated by local gardeners, to sell alongside a wide selection of picture-perfect greenhouse raised annuals and vegetable plants trucked di-

rectly from Jolly Farmer Nurseries.

Every year funds raised by the plant sale are used to beautify the town of Wilmot, and to award a scholarship to students demonstrating a strong interest in the field of horticulture.

As usual, the garden club's annual plant sale is a one-day only, rain or shine event. Mix or match 6 packs will be on sale at the bargain price of 2 packs for \$5. And, you will have the assistance of garden club members to help you with your choices. Convenient parking is on-site. See you there!



## Danbury Group Rescues Merrimack Pepper

**Press release**

From the late 1930s to the early 1980s, the Merrimack Wonder Pepper was a favorite among gardeners in the Granite State as a variety that produced abundant numbers of sweet red peppers in a mere 60 days, weeks earlier than standard varieties. Unfortunately, over the next 30 years, the Merrimack Wonder became increasingly less available and finally disappeared. Now, after pulling off a successful search-and-rescue for the plant, a small group of local farming and gardening advocates is making seeds for the Merrimack Wonder Pepper available once again.

New Hampshire has long been a leader in the development of food sources that thrive under our changeable conditions. One of the most productive breeds of laying hens, the New Hampshire Red, was developed here during World War I, and the extremely cold-tolerant variety of peach tree, the Reliance Peach, was offered by the UNH School of Agriculture in the 1940s. After plant breeder J.R. Hepler, also at UNH, introduced the Merrimack Wonder Pepper in 1939, it developed a loyal, enthusiastic following among local commercial growers and home gardeners alike. However, when the Merrimack Farmer's Exchange, headquartered in Concord, went out of business in the early 1980s, the Merrimack Wonder seeds disappeared along with the company.

Members of Danbury Grows, some of whom have been successful in locating other old vegetable varieties, have had their sights on this pepper for some time. "About four years ago," says Kathy Neustadt, the group's con-

vener, "we thought we'd hit pay dirt when Donna Sprague, a key person at the Blazing Star—our local Grange—found a Merrimack Wonder packet from the early 1950s folded up in an old jar in the summer kitchen of her farm. We were so excited! Those seeds didn't end up germinating, but the experience inspired us to keep looking, and we eventually did uncover a few dozen viable seeds. That's when we really got to work."

For the past three growing seasons, several Danbury Grows volunteers have started seeds while others have raised the plants, agreeing in advance to have only this one variety in their gardens to ensure the genetic purity of the seeds. It has been important to spread the work around, if only because, as Neustadt's farmer husband, Tom Curren, points out, "We didn't want to have the future of a species taken out by one marauding woodchuck!"

The primary attraction of this heirloom pepper was initially its short-season usefulness, but Danbury Grows members have been further impressed by the plant's vigor and productivity.

"These are very strong plants that flower early and often, and they go to red-ripe well before our frost dates, which is so unusual," notes Jessica Cook, a local architect and one of the volunteer growers. "But the real attraction to me is the taste and how well they keep in the freezer. When you pull out a bag of them in mid-winter, they cook up just as crisp and flavorful as they went into the freezer in August. I love that!"

The reintroduction of this long-missing heirloom represents a major new resource for some New Hampshire gardeners and a welcome return of a reliable old friend for others. For more information, please contact Kathy Neustadt at [kdn@comcast.net](mailto:kdn@comcast.net).



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## Wilmot Historical Society Presents 'WWII in New Hampshire'

Sunday, May 19 at 2 PM  
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### Press release

No city, no town, no person in America could escape it. World War II mobilized the entire country, the entire world.

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Teachers remember their students disappearing. Students remember their teachers disappearing. Factory owners remember their workers disappearing. Everyone remembers their friends, lovers, and family members who didn't come home. But there were also good times, when people worked together. Community spirit and patriotism

flowed from every home like the fragrance of a fresh baked apple pie.

On Sunday, May 19 at 2 PM the Wilmot Historical Society will present filmmaker John Gfroerer, who will retell the story of life in New Hampshire during the Second World War. At 1:30 PM a short informational meeting will be held before the program and refreshments will be served.

Through interviews, historic news films, photos and radio reports from the battlefields, Gfroerer chronicles how a nation, a state, and the citizens of New Hampshire mobilized for war.

The presenter, John Gfroerer, is a documentary producer and owner of Accompany, a video production firm based at the Capitol Center for the Arts

in Concord. He has produced over 40 documentaries, ranging from profiles of towns along the Maine Coast to a history of the New Hampshire Presidential Primary. Gfroerer's work has been aired on public television stations, The History Channel, and many other venues.

### Historic Signature Quilts on Display

Additionally, two of the Society's vintage signature quilts will be on display for the short time they are allowed

to be unboxed. Good artifact handling practices will be observed (white cotton gloves worn) by WHS volunteer preservationists. Don't miss this special opportunity to view these particular treasures from Wilmot's past.

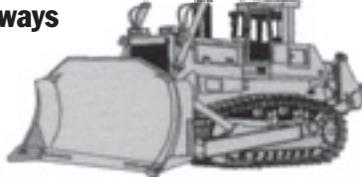
The program, sponsored by NH Humanities, will take place in the Wilmot Town Hall, 9 North Wilmot Road next to the library. Free and open to the public. More info at [www.wilmot-historicalsociety.org/](http://www.wilmot-historicalsociety.org/).

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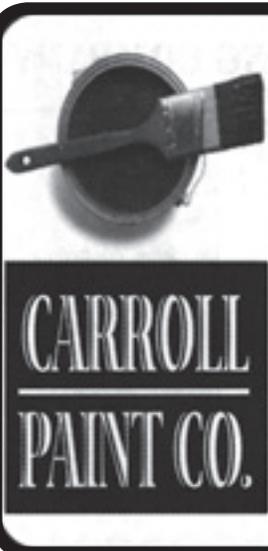
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Andover Veterinarian Kurt Weber, who specializes in chiropractic treatment for horses, works on one of his patients. Photo: Ben Daniels

## Kurt Weber: Horse Chiropractor

Ben Daniels,  
Student Reporter, Proctor Academy

Dr. Kurt Weber is standing on a stool beside a horse, his hands rest on it's back, ready to give the horse its first adjustment. He pushes down, and the next

and chiropractor. He lives in Andover with his wife Karin Clough, and three kids, Finn, Luke, and Sofia Weber, he loves being involved in his community.

What the heck is a horse chiropractor you might ask? Well, being an equine chiropractor is exactly what it sounds like, he adjusts horses' backs so they can feel and perform better. Whether it's a show horse, a horse that won't run a certain way, or a horse that is not moving well, a proper spinal adjustment can fix it. Horses are ridden all the time, so naturally, there are going to be areas in their back that aren't aligned properly. Whether it's saddle placement or the riding style, a good back-cracking can help with the problem. Kurt sums it up, "The main goal of chiropracting is really to keep the horse moving properly."

Kurt explained how it works. He stands up on a stool next to the horse to get above its back, then he feels around to "...find areas that are moving less than I feel they should be moving." When he finds a problem area, he makes the adjustment. He also works on the legs as



Dr. Kurt Weber is a veterinarian specializing in Chiropractic Treatment of Horses. He is also active in the community.

thing he knows he's lying flat on the floor, realizing the horse has just kicked the stool out from underneath him with lightning speed. Kurt observes with a smile, "It's a good reminder of how fast a horse can move... you know, the moments you remember are the ones where you almost feel like your life is in jeopardy a little."

This is just one of the many stories Kurt has in his nearly ten years of being an equine chiropractor, and his nearly twenty years as a veterinarian. Kurt attended the University of Tennessee where he earned his Doctor of Veterinary Medicine in 1992. He then went on to study in Germany at an accredited Animal Chiropractic school called "Options For Animals" while he and his family were living in Kenya. They later moved back to the United States where he completed the course in 2008. He now owns a business in Andover, Ragged Mountain Equine Veterinary Services, where he specializes in treating horses as a veterinarian



Dr. Weber at work with one of his patients. Photo: Ben Daniels

well if they are out of line. You might think that with such a large animal it would have to be sedated so it doesn't fight back or react in an uncooperative way, but that's rarely the case.

Kurt very rarely has to sedate horses. See Weber on page 26

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Winners of the "I Am History, Too" at AE/MS are: Emma McNutt (front), left to right: Paige Orcutt, Takoda Rosser, Talia Hardie, Addison Bickford, Alyssa Wheeler and Lissa Teeter. Missing from photo: Wyatt Barton.

Photo: Larry Chase

## Historical Society's "I Am History, Too" Winners Selected

### Press Release

The Andover Historical Society is pleased to announce the winners of its "I Am History, Too" contest for the students of Andover Elementary and Middle School.

Grade 3 student Emma McNutt won First Prize and \$50 for her triptych on the history of 96 Channel Road in East Andover. Grade 4 students Paige Orcutt, Talia Hardie, Lissa Teeter and Wyatt Barton won Second Prize and \$25 each for their poster project about Potter Place. Grade 4 students Takoda Rosser, Addison Bickford and Alyssa

Wheeler won Third Prize and \$10 each for their poster about JJ's Market in Andover Village. All except Barton, who was absent when photo was taken, are shown above, along with their checks and certificates noting their achievement.

The annual contest invites students to create a written, oral, or visual project that celebrates a person, place or thing which they think is important in their lives today. The winning projects will be on display at the Andover Historical Society Museum in Potter Place this summer.



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