



On July 4 the 2019 Center for The Arts Scholarship recipients were announced, including two Andover students.

Left to right: Sue Elliott (CFA Scholarship Committee Member), Helen Armstrong (Andover), Mak Eldridge, Allison Callaghan, Brooklyn Mitchler, Emily Swindell, Lily Magoon, Alia Gonzalez, Jakob Vedova, Oliver Andrews (Andover), Lyndsey Patten, Mason Martell, Rob Kier (CFA Scholarship Committee Member). Not pictured: Hunter Labelle, Rette Solomon, Courtney Goodwin.

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The summer allows time for construction and repairs at AE/MS. The courtyard walkway is being leveled and re-tarred. The steps to the older section of the building are being repaired. Exterior painting is in progress. An interior stairway is getting new stair treads. Carpets are being cleaned. Tile floors are being stripped and waxed. Additional security cameras are being added. It is a very busy place as we prepare for the return of students after Labor Day.
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From Grad to Grad School

Molly Comrie
of Andover

Jody Record, UNH

The first career Molly Comrie '19 considered was physical therapy. She was in high school, and something made her think it would be a

So, she took her teacher's advice, came into UNH with her major declared, and started right in that first year taking classes in social work. And that cinched it. "When I took an introduction to social work class and learned all the things you could do in the field, I knew I was where I should

be," Comrie says.

During the last four years, that certainty has only grown stronger; she graduated May 18 with a bachelor's degree in social work. Two days later, Comrie began UNH's master of social work (MSW) program.

Last year, Comrie was exploring job possibilities in her major for people who had bachelor's degrees. One area that interested her was working in a hospital supporting patients, but she knew she would have to work her way up to that kind of position. She took notice of how often she came across references to an MSW.

"That's when I started thinking about staying on for my master's," the Andover, New Hampshire, resident says. "I knew it would make a difference in where I'd end up.

It's so exciting now to think I'll have my master's degree by the time I'm 23."

Clinical assistant professor of social work Will Lusenhop suggested Comrie apply for a grant he helped secure in 2017 from the Health Resources Services Administration that awarded UNH \$1.9 million to put master's-level social workers and occupational therapists to work in primary care settings that integrate behavioral healthcare. She applied

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Molly Comrie, graduate of AE/MS and Proctor Academy; her mom, Suzanne ("Raz") Rasweiler, taught at AEMS. Photo: Alex Nguyen

good fit. But then she couldn't put her finger on what that was, exactly, and started to have doubts. Fortunately, she had a teacher who offered some insight.

"I'd always been a people person, and she told me she thought social work would be a great choice for me," Comrie says. "We talked about it, and I thought she might be right. I didn't know there was actually a job where I could just be me."

New Hampshire Electric Co-op Foundation Awards Grant

Recipient is Boys & Girls Club of Andover

Press release

The New Hampshire Electric Co-op Foundation recently awarded the Boys & Girls Club of Andover a \$2,500 grant to help with renovations to their newly acquired building, fondly known as Hamp House. The Boys & Girls Club of Andover has 46 enrolled children and anticipates serving more than 60 children by the end of the summer.

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Hampshire Electric Co-op members who participate in the Round Up Program. Participating members agree to have their monthly electric bill rounded up to the next dollar with the proceeds benefiting the NHEC Foundation. To learn more about the NHEC Foundation, enroll in the Round Up Program or apply for a Foundation grant, please visit www.nhec.com/nhec-foundation.

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Proctor Academy Welcomes 130 New Students

Scott Allenby, Proctor Academy

On September 3, Proctor Academy will welcome 130 new students to campus for the 2019-2020 academic year. This group of new students hails from 11 different countries and 20 different states, and includes an incredibly diverse set of talents. From soccer players to hockey players to artists to a professional opera singer, the passions that live within each of these incoming students will reshape and breathe invaluable life into the Proctor community. Similarly, the diversity of new students will enrich the Proctor culture as students

bring their own traditions, backgrounds, and worldviews to the town of Andover. We are thrilled to welcome these new students and their families to Proctor.

Among this group of new students to Proctor are eight Andover day-students:

- Helen Armstrong '23
- Ella Makechnie '23
- Ani McIntyre '23
- Elliot Norris '23
- Emma Pine '23
- Lagan Salathe '23
- Phoenix Verite '23
- Caleb Warzocha '23



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