

Franklin Welcomes Shorey's Grilled Cheese and Ice Cream Shop

Unique sandwiches and Blake's Ice Cream

Press release

The City of Franklin is pleased to welcome Shorey's Grilled Cheese and Ice Cream to Franklin. Shorey's Grilled Cheese and Ice Cream will feature Blake's Ice Cream and unique grilled cheese sandwiches such as pizza, sweet apple and ham, Tuscan, and even fried grilled

cheese. All are handcrafted and made with the finest and freshest ingredients.

Owners Sharon and David Shorey are longtime residents of Franklin. Sharon and David arrived in Franklin over 38 years ago when David accepted a teaching position at Franklin High School. David and Sharon raised their family in Franklin and were very active in Little League, helping with building and running the concession stand at the field for many years.

Their daughter and her husband, Laura and Anthony Damiani, are also owners; Anthony was transferred from Vermont as a kitchen manager for a corporate chain restaurant and met Laura shortly after he arrived. They eventually married and bought a house in New Hampton.

For the past five years, Sharon has commuted to the New London area, driving by the property formerly known as Ariana's every day. Once the Shoreys learned the building was for sale, the notion of a



Dave Shorey, Sharon Shorey, Laura Damiani, and Anthony Damiani are the four co-owners of Franklin's newest restaurant.

Photo: Allyson Shorey



Shorey's Grilled Cheese and Ice Cream, located at 421 North Main Street in West Franklin, welcomed a hungry crowd at their open house on May 7. Unique grilled cheese sandwiches are their specialty, along with New Hampshire's own Blake's Ice Cream. Photo: Bob Norander

sandwich and ice cream shop seemed like an opportunity not to be passed up. The team was in place, renovations underway, menus developed, and a target date of a May 7 opening set.

"We are so excited to bring our unique grilled cheese menu to the Franklin area and to creating luscious ice cream offerings for the young and old alike. It will be wonderful to see old friends and greet new ones," said David Shorey.

"As the City of Franklin continues to grow, it is my pleasure to welcome another new business to the Franklin community. Franklin has so much to offer with downtown revitalization, new restaurants, Mill City Park, Veterans Memorial Recreation Area, and now there is one more reason to stop and take a look at what's happening," stated Mayor Jo Brown.

For more information, visit Facebook.com/ShoreysRestaurant.

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Andover's Holly Trott, the Pro, and her dancing partner, Aaron Cherry, the Star, perform in April's 2022 Dancing with the Newport Stars contest. Photo: Caleb Godwin Photography of Andover

Andover's Holly Trott Places Second in Local Dance Competition

2022 Dancing with the Newport Stars

Larry Chase, *Beacon* volunteer

Longtime Andover resident Holly Trott was among the winners of a recent 2022 Dancing with the Newport Stars contest held at the Newport Opera House and sponsored by the Newport Area Chamber of Commerce.

Trott and her dancing partner, Aaron Cherry, a resident of Newport, came in second among the six couples competing for the winner's trophy. Each couple consisted of a Pro – a current or former dance teacher – and a Star. Trott, a veteran dance teacher, qualified as the Pro in her couple, and

Cherry as the Star, as a first-time dancer and Newport resident.

Trott also danced in two other group numbers during the show: a second-act opening, and the finale, performed by The Newport Ballroom Ladies dance troupe, of which she is a member.

Born in Concord, Trott moved to Andover in 1985 and attended Andover schools. She began teaching dance at the Let's Dance Ballroom in Concord at age 19.

The contest, now in its 15th season, was a two-evening event, held before a live audience. Megan Mavor, owner of the Newport Ballroom, was the choreographer and creative director for the entire show.

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