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## Family and Friends Mourn Passing of Betty Bardsley

### Active member of the Andover Community

Elizabeth (Betty) Bardsley, 87, of Andover died August 3 from complications following a stroke on July 4. Betty was born December 1, 1931, in Schenectady, New York, the daughter of Wil-



fred and Victoria Skeats. She grew up in Lansdowne, Pennsylvania, outside Philadelphia, graduated from the University of Maryland in 1953 and later earned a master's degree in adult education from the University of Chicago.

She was employed by university extension services as Assistant 4-H Club Agent in Montgomery County, Maryland, as Associate Home Demonstration Agent in Fairfield County, Connecticut, and as Home Demonstration Agent in Belknap County, New Hampshire. Between Maryland and Connecticut she worked for 18 months for the United States Army Special Services as Recreation Program Director at Schofield Barracks in Hawaii.

In early 1961, Betty came to New Hampshire with a Connecticut ski group and met her future husband Bill, then assistant manager at Mt. Sunapee. They were married in July 1962 (she made her own wedding dress), and Betty came to Andover.

In Andover, Betty raised three children, volunteered from 1977 to 1983 at AE/MS with a special program for accelerated math students and tutored slow learners in math

and English, reestablished the local 4-H Club to about 60 members, and was a Cub Scout den mother. She served on the Conservation Commission from 1975 to 1995, and was the Solid Waste Committee chair from 1983 to 1985.

Beyond Andover, she was on the board of directors of the New Hampshire Association of Conservation Commissions, and the Central New Hampshire Community Mental Health Services. She was also on the steering committee for the New England Assembly on Water Supply Protection, and the staff development committee for Supervisory Union #46. The Lakes Region Planning Commission gave her its Kim Ayers Award as conservationist of the year in 1990.

Betty was elected state representative in 1982, serving through 1990 on the Recreation, Resources and Development Committee, representing Andover, and at different times, Salisbury, Hill, Danbury, and Wilmot. She also spent time as Development Director at New Hampshire Technical Institute in 1986 and 1987.

She is survived by her husband Bill, daughter and son-in-law Jen and Ted Sjostedt of Scituate, Massachusetts, and their children Gunnar and Annika; daughter Christina Guevarra of Andover and her daughter Paige of New York City; son Nils of Denver, Colorado; nephew Russell LaForce and his wife Karen of Redmond, Washington, and their sons Dwayne of Seattle, Washington, and Geoffrey of Wichita, Kansas; and a great-great nephew, Ronnie Schneider, of Phillipsburg, Kansas.

Betty is also survived by two unofficially adopted brothers, who came to her parents' home in Lansdowne as exchange students from Germany and Kenya respectively. Victor Schutz of Wynnewood, Pennsylvania, and Fred Ateto of Severn, Maryland.

There was a memorial service at Proctor Academy's Old Stone Chapel on August 17. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Brain and Behavior Research Foundation at [bbrfoundation.org](http://bbrfoundation.org) or 800-829-8289.



A couple of young girls enjoy the activities at the Andover Historical Society's Old Time Fair held on August 4 at Potter Place.

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## R.E.A.C.T. Mental Health Awareness Campaign Presentation

### Presentation for the general public

Jane Slayton, AE/MS

Former New Hampshire Chief Justice John Broderick will present R.E.A.C.T. Mental Health Awareness Campaign on Monday, October 7 at 6:30 PM at Andover Elementary Mid-

dle School.

We invite the community to join us for a special presentation by John Broderick, Senior Director of External Affairs at Dartmouth Hitchcock, on October 7 at 6:30 PM as part of Dartmouth Hitchcock's R.E.A.C.T. mental health awareness campaign, which

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Andover native Gabriela Zimbron makes her way through the course during Saturday's Mt. Washington Auto Road Bicycle Hillclimb in Pinkham Notch. Zimbron, 23, was the top New Hampshire finisher in the women's division, placing seventh overall at 1 hour, 26 minutes and 58 seconds.

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## Memorial Service Planned for September 11

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American Legion Crosby-Gilbert Post 101 of Andover will hold a September 11 Memorial Service on Wednesday, September 11, at 8:40 AM. The ceremony will take place at the Pavilion behind AE/MS. We would like to invite any interested members of the community to attend in remembrance of the 13 people from New Hampshire who lost their lives that day.



## Andover Police Department Report for July 2019

Press release

The Andover Police Department handled 296 Calls for Service during July, including:

- Abandoned Vehicle: 2
- Assist Citizen: 10
- Civil Issue/Stand-by: 3
- Criminal Mischief: 5
- Criminal Threatening: 2
- Criminal Trespass: 1
- Juvenile Runaway: 2
- Manner of Operation: 6
- Neighborhood Disputes: 2
- Noise Disturbance: 2

- Parking Violations: 14
- Protective Order: 6
- Suspicious Circumstance: 6
- Theft: 3
- Traffic Accident/Non-Reportable: 4
- Traffic Offense-Citation: 1
- Traffic Offense-Warning: 22
- Warrant-Criminal/Civil: 2
- Welfare Check: 2

### Arrests

- Erin Conroy, age 30, Andover: Warrant
- Stephen O'Brien, age 47, Franklin: Bail Jumping



## Town of Andover Planning Board Public Hearing

Tuesday,  
September 10

Press release

Public Hearing – Final Site Plan Review.

Applicants: Jon and Joan Champagne, Chris Champagne, and Jeff and Kelly Raymond propose the installation of a Gravel and Stone Excavation and Sales business at 235 Salisbury Highway and 424 Bay Road, Andover, NH. Tax Maps: 4:443-37; 4:507-61; and 4:493-37. Zoned Forest and Agriculture, 15 +/- acres.

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing for a final Site Plan Review will

be held by the Andover Planning Board on Tuesday, September 10 at 7:15 PM in the meeting room at the Andover Town Office at 31 School Street, Andover New Hampshire

The purpose of the hearing is to receive public comment on the proposed installation of Gravel and Stone Excavation to include blasting, rock crushing and screening and a Sales business.

The plans and other documents submitted for the application are available for public review at the Andover Town office during regular office hours and at the Planning Board meeting.



## Andover Real Estate Transactions

July 12 to  
August 12

Ty Morris

Coldwell Banker Lifestyles

Five homes sold in Andover from July 12 to August 12, 2019.

Bluewater Investment Trust sold 218 Currier Road to Donald Thompson for \$28,300. This two bedroom, one bathroom ranch style home sits on .76 acres and has 1,222 square feet of living space. Dennis Potter of RE/Max Bayside represented both sides of the transaction.

John Hubschmann sold 198 Flaghole Road to Zachary and Ashley Lawrence for \$218,000. This four bedroom and three bathroom saltbox/cape sits on 2.95 acres and has 1,680 square feet of living space. Joan Wallen of Better Homes and Gardens Real Estate "The Milestone Team" represented the seller and Samantha Secord of KW Lakes and Mountains Realty Merideth represented the buyers.

Karen Niemyer sold 412 Depot Street to Bonnie Coombs for \$240,000. This four bedroom and two bathroom farmhouse sits on 3.8 acres and has 2,800 square feet of living space. Greg Williams of Homefront Realty represented the seller and Christine O'Halloran of

KW Lakes and Mountains Realty New London represented the Buyer.

Frances Delaney sold 102A Currier Road to Steven and Robert Anderson for \$250,000. This three bedroom and three bathroom colonial sits on 12.36 acres and has 2,448 square feet of living space. David Cleveland of Coldwell Banker Lifestyles represented the seller and Mary Lou Cummings of Coldwell Banker Lifestyles represented the buyers.

John and Joyce Bourdon sold 120 Valley Road to James and Kathryn Vashro for \$520,000. This three bedroom and two bathroom colonial sits on 128 acres and has 2,592 square feet of living space. Jane Snow of Better Homes and Gardens Real Estate "The Milestone Team" represented the sellers and George Quackenbos of Four Seasons Sotheby's represented the buyers.

Souliotis Realty, LLC sold 156 Main Street to Tri-Forge Auto Works, LLC for \$135,000. We look forward to seeing a growing new business there!

There are currently 12 active residential listings in Andover and 5 under contract. There are also 4 active land listings and 1 under contract. There are currently no commercial listings.

If you have any real estate questions, call Ty Morris at 237-2060.



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## A Beautiful Day for the 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Old Time Fair

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Press release

August 4 brought a beautiful day for the 31<sup>st</sup> annual Old Time Fair at the Potter Place Historical Society. Pat Cutter worked tirelessly for countless hours organizing the flea market. This year's fixed price furniture sales in the freight shed reaped good profits for the society. A big thank you goes out to all the donors of the flea market items. This generosity enables the society to continue to support and maintain its many buildings and projects.

Long-time members Ed and Mary Hiller (Ed is a past president) continue to work the fair, and the Ragged Mountain Band generously donated their

time and talents, along with Chuck Will and Roland Dupuis. The Lions Club also supports the fair with the loan of tents and grills (thanks to Jim Danforth and Ron Evans), and Spunk Ford helped steer the various food carts, the Roundhouse Boxcar, old machines, and others to a good and productive location. Many thanks to everyone who donated baked goods and plants, which yielded a good sum.

Marie Nardino won this year's raffle and Susan Norris earns huge praise for a record-breaking round of participation in the children's games. The society would like to thank all the volunteers for the hours of hard work that results in such a great community-building event. We saw many happy reunions and smiling children!



People seem to be having a great time at the Andover Historical Society's Old Time Fair, held on Sunday, August 4 in Potter Place.

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## Art Class, Monthly Art Salon Offered at The Hub

Saturday, October 12,  
6 to 7:30 PM

Press release

Beginning and professional artists are invited to share their work and creativity, as well as learn new skills, at two art-related events organized by Andover artist Molly Leith and planned for The Andover Community Hub in October.



Local artist Molly Leith will be leading a new "Art Salon" at the Andover Community Hub beginning in October.

The Hub will sponsor an ongoing monthly "Art Salon at the Hub," an artists' gathering organized by Leith to be launched on Saturday, October 12, 6-7:30 p.m. Designed to foster community, creativity and to connect area artists, participants are asked to bring

their own work and materials to this open-space gathering. The monthly salon will provide an opportunity for both beginning and professional artists to share their work with one another for honest feedback. All are welcome and the gathering is free, with a suggested donation of \$5 to benefit The Hub.

In addition, Leith will teach a five-week art class for beginning and intermediate students, beginning Friday, October 11, 6-8 p.m. and continuing on the four following Fridays. Students in this series will develop their observational skills by drawing from life, learn to analyze composition and value, and begin to understand how to render objects in space. Shading techniques using graphite, ink, charcoal and acrylic on canvas will also be explored in a class designed to be engaging and fun.

The fee is \$125 and most supplies will be provided. Potential students are asked to email [mollyleith@me.com](mailto:mollyleith@me.com) or call 510.847.6248 to register, with any questions, and to learn what additional supplies they should bring to the first class.

The Hub is located at 157 Main Street. Contact [TheAndoverHub@gmail.com](mailto:TheAndoverHub@gmail.com) with any questions, ideas or to be added to the ongoing Hub email list to be kept posted on future programming.

### R.E.A.C.T. from page 1

provides individuals with tips on how to recognize signs of emotional suffering and how to seek support for themselves and others. Drawing on his personal experiences, Mr. Broderick has shared his message with schools and communities in New Hampshire and Vermont in an effort to destigmatize mental illness.

Mr. Broderick brought his message on removing the stigma of mental illness to the Andover Elementary Middle School faculty, paraprofessionals, and staff last June. As an ambassador for Change Direction New Hampshire, a national initiative to change the culture of mental health in America, he urged Andover's front-line workers in education to ask the right questions; questions that may save their young charges' lives. There is still a stigma associated with mental illness, according to Broderick. While walls have come down around diseases such as breast cancer and HIV, mental health problems exist in the shadows.

He'll continue to spread his message. "Magic Johnson got up and said

he had HIV, and he removed a lot of the stigma," Broderick said, adding, "We need a 'Magic Johnson' moment." Please consider joining us for this important topic.

R.E.A.C.T. supplements the "5 Signs" campaign developed by Change Direction, which is based on the premise that, like knowing the 5 Signs of a heart attack or stroke, we should all know the 5 Signs of emotional distress; R.E.A.C.T. helps us take action.

The R.E.A.C.T. campaign is presented by Dartmouth-Hitchcock in collaboration with the Children's Hospital at Dartmouth-Hitchcock (CHaD), the New Hampshire Department of Education, the Vermont Agency of Education, and other agencies and civic leaders.

Andover Elementary Middle School Gym is located at 20 School Street, Andover.

Please RSVP on or before September 27 by calling or emailing Andover Elementary Middle School at (603) 735-5494 or [jslayton@aemseagles.org](mailto:jslayton@aemseagles.org). The event will be cancelled if we do not have enough interest.

Refreshments will be served.



These scarecrows from last Halloween, are just one display of many that were created by local businesses, organizations, and individuals around town.

## Build Your Halloween Scarecrow or Pumpkin Person Again This Fall

Janet Moore

Yes, it's time again, time to start building that Halloween scarecrow or pumpkin person!

Last autumn, many businesses around town displayed their artistic and construction talents with a variety of seasonal displays.

Check out last November's "Beacon" for some inspiration and start

collecting clothes, objects and ideas for your very own Main St. business/institution Halloween creature. (Visit [AndoverBeacon.com](http://AndoverBeacon.com) and select *Beacon Archives from the main menu.*)

If it's up by October 18th, your "scarecrow" will feature in the pages of the November "Beacon". Let's show some town spirit!

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## Karate, Yoga, and Bone Builders Offer Fitness and Focus

Press release

The arrival of fall strikes many as a good time for people of all ages to give some thought to health, to fitness, and to getting themselves moving, with an eye to reducing stress, gaining strength and balance, and developing focus. A variety of classes offered at The Andover Community Hub teach these skills in many ways.

Karate is a traditional Japanese martial art that is studied to learn self-defense, fitness, self-confidence, self-control and discipline. Karate classes are taught at The Hub on Mondays by Tiger Mountain Shotokan Karate for both kids and adults. Beginners ages six to eight meet at 4:45 PM, beginners age nine through adults meet at 6 PM, and intermediate and advanced students meet at 7 PM. Classes are offered on an ongoing basis at a charge of \$65 per month and students may begin at any time. For more information, contact Gayle Fleming at 477-3174.

For an opportunity to see a karate class in action, stop in at the Tiger Mountain Open House, held at Whipple Hall in New London, on Wednesday, September 4, at 6 PM.

Yoga combines physical exercises, meditation, and breathing techniques to strengthen muscles, improve balance, and relieve stress. The yoga classes of-

ferred at The Hub are gentle flow classes, and beginners as well as those with experience are welcome. There is an ongoing drop-in class on Fridays beginning September 6, 8:15-9:15 AM. The fee is \$10 per session. There is also a monthly series on Wednesdays beginning September 4, 5 to 6 PM, for which students need to pre-register and pay by the month. The fee is \$44 for four sessions. To register, contact teacher Maris Wofsy at Maris.Wofsy@gmail.com. Wofsy is also certified as a personal trainer and available to work individually with clients at The Hub.

Bone Builders is an ongoing strength and balance class aimed at preventing or reducing osteoporosis, and meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9 to 10 AM. This class is primarily aimed at those age 55 and older and is open to all, men and women, with all levels of physical ability. New participants are welcome to join at any time. The classes are free, although a small donation is suggested.

Zumba and Dance: The Hub is also looking for a Zumba teacher and a dance instructor, and asks readers to contact TheAndoverHub@gmail.com if they are, or know of someone who might be, interested in teaching either. Suggestions for other classes are welcome as well.

## Andover Community Church News - September 2019

Sandy Miller

Andover Community Church

**Important change: Effective Sunday, September 1st, worship will begin at 10:00 AM instead of 9:30 AM.** The Vestry thought this would give families a little extra time in the morning to get ready and would allow us to have an early Adult Sunday School without feeling rushed Sunday School for children will begin the week after Labor Day. Call Darlene Tilton (603) 796-3219 for further details.

Prayer walks for Franklin are still underway on Friday evenings at 5 PM. Other churches in the area are getting involved as well. We have been told that there have been some positive results. Also, "2nd Saturday for Guys" (men's breakfast with speaker) will commence again on October 12. For further information on either of these events, call Bob Grover at (603) 470-7248. The Church will be getting a little "spruce up" soon. We will be having a new carpet installed at the Church. Also, we will be having a new sign made up to replace the one currently outside the Church. This will reflect our new name, new start time, and will indicate our affiliation with the Anglican Church of North America.

A memorial fund has been set up in memory of Rev. Jacob Wagner, Pastor John's father, who recently passed away. He visited us here many times over the

years. The monies donated to the fund will be used to purchase needed liturgical items such as Gospel book, altar cloths, etc.

The Church is sorry to bid "good-bye" to Joyce and John Bourdon and Robin and Andy Visser who will be moving to Henniker and Pennsylvania respectively. They have all been instrumental to our Church ministry. We wish them all God's blessings for their future endeavors.

Don't forget our special celebration of the Church's 150th anniversary on September 22nd. If you have historical pictures or articles on the Church, we urge you to bring them with you to share. It will be a fun day with a cook-out and activities for kids following the Church service. We look forward to seeing you at this milestone event.

You are always welcome at the Andover Community Church. Feel free to call the Church office (735-5160) to speak with Pastor John Wagner for more information on what's going on at the Church or if you need help in any way. Remember, our Church service and Sunday School begin at the new time of 10:00 AM every Sunday.

Thought for the day: The best way to be successful is to follow the advice you give others. (Read Proverbs 15 :32).

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## Celebrating the Past; and Preparing for the Future

### Andover Community Church

Rev. John Wagner

Andover Community Church is celebrating the past with gratitude, but looking towards the future. We have a new look, a new vision and a renewed hope, and we'd very much love if many of our neighbors and friends in Andover and the area will join us in this historic moment on September 22.

Andover's historic church, a Christian community of faith with Congregational heritage and member of the Anglican Diocese in New England, is celebrating our 150th Anniversary this month. On September 22 at 10:00 AM at the regular Sunday Service of worship, Andover Community Church will mark 150 years as a continuous congregation of Christians joined together in faith and meeting together in the historic "North Church" meetinghouse in East Andover, NH.

The celebration will include giving thanks for God's faithfulness and the faithfulness of past generations, a blessing and a rededication of the church for the Lord's work in the future, and Holy Communion around the mystery of Christ's redeeming death, resurrection and victory. Hymns and songs of praise will be played on our 19th century or-

gan, as well as by our multi-instrumental praise band with special music by soloists. A special speaker from the wider Church will address what God is doing among us and may be saying to us in this time and place, and into what God is now calling his Church going forward.

Christ calls us forward in ministry and mission. We believe, if a church becomes stuck dwelling in the past, it has lost its vision and has ceased to be a functioning congregation of Jesus Christ. By the gospel of Christ, our world-view is being changed. As we worship God and live by the gospel, we participate in the reality that (despite present circumstances of life) we have a good Father in heaven, who loves and watches over us. The Spirit of God, who is given to each and every baptized believer in Christ, helps us to become like Jesus in his character and empowers us to carry out Jesus' Kingdom mission in the world which is redemptive and eternal.

All our members are considered part of this ministry. Rev. John Wagner is Pastor; Rev. Don Towle, Worship director. We invite you to join us Sunday mornings at our new time of worship 10:00 AM (beginning Sept. 1), and at our other gatherings, studies, and ministries during the week. For more information: Office phone: (603) 735-5160; e-mail: andoverchurch@tds.net.

## Tai Chi Offered at The Hub

### Eight-week beginners' Class

An eight-week "Beginning Tai Chi" class will be offered again at The Andover Community Hub, starting on Thursday, September 12, 4 to 5 PM and led by Bill Halacy of Concord. Halacy began his study of tai chi, acupuncture, and Asian medicine following his retirement as Concord's Chief of Police and now teaches in various locations in the greater Concord area.

Beginners, and those who would like a refresher and opportunity to practice, are all welcome to join this class. Students will learn how the daily practice of the simple exercise movements of this ancient Chinese exercise regimen can improve immune function, reduce stress and hypertension,

and strengthen legs, back and abdominal muscles; improve balance; prevent or relieve arthritis; improve sleep; and eliminate a number of aches and pains.

Originally developed for self-defense, tai chi has evolved into a quiet, slow-moving form of exercise that's now used for stress reduction and a variety of other health conditions by people of all ages from teens through seniors. As Halacy says, "If you can sit, stand and shrug your shoulders, you can do tai chi."

The fee for the eight-week series is \$75 and pre-registration is required at [TheAndoverHub@gmail.com](mailto:TheAndoverHub@gmail.com) or by calling Susan Chase at 735-5135. The Hub is located at 157 Main Street.

## Andover Area Democrats Meeting

Thursday, September 12, at 7 PM  
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# Concord VNA Holds Senior Health Clinic at The Hub

Tuesday, September 17

Press release

The Concord Regional VNA is holding a Senior Health Clinic at the Andover Hub, 157 Main Street in Andover, on Tuesday, September 17, from 10 to 1 PM. All Senior Health Clinic services are provided for a suggested donation of \$10, however, services are provided regardless of a person's ability to pay.

Services offered include foot care, blood pressure screening, B-12 injections, medication education, and nutritional education. Call 224-4093 or (800) 924-8620, ext. 5815 for an appointment. 

# OPINIONS

## Ken Wells' Report from Concord

Representative Ken Wells

Since the 2019 Legislative session closed at the end of July, the Governor has been making almost daily headlines with his vetoes of bills that have passed with a majority in both legislative bodies. At this moment, there have been an unprecedented 53 bills vetoed. Most remarkable to me is roughly half of the Governor's vetoes were of bills co-sponsored by both Democrats and Republicans in the House and Senate. Since these legislators are duly elected representatives of the majority of the people in their districts, it would appear that the Governor is setting himself against the will of the majority of the people. You could ask whose interests does he serve?

During the first session I have made many friends among members of both parties in the legislature. Some of those friends' ideologies are as closely held and diverse as religious beliefs might be, and their views may be different from my own. Such differences do not devalue them in my eyes as human beings or justify vilification. I'm pleased that the New Hampshire Legislature, with very few lapses, does not stoop to the distortion and slander we see played out daily in national hyper-partisan politics. As New Hampshire legislators, we have sworn that our first responsibility is to uphold our state Constitution and to faithfully represent the interests of the people who elected us, not to uphold the various institutions and enterprises who try incessantly to influence us to become their instruments, not the people's.

Unfortunately, the Governor's myriad vetoes, accompanied by rhetoric and inaccuracies in his short "veto messages," seem to run counter to the wishes of most New Hampshire people. Among those 53 vetoed bills, there are a few I would like to take this opportunity to explain.

HB706 would have established an "independent redistricting commission" with the purpose of ending gerrymandering in New Hampshire. ("Gerrymandering" is the deliberate manipulation of district boundaries to give one's political party an advantage. It was invented in New Hampshire by Elbridge Gerry during the early 1800s and continues to be used in New Hampshire and indeed all around the USA to this day.) Members of the independent commission created by HB706 would have been selected by the New Hampshire Secretary of State from a pool of applicants who would not include elected officers or lobbyists. The Secretary of State's sworn Constitutional responsibility is to maintain free and fair elections in New Hampshire. The fact that the bill had both Democratic

and Republican sponsors (authors), was reviewed and recommended by the House Election Law standing committee, and then passed with a 218-123 vote indicates to me that the majority of New Hampshire people are in favor of this type of election reform. Yet the Governor vetoed HB706. Why?

The Governor also vetoed a bill (HB105) that would have removed a virtual "poll tax" enacted by the previous legislature to take effect in the next election. HB105 specifically makes it illegal to claim domicile or to vote both in New Hampshire and also in another state. I think you'd agree that all Americans should cast a ballot, but should do so only once in each election. But to say that voter fraud will be prevented by instituting a poll tax is disingenuous. Poll taxes are an undemocratic scheme for discouraging people without a certain amount of money from voting. But due to the Governor's veto of HB105, you might find yourself prevented from voting in the next election if you are unable to show you have paid money for a utility bill, paid money for rent, or paid money for a New Hampshire driver's license or motor vehicle registration in your name in New Hampshire. The New Hampshire Bill of Rights states "The right to vote shall not be denied to any person because of the non-payment of any tax". In spite of this, the Governor vetoed HB105, opening the door for this poll tax. Critics say his action could prevent or intimidate New Hampshire students and poor people from voting.

Perhaps the most controversial among the Governor's recent vetoes are those bills meant to curb the spread of gun violence to New Hampshire. Gun violence is a terrible and growing problem that demands that cool heads work together to find effective and fair solutions. However, the role of guns in too-frequent mass shootings throughout the United States has stoked unhelpful inflammatory speech from both sides. Rather than sticking to their own well thought-out proposal to prevent this type of violence, some spokespersons spend most of their words describing their opponent's supposed extreme points of view. This is called a "straw man argument" which paints an exaggerated picture of their opponent's position in the hopes of whipping up an emotional reaction that will favor their own political aims. These "straw men" do nothing to help solve the problem of violence, but actually amplify and widen our disagreements over this "wedge issue" for political gain.

The United States Constitution's second amendment is only 27 words in length: "A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed." Equally

See Wells on page 20

# Events Calendar

September 4

**Tiger Mtn. Karate Open House:** 6 PM at Whipple Hall, Colby-Sawyer College in New London, (603) 477-3174, TigerMountainKarate.com

September 6

**First Friday Gallery Stroll:** 5:30-7 PM, Downtown New London, (603) 526-4444, CenterForTheArts.org

September 7

**105th Danbury Grange & Comm. Fair:** All day, at and around Blazing Star Grange, 15 North Rd., Danbury, (603) 252-4440

**Wilmot Farmers Market:** 9 AM-Noon, 9 Kearsarge Valley Rd., Wilmot

**Curiosity Shop at Wilmot:** 9 AM-Noon, 9 Kearsarge Valley Rd., Wilmot

September 8

**Tucker Mtn. School Open House:** 1-3 PM, Tucker Mountain Road, E. Andover, (603) 735-5586

September 11

**Sept. 11 Memorial Service:** 8:40 AM, behind AE/MS on School St.

September 12

**O'Gallagher Art Exhibit Opens:** Lovejoy Library at Proctor Academy, through Dec. 14.

**Conservation Options Workshop for Land Owners:** 7 PM, Brown Mem. Library, Bradford, Ausbon-Sargent.org

**Andover Area Democrats Mtg.:** 7 PM, 72 Maple St., E. Andover

September 14

**Wilmot Farmers Market:** 9 AM-Noon, 9 Kearsarge Valley Rd., Wilmot

September 15

**Chamber Music Concert:** 3 PM at Olde Baptist Meeting House, Rte. 4,

September 17

**Senior Health Clinic:** 10 AM-1 PM, at Andover Comm. Hub, (603) 224-4093

September 20

**Andover Coffeehouse:** 7 PM at Highland Lake Grange Hall, E. Andover, AndoverCoffeehouse.org

**Murder Mystery Event:** 7PM, Franklin Opera House, **Tickets**

**sold in advance only!** (603) 934-1901, FranklinOperaHouse.org

September 21

**Rummage Sale:** 9 AM-Noon, Immaculate Conception Church, Andover

**Wilmot Farmers Market:** 9 AM-Noon, 9 Kearsarge Valley Rd., Wilmot

**Rail Trail Bike Ride:** 11 AM, Depot St. in Boscawen, FNRT.org

**Murder Mystery Event:** 7 PM, Franklin Opera House, **Tickets sold in advance only!** (603) 934-1901, FranklinOperaHouse.org

September 22

**Harvest Moon & Naturefest:** 10 AM-4 PM, Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum, Warner, (603) 456-2600, IndianMuseum.org

**150th Anniversary-Andover**

**Comm. Church:** 10 AM at Andover Community Church in E. Andover, (603) 735-5160, AndoverChurch@tds.net

September 25

**Andover Book Club:** 7 PM at Bachelder Library in E. Andover

September 28

**Wilmot Farmers Market:** 9 AM-Noon, 9 Kearsarge Valley Rd., Wilmot

October 4

**Gallagher Art Exhibit Opening Reception:** 5:30 PM, Lovejoy Library, Proctor Academy

October 7

**R.E.A.C.T. Program Presentation:** 6:30 PM, AE/MS, School St. Andover, (603) 735-5494

October 11

**Open Studio Exhibit, Farrington/Fitzpatrick:** 10 AM-3 PM, 443 Elbow Pond Rd, Andover

**Warner Fall Foliage Festival:** Main Street, Warner

October 12

**Open Studio Exhibit, Farrington/Fitzpatrick:** 10 AM-3 PM, 443 Elbow Pond Rd, Andover

**Proctor Academy Open House:** 8:30 AM-12:15 PM, ProctorAcademy.org/Admissions, (603) 735-6652

**Warner Fall Foliage Festival:** Main Street, Warner 

# Letters

## Another Great 4th Celebration

Andover had another great 4th of July celebration. I marched in the parade with the Merrimack County Republicans. The response from the public was very positive.

Thank you to each and every person involved in the Andover 4th of July celebration as I know it is good planning, and tremendous hard work to make a day like this to work.

On August 10, I marched in the Salisbury Old Home Day parade with the Merrimack County Republicans. There are so many great people in the communities with great input and ideas to remedy problems.

On August 15, I got to experience something new and exciting. I was a volunteer at the President Donald Trump rally held in Manchester. Thousands and thousands of people attended the rally. It was great to see and be a part of so many people who support our President.

We all need to thank Governor Sununu for standing up for our Second Amendment rights by vetoing 3 bills passed by the Democrats: HB 109 which in my opinion closed the so-called gun show loophole and required background checks for virtually all commercial firearms sales or transfers; HB 514 which in my opinion would have required a three-day waiting period before the purchase and delivery of a firearm; and HB 564 which prohibits carrying a firearm on school property.

Sununu stated and messaged on all three bills: "New Hampshire is one of the safest states in the nation, and we have a long and proud tradition of responsible firearm ownership. Our laws are well-crafted and fit our culture of responsible gun ownership and individual freedom."

Governor Sununu stated that, "These three bills would not solve our national issues nor would they prevent evil individuals from doing harm, but they would further restrict the constitutional rights of law-abiding New Hampshire citizens."

We have mental health issues in this Country and in my opinion we all need to sit down and figure out a solution. Not as Democrats and Republicans but as a group of united people with the same common goals.

A couple of my strong points that I bring to a candidacy are that I would vote: NO sales or NO income tax for New Hampshire; I am PRO 2nd

Amendment and am a strong advocate to keep this right.

In conclusion, I am very strong on 2nd Amendment rights. Each of us has the right to bear arms and is protected in the United States Constitution.

I do not stand for nor will ever stand for socialism, rather I am for a free market. I do not want our Country to ever become like Venezuela is today. First the government took their guns, then changed the policies to socialism. Look where the people of Venezuela are today. Give or take a few percentages, about 90% of Venezuela are poor.

Louise Andrus  
Salisbury

## An Opinion About the Candidates and Their Views

Kent Hackmann

The 2020 race in Merrimack House District 1 is underway. Louise Andrus, the Republican candidate, associates herself with Trump Republicans. Ken Wells, the incumbent, is the moderate Democrat. At Andover's July 4th celebration and at Salisbury's Old Home Day both reached out to the public and both marched in the parades.

In her announcement of candidacy, and in her letter (*in this issue and published online at AndoverBeacon.com*), Louise Andrus declares her passion for K-12 education and the safety of school children. She stated that she had learned a great deal though attendance at school board meetings for five years. She assures the reader that she is a fiscal conservative, opposed to any measure that has a hint of a tax on income. She agrees with Trump and Governor Sununu that improvements in mental health services are the key to the prevention of gun violence.

Ken Wells and David Karrick (Merrimack House District 25) have demonstrated qualities of reasoned discussion and compromise essential in state politics to advance measures that are for the good of the state and that represented the issues most important to their constituents.

A key issue is relief from increases  
*See Letters on page 13*

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

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

## Andover Transfer Station Opportunities

The Town of Andover is accepting applications for permanent part time positions for a Transfer Station Attendant. Hours are Saturday, 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. during standard time and 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. during day light savings time; Wednesday, 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Friday 12:00 to 4:00 p.m. One position will be permanent part-time, the other part-time as needed. The attendant will work under the direction of the Transfer Station Supervisor. Responsibilities include assisting patrons; working on managing the processing of recycled materials and solid waste materials. This position is ideally suited for a self starter who will be a team player. Additional hours may be assigned as needed. Attendants will be expected to obtain certification as a Solid Waste Facility Operator through training provided. The starting salary for this position is \$11 per hour.

Applications may be obtained and submitted at the Andover Town Office, 31 School Street, during its normal business hours or resumes may be sent to Marjorie Roy, Town Administrator, Town of Andover, P.O. Box 61, Andover, N.H. 03216. Applications will be accepted until a suitable candidate is located. The Town of Andover is an equal opportunity employer.



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Check out our website: [www.AndoverHub.org](http://www.AndoverHub.org)

### September Programs

**Gentle Yoga:** Fridays beginning Sept. 6, 8:15–9:15 a.m. \$10, drop-in. Wednesdays, beginning Sept. 4, 5–6 p.m. pre-register and pay by the month, \$44. Contact [Maris.Wofsy@gmail.com](mailto:Maris.Wofsy@gmail.com).

**Beginning Tai Chi:** 8 Thursdays beginning Sept. 12, 4–5 p.m. Beginners and those with some experience welcome. \$75, pre-registration required at [TheAndoverHub@gmail.com](mailto:TheAndoverHub@gmail.com).

**Karate for Kids, Teens & Adults:** Ongoing classes on Mondays, kids ages 6–9, 4:45 p.m., older beginners 6 p.m., intermediate 7 p.m. \$65/month. Contact Gayle Fleming, 477-3174.

**Senior Health Clinic:** Tuesday, Sept. 17, 10 a.m.–1 p.m. for foot care, blood pressure screenings, etc. For an appointment, call the Concord Regional VNA at (603) 224-4093, ext. 5815.

**Bone Builders:** Tuesdays & Thursdays, 9–10 a.m. This senior ongoing strength and balance class is free, both men and women are welcome, and newcomers can start at any time.

**The Hub Closet:** Teachers, parent, adults, stop in Tuesdays & Thursdays, 8:30–11 a.m. to stock up on up-cycled craft and stationery supplies, free or for a small donation. Self-serve.

**Monthly Art Salon:** Saturday, Oct. 12, 6–7:30 p.m. Bring your work to an open-space gathering bringing beginning & professional artists together. Suggested donation \$5.

**Adult Art Class:** Drawing from Life 5 week class beginning Friday, Oct. 11, 6–8 p.m., \$125. Contact teacher Molly Leith at [mollyleith@me.com](mailto:mollyleith@me.com) to register and for details.

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# TOWN COMMITTEE MINUTES

## Select Board

July 22, 2019

*Condensed from approved minutes*

**Members Present:** Marj Roy, Town Administrator; Chuck Keyser, Select Board Chair; Dave Blinn and Bill Keyser, Select Board Members; Elita Reed, Bookkeeper, and Police Officer Dan Shaw

**Road Agent Report:**

John Thompson was unavailable for tonight's meeting.

**Transfer Station Report:**

Last Friday, Roy spoke to Shanda McMasters, Transfer Station Supervisor. McMasters needs storage badly. The tires are out of the trailer so that the electronics supply can be under cover. If the electronics are wet, they will not be accepted by the company who picks it up. The cardboard is ready to go out. McMasters is just waiting for the loading dock to be put in. Bill Keyser noted that he spoke with John Thompson last Wednesday and Thompson told him that he would get together with Kearsarge Concrete to do the concrete pad. Roy will follow up with Thompson tomorrow. After a brief discussion, the Board agreed that if Thompson cannot fit this job into his schedule that they will need someone else to take care of it so that the storage issue can be resolved. The Board wants to look at long term storage resolution and not just short-term storage.

Bill Keyser noted that there is no market for certain numbers of plastic. The Board discussed options such as possibly sorting the plastics. Examples can be put on a board for the residents so they know where to put and separate the plastics correctly. Roy will look into this situation and see if there is a market

for the plastic upper numbers 5-7. The Board wants to encourage recycling, but if it is not cost effective, it might have to be put on hold.

Bill Keyser noted that there was an issue with the large brush pile which was burned recently. The smoke traveled and the debris covered quite a large area outside of the Transfer Station property. The Board discussed and thought maybe burning a few smaller brush piles might work better. Another option would be to do some brush chipping for the Town residents to use.

**Town Administrator Report:**

The Property and Liability update for Primex is completed.

Roy registered for four (4) classes with Primex during August through November for workplace morale and motivation. After the classes are completed there is a meeting in the Spring to discuss how it went once implemented.

White Oak Survey – Weather permitting, the surveyor plans to complete the survey at the end of this week or next week. Roy gave the surveyor the State drawing of the property.

Shirley Road – Sean James from Hoyle Tanner and Associates along with Roy have played telephone tag. Roy sent an email to James to let him know that the Board thought the scope of work cost was too high. James offered for Roy to call him so that they could talk about the issue and how to bring the cost down. Roy thinks that James was confused because too many people were involved and that he didn't understand that the scope of the work was for the Shirley Road Project only. Roy indicated that as soon as she talks with James, she will email the Board with the information.

Cilleyville Road Bog Bridge – Last

## 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 9-4, Weds 1–4

**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

**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.**

**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*.

Thursday or Friday, John Thompson looked at the bridge and noted that it is very overgrown and that needs to be the first item to work on. Once the brush is cleared away, Thompson will contact Tim Andrews from Barns and Bridges to give a more accurate report of what he sees as the issues.

Shaw Hill Road – Blinn sent the Board his thoughts on the drainage issues. He suggested that when Roy speaks to Sean James at Hoyle Tanner and Associates about the Shirley Road

project, she could ask about having Steve Hodgdon give us a consultation. The Board will discuss it further with Thompson. It appears the resident that is affected needs to have the driveway raised to alleviate the water. However, what needs to be decided is whether the Town or the property owner is responsible for fixing the problem.

**Work Sessions Tentative Dates:**

A short work session to see where the budget is currently and for the rest of the year is scheduled for Monday, July 29, 2019 at noontime. The Board will spend half an hour discussing the budget. Roy will let John Thompson know to be there.

**The following are the tentative work sessions scheduled all at 6:15 PM**

- Wednesday, July 24, 2019.
- Wednesday, July 31, 2019.
- Thursday, August 1, 2019
- Wednesday, August 7, 2019

**Committee Appointments:**

The Board signed the Conservation Commission appointments for the following:

- Lee Wells will be a full member replacing Tina Cotton
- Tina Cotton will an alternate member

The Board signed the Emergency Management appointment for the following: Marj Roy will be the Deputy Director replacing Chris Braley who resigned.

*See Minutes on page 11*

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## Mark Your Calendar!

### SEPTEMBER

**Mondays: Fire Department, 7**  
**2: TOWN OFFICES CLOSED**  
**3: Select Board, 6:30**  
**10: Planning Board, 7**  
**11: Andover EMS, Andover Fire Station, 7**  
**11: Conservation Commission, 7:30**  
**11: Recreation, AEMS Science Room, 7**  
**14: Swap Event, Transfer Station, 8-12**  
**16: Select Board, 6:30**  
**17: Zoning Board, 7**  
**24: Planning Board, 7**

### OCTOBER

**Mondays: Fire Department, 7**  
**1: School Board, AEMS, 6:30**  
**2: Fourth of July, Andover Fire Station, 7**  
**7: Select Board, 6:30**  
**8: Planning Board, 7**  
**9: Conservation Commission, 7**  
**9: Andover EMS, Andover Fire Station, 7**  
**9: Recreation, AEMS, Science Room, 7**  
**12: Swap Event, Transfer Station, 8-12**  
**14: TOWN OFFICES CLOSED**  
**15: Zoning Board, 7**  
**17: Library Trustees, 7**  
**21: Select Board, 6:30**  
**22: Planning Board, 7**

## Minutes from page 10

### Trust Fund and Budget Review by Elita Reed:

The Board reviewed the budget. The reports run through the end of June. Overall the budget is at 49.82% which is where it should be at this time of year.

- The IT Department is a bit more under the 50% mark. However, the Town paid some expenses through October and already purchased one of the new computers needed.
- The Legal line is a bit under the 50% mark due to the need of significant legal assistance.
- Reed noted the Highway Department budget is under the 50% mark. A bit lower than it should be at this time of year.

Under the Highway Department budget, the tool line needs to be looked at closer. Some of the posts may be posted incorrectly. Reed noted that the culvert line is incorrectly posted. The items should have been posted under equipment rental.

The budget only shows that two street signs were purchased. There was a list compiled at one time. Blinn will speak with Thompson in the morning about the street sign list. After Blinn speaks to Thompson, the list can be

given to the Administrative Assistant to order the signs from the State.

Chuck Keyser requested that going forward, each new purchase for the Highway Department be compiled as a separate list of Town-owned tools.

The Board discussed each individual request from the Trust Funds to be deposited into specific Capital Reserve Funds Accounts for Articles approved at Town Meeting. All three Select Board Members signed the following:

- \$10, 000, Article 4, Forest Fire Equipment
- \$15, 000, Article 5, Transfer Station Recycling & Municipal Solid Waste
- \$150, 000, Article 7, Highway Projects
- \$15, 000, Article 7, HD Grader
- \$5, 000, Article 7, Revaluation
- \$13, 500, Article 7, Police Cruiser
- \$10, 000, Article 7, Transfer Station Equipment
- \$50, 000, Article 7, Bridge Rehabilitation
- \$5, 000, Article 8, Forest Fire Labor
- \$20, 000, Article 8, Town Buildings
- \$6, 000, Article 8, Technology
- \$2, 954, Article 12, Solar Energy

### 4<sup>th</sup> of July Committee Request:

Wood Sutton would like to put an ad in the Beacon thanking Proctor Academy for all their contributions in getting the Town Green ready in preparation

for the Town's 4th of July Celebration. Sutton would also like to include the Select Board in the ad thanking Proctor but would like permission to do so. Sutton sent a list of all the assistance and work Proctor did to help make the 4th Celebration happen. After discussion, the Board agreed to allow the 4th of July Committee to include them in the thank you ad in the Beacon recognizing Proctor's contribution.

Blinn noted that he would like Sutton to know that he would like some better communication between the Town and the Proctor folks. Better communication such as coordinating the lawn cutting and putting up the tents would likely avoid future issues.

### Non-Public Sessions:

The board held three non-public sessions and then the meeting was adjourned.

## Planning Board

July 23, 2019

Condensed from approved minutes

**Members present:** Nancy Teach, Chair; Art Urie, Vice-Chair; Doug Phelps; Randy Monti; John Hodgson; and Dave Blinn, Ex-Officio

**Also present:** Pat Moyer, Planning & Zoning Administrator, Jon and Joanne Champagne; Jeff Raymond; John Bentley; and Eric Pospesil from Horizon Engineering

**Site Plan Completeness Review:** Jon Champagne with John Bentley as agent—Site Plan Review for property at 235 Salisbury Highway and 424 Bay Road, Tax Map 4, Lots 443:37, 507:61 and 493:37

Teach read the procedure for completeness review to the board and applicant. A revised application was received on July 11 and presented to the board at the meeting for completeness review. The board reviewed the application and clarifications were made by the applicant. Urie made a motion to deem the application complete. Blinn seconded the motion and the board voted unanimously in favor of deeming the application complete.

Teach explained the procedure for deeming a proposed development as having a regional impact to the board and the applicant. Urie made a motion to declare the proposed development project as a regional impact. Phelps seconded the motion and the board voted unanimously in favor of declaring the proposed development project as a regional impact.

A public hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, September 10.

**Non-Binding Consultation:** Eric Pospesil, LS, Horizon Engineering as agent for Connie McLeod for a minor subdivision for property at Tax Map 81, Lot 432

Pospesil presented a minor subdivision plan for McLeod for property formerly known as the town landfill. The property has 19.29 acres and the proposal is to divide out 4.08 acres which will include the former town landfill, the access road and the monitoring wells. It was asked who is responsible for the monitoring wells and the response was the town is. There is adequate road frontage for both proposed lots. Pospesil will submit a minor subdivision application for board review and pending completeness, a public hearing will be scheduled.

### As time allows:

1. Zoning Administrator: letters pertaining to enforcement violations have gone out to ten residents.

2. A work session will be held on Tuesday, July 30 at 7:00 PM at Lake Farm Realty to work on PUDs.

3. Junkyard Ordinance: Phelps is still working on this and will check with town counsel to determine how this ordinance would be adopted either by the Selectboard or at Town Meeting.

## Conservation Commission

June 12, 2019

**Present:** Jerry Hersey, Jenny Bodwell, Mary Anne Broshek, Alan McIntyre, Jesse Schust and Lee Wells. Mary Anne will not be here next month, and Jesse will put together the agenda.

See Minutes on page 24



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You can leave your 401(k) with your old employer. If your former employer permits it, you can leave your 401(k) intact, even after you move to a different job. This might be appealing to you if you like the investment choices in your account, but you won't be able to make any new contributions. Plus, you won't face any immediate tax consequences.

You can move the money to your new employer's 401(k). You can consolidate your old 401(k) with one offered by your new employer, if allowed. You won't take a tax hit, and you might like your new plan's investment options. And you may find it easier to manage your funds if they're all held in one place.

You can roll your 401(k) into an IRA. You don't need the permission from any employer – old or new – to move your old 401(k) to an IRA. Your money will continue to grow on a tax-deferred basis, and an IRA offers you a virtually unlimited array of investment options – stocks, bonds, mutual funds and so on. You can make either a direct or indirect rollover. With a direct rollover, the administrator of your old 401(k) sends your money directly to the financial provider that holds your rollover IRA. No tax is withheld because you never actually take possession of the money. With an indirect rollover, you're technically withdrawing the money and moving it to the IRA provider yourself. (You've got 60 days to make this transfer.) You will face a withholding of 20% of your account's assets, but you may be able to recover most of this amount when you file your tax return. Still, for the sake of ease of movement and avoidance of all tax issues, a direct rollover may be more advantageous.

Which of these options is right for you? There's no one "right" answer for everyone. You'll have to consider several factors, and you'll certainly want to consult your tax professional before making any decision. But in any case, do whatever you can to preserve – and hopefully grow – your 401(k) assets. You'll need these resources to help fund the retirement lifestyle you want and deserve.

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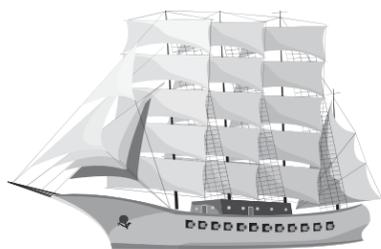
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# Andover Fourth of July Committee



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## Letters from page 9

in property taxes. I have seen, first hand, citizen discontent and frustration voiced at the annual town meetings when the treasurer reported an increase in property taxes. The town's citizens knew the cause: The failure, over recent decades, of the General Court to stop downshifting taxes to the towns and to provide for the court-ordered "adequacy" funding. Wells and Karrick worked for property tax relief.

Regarding taxes, I invite Louise Andrus to explain how she will fund education and relief from local property tax increases. She should also describe how she will fund other worthwhile measures, from highways and bridges to prevention and treatment of drug addiction, that were in the vetoed budget.

A second local issue is school safety. I saw at the 2017 town meeting heart felt and passionate concern for school safety. I joined the town in approving expensive upgrades in AEMS's security and life-safety systems. There was also considerable interest in hiring a school safety officer. It is well and good that the Governor says that New Hampshire is one of the safest states in the nation. That assurance, I suspect, is cold comfort to teachers, students, and staff who know about the recent tragedies at Dayton and El Paso and who may have drills for how to act in an emergency.

Louise Andrus had sharp criticism

for HB 564, which allowed school districts to decide what, if any, measures they might take to protect schools. Although the Governor vetoed the bill, I hope Andrus will explain what she meant when she wrote that the bill was for "protecting criminals by disarming law-abiding citizens."

She was also critical of HB696, which had considerable bipartisan support until the Governor vetoed it. She described it as "creating a guilty until proven innocent" standard. I wonder what she had in mind for an act that provided a protective order for vulnerable adults.

In her letter, Louise Andrus is long on generalities. She has yet to respond to questions that I have raised in recent editions of the *Beacon*. I look forward to reading her responses.

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This mother moose and her two babies were seen in front of the home of Jean-Pierre Gouirand, located at the Ragged Mountain Fish & Game Club. Photo: Jean-Pierre Gouirand



FNRT-MC board member Peter Southworth helps Sadie Foulds and Emma Watkins of Andover pick the winning tickets.



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## Rail Trail Summer Raffle Winners

Press release

The Friends of the Northern Rail Trail recently awarded prizes donated by local businesses in their summer raffle to support trail work on FNRT-MC's 35 miles of trail.

The winners were picked by 7 year old Sadie Foulds and 8 year old Emma Watkins of Andover at the end of the Potter Place Fair on August 4.

The winner of the Trek Bike donated by S&W Sports of Concord was David Har-

ris of Concord. Tom Fee of Belmont won the other grand prize, two nights lodging donated by the Highland Lake Inn, a rail trail welcome center in E. Andover.

Winners of the gift certificates were Dan Fladung of Springfield (Eastern Mtn Sports), Leo Frego of Andover (Belletete's), Bonnie Fladung of Springfield (Flying Goose restaurant), Alex LaChance of Manchester (JJ's Market), and Kent Hackmann of Andover (Pizza Chef).



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Wilmot Historical Society's Catherine Stearns and Elizabeth Kirby participated in the Andover Historical Society's Old Time Fair at Potter Place on Sunday, August 4. Chuck North of Franklin stopped by to examine the Society's collection of old irons, coffee pots, and other memorabilia.

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# Andover Libraries Page

## Andover Library News and Views, and Book Club

Janet Moore, Library Trustee

Chances Galore! Both libraries will issue one raffle ticket per visit throughout the month of September for a chance to win local prizes. The lucky winners will be eligible for gift certificates from the small-Pizza Chef, to the grand-Hannaford's; so, get in there and give your libraries some business!

The East Andover Village Pre-School, in conjunction with the libraries, will be pushing the "1000 Books Before Kindergarten" program. If you haven't already begun to do so, it's time to sign up and start reading to the little ones!

The Summer Reading Program ended with a bang and a whoosh outside the Andover Library as participants built rockets that zoomed into the sky over town - the lower sky, that is, over the skateboard park. Many thanks to Priscilla Poulin and Lee Wells, who directed the program, and to Ken Wells, who direct-

ed spacecraft construction and flight. See the accompanying pictures for success and reward!

The Book Club will meet on September 25 at 7 PM at the Bachelder Library in East Andover. National Book Award finalist, "Pachinko", by Min Jin Lee, is a powerful portrait of a young Korean woman who defies Asian society norms in the early 1900s in a move that will affect her family for generations. She spurns the wealthy and already married father of her son and relocates instead to Japan after marrying a gentle minister passing through her coastal Korean village. The history of Japan and Korea plays out over time through the eyes and actions of her extended family as Sunja struggles to lead a life of virtue and peace. Join us on the fourth Wednesday of the month for an engrossing discussion within a committed community of readers. Books are available in both libraries.



## Through the Reading Glasses September 2019

Janet Moore, Library Trustee

Having just read the current copy of *The Concord Monitor's Insider*, I thought I'd pass on a suggestion from this week's books editor, Robbin Bailey, of the Concord Public Library. *Save Me the Plums* is food critic and reviewer Ruth Reichl's latest entry in the fascinating literary world of, well, food!

Her interest began at the tender age of eight, when she picked up an old is-

sue of *Gourmet*, and discovered Robert P. Tristram Coffin's article about eating lobster in Maine. So real was the experience to her that she imagined every lobster's fragrance and tart bite, heard the steaming pot hiss, and warmed herself by the bonfire's heat.

If Reichl's eloquent descriptions of Coffin's elegant writings are anything to go by, we are all in for a treat.

### Bachelder Library New Acquisitions

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#### Adult Fiction

- Backlash*, Brad Thor
- The Bitterroots*, C.J. Box
- The Cuckoo's Calling*, Robert Galbraith (J.K. Rowling)
- Evvie Drake Starts Over*, Linda Holmes
- Heart of Barkness*, Spencer Quinn
- The House of Broken Angels*, Luis Alberto Urrea
- Knife*, Jo Nesbo
- Lady in the Lake*, Laura Lippman
- The New Girl*, Daniel Silva
- One Good Deed*, David Baldacci

#### Adult Nonfiction:

- Amity and Prosperity: One Family and the Fracturing of America*, Eliza Griswold
- The Best Plants for NH Gardens and Landscapes*, UNH Cooperative Extension
- The British Are Coming*, Rick Atkinson
- Cruising New Hampshire History*, Michael Bruno

*Empath to Mystic*, Aaran Solh  
*The Making of a Justice*, John Paul Stevens

- A People's History of the United States*, Howard Zinn
- Principal Products of Portugal: Prose Pieces*, Donald Hall
- Redefining Success in America*, Michael Kaufman
- Rising Out of Hatred: The Awakening of a Former White Nationalist*, Eli Saslow
- The Stranger in the Woods*, Michael Finkel

#### Middle Grade and Young Adult:

- Dork Diaries: Tales from a NOT-SO-Dorky Drama Queen; Tales from a NOT-SO-Happily Ever After*, Rachel Renee Russell
- Five Feet Apart (YA)*, Rachael Lippincott

#### Children's Books:

- Moon's First Friends*, Susanna Leonard Hill
- The Pigeon HAS to Go to School!*, Mo Willems
- Saving Emma the Pig*, John Chester and Jennifer L. Meyer
- The Three Little Pigs*, Steven Kellogg

### Andover Public Library New Acquisitions

September 2019 Beacon

#### Adult Fiction:

- Backlash*, Brad Thor
- The Sum of All Shadows*, Eric Van Lustbader
- One Good Deed*, David Baldacci
- Gunner's Run*, Rick Barry
- Hunger Winter*, Rob Currie
- Parallel Lives*, Mike Crane
- Orphan Sister*, Shirley Dickson
- A Dangerous Man*, Robert Crais
- Under Currents*, Nora Roberts
- City of Girls*, Elizabeth Gilbert
- Window on the Bay*, Debbie Macomber

#### Adult Nonfiction:

- D-Day Girls*, Sarah Rose
- Last Letters from Attu: The True Story of Etta Jones, Alaska Pioneer and Japanese POW*, Mary Breu
- A Brief History of Everyone Who*

- Ever Lived: The Human Story Retold Through Our Genes*, Adam Rutherford
- Lamarck's Revenge: How Epigenetics Is Revolutionizing Our Understanding of Evolution's Past and Present*, Peter Ward
- Keto Diet*, Dr. Josh Axe
- The Beginner's Ketodiet Cookbook*, Martina Slajerova
- A People's History of the United States*, Howard Zinn
- Quiet*, Susan Cain
- War Is a Racket*, Smedly D. Butler

#### Children's Books:

- The Bad Guys #9*, Aaron Blabey
- The Ranger's Apprentice Books 1-3*, John Flanagan
- Pete the Kitty Goes to the Doctor*, James Dean and Kimberly Dean
- Giant Machines*, Seymour Simon
- National Geographic Readers: Frogs!*, Elizabeth Carney
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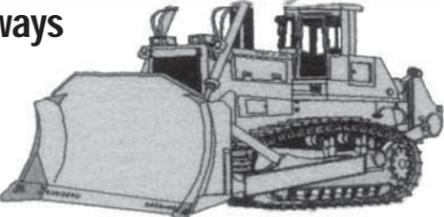


The Summer reading program at the Andover Libraries was about outer space. One of the activities was constructing and launching rockets.

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Some of the riders in the Granite State Carriage Driving Association's Drive and Ride event on the Northern Rail Trail on August 11.

## Carriage Driving on the Rail Trail

Faith Clendenen

Once again the Granite State Carriage Driving Association held a Drive and Ride event on the Northern Rail Trail on the 11th of August from Potter Place. The weather was perfect for the event, with temperatures in the mid 70s and a moderate breeze to help keep the insects at bay.

There were five carriages and around 15 riders, along with other attendees, for a turnout of 33. The gates on the Northern Rail Trail were opened heading up towards Danbury for the carriages, while riders could go either north to Danbury with the carriages or south towards Andover, where the gates were still locked.

The Granite State Carriage Association has been in business for a little

more than 40 years and hosts a number of events all over the state of New Hampshire as well as events in Maine and Vermont. Its primary purpose is to make available opportunities for relaxed, friendly occasions for people who enjoy driving their horses with other like-minded folk. Many events, such as the Andover event, are day events, but there are also events that entail camping; including the horses for several days. Since many driving horses are also ridden, riders are welcome as long as they are members of the Association. The events are free to the participants, and dues for the Association are a modest \$25 a year. More information about the Association can be found on the web site at [www.GraniteStateCarriage.org](http://www.GraniteStateCarriage.org).

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A discussion on mental health awareness with  
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**Date**

Monday, October 7, 2019

**Time**

6:30 p.m.

**Location and Host**

Andover Elementary Middle School

All are welcome! We ask that you RSVP by September 27th by calling or emailing Andover Elementary Middle School. (603-735-5494) or ([jslayton@aemseagles.org](mailto:jslayton@aemseagles.org)). The event will be cancelled if we do not have enough interest. Refreshments will be served.

Chief Justice Broderick presented his powerful, thought-provoking message to the AEMS staff in the spring and we now want to share it with our community. It is important and all will gain so much from hearing it. It is for everyone.

Dartmouth-Hitchcock's R.E.A.C.T. campaign provides communities throughout New Hampshire and Vermont tips in dealing with signs of emotional suffering, and resources for support. This effort is in response to the five signs of emotional suffering identified by Change Direction, a national organization dedicated to changing the culture and communication surrounding mental illness.



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## Chamber Music Concert to Benefit SHS Scholarship Program

Press release

The Salisbury Historical Society will host a Chamber Music Concert to benefit its Scholarship Program on Sunday September 15 at 3 PM at the Olde Baptist Meeting House on Route 4 in Salisbury.

Tickets are \$20.00, available at the box office or by mail at PO Box 263, Salisbury NH 03268.

Complimentary wine and cheese will be served.

The program will include:

- J.S. Bach-Three Canons from Art of the Fugue
- L. Beethoven-Serenade for Violin, Viola and Cello in D Major, Opus 8
- W.A. Mozart-Duet in B flat Major for Violin and Cello

The musicians playing include: Louisa Stonehill, Violin; Peter Sulski, Violin/ Viola, and Ariana Falk, Cello.



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**Where:** Meet at Jamie Welch Field on Depot Street in Boscawen, New Hampshire (mile post 83), then we'll head south towards Concord for about 2 miles. There will be a tour guide.

**Why:** Your opportunity to meet fellow friends who love the Northern Rail Trail in Merrimack County as much as you do, as well as learn about what we can do to get the trail out of the cornfield. Bring your favorite non-motorized transportation, any questions you have about the trail, and a lunch or snack for a post-ride get-together at Jamie Welch Field.

**For more info, go to FNRT.ORG**

## First Friday Gallery Stroll Presented in New London

September 6 from 5:30 to 7 PM

Press release

The Center for The Arts Lake Sunapee Region presents First Friday Gallery Night and Opening Receptions at three New London galleries on Friday September 6, from 5:30-7 PM.

Stroll the CFA MicroGalleries, enjoy some refreshments, and meet the artists. The New London Inn features the compelling and imagination work of Ludmilla Gayvoronski, the Blue Loon Bakery features the "Contemporary Primitive Americana" paintings of Marianne Stillwagon, and Bar Harbor Bank and Trust on Main

Street features the work of Penny Koberger, whose artwork reflects her fascination with light, color, and mood. These CFA exhibits will be on display through October 31 during regular business hours.

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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Nashville-based, fiddle-and-cello duo, Oliver the Crow to perform at the September Andover Community Coffeehouse.

## Andover's Live Music Community Coffeehouse Returns in September

Friday, Sept. 20 at Highland Lake Grange Hall

Press release

After a two-month summer break, the Andover Community Coffeehouse will return on Friday, September 20, featuring a performance by the fiddle and cello duo *Oliver the Crow*, as well as up to a dozen area "open-mic" performers.

Music by the featured performers begins at 7:00 PM in the Highland Lake Grange Hall at the intersection of Chase Hill Road and Route 11 in East Andover. Doors to the Grange Hall open at 6 PM. for simple supper food and beverage purchases, and for open mic sign-ups on a first-come, first-served basis.

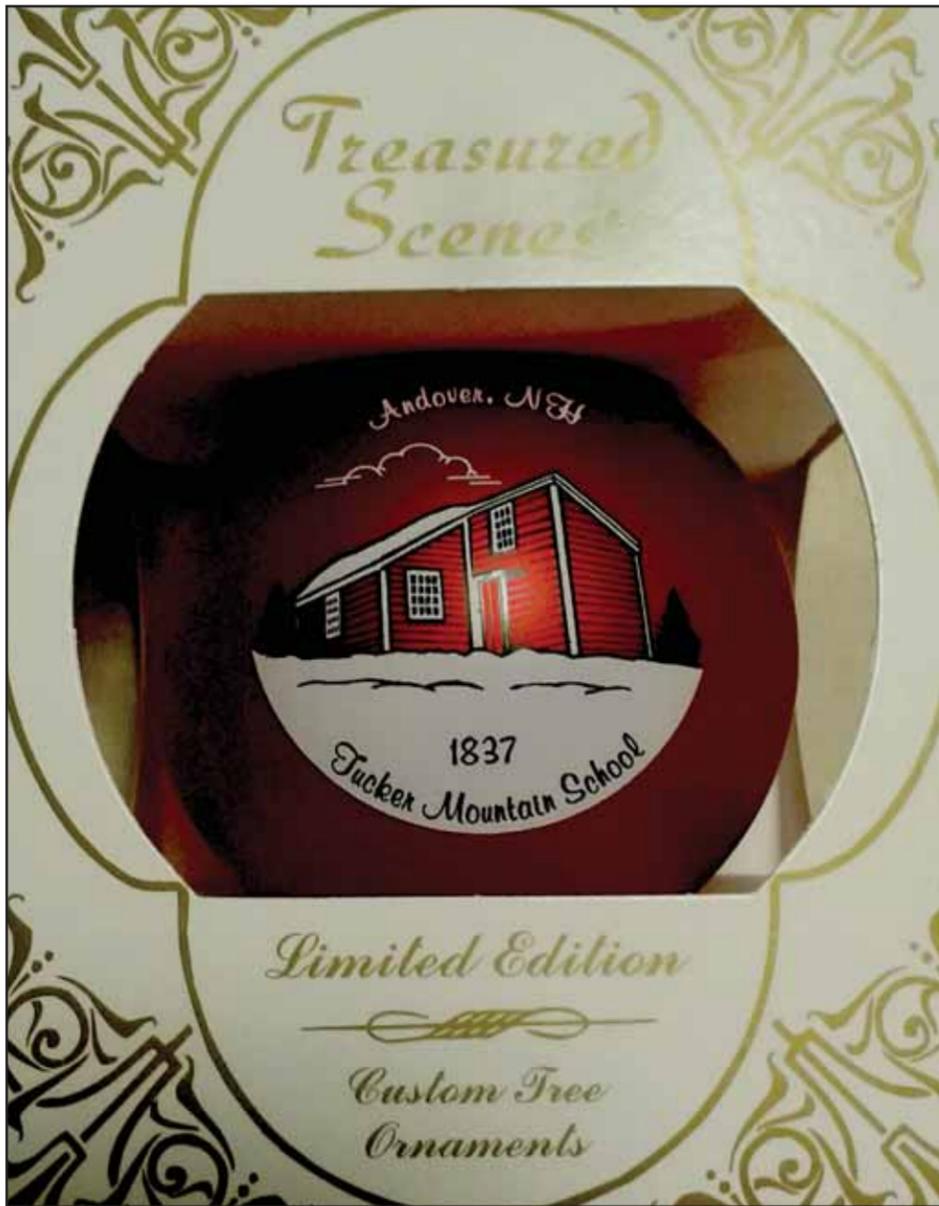
Admission is free, although the hat will be passed and donations—which are shared with the featured performers—are gratefully accepted. The sponsor for September's concert is Ragged Mountain Orthopaedic & Sports Physical Therapy, based in Andover.

Cellist Kaitlyn Raitz and fiddler Ben Plotnick will lead off with a half-hour set and come back around 9 PM to close out the evening. In between, open-mic performers from the area will perform two songs each.

Nashville-based *Oliver the Crow* has been called "inspired" by NPR with a chameleon-like ability to skip between music genres, from their

roots as classically-trained performers to their love of bluegrass, gypsy jazz, everything from Hank Williams to Prince. "They are virtuosos on their instruments with backgrounds ranging from classical training to old-time and bluegrass fiddle competitions... an inspired collaboration."

For more information on *Oliver the Crow* as well as the Coffeehouse, go to [www.AndoverCoffeehouse.org](http://www.AndoverCoffeehouse.org). The Coffeehouse operates under the umbrella of the Andover Community Hub, located at 157 Main Street in Andover.

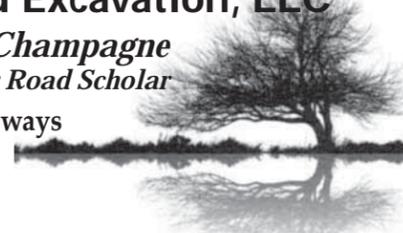


The Tucker Mountain School will be open on Sunday, September 8, from 1–3 PM. Visitors will be able to purchase the limited edition glass ornament of the school. They are \$20 each. The Andover Historical Society's 2020 calendar will also be available at the open house. The school is open at other times by appointment. Call 735-5586.

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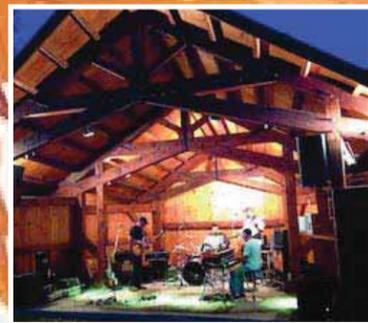
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## Fun Murder Mystery Fund Raiser for Franklin Opera House

Friday, September 20 & Saturday, September 21

Press release

Franklin Opera House will present their annual Murder Mystery Dessert Theatre, September 20 & 21, to benefit the Franklin Opera House Restoration Committee.

The fun will be a “Reunion at Hippie High”—even hippies go to their class reunion! It’s a time to reminisce about the good old days of free love, protests, and the Age of Aquarius.

The senior class president, Leo Templeton, hosts the evening which includes performances by the cheerleaders and the glee club. Leo’s wife, Linda (known as “Boonie” in high school) is thrilled to see her old girlfriends, “Rainy” and “Sky.” Leo is less than thrilled to see either of them—more so when Sky’s son “Oak” disrupts the proceedings and overthrows the reunion—“for the people.” Oak is only following in the footsteps of the school’s most infamous alumnus, “Che” who is still underground (or is he?) after an attempted bombing of

an Army/Navy store. Oak’s protest is upstaged by the surprise appearance of the last member of their high school clique—“Phib”—who supposedly drowned just before graduation.

This popular event is performed by members of Franklin Footlight Theatre and the FHS Drama Department. Guests will enjoy delicious assorted soup appetizers and delectable desserts prepared by Chubbles restaurant in downtown Franklin.

Due to the increasing popularity of this annual event there will be two performances this year, Friday and Saturday evening, with table seating only. Space is limited to 14 tables and seats are going fast. Tickets, are \$20 - \$22, only available in advance; there will be no sales at the door.

Tickets and dessert choices are available online at [FranklinOperaHouse.org](http://FranklinOperaHouse.org), or by calling during office hours at 934-1901.

Franklin Opera House is a community performing arts venue located within the historic Franklin City Hall, 316 Central Street, in Franklin. 

## September News from the South Danbury Christian Church

Press release

The Blazing Star Grange #71 will hold its 105th Annual Danbury Grange & Community Fair on Saturday, September 7.

Watch for the Fair schedule, and watch for our South Danbury Church “float” in the 11 AM parade. This year’s theme is “Danbury’s Got Talent.” There’ll be a lot of talent (and laughter) to enjoy.

Everyone is always welcome at the Fair, and at the South Danbury Church!

Our Sunday worship is at 11:00 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](mailto:southdanburychurch@gmail.com), or a text to 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. 

### Wells from page 8

succinct, the New Hampshire State Constitution’s amendment 2a says: “All persons have the right to keep and bear arms in defense of themselves, their families, their property and the state.” There are no more constitutional words, nor should more words be inferred. As a gun owner and occasional hunter since I was 13 years old, I recognize and uphold the unique liberty and responsibility that we Americans, and especially we New Hampshireites, enjoy when it comes to the privilege of hunting and the right to defend our “castles”.

HB564 was one of three so-called common sense gun bills vetoed by the Governor. These days, unauthorized persons understandably may not carry firearms into courtrooms, onto airplanes or into nuclear facilities. Why should we allow unauthorized persons to bring firearms into a place like our elementary schools? HB564 would have made it illegal for any unauthorized person to bring a gun into a school building. Violation of the law proposed by this bill would give the authorized personnel inside the school clear authority to take decisive action against the lawbreaker (Such authorization would extend to police officers, active duty military and those specific persons authorized in writing by the local school board.). In my conversations with local law enforcement officers, school resource officers, and even a Secret Service risk assessment expert on the issue of gun violence in schools, all expressed their reservations about existing policies. The existing policy prevents them from having unambiguous latitude to take protective action until after shooting actually begins. It is an unenviable position to be required to shoot second in a gunfight.

I was a classroom teacher for 37 years, and in recent decades have observed firsthand the traumatic fallout of having to lie on the floor with my students during a school lock-down, active-shooter drill. Even though every-

one knows it is a drill, it is excruciating to listen and watch under the classroom door at the shadows of someone outside trying the door to see if it is locked. For both students and faculty, this real life experience of institutionalized fear and helplessness is harmful in a way that is hard to describe. It is upsetting and outrageous in a way so totally different from observing heroic dramatic violence vicariously on TV. We must defend our community’s children from this outrage, so HB564 should have been signed into law by the Governor. Instead, he vetoed it.

The Governor’s veto message stated “From the school safety task force, to rebuilding our state’s mental health system, including the largest investment of resources in decades, to establishing the Governor’s Advisory Council on Diversity and Inclusion, and to establish the State’s first Civil Rights Unit to step up prosecution of hate crimes, we are taking major steps to ensure the safety of our citizens is paramount.” Are you as voters satisfied that these actions the Governor describes will be as effective to keep our children unharmed and untraumatized, than the direct measures of HB564, that he vetoed?

Andover, Danbury, and Salisbury are in the heart of the most productive forests in the state of New Hampshire. I have described in previous Reports from Concord my efforts to defend the many families in our towns whose livelihoods have been threatened by the Governor’s continued blockage and vetoes of biomass or wood chip energy bills, and I continue to work on their behalf.

All these vetoes will be put to the test on September 18 and 19, when the House reconvenes to vote on whether to override each of the 53 vetoes. A two-thirds majority of those Representatives in attendance is required to override a veto by the Governor. You can be sure I will be there to represent the interests of the people of our towns!

As always, you can talk to me at 735-5756 or by email at [kenwells3@gmail.com](mailto:kenwells3@gmail.com). 

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A variety of items will be available at the Wilmot Historical Society Curiosity Shop on Saturday, September 7 on Kearsarge Valley Road.

## Don't Miss the Next WHS Curiosity Shop

Press release

This is the big one, the Wilmot Historical Society's (WHS) Blow Out Curiosity Shop sale at the Wilmot Farmers Market on Saturday, September 7 from 9 AM to noon, at 9 Kearsarge Valley Road. This is the final one of the season, unless it gets rained out, in which case it will be postponed until September 28.

Wicker furniture, newly caned occasional chairs, oddities and collectibles,

vintage costume jewelry, linens, ephemera, and well, curiosities galore will be for sale. Ask a salesperson for a range of acceptable prices and be rewarded with the find of the season. Don't miss this chance to grab something for yourself, the person who has everything, or just to support the fundraising arm of the Wilmot Historical Society. The Society uses funds raised at the Shop to record and archive the history of Wilmot and its current and past residents. See you there!



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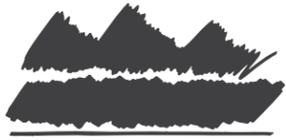
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## Can Andover Become Lake Smart?

### What Everyone Can Do To Protect Lakes

Lee Wells

Conservation Commission

On Saturday, July 20 The Andover Conservation Commission and the HUB sponsored a presentation on LakeSmart by NH Lakes. NH Lakes is not a state organization, but it is a private organization, whose mission is to keep New Hampshire's lakes clean and healthy, now and in the future. NH Lakes works with partners, promotes clean water policies and responsible use, and inspires the public to care for our lakes.

Andrea LaMoreaux, Vice President of NH Lakes, explained a new program, Lake Smart, which was introduced earlier this year by NH Lakes. Her presentation at the HUB was a follow up to a talk given last fall by NH Lakes and the NH Department of Environmental Services, and it was a response to requests by homeowners to learn more about what they can do to protect the quality of our lakes.

Ms. LaMoreaux explained that lakes evolve and they do not "take care of themselves". Over long periods of time lakes age, they fill in, they become bogs, and eventually they become land. What people do speeds up this process. We are "loving our lakes to death". Everything from surface run-off, paved areas, laundry and dishwashing products, fertilizer, oil from cars and boats, rock salt, mowing and disposing of grass clippings and leaves close to lakes stress and damage our lakes.

Most people want to keep our lakes clean and healthy, yet most people are not fully aware of the impact of their actions on our lakes. All of us impact our lakes, not just those who own shorefront property. All of us live in a watershed and all of us impact the quality of nearby water,

whether it is a lake, a river or the ocean.

LakeSmart is an education, evaluation, and certification program designed to inspire and help the public to take care of our lakes. It is a free, voluntary, and non-regulatory program. (Non-regulatory means that law enforcement is not involved if the homeowner is breaking environmental laws.)

Homeowners take an on-line evaluation to determine how lake-friendly their property and their activities are. The evaluation covers driveway and parking areas, structures and wastewater treatment systems, and yard and play areas. For properties along the water, the shoreline and shallow water areas of the lake are included in the evaluation.

If your property doesn't score high enough to achieve LakeSmart status in all areas, you will be provided with lake-friendly living recommendations. Once you have made some changes, you can take the self-evaluation again. You can also request an optional and confidential free visit from a NH Lakes evaluator.

Owners of properties that achieve LakeSmart status in all areas receive a LakeSmart Award - yard signs and a dock sign (if applicable). The goals of LakeSmart are to make lake friendly living the cultural norm in the community, to encourage people to lead through example, and to encourage others to do the same.

Please check out the NH Lakes website (nhlakes.org). From their website you can download materials that can help you live in a more lake friendly way. You can also preview the evaluation survey or take the survey.

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## FNRT-MC Draft Minutes of the August 21 Board Meeting

George Heaton, Secretary

Routine Business Matters:

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

2. Treasurer's Report. In the words of FNRT-MC Treasurer Steve Darling, his report "contained no surprises." Smilingly, the Board unanimously accepted it.

A few details deserve particular note. First, the current account is in healthy shape, with sufficient funds to cover currently projected projects and to reserve enough for future contingencies. Second, the expenditures on current projects track almost exactly what the year's budget had projected.

Two insurance policies are now in force for the coming year, covering the association for general liability, as well as a separate policy for officers and directors.

Lastly, Steve presented a report on the nature and number of donations. This shows that the vast majority of donations – about 80% of the total number – are under \$100. This wide appreciation of the Trail by so many people is gratefully acknowledged.

Current Trail Projects:

1. Mowing. Contractor Jim Shaw recently finished the mowing. This year's result looks better than ever, and is much appreciated by Trail users.

2. Culverts, Ditches, Bridges, Railings and Surfaces. Chris Norris reported good prospects from contractor Rodney Judkins on bridge repairs. We expect this work to be completed "before the snow flies." Similarly, contractor Jon Champagne is working on ditching and culverts.

George Heaton reported that the railings on two bridges in Danbury will soon be replaced.

3. Lawrence Street Tunnel Lighting. Tom Frantz will pursue the possibility of lighting this tunnel in Andover, with FNRT-MC's offer to cover cost and installation. He will send cost estimates to the Board.

4. Culvert Redesign. Jack Shields, Ricker Miller, Chris Norris and Alex Bernhard will meet with an official from the NH Department of Transportation to consider the reconstruction of the Eagle Pond culverts, long subject to washout.

5. Extension of the Trail into Concord. Jack Shields and Patrice Rasche continue to represent FNRT-MC in the nascent plans for an extension of the Trail into Concord, which we fully support.

6. "Brushing Back" of Overhang. Jack Shields will approach various local snowmobile clubs about the need to cut back branches overhanging the Trail, which the clubs have typically undertaken in the past.

Guest Kiera Tuttle offered to identify the point person in the club that uses the Trail from Danbury into Grafton County, and send the information to Jack.

Guest Input:

While all FNRT-MC Board Meetings are open, and guests are always welcome, the August meeting saw an unusual number of guests, who shared valuable perspectives and questions. Some of these appear below.

1. How to Report a Problem? As Nature can unpredictably block the Trail, the question arose of who to contact to report a problem. The answer is to send an email to [info@FNRT.org](mailto:info@FNRT.org). We will get someone to work on the problem. (Note: volunteers are gratefully accepted.)

2. The Trail's "Awesome" History and Beauty. Grandparents in the room remarked on the pleasure of introducing young people to history and Nature, through experiences on the Trail. Artifacts and signs along the way, as well as the rail bed itself and its cuts through granite testify to the effort that built our region. And the quiet greenery never fails to delight.

3. E-Bike Recharging. The State of New Hampshire has joined others in enacting a uniform law on E-bikes, which are welcome on the Trail if they comply with the power-levels in the law. We are investigating whether the Highland Lake Inn, in East Andover, a Trail welcome station, can be our first re-charging station.

4. The East Coast Greenway. Bob Spiegelman offered a brief overview of progress on the East Coast Greenway, an "Urban Appalachian Trail" of bike/recreational pathways that is planned to extend from Maine to Key West. Of particular note for New Hampshire is the recent acquisition of a 9.6-mile portion of unused rail corridor on the Seacoast. See more at: [greenway.org](http://greenway.org).

Upcoming Events:

- Next Meeting: Wednesday, September 18, 2019; 7 PM; The Hub, Andover. All are invited!

- September 21, 2019, 11 AM, meet at Jamie Welch Field, Depot Street. Boscawen (see website for more details)–*Second and Seeming More Likely To Be Annual Why Does The Northern Rail Trail End In A Cornfield? Bike Ride*

- Annual Meeting and PotLuck Supper: October 16, 2019, Highland Lake Inn, East Andover

- New Hampshire Rail Trails Coalition Conference: October 26, 2019. Concord

- Peter Crowell Ride: An October date, TBD.

## Input Needed For Forest Action Plan 2020

It's a short online survey.

Press release

The New Hampshire Division of Forests and Lands has begun work on the Forest Action Plan 2020, and is seeking input at both public listening sessions and through a brief online survey.

New Hampshire's Forest Action Plan 2020 will include an assessment of our current forest conditions and trends as well as identify threats and concerns. It will also establish priorities and provide strategies for addressing both issues and ways to invest state, federal and other partner resources in ways that successfully address identified management and landscape priorities.

Forest Action Plans influence policy, management and resource allocation decisions for 10 years.

Individuals working in the natural resource industry are invited to share their input at the following listening sessions:

August 20, 2 to 4 PM DNCR North Region Headquarters, 629B Main Street, Lancaster

August 26, 2 to 4 PM DNCR Head-

quarters, 172 Pembroke Road, Concord

Two listening sessions are also scheduled to gather input from the general public:

August 20, 6 to 8 PM, DNCR North Region Headquarters, 629B Main Street, Lancaster

August 26, 6 to 8 PM, DNCR Headquarters, 172 Pembroke Road, Concord

A short online survey gathering information about concerns, challenges and desired outcomes is available from the Division of Forests and Lands website, [nh.gov/nhdf](http://nh.gov/nhdf).

A draft of the Forest Action Plan will incorporate input from listening sessions, the online survey and other outreach methods. The draft is scheduled to be available for public comment in February 2020 and will be available on the division's website, [nh.gov/nhdf](http://nh.gov/nhdf).

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Minutes from page 11

**Minutes:** Jesse made a motion to accept the minutes as corrected, Jerry seconded, and all approved.

**Right to Know Act:** Alan will put the Guide to Open Government on our Google drive.

**Correspondence:** NHDES newsletter for May and June

- Merrimack County Conservation District invitation to annual dinner
- Spring 2019 issue of "Supply Lines"-NHDES Drinking Water and Ground water Bureau newsletter
- Division of Forest and Lands letter advising of timber cut on 49 acres of Ragged Mtn. State Forest in Andover.

**ASLPT Update:** We received a letter regarding their dinner. Lee attended the ASLPT training on monitoring conservation easements.

**May and Upcoming Events:** May events were presentations on Beavers and Bats. Nan will talk to David Blinn about the beaver deceivers and concerns some town residents have expressed about the role of beaver deceivers in the Elbow Pond washout. When CC members held the October 3, 2018 special meeting on Elbow Pond, we were advised that the beaver deceiver was a neutral factor in the washout- it did not cause it nor did it help to prevent it.

Forestry workshop will be on June 29 at the end of Tucker Mountain Road- rain or shine.

**Articles for the Beacon:** Alan will write either two separate articles summarizing the bats and beavers presentations, or one article on both. Jenny will write an article on the importance of wetlands as well as types and kinds. Mary Anne will send Jenny the 2017 article on environmental practices for boating and Jenny will edit and resubmit the article for July. Lee will write an article on the CC website.

**Rt. 4 Logging:** Jenny will continue to research and learn more about this operation. We have been notified of concerns of the driveway eroding into the wetland, and how the logs are getting to the operation: through the wetland, or over the road.

**Transfer Station Concerns:** Jesse spoke with Rich Gross and Debbie about his comments at an earlier CC meeting. They advised Jesse that the Transfer Station does not currently have water and they do not currently have the capacity to spray things, as they bring water in a jug. They stated that they would never hose down the hopper, as the water would add weight, and could damage gears and other mechanics.

**DES Mapper and Looking up Permits:** Jenny showed the CC how to look for the state permits that we should be receiving and reviewing.

**Wetlands permit:** Jerry talked to Sophie Viandier and she will not need a permit as the driveway is no longer needed.

**Bog Pond Mapping:** Elizabeth Harper has offered to help Jesse learn how to use QGIS to produce a map of Bog Pond that shows wetland boundary,

50 foot buffer, snow mobile trail, forest easement buffer and adjacent wetlands. If Jesse is not able to complete the map, we will hire a professional map maker. Mary Anne made a motion to spend up to \$250 to have Eric Fontaine produce the map of Bog Pond boundaries and buffers. Alan seconded, and all approved the motion. Jesse will work on getting the conservation easement line defined with a goal of presenting to the Select board by their second August Meeting.

**Bog Pond Wetland Marking:** Jesse and Alan will put in the permanent metal markers on June 17, with a rain date of the 19th.

**Town Clerk and Wetland Permit Notification:** Jenny will speak to the town clerk, and make sure that we are receiving all the permits that we are supposed to. We have not been receiving any permits. Jenny will designate herself as the person for the town clerk to use as a resource, and where the Clerk may direct any questions. Jenny will report back to the Conservation Commission.

**Wetlands Ordinance:** Mary Anne has yet to get any comments on her ordinance from the first sending to DES experts, Derek and Tina. She will resend it.

**Highland Lake Loons:** Jenny will email Donna about not putting up caution tape, which will stress out the loons.

**Co-Occurrence Map:** Alan heard back from Harvey Pine. He will be back July 4 and will check in mid-July. Mary Anne will resend to Alan all the information on how the 2010 co-occurrence map was done.

**Water Quality Meeting:** Mary Anne is setting up a meeting for an hour presentation July 20, 2019 at 4pm on a new program developed by NH Lakes. The program is called Lake Smart and teaches and trains lake side property owners how to prevent run off and pollution into their lake.

**White Oak:** No news yet on when ownership of this property will be transferred to the town of Andover.

**Organization:** Mary Anne will meet with Alan to figure out how to get all the documents she has on her computer onto the Google drive.

Tina Cotton requested to move to an alternate member position. Mary Anne made a motion that Tina move to alternate and that Lee Wells becomes a full member on the conservation commission. Jesse seconded, and all were in favor.

**Other:** Proctor has hired a new forester.

**Recreation Committee**

June 11, 2019

**Attendance:** Tom Frantz, Alan Hanscom, Heidi Murphy, Brian Reynolds, Scott Allenby, Stephanie Bendixen, Abby Webster

**Approval of Minutes from May Meeting:**

- Clarification of soccer prices and what we want to do with K-1-2
- Abby asking about what we want to do with K-1-2 soccer

See Minutes on page 25

## Public Asked to Look for Signs of New Oak Tree Disease

Watch for leaves dropping early

Press release

New Hampshire forestry officials are concerned about a new oak tree-killing disease that may be making its way to the state. Oak Wilt disease has been in the Great Lakes region for decades but recent outbreaks in Albany and Long Island, New York have New Hampshire officials on alert. Red oaks – which have pointy-tipped leaves – are most susceptible to the disease and can die within a few weeks to six months of being infected. White oaks – which can be identified by round-tipped leaves – are less vulnerable.

Oak Wilt is a fungus that affects the vascular system of most oak species, stopping the movement of fluids throughout the infected tree, which then quickly dies of dehydration.

The disease is spread over long distances through the transportation of infected logs and firewood. Over short distances, it is spread through root grafting as well as by beetles that ingest

sap from infected trees and then travel to other trees.

Once an oak tree is infected with Oak Wilt disease, it cannot be saved. It is possible, however, to control and eradicate the disease's spread to other trees, making it critical to find outbreaks early.

Trees with Oak Wilt disease are easily identified, as they drop their leaves during the summer, starting at the top of the tree.

Anyone noticing an oak tree that shed its foliage in July or August is asked to please contact the New Hampshire Division of Forests and Lands' Forest Health Program at 464-3016 or to go to [NHbugs.org](http://NHbugs.org) and submit a report that can also include a picture.

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- Conversation around not wanting to play other towns for K-1-2 and just stay in Andover and have 3 or 4 teams depending on numbers - rotate and play round robins with refs a few times throughout the fall
- Conversation around Kindergarten - what is the value of games at that level? Agreed we will keep prices at the same level as last year - \$15 per child - and will figure out numbers and games and structure once we see sign-up numbers later this summer.

#### Cycling Program:

Has evolved in some ways - some of the dads want to evolve it into a race program If US Cycling club - race club - and that moves them out of Rec Committee club

Chris Grotnes running with this new approach - and Drew not sure how to keep this new approach within the rec committee and program.

Agreed that the Cycling Club has evolved and is no longer part of rec, but can always be back in the future should the program evolve again.

#### Swimming:

\$45 for 8 sessions - July 22-Aug 1 - through Franklin at Webster Lake, through Franklin Rec Department. Stephanie putting it in AEMS Newsletter

#### 4th of July:

Same location for Closest to the Pin Tim Norris helping out - Tom working with Tim to get prizes. Volunteers to help out.

#### Playground:

Two people reached out to Alan worried about state of the playground at Blackwater Park - Alan explained budget cut and not a lot of time or energy to put into it right now.

Suggestion to offer these two individuals to help put together a committee to raise money for new playground, but our first priority is to do the fencing at the playground.

#### Work Projects and Building:

Have had a door lock issue and Alan has worked to replace these

Alan primed trim on rink building this past Saturday

Need to get together - 2:00 PM at ice rink to paint and do a little brush work  
Next Meeting set for August 20.

## School Board

June 4, 2019

*Condensed from approved minutes*

**Board Members Present:** Dean Barker, Brian Gilman, Adam Jones, Theresa Georges and Aimee Menard.

**Administration Present:** Mark MacLean, Randy Wormald, Robin Heins, Jane Slayton and Judith Turk.

**Public Present:** Tina Cotton

**Minutes of Previous Meetings:**

For the Public Session of April 2, 2019, Aimee motioned to accept the minutes and Brian made the second. All were in favor and the minutes were approved with no discussion. For the NON-PUBLIC SESSION of April 2, 2019, Aimee motioned to accept the minutes  
*See Minutes on page 26*



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## Minutes from page 25

and Brian made the second. The minutes date was edited from April 3 to April 2. All were in favor and the minutes were approved with no further discussion.

**Public Comment:** None

**Finance Report:** Aimee motioned to approve the financial report. Theresa made the second. All were in favor and the report was approved.

**Board Chairperson's Report:** Dean acknowledged and thanked the administration and staff for their continued efforts with end of school year activities including field trips, Share Day and other events.

**Principal's Report:**

Jane relayed information about a recent meeting that she participated in with the Andover Emergency Management Committee. They continue to encourage Andover Elementary Middle School to acquire a generator for the purpose of the building becoming qualified as a community emergency shelter. She also spoke about a successful Share Day (30th Anniversary), Arts Month at AE/MS including student participation in a local Art Show as well as at a Music Festival, the eighth grade trip to New York City, the Science Space Exposition, transition activities with eighth graders entering Merrimack Valley High School and Andover student participation in the Spring Track Meet of Champions. Graduation was held on June 20 at 6:30 PM.

**Old Business:**

Reserving Grant Funds: Robin and Mark described Phase 2 of the AE/MS Building Project which involves PSI reserved grant funding that can be utilized to complete some other site work. They provided a list of anticipated items on the premises to be addressed. The remaining money will be returned to the fund balance. Adam made the motion to utilize up to \$105,000 from the unassigned balance fund from June 30, 2019, for the completion of the Andover Elementary School Phase 2 site project. Theresa made the second. All were in favor and the motion was passed with no further discussion.

**New Business:**

OBM Form: In the case of the Superintendent's inability to sign any necessary forms for the Department

of Education Office of Business Management, authorization must be given to other designees in the SAU Office to provide signatures. Aimee made the motion to approve the authorized personnel listed on the OBM form in the event of the Superintendent's absence. Adam made the second and the motion was approved.

**August Board Meeting:**

Aimee made the motion to hold the next Andover School Board Meeting on Tuesday, August 13. Adam made the second and all were in favor.

**ASD/MVSD Tuition Agreement Review:** Mark stated that as a follow up to a discussion at April's Board Meeting, a Joint Review Panel is being created for the purpose of reviewing the current agreement that expires in 2024. Both Adam and Brian have volunteered to represent Andover during the discussion. Theresa made the motion to assign members to join the Review Panel. Adam made the second and the motion was approved.

**Manifest Journal Entries Signing:** Brian made the motion to approve the journal entries. Aimee made the second. All were in favor and the journal entries were approved with no discussion.

**Superintendent's Report:** Mark requested authorization from the ASB to hire, offer and execute contracts over the summer if employment opportunities occur. Adam made the motion to empower the Superintendent to hire new staff and execute contracts as needed up until the September Board Meeting. Theresa made the second and the motion was approved. Mark also spoke of increased transition activities for incoming students to Merrimack Valley High School.

Assistant Superintendent's Report: Randy presented the Andover School District Data Governance Manual to the Board. The manual was developed by the SAU for the purpose of remaining in compliance with current legislation regarding student data privacy. Aimee made the motion to accept the Andover School District Data Governance Manual in support of HB 1612 which refers to the security of data in school systems and school operations. Brian made the second. All were in favor and the manual was accepted.

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## Franklin VNA & Hospice Homemakers Make an Impact

Press release

Each morning the dedicated group of Homemakers at Franklin VNA & Hospice head out to see their clients. Some are on Hospice, some are receiving medical care from a nurse or physical therapist, but many are well adults living independently in their own homes who utilize the homemaking assistance to keep it that way. Homemakers are non-medical assistants who can grocery shop, help with housekeeping and laundry or even meal preparation. For many older adults these tasks become either too time consuming or even dangerous with hot, heavy pots in the kitchen and steep basement stairs to access laundry facilities.

“People are truly appreciative of what we can do for them. Keeping up with everyday household tasks can be the difference between staying in the home they love, or needing to go into Long Term Care. We’ll help them to keep their independence every time!” says Jo Ellen Ricard, Private Duty Team Leader at Franklin VNA & Hospice.

Recently the Franklin VNA & Hospice received a letter, thanking them for what they do and especially for their Homemaker and LNA, Cindy Bouchard. “What she does in a short time would probably take me all day (if not

longer).” In a few short hours Cindy has given her client back her entire day to enjoy. “We are so proud of Cindy,” says Ricard, “Not only is she punctual and professional but there is obvious care and pride in what she does.” In her letter, our client called her a godsend and a joy. That’s the kind of difference Homemaking services can be.”

Franklin VNA & Hospice is one of the few agencies remaining who accept Title XX, 3B Plan and Choices for Independence (CFI) patients. These programs pay for some Homemaking services for eligible patients who cannot afford it otherwise. These programs are highly effective in maintaining independence for the elderly and disabled population but because the reimbursement rate is so low, many agencies no longer accept them. “It’s never about the money,” says Ricard, “We do what is needed in the 14 towns we serve so people can have a better life.”

There have been several fortunate saves as well. On more than one occasion Homemakers have discovered a person who has fallen, or noticed a decline in a person’s health. Ricard, “It’s not just about the laundry or the shopping. It’s another set of eyes and ears in that person’s home to check on

how things are, or to help connect them to VNA services if they need it before they end up in the hospital.”

Homemaking fills a gap where before, extended families living together might fill, and can provide help for the individual who needs it, and peace of mind to a loved one who lives far away.

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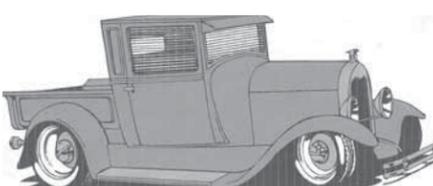


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# OBITUARIES

**RAYMOND L. DYKE**, 71, of Morgantown, WV, formerly of Hardwick, VT, passed away peacefully at his home surrounded by his family on July 29, 2019, after a brief battle with cancer. Ray was born on November 22, 1947, to Ernest R. Dyke and Lura Jackson Dyke in Cambridge, VT.

Ray had a long career in the dairy industry working for Cabot Cooperative Creamery and Agri-Mark for a combined total of 34 years. In April 2018 he received the Vanguard Award for his pioneering contributions to the dairy industry from the Wisconsin Cheese Makers Association at the International Cheese Technology Expo.

Raymond is survived by his wife of 50 years, Cecile Dufresne Dyke; daughters Wendy Dyke of Andover, NH, and Tabitha Sorensen and her husband Adam of Morgantown, WV; three grandchildren, Lillian, Owen and Eliot Sorensen; and three girls who loved him as a grandfather, Betsy, Emmi and Cilla Abrahamson of Andover, NH. Ray is also survived by a brother, Robert Dyke of Middlebury, VT and sister, Mrs. Dennis Barr (Nancy) of So. Woodstock, VT. He will also be remembered by his many nieces and nephews.

Raymond was predeceased by his parents and his brothers, John and Roy, and his in-laws Armand and Therese Dufresne.

In honoring Raymond's final wishes, there will be no funeral or memorial services. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to WV Caring, the non-profit hospice group that was a great support to his family, at PO Box 760, 519 G Road, Arthurdale, WV 26520.

Professional services were provided to the family with the guidance of Smith Funeral & Cremation Care of

Westover / Morgantown, WV.

Send the family your personal condolences by visiting [www.smithfcc.com](http://www.smithfcc.com)

**JACQUELIN B McDONALD**, 79, passed away at the Concord VNA from Pancreatic Cancer on July 31, 2019.

Jackie was predeceased by her loving husband, Robert McDonald, who was a long-time resident of Andover. She is survived by her step-children Scott and Maui McDonald.



She was a loving Mom to her son Hal Beyor, her son Randy and daughter-in-law Nona Beyor; and her son Todd Beyor. She was the proud Nana to her grandchildren, Jillian, Abby, and Justin; and her great grandchild Raelynn. Jackie is also survived by her former husband, the father of her boys, Lawrence Beyor of Northfield, as well as her many nieces and nephews that reside in Vermont.

Jackie was a resident of Mountain View Estates in Franklin, where she enjoyed her supportive network of neighbor and close friend Carol Lawrence. She treasured her boys and loved her role being a Nana. She cherished and loved her dear friend Robert Gilman who will continue to love her adored Pekingese, Tao.

Her family will miss her thoughtful cards for every occasion, the wonderful family dinners prepared by her; where sneaking food to Tao under the table was a must. She took great pride in her immaculate house, and everything she touched. She dedicated her life making

sure her family was in a good place and always made sure the visits to her home were special.

A celebration of Jackie's life will be held at a later date with family and friends. In lieu of flowers, The Beyor family request donations to be made to the Concord Visiting Nurse Association. Personally, from the bottom of our hearts, we thank the CVNA team for the extremely dedicated, loving, care given to our Mom.

**ELIZABETH "LIZ" C. MANSUR**, 63, of Andover, died unexpectedly at Concord Hospital on Aug. 1, 2019.

She was born in Laconia on June 2, 1956, the daughter of Edward Washington White and Elizabeth Zepherina (Valley) White. Elizabeth was raised in Laconia and resided in Andover for over 40 years.

She was employed for the last 23 years as a licensed nursing assistant and medication nursing assistant at Havenwood Retirement Center in Concord. Elizabeth was a member of the Eagles Club #613 Women's Auxiliary in Concord since 2002. She also was a notary public and Justice of the Peace.

She was a dedicated mother, best friend, Meme, and caregiver. Elizabeth was hard working and honest; someone you could always depend on.

Many memories will not be forgotten of all the times shared at York and Wells, Maine. These memories will always remind us of how special she truly is. Liz loved the ocean, family, and holidays. She enjoyed trips with the grandchildren and walking the beach finding shells and listening to the waves. She also collected lighthouses.

She was predeceased by her hus-

band, Raymond McDonald in 1992.

Family members include her children: Elizabeth McDonald and fiancé Jacob St. Clair of Andover and Salisbury; Norman Mansur, Jr. and wife Melody of Bristol; Harley Mansur and wife Crystal of Laconia; 7 grandchildren; a brother, Arthur White, Sr., of Andover; and nieces and nephews.

A Christian Mass was celebrated at St. Paul Church in Franklin and burial was in Proctor Cemetery.

Thibault-Neun Funeral Home in Franklin handled the arrangements. For an online guestbook, please visit [neunfuneralhomes.com](http://neunfuneralhomes.com)

**MARGARET M. CORNELL**, formerly of Westbury, New York and West Andover, New Hampshire, died August 3, 2019. Beloved wife of the late Bernard C. Sr. Devoted mother of Mary B. Cornell, Bernie Jr. (Annemarie), Danny (Colleen), Jimmy (Angela), Billy (Susan), and Elizabeth Perillo (Greg). Cherished Grandma of 14. Dear sister of Joseph Goeller (Barbara), Mary R. Goeller, George Goeller (Mallie) and the late Linda Areklett. Fond sister-in-law of Catherine Weber.

Family received friends at Donohue Cecere Funeral Home located at 290 Post Avenue, Westbury, New York on August 8. A Mass of Christian Burial was held Friday at St. Brigid's RC Church, Westbury, New York. Interment followed at All Saints Cemetery, Great Neck, New York.

**WILLIAM NATALE SAMUEL SCALORA**, 88, of Narragansett passed away peacefully at home, surrounded by family, on Sunday, August 4. Born on December 25, 1930 in Lawrence, Massachusetts, he was the youngest of nine children by his parents Carmello and Paolina (Rosa) Scalora.

Mr. Scalora received his Bachelor's Degree in Pharmacy from Purdue University. After college he was drafted in

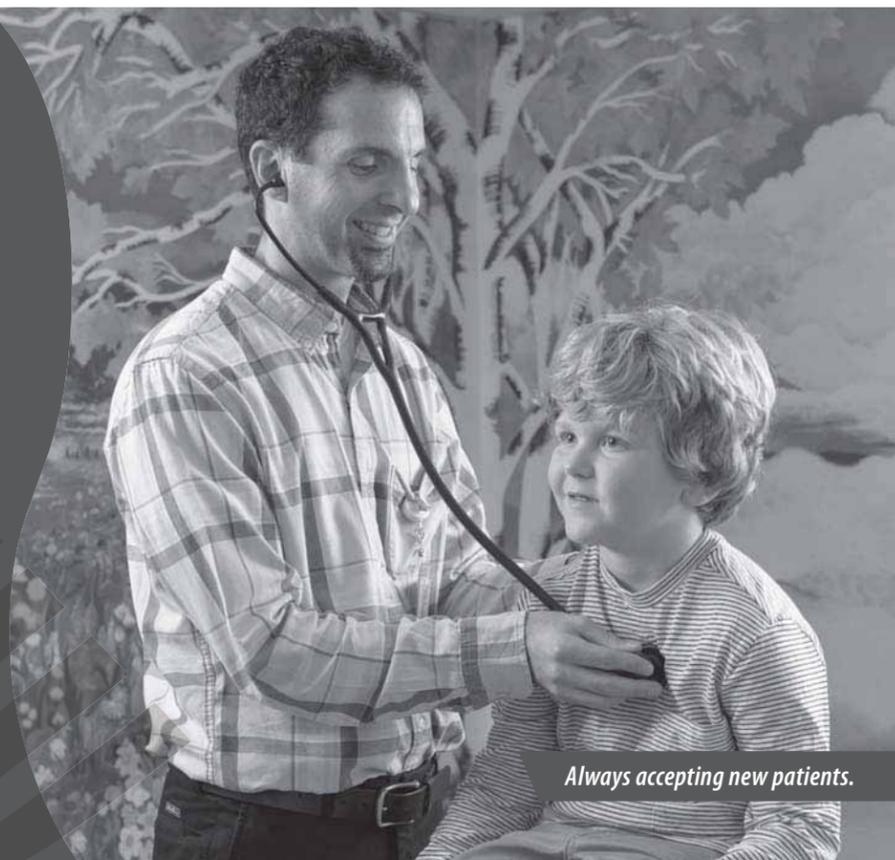
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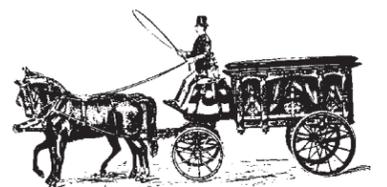
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the U.S. Army serving in San Antonio, Texas, where he worked in the hospital. Once out of the Army he married the love of his life Elaine (Crane) Scalora and raised five children in Branford, Connecticut. Upon retirement he and Elaine divided their time between the homes they built in Andover, New Hampshire and Seagrove, Florida.

William shared and lived a strong Catholic faith with his wife, family and friends. He enjoyed art, actively painting and creating pottery in his studio. In his younger days he was an avid tennis player and was a huge supporter of all his children's and grandchildren's athletic endeavors. He loved listening to music and always entertained his family by singing on their frequent road trips to the coast of Maine to camp and the mountains of New Hampshire to ski.

He is survived by his five children and twelve grandchildren: Catherine Scalora Ferraro and her husband Guy of Orange, Connecticut, their daughters Isabella and Elaina, William Scalora his son Jace and his wife Gerilyn, Amy Scalora Wooten and her husband Carl and their children, William, Luke, Gabriel and Elizabeth, Peter Scalora and his wife Wendi and their daughters Sophia, Vanessa and Olivia, all of Narragansett, and Paul Scalora of Tuscan, Arizona and his children Walter and Giana.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on August 8 at St. Thomas More Church in Narragansett. Burial was private. In lieu of flowers, donations in his name may be made to the American Diabetes Association. For guest book and condolences, [averystortifuneralhome.com](http://averystortifuneralhome.com).

**JENNIFER WILKINS CHAPIN**, known to all as Jeffie, died from injuries sustained in an equestrian accident on Sunday, August 11, in Woodstock, Vermont.

Jeffie was born in Baltimore, Maryland on April 27, 1987 to Sarah and Stephen Wilkins. She attended Garrison Forest School in Maryland, Andover Elementary/Middle School, and Proctor Academy. Jeffie



earned a Bachelor's Degree in Neuroscience from Skidmore College in 2009, and a Master's Degree in Special Education from Lesley University in 2012.

At Skidmore, she was also the captain of the intercollegiate riding team during her senior year. In 2009, she was the Intercollegiate Horse Show Association national champion in Open Equitation Flat Class Team Competition. Jeffie is survived by her husband, Deacon Howard Chapin of Wenham, Massachusetts, her parents, her brother Nicholas Wilkins, her sister Susannah Barry, and her grandparents Linette French of Annisquam, Massachusetts, and Angela and Herbert Wilkins of Concord, Massachusetts.

What is most important to understand is that Jeffie lived her dream, a dream she had from her earliest days, to be surrounded by horses. She had her own horses; she lived on a beautiful horse farm in Wenham, Massachusetts. She worked hard every day for her horses, donkey, dogs, and cats, and she found a husband in Deacon who shared these loves with her. Few of us actually know our life dream. From her earliest days as a child, she actually knew precisely what her dream was, and she achieved it. On her last day, Jeffie was doing exactly what her life dream had in store — she was in an equestrian competition with her horses alongside of her husband and her dogs. Jeffie's dream has now become eternal.

Jeffie was a teacher. She possessed deep insights into her students in the classroom and in the riding ring. Her humility, kindness, tenacity, honesty, love, and intelligence caused her to be remarkably successful helping children. She taught at the Carroll School in Lincoln, Massachusetts, Brookwood School in Manchester, Massachusetts, and Bentley Academy Charter School in Salem, Massachusetts. Additionally, she helped hundreds of young children acquire a love of horses and all the work and satisfaction that derives from helping animals.

Deacon's father, David Chapin, and stepmother, Lauren Norton, and Jeffie's parents have established the Jennifer Wilkins Chapin Foundation so that Jeffie's

legacy will endure as the foundation seeks to make the equestrian world accessible to young people who need financial support to pursue their dreams. Tax-exempt contributions can be sent to the Foundation at 110 Larch Row, Wenham, Massachusetts 01984.

Services were held on August 16 at The Myopia Hunt Club in South Hamilton, Massachusetts. Arrangements were in the care of the McDonald Funeral Home. For guestbook, [mcdonaldfs.com](http://mcdonaldfs.com).

**ROBERT R. HUTCHINSON**, 84, of Park Street, Andover, died Thursday, August 15 at his home surrounded by his family.

He was born in Lancaster, New Hampshire, on July 29, 1935, the son of Gordon B. and Charlotte M. (Nunn) Hutchinson.



Bob spent his early years in Boscawen, and graduated from Penacook High School in 1956. He worked for the State of New Hampshire Department of Transportation for 35 years. For over 50 years he operated a rubbish route serving many local area homes.

Bob was a former member of the Andover Fire Department. Time spent with grandchildren and great grandchildren brought him so much joy.

He was predeceased by his parents, his wife, Virginia (Knowlton) Hutchinson, in 1976; his companion of over 20 years, Roberta Mandrey, in 2018; his brothers, Earl and William and his nephews, Edward and Brian Dlubac. He is survived by a son and his wife, Richard and Cindy Hutchinson of Northfield, New Hampshire; two daughters and their husbands, Karen and Ron Brule, and Cynthia and Lany Clark, all of Andover; nine grandchildren; eight great grandchildren; a sister and her husband, Elizabeth and Marcel Sheehy of Allenstown; a brother, Keith Hutchinson of Clearwater, Florida; a brother, Larry Hutchinson and his companion, Leona Dwyer of Boscawen; a brother-in-law, James Knowlton of Rotunda, Florida;

Roberta's children, Pati, Rick, and Sue and their families; aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins.

A graveside service was held on August 20, in Proctor Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Town of Andover E.M.S., P.O. Box 61, Andover, New Hampshire 03216, or Lake Sunapee Region Visiting Nurse Association, P.O. Box 2209, New London, New Hampshire 03257.

**MICHAEL ROBERT (BOB) GARGIULO**, 80, of Whiting, passed away Tuesday, August 20 at Community Medical Center in Toms River, New Jersey.

Born in Jersey City, he lived in Cranbury and Robbinsville before moving to Whiting in 2003. Bob was a union pipefitter and trustee of Local 274 in Ridgefield Park, New Jersey. He was a member of the Holy Name Society of St. Anthony of Padua in Hightstown and a communicant of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church, Whiting.



Bob was predeceased by his beloved wife of 48 years, Ginna Gargiulo; his sister, Rita Toscano in 1975 and her son-in-law, James Parke in 2010. He is survived by four daughters: Lauren Duquette and her husband, Mark of Andover, New Hampshire; Christine Sutton and John Benner of St. Cloud, Florida; Diane Parke of Howell, New Jersey; and Virginia Gargiulo and her wife, Mary Denham of Brick, New Jersey; four grandchildren, Jesse Parke, MaryJane Wittel, Amy Wittel, and Amelia Parke; and dear friends, Jill Rhode, Vince and Ellen Spiezio, Frank and Rita Viverito, and Janet Brodsky.

A Funeral Liturgy was held on August 23, with interment following at Holy Cross Cemetery, North Arlington, New Jersey. To leave condolences, please visit our website at [manchester-memorial.net](http://manchester-memorial.net).

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## Proctor Athletics September Schedule

Scott Allenby, Proctor Academy

Proctor Academy's athletic season will soon be underway. All home games are open to the public and are free of charge. Check out the schedule of home games below for Proctor's varsity teams, and hope to see you on the sidelines!

### Varsity Football:

- 9/14 vs Nobles & Greenough at 1 PM
- 9/21 vs Portsmouth Abbey at 2 PM
- 9/28 vs Canterbury School at 2 PM

### Varsity Girls' Soccer:

- 9/14 vs Winchendon School at 5 PM

### Varsity Boys' Soccer:

- 9/18 vs Lawrence Academy at 3:45 PM
- 9/30 vs New Hampton School at 4:45 PM

### Varsity Field Hockey:

- 9/7 vs Proctor Jamboree at 2:30 PM
- 9/21 vs New Hampton School at 3:30 PM
- 9/25 vs Groton School at 3:45 PM
- 9/27 vs Holderness School at 5:15 PM

### Mountain Biking:

- 9/18 vs Lakes Region Mountain Bike Series at Proctor Ski Area at 2:30 PM

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be interested, please send them our way.

Lots of work took place this summer while the students were on vacation. The courtyard area was a focus. The stairs to the older section of our building were repaired. Miles of bittersweet was removed from the quince bushes. The walkway was leveled and tarred. A new bollard was installed and lots of weeding took place. Bushwhacking took place between the school and the Thrift Shop and all around the ball field, playground, and skate park. We hope you'll like the difference!

Exterior painting was done all around the building and even the cupola got a much needed touch-up. The parking lot was repainted and new signage will soon be installed.

Stair treads were replaced near the kitchen area, and new-to-us furniture is in many of the classrooms. Sensory paths can now be found in the kindergarten and second grade hallways. Walking down the hall has never been so much fun!

We are excited to welcome our kindergarten families on August 29 at 9 AM for Orientation. Families will meet all the staff members who will be working with their children. They will spend time in their new classrooms and ride the school bus around the village area. The building will be open to explore before the "big kids" return to school. It is always a fun day and relieves some of the apprehension that can happen on the first day.

Mrs. Lane, Mrs. Turk, and Ms.

Slayton attended a "Choose Love" presentation this summer. Choose Love is a K-8 social and emotional learning curriculum that students will be engaged in during the school year. New Hampshire First Lady Valerie Sununu hosted the event at the Bridges House in Concord. Schools that have already implemented the program shared their successes.

Ms. Dow and Ms. Slayton recently attended Kid Governor Boot Camp at the New Hampshire Institute of Politics at St. Anselm's College. AE/MS is registered to participate this fall. The Kid Governor program encourages 5th graders to take action through civic participation by modeling how elections work, and demonstrating how people of all ages can choose to participate in our democratic society. The lessons inspire 5th grade students to be agents of change and active participants in our government.

Preseason practices start on August 26 for 7th and 8th grade soccer players and 5th-8th grade cross country runners. Coach Amy Makechnie and Coach Brian Reynolds are looking forward to the new season. AE/MS is fortunate to have such dedicated, high-quality coaches supporting our students. Our players will have new uniforms this year! Come and watch a game or meet!

The beautiful maple tree in front of the school already has red and orange leaves, which is definitely a sign that it is time for students to return to AE/MS and for all of us to return to our routine of learning, playing, and thriving as a school community. Bring it on! 🍁



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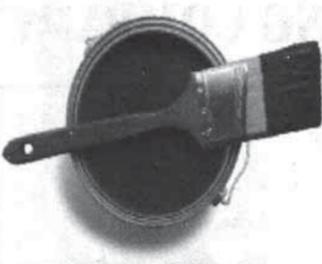
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Andover's Paige Makechnie receives navigational instructions from the crew of Roseway during a day sail from Portsmouth to Boston.

## A Taste of Proctor's Off-Campus Programs

Scott Allenby, Proctor Academy

Thirty Proctor Academy students will study off-campus this fall. More than 90 over the course of the year, and roughly 85% of all graduating students will have the opportunity to study abroad. All five of Proctor's off-campus programs (Ocean Classroom, European Art Classroom, Mountain Classroom, Proctor en Segovia, and Proctor in Costa Rica) are transformative, and a group of thirty faculty, staff, and friends of Proctor were able to taste a bit of the off-campus experience on a day sail aboard Schooner Roseway in early August. Organized by Ocean Classroom Director Brooks Bicknell, the crew of Roseway, a one hundred year old historic tall ship that is home to Proctor's Ocean Classroom students for nine weeks each fall,

opened their decks for a day sail from Portsmouth to Boston Harbor on August 7.

While thunderstorms and unfavorable winds hindered the sailing, the experience was unforgettable for those aboard, and gave a new appreciation for the sense of adventure required of Proctor's students each fall. The crew of twenty-one students, including Andover's Chloe Makechnie '20 and James Southworth '21, will set sail on Friday September 20 from Boston Harbor and will sail along the eastern seaboard throughout October and November before reaching their final destination in St. Croix in mid-November. Learn more about Ocean Classroom and Proctor's Off-Campus programs at [www.proctoracademy.org/off-campus](http://www.proctoracademy.org/off-campus).

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Andover's Vienna Marcus, Proctor Academy Class of 2020 has been elected School Leader for the coming school year.

## Andover's Vienna Marcus '20 Elected School Leader

Scott Allenby, Proctor Academy

Each year, Proctor Academy's students and faculty elect a school leader and assistant school leader to serve as representatives of the student body. For the 2019-2020 academic year, Andover's Vienna Marcus '20 has been cho-

sen to serve as School Leader. Vienna and classmate Hitch Graham '20 will attend weekly faculty meetings, sit in on disciplinary committee meetings, and will run the student government program among other responsibilities. Congratulations, Vienna!

## AE/MS is Ready for A New School Year

Jane Slayton

The school doors open on September 3 to welcome students to a new and exciting school year! We have new staff members and new students joining the AE/MS community. We have had 23 new students register this summer!

Stephanie Bendixsen will be teaching 1st grade. We are excited to have her officially be part of our school. She has been a favorite substitute teacher for years. Mrs. Bendixsen will bring great energy and enthusiasm to AE/MS as well as a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) background and varied teaching experiences.

Mr. Michael Wiley will be the new technology integrator/tech support person at AE/MS. This is a natural move for Mr. Wiley as he has always been a

go-to person in our building for tech help. Mr. Wiley will now have all of his students back again as he will be teaching technology classes to grades K-8. We are excited about this change!

Returning to AE/MS this fall is Ms. Diane Adams. We are very excited to welcome her back in her new role. Mrs. Adams will be the permanent substitute and cover grades K-8 and anything else needed. Students will be thrilled with Mrs. Adam's classroom presence and personality. She brings many skills with her as well as joy and a positive attitude.

We are still hoping to hire a special education paraprofessional to collaborate with the classroom teachers and work with students in the 3rd-5th grade classrooms. If you know anyone who might

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Sofia, Ariana, and Cayla Johnson of Andover set up their "Girls With Attitude Show Gratitude turning lemons into backpacks" lemonade stand in front of the Andover Town Hall on Wednesday, August 14. The girls will use the money to purchase backpacks to donate to school kids. Helping out is their grandmother Denise Johnson and their friend Charlotte Whalen of Boscawen. Photo: Beacon staff



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