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## Memorial Day Ceremonies in Haverhill

by Gary Scruton,  
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Woodsville, NH

To many people Memorial Day is the unofficial start to summer. To others it is the day when we remember all those who have passed on before us.



American Legion section of Pine Grove Cemetery on Swiftwater Road in Woodsville.

Photo courtesy of Delores Drew, Woodsville

And to still others it is dedicated to simply the service men and women who have served and died while in service to our country.

Whatever your reason is to celebrate Memorial Day you are invited to join Woodsville's American Legion Post members as well as Haverhill Memorial Post #5245 of North Haverhill as the

two groups plan a number of Memorial Day activities.

Monday, May 30 will start at 9:00 am with a dedication ceremony at the VFW Field, located behind the Haverhill Municipal Building in North Haverhill.

Following that ceremony each group will attend a short service at Horse Meadow Cemetery (VFW) or the Pine Grove Cemetery (Legion) in order to honor those buried there as well as others.

Following those ceremonies there will be a parade on Central Street in Woodsville. The parade steps off at 11:00 am from Woodsville Village Pizza. It will stop at the flagpoles on Central Street for a ceremony with guest speaker Tom Thomson of Orford. The parade then reforms and continues to the Ray Burton Memorial Bridge and finally to the American Legion Post.



For me every day is about Thanking our Veterans, I had this sign made up about 10 years ago and have it set up at the intersection of Rte. 25A and Rte. 10 in Orford and have taken it down many times for a few hours to put in the 4th of July parade and proudly put it back up to remind everyone that, "Freedom Is Not Free". The person on the left is NH Senator Bob Guida, also a Veteran.

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# TRENDY Dining Guide

## Hungry Bear Pub & Grill

by Gary Scruton

Almost all eateries have one thing in common. The person you interact with the most is the waitress or waiter. I think the politically correct word now is "Server". The person who takes your order, brings your food, and makes sure you have everything you need. In most cases these dedicated people are not even paid minimum wage, but instead rely on the tips they earn from their satisfied customers in order to pay their own bills. I make this statement because when you get a really top notch server it can be a memorable meal.

Janice and I recently visited the Hungry Bear Pub & Grill on an early Friday evening. When you walk into the front door at the Hungry

Bear the first area you see is the bar area which features a bar and several high top tables as well as one larger table. Past that area is a quieter dining area also with some high tops and three regular, or low top, tables. We took one of those tables and settled in. I can also mention that even from our spot I could see at least three different TV screens.

Our waitress, who has been working at the Hungry Bear for some time as I recall, did not take long to show up with menus and ask us what we would like for beverages. Janice asked for a water and I went with a Guinness. Those two beverages came out, one at a time, in fairly short order.

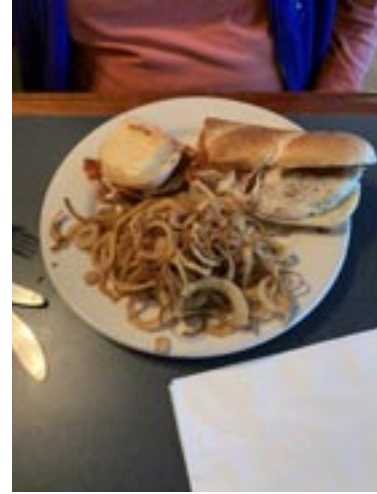
While we were still looking over the choices another couple came in and sat

down in the area. Our waitress got their menus quickly and I saw her note that I still had my magnifier out looking over the menu and trying to decide. (It's my bad eyes, not the menu that was the issue). Therefore she went on about her current task and let us make choices.

Once we set our menus down on the table she appeared again to take our orders. The big thing I noticed at this time was that she did not have a pad in her hand or a little electronic box to punch in our choices. Instead she simply smiled and asked what we wanted, made sure to ask about options, and then headed off to put in the order or take care of others as needed.

Janice ordered a chicken parmesan sub. For a side she chose one of our new

favorite items, onion straws. These are like onion rings but much, much thinner and we both very much enjoy them.

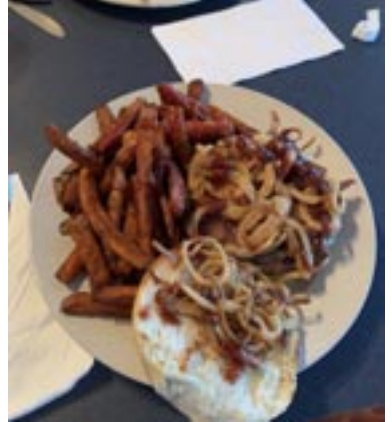


For me I went with a Texas burger, described as "Half pound Angus burger topped with BBQ sauce, cheddar cheese, onion straws & bacon on a butter grilled kaiser roll". For a side order I upgraded a bit and went with sweet potato fries.

It should come as no surprise that both of our meals came to our table just as we had ordered them. Dakotah (our server's name according to the sales slip) continued to show her worth as she checked in with us a couple of times to be sure we had all the things we

needed, or if we needed something more.

When we had finished our meals, and it was a bit of a challenge to finish all of our food, Dakotah was right there to clear off our plates and drop off the slip. As is our normal habit we looked over the slip, pulled out a credit card and put them back on the table. Dakotah took them both to the kitchen area and quickly returned with the slip to sign. We then left our cash tip on the table.



The total for our two meals and beverages was \$36.56 including the tax.

Though it may have changed by now I did notice on our way out that the horseshoe stakes were not yet out, but certainly they can expected soon.

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# Paddle the Border - Spring 2022

The Paddle The Border (PTB) event is in its 19th year. The PTB was started as a way for community organizations from Vermont and New Hampshire to work together to showcase our shared asset, the Connecticut River. PTB promotes the natural, cultural, scenic and recreational resources of the Connecticut River, in a way that also provides an economic boost to the area. PTB is held twice a year, weather permitting. No rain dates are planned.

Spring Paddle 2022 date is Sunday, May 22nd: from Woodsville Community Field to the Bedell Bridge State Park Boat Launch off Route 10, Haverhill Corner, NH.

Spring & Fall A free shuttle service from take out to launch site -10-11am, Approximate 3-3 1/2 hour paddle time.

The Fall Paddle 2022 date is Sunday, October 2nd, from the Newbury Boat Launch beside the Newbury-Haverhill Bridge, to the Bugbee landing in Bradford, Vermont.

To learn more about PTB or to get involved contact :

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Cohase Chamber of Commerce www.cohase.org Haverhill Rec Dept. www.haverhill-nh.com

10 things to know about Paddle the Border

1. When: Twice a year [weather permitting]

SPRING Sunday before Memorial Day Weekend

FALL 1st Sunday in October.

2. Where: SPRING Launch at the Community field off Rt. 135 Woodsville, N.H. Take out at the Bedell Bridge State Park off Rt. 10 Haverhill Corner N.H.

Fall Launch Newbury Boat Landing Newbury-Haverhill Crossing [between Rt. 5 Vt. Rt. 10 N.H.] Take out Bugbee Landing Bradford Community Field [behind Bradford Academy/beside the Bradford Golf Club]

3. Estimated time of paddle: Spring & Fall 3 1/2 - 4 hours [can be longer on sunny days / Well Ya!]

4. Shuttle: FREE From take out to launch site. 10-11:00 am [Spring & Fall] Drop boat, gear, and passengers off at launch site, drive to take out, a bus will bring you back to launch site. Travel time +- 1/2 hour with drop off and traffic. Volunteers will be at launch site to help unload boats and watch gear for you.

5. River Rating: The Connecticut River is Rated Class 1, in the area covered by PTB. Rivers are rated Class I - VI, Class I: Fast



moving water with riffles and small waves. Few obstructions, all obvious and easily missed with little training. Risk to swimmers is slight; self-rescue is easy. As river difficulty increases, the danger to swimming paddlers becomes more severe. As rapids become longer and more continuous, the challenge increases. We will not hold the event when the water is extremely high or we deem the River to be unsafe for any reason.

6. Gear: Life Vest - They do Work! Canoes, Kayaks, [Paddles are helpful] [Tubes, Floats, Inexpensive blow-up boats are not safe for an event like PTB and will not be allowed] Yes, Safety First! Suggestions: Dry Bag, a water proof storage bag [check your local sporting goods store] for carrying - Snack & Drink- it is a 3+ hour trip, Sunscreen [Oh yes we hope] Camera - Binoculars, Change of Clothing [the water is still cold] What if? Helpful Hint: change of socks & foot ware in your car at take out. Warm Feet - Good!

7. Experience: ??? know yourself. It is a 3+/- hour trip, Are you a beginner? Do you have confidence to handle yourself and your boat? Great, go for it! Never been in a boat? Think about it? Warm summer day, a lake, we want you to learn the sport and have fun with it. All boaters at some point should go to a lake [on a warm day] and tip your boat over, and learn what to do to get to shore! Helpful Hints: Stay in groups, these are great events for meeting new friends and fellow paddlers. If you do tip, hold on to your paddle, stay calm, [Of course your life vest is on] roll your boat over [to create an air pocket] and slide up part way on it and swim to shore. Don't grab on to someone's boat and try to pull yourself in. If someone near you tips over, talk to them, help them stay calm, help collect their gear, and if need be let them "Gentle" hold on to the side of your boat and ferry them to shore. More boats flip trying to help someone else.

Wind, a strong wind in the face can make for a long day on the water. To help beat the wind paddle close to shore. It's good to stretch out and limber up before you paddle, and to stop a few times to stretch the limbs. Note: If you want to 'wet a line' and fish a little, you must have a Vermont or NH license. (Trolling when there are lots of boats in the area can be tricky!!)

8. At the End: will be grilling and selling Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, & Beverages from 1:00p.m. on. The Strawberry Farm Band will be performing [weather-permitting] Plus there will be displays set up by various local organizations offering information about the Connecticut River, the Connecticut River Valley and events happening in the Cohase region of the Connecticut River Valley. Here you can help! If your group or organization wants to get involved with PTB let us know, Please.

9. Sponsors: Newbury Conservation Commission - NCC / Haverhill Recreation Commission,- HRC / Cohase Chamber of Commerce, Butler's Bus Service, Supporters and informational Web-Sites:

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- Upper Valley Trails Alliance www.WVTrails.org
- Connecticut River Birding Trails www.ctriverbirdingtrail.org
- Cross Vermont Trail Association www.crossvermont.org
- Connecticut River Watershed Council www.ctriver.org
- Connecticut River Joint Commission www.CRJC.org
- Silvio O. Conte National Fish & Wildlife Refuge www.fws.gov/R5soc/

10. Safety First: Know your ability and your limitations. Know once you shove off [on any adventure] you are responsible for yourself! This event is a fun, community-sponsored event and all effort is made to keep it safe. Trash - Take it in, Take it out. All participants MUST abide by safe boating rules and regulations!

HAPPY PADDLING

# Weeks State Park

## Migratory Bird Day Walk

by Linda Scherf for Weeks State Park Association

Join David Govatski for a Migratory Bird Day Walk at Weeks State Park. Meet at the parking lot of the scenic auto road at 7 am on Thursday, May 19.. The group will slowly walk up the auto road looking and listening for a variety of migratory birds that are settling in on territories. A variety of warblers and fly catchers at this birding hot spot are expected to be seen. Also, the group will be looking at Spring ephemeral wildflowers.

The walk is 3 miles round trip and ascends 800 vertical feet at an easy pace.

At 11 am an offer will be made for an optional visit to Martin Meadow Pond to look for loons, osprey, and eagles..

Free Migratory Bird Day posters will be available.

The program is free and open to the public. Bring binoculars and dress for the weather.

David Govatski is the field trip leader and is an experienced birding guide and naturalist. He is President of the Ammonoosuc Chapter of the National Audubon Society.

Weeks State Park is located on the east side of Route 3, approximately 2 miles south of Lancaster, NH.

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## May 26 – Last Day for Legislation

Between now and May 26, representatives and senators will meet in small committees of conference to resolve any disagreements that may exist before final action is taken on remaining bills. In accordance with House Rules, a committee of conference may neither change the title of any bill, nor add amendments that are not germane to the subject matter of the bill as originally submitted. Non germane is defined as any subject matter not contained in either the House or Senate versions of the bill.

For example, I will be forming a committee of conference comprised of 4 representatives and 3 senators for the purpose of making a recommendation on HB 1661, an act relative to regional career and technical education agreements and relative to appropriating

funds for the construction of a legislative parking garage. This bill was introduced and amended in the house and subsequently passed to the senate where numerous amendments have been included. The bill was originally introduced to require a sending school district and receiving career education center to enter into an agreement to reduce scheduling and school calendar conflicts, and to better address transportation and graduation credits for CTE students.

During the late afternoon and early evening hours of May 5, the Senate added a number of non-germane amendments to HB1661. To address these recent amendments a committee of conference will be formed to discuss and hopefully arrive at an agreement. The committee of conference will

either concur or non-concur. If a non-concur recommendation is offered by the committee, the entire bill will be dead. Senate amendments to HB1661 include the following: 1.) an alternative appropriation for the Storrs Street parking garage, 2.) establishing an additional \$14.5M in education funding to municipalities with lower equalized property values, 3.) the implementation of a program for individuals with developmental disabilities in the Department of Health and Human Services, 4.) language regarding the release of an individual charged with an offense pending arraignment or trial, and lastly 5.) training and procedures for zoning and planning boards and financial investments and incentives for affordable housing development.

As the reader may note, Senate amendments have little to do with the bill's original purpose, relative to career technical education. HB 1661 has been transformed into an omnibus bill; a bill with very diverse sections that may or may not give cause for passage by the full House. HB1661 was developed by CTE directors and various business groups working cooperatively to better support career pathway skills. Bills that have broad support by both bodies of the legislature, are often, and unfortunately chosen to carry more controversial legislation. This is indeed, what has occurred to HB1661. Members of the committee of conference will have a difficult task to resolve in the upcoming week, and hopefully, followed by an agreeable compromise.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Rep Rick Ladd  
Chair, House Education

## Democratic Candidate for Congress Molly Gray Announces Federal Workforce Agenda

Montpelier, VT — Today, Democratic candidate for the U.S. House of Representatives Molly Gray unveiled her federal Workforce Agenda to address Vermont's workforce crisis. Gray announced the Agenda at a press conference on the State House steps, joined by Kurt Gruending, Vice President of Marketing and Business Development at Waitsfield and Champlain Valley Telecom, Shandi Barclay, a Medical Assistant II at Central Vermont Medical Center (CVMC) Integrative Family Medicine, and Tony Santor, a North Atlantic States Regional Council of Carpenters (NASRCC) Union Carpenter, Local #352.

"Homes won't build themselves. Broadband won't deploy itself. Solar won't install itself. We must invest in the workers who will build our future," Gray said. "These are high-demand, good-paying jobs available in our communities right now."

According to the Vermont Department of Labor, there are 28,000 unfilled positions across the state. Vermont's workforce population has dropped to 60.2 percent, and the statewide unemployment rate is only 2.6%, the second-lowest in New England. In addition to this big-picture shortage of workers, there is also a skills gap: as of 2018, only 53% of Vermont's working-age population holds a certificate or college degree.

Gray said that tackling Vermont's profound workforce shortages will be her

top priority in Congress.

"Communities across America are facing similar demographic challenges, and as is often the case, Vermont is a laboratory for success. There are workforce training programs happening now that connect Vermonters with the education they need for jobs that already exist," Gray added. "But given the sheer magnitude of our workforce crisis, these programs need to be brought to scale. My federal workforce agenda will expand and sustainably fund programs that have been proven to work here in Vermont."

"There are so many Vermonters who want to care for others, but going to school can be out of reach unless you're able to earn a paycheck at the same time," said Shandi Barclay, a Medical Assistant II at CVMC. "On-the-job training in healthcare is good for our patients and helps students succeed."

"We have new federal resources to launch broadband deployment, but now we need the workforce to do it," Kurt Gruending, Vice President of Marketing and Business Development at Waitsfield and Champlain Valley Telecom, said. "The state projects that we need 216 fiber technicians to support its 5-year work plan. Once we recruit and retain those workers and deliver broadband to the last mile – Vermont's workforce will forever be transformed with every home and business able to get online."

## NEK Chamber Legislative Breakfast In Person on May 23

The Northeast Kingdom Chamber of Commerce will hold its last legislative update of the year, in person, on Monday, May 23, from 8 to 9 a.m., at the St. Johnsbury House, 1207 Main St., St. Johnsbury. The program starts with a short update from the chamber, continues with legislator reports addressing key issues and concludes with a question-and-answer period at the end of the event.

Expected issues to be discussed include Covid-19 and its impact, the state budget, health care, labor and economic development issues, taxes and fiscal policies, not to mention the many issues that arise dur-

ing the session. Laural Rugles will serve as co-host of the meeting along with NEK Chamber Director Darcie McCann.

In accordance with Covid recommendations at the time of this release, guests to the forum may decide for themselves whether to wear masks. There will be hand sanitizer and wipes on hand for use by guests and to clean the microphones. There will be a small fee to cover the cost of food and the room fee.

The forum will be recorded, with video links provided on the chamber Facebook page following the event.

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# Tarleton Integrated Resource Project

Tom Wessels and Wayne King, noted environmentalists, speak out for "Scenic" Protection of Lake Tarleton Watershed

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Lake Tarleton is the largest and purest lake in the White Mountain National Forest. It is one of a very few lakes that local activists have succeeded in protecting from the scourge of

aquatic invasive species such as Eurasian Milfoil. Its largely-forested watershed is also a rich cultural resource containing an early colonial settlement, Charleston, and two other unnamed settlement areas as well as evidence of active and regular Abenaki presence dating back thousands of years - most of which still remains shrouded in mystery because it has yet to undergo any serious study.

Tom Wessels, an internationally celebrated environmental educator, terrestrial ecologist and author of 6 ecology books, whose ability to read the natural landscape is legendary, has joined together with former White Mountain guide, State Senator and Gubernatorial nominee, author and columnist, Wayne King who represented the area that includes Tarleton in the Senate.

Wessels is a long-time professor, now emeritus, at Antioch University New England in the Department of Environmental Studies, where he founded their Master's program in conservation biology. He is often compared with such national environmental leaders as John Muir, and Edward Abbey. King, who has Abenaki and Iroquois roots, has written extensively on environmental issues and is considered a leader in the Climate Emergency movement.

Both concur that the Lake Tarleton watershed deserves special status as a Scenic Area, providing it with additional protective measures that recognize the early colonial and indigenous cultural history as well as the particularly pristine natural environment of Tarleton and its sister lakes in the area.

Wessels and King urge interested citizens to make their voices heard by contacting Pemigewasset District Brooke Brown at the address below before the May 11 deadline or adding their names to the letter and sending it to Ms Brooke Brown Pemigewasset District Ranger before a May 11 deadline..

More information can be found at the website of the Lake Tarleton Coalition: <https://www.laketarletoncoalition.org/>

# Littleton Food Co-op Partner of the Month



Adaptive Sports Partners of the North Country's hiking crew, from left to right - Nate Hanson, Danny Mauclaire, Paula Ball, Lindsey Mauclaire, Thomas Shovlin, Joanne Huff, Sarah Abbott, Shari Marquis, Sasha Huff, Kelly Walsh, Marsha Gray, Colin Paget, Matt Marcotte, MiKayla Briere

Each time you round up in May at the Littleton Food Co-op, you will be supporting the services provided by Adaptive Sports Partner of the North Country (ASPNC) in their mission to enrich the quality of life for people with disabilities through year-round sport, recreation, and wellness. Adaptive Sports Partners of the North Country seeks to enhance the personal development and self-esteem of athletes and provide an opportunity to take risks in a safe and supportive environment.

ASPNC plans to use the funds donated for a Universal Paddling Seat designed to open the sport of paddling to everyone. Regardless of the level of support needed, the seat provides as much or as little support as the paddler needs. Each support point of the seat is able to be independently tilted, adjusted or removed to create a custom fit. All supports are cushioned with closed-cell foam and covered in breathable mesh fabric for maxi-

mum skin protection. The other item they are planning on purchasing are Stabilizing Outriggers which allow athletes more stability when paddling, attaching right to the kayak to prevent tipping.

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# Calendar of Events

EVENTS FROM LOCAL NON-PROFITS, SCHOOLS AND TOWNS. *PRESENTED FREE BY TRENDY TIMES.*

## THURSDAY, MAY 19

MIGRATORY BIRD DAY WALK  
7:00 AM See Article on Page 3  
Weeks State Park, Lancaster

YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID  
8:00 AM - 4:30 PM  
Wells River Congregational Church

MEET THE AUTHORS TEA PARTY  
1:00 - 4:00 PM  
Horse Meadow Senior Center, North Haverhill

SPECIAL COMMUNITY MEETING  
5:00 PM  
Wells River Congregational Church

VFW POST #5245 MONTHLY MEETING  
7:00 PM  
VFW Hall, North Haverhill

## THURSDAY, MAY 19

FLY WITH ME SERIES  
7:30 PM See Article on Page 9  
Colonial Theater, Bethlehem

## FRIDAY, MAY 20

WILD THING SERIES  
7:00 PM See Article on Page 9  
Colonial Theater, Bethlehem

## SUNDAY, MAY 22

PADDLE THE BORDER - SPRING  
10:30-11:30 AM suggested launch time  
Woodsville Community Field - Bedell Bridge  
See Ad on Page 16 and Article on Page 3

## ACCOUSTIC MUSIC JAM

12:00 NOON - 3:00 PM  
Clifford Memorial Building, Woodsville

## MONDAY, MAY 23

NEK CHAMBER LEGISLATIVE BREAKFAST  
8:00 - 9:00 AM See Article on Page 4  
St. Johnsbury House

HAVERHILL SELECT BOARD MEETING  
6:00 PM  
Clifford Memorial Building, Woodsville

## SATURDAY & SUNDAY, MAY 28 & 29

YARD SALE Sponsored by VFW Auxiliary  
Sat. 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM Sun 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM  
VFW Hall, Rt. 116, North Haverhill

## MONDAY, MAY 30

MEMORIAL PARK DEDICATION  
9:00 AM See Article on Page 1  
VFW Field, North Haverhill

## MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

11:00 AM See Ad on Page 4  
Central Street, Woodsville

## SUNDAY, JUNE 5

TEE IT UP FOR KIDS  
8:00 AM Shotgun Start See Ad on Page 8  
Maplewood Country Club, Bethlehem

## BENEFIT TEXAS HOLD 'EM POKER

10:00AM Cash Game 1:00 PM Tournament  
Moose Lodge 1779, St. Johnsbury

## MONDAY, JUNE 6

HAVERHILL SELECT BOARD MEETING  
6:00 PM  
Clifford Memorial Building, Woodsville

## TUESDAY, JUNE 7

WOODSVILLE WELLS RIVER 4TH OF JULY  
7:00 PM  
Baldwin Memorial Library, Wells River

## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8

ROSS-WOOD POST #20 AMERICAN LEGION  
MONTHLY MEETING  
6:00 PM  
4 Ammonoosuc Street, Woodsville

## MONDAY, JUNE 13

BATH BOOK CLUB DISCUSSION  
4:30 PM See Article on Page 6  
Bath Public Library

ROSS-WOOD AUXILIARY UNIT #20 MEETING  
6:00 PM  
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## As Train Operations Prepare To Resume, Safety Considerations Are Extremely Important

Lincoln, NH – The Hobo and Winnepesaukee Scenic Railroad is advising the public that the 50+ miles of rail between Lochmere, NH and Lincoln, NH should now be considered active for the 2022 season. Various train operations will be taking place from now through December, including maintenance, excursion trains, special tourist trains and equipment moves.

The Railroad would like to take this opportunity to remind everyone that caution should be exercised at all times while around moving trains and to always expect a train. Other safety considerations to keep in mind include grade crossing signals which should always be obeyed. Drivers should always stop when they hear whistle signals at grade crossings and should never try to beat a train at a crossing or park on, or near a railroad crossing.

To further promote the message of railroad safety, the Hobo and Winnepesau-

kee Scenic Railroad continues to work closely with Operation Lifesaver, a nationally recognized non-profit organization that works diligently to improve railroad safety through engineering, education and enforcement.

"People need to be keenly aware of the potential danger around moving rail equipment, even when rail cars and locomotives are moving at slow speeds," stated Benjamin Clark, President of the Railroad, "Safety is always our first priority."

Both the Hobo Railroad in Lincoln, NH and the Winnepesaukee Scenic Railroad in Meredith and Weirs Beach, NH offer a variety of scenic excursions and special events for the general public as well as school groups and bus tours - typically from mid-May through late October. Scenic train rides for the public begin Memorial Day weekend, May 28-30, 2022. Advance reservations are required.



Departure times and tickets for all trains are available by visiting [HoboRR.com](http://HoboRR.com).

The Hobo Railroad is located in Lincoln, NH, just off I-93 at Exit 32, left on Route 112, directly across from McDonalds. The Winnepesaukee Scenic Railroad is located at 154 Main Street in Meredith, NH with a satellite ticket booth located on the Boardwalk at 211 Lakeside Avenue in Weirs Beach, NH. For up to date information regarding departure times and tickets, visit [HoboRR.com](http://HoboRR.com), or follow the Hobo & Winnepesaukee Scenic Railroad on Facebook.



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## Wood Turning Demonstrations

The Twin State Woodturners are packing up their lathes and bringing them to Harman's Cheese & Country Store in Sugar Hill, NH. Carl, Chad, Rob and Shawn will set up on the lawn and demonstrate how to turn a piece of wood into a beautiful wooden pen during Memorial Day Weekend. Stop by to see them on Saturday, Sunday or Monday from 10 am to 3:30 pm.

Not only will they demonstrate, but they are going to open up their equipment to let everyone, 10 years and older, try their hand at making a wood-turned pen. They will provide the wood and pen parts. There is no fee or cost to make this pen, only a few minutes of your time to try this craft.

The group wants to encourage more people to consider taking up woodturning and to join their group or other woodturning groups. The Twin State Woodturners meet the third Sunday of each month and welcomes all skill levels. Their youngest member is 14 years of age and his great-grandfather is one of their older members. The meetings cover a variety of



wood-turning techniques such as segmented or off-center wood-turning. They have been meeting for over 20 years; alternating meetings between Copper Cannon Camp in Franconia, NH and at the fully-equipped workshop, The Foundry, in Lyndonville, Vermont.

During the Memorial Day Weekend demonstrations, members will be bringing several of their woodturning creations both for display of different techniques and also handiwork that you may purchase: bowls, pepper mills, pizza cutters, wine stoppers and more.

Stop by Harman's Cheese & Country Store, on Route 117 in Sugar Hill, May 28-30 to make and take home your personally hand-turned pen. Because this is an outdoor event, it is weather-permitting each day.

by Elinor Mawson

At the beginning of World War II my father joined up with the Army and we moved from Connecticut to New Hampshire. Because my mother didn't have a place for the two of us to live, we moved in with my grandparents. I was only 3-1/2 but I guess I made the adjustment without much fuss.

My grandparents had two houses. One was an early colonial right in town. We lived there in the winter months. The other was a 28-room Victorian where we lived in the summer. I loved both places and they couldn't have been more opposite. The house in town had low ceilings and small rooms. It was cozy. The summer place had huge rooms and high ceilings. I had my own bedroom and there was a huge attic where I played on rainy days. There were 3 screened porches where we sat out after supper.

It was at this time that I got to know my grandfather. Grampa was a plumber by trade and drove his truck out of the yard every morning.

## Grampa

He hadn't always been a plumber -- after graduating from high school (he didn't go to college), he worked at his father's farm. There was plenty for him to do and he and my grandmother raised their 6 children there.

After his father's death, Grampa sold all the cows and other animals and went out of the farming business. And that was when he became a plumber. His family grew up and moved away, and subsequently the large Victorian became too big for the 2 of them.

When my mother and I moved in with them I became Grampa's little student. We would sit by the window and spell the names of the buildings across the street: Tobey's Drug Store, First National, Odd Fellows Block. Thanks to him, I learned to read by the time I was 4 years old.

By the time I was 6, I would stand by his desk and spell big words -- "simultaneously, bureau, whispering, blockade" and many others. When we were finished he would reach into his desk drawer where he kept a box of chocolates and

his tobacco. I can still hear the rattle of the little brown doilies that contained the candy, and I can still remember the smell of chocolate and tobacco as they combined in the drawer. I loved my "reward".

When I was 7, my father returned from the War. If there was no adjustment getting to New Hampshire, there certainly was a huge change when we moved away. I missed my grandfather so much; my father was too busy to tend to my love of learning. My mother was too busy adjusting to not being independent anymore.

I will always be grateful to that wonderful man for allowing me to learn and understand how wonderful words can be. I have always loved words, and my students knew how much I loved them. They were treated to as many as I could talk about and use when they were in my class.

When Grampa died, he was 86 years old. He left 6 children, 14 grandchildren, 2 great grandchildren and a half million dollars. Not bad for a plumber in 1960.

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## Ogontz Choral Workshop Returns to Lyman

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Originally directed by Sir David Willcocks through the auspices of the Chorus of Westerly, RI, the event continues under the direction of David Hill, who is widely respected as a conductor throughout the UK and Europe. He currently directs London's Bach Choir and Yale University's Schola Cantorum. Hill is the recipient of the Royal College of

Organists' highest honor, the RCO Medal, and was appointed Member of the Order of the British Empire (MBE) by Queen Elizabeth.

Paula Rockwell, a professional voice clinician on the faculty at Acadia University in her native Nova Scotia, provides master classes, instruction in vocal technique, and a solo recital. Paula is a dynamic teacher who receives rave reviews by all who attend.

Financial help is available:

1. Thanks to an award from Choral Arts New England, OAF is offering several \$400 Workshop grants to K-12 music teachers early in their careers. Applications are being accepted through May 28.

2. Several full Workshop scholarships are being offered to full-time students pursuing a degree in music. Applications are being accepted through May 31.

This year's repertoire features two works by Ralph Vaughan Williams, in celebration of the 150th year of his birth:

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Region (1907), a remarkable marriage of music and Walt Whitman's text, and Mass in g minor (1921), a distinctly English and deeply spiritual mass in five movements.

It also includes Vier Quartette, Op. 92 (1884), by Johannes Brahms, a setting of four secular poems by Goethe, Daumer, Allmers, and Hebbel, demonstrating the composer's mastery of lyrical melody and romantic moods.

For complete details and registration, visit [ogontzarts.com](http://ogontzarts.com). Register by May 31 to take advantage of the Early Bird Discount.

Questions? Email [claire@ogontzarts.com](mailto:claire@ogontzarts.com) or phone her at 215-962-2998.

## Bradford Teen Center Appoints Cummings Executive Director

Bradford Teen Center has appointed Emily Cummings to the position of Executive Director. Cummings is already familiar to teens attending the Hub, since she has been serving as part-time staff member since March of this year.

Cummings, who lives in Bradford, brings to the position a strong background in human services, most recently as a substance abuse counselor. Her enthusiasm for working with young people is obvious to all who meet her.

"I'm really excited to take on this role as the director of The Hub," she said, "not only because I enjoy working with teens, but also for the opportunity to make a positive impact on the community."

"I want The Hub to be not only an entertaining and enjoyable space, but also a haven where all teens feel they can come be heard and be safe, no matter what is going on in their lives," she continued.

Sixth graders and their



parents can meet the new Director at The Hub's 6th Grade Open house Friday, May 20 from 3:00 to 8:00 p.m.

The Hub, located at 9 Barton Street in Bradford, is currently open Monday through Thursday 3-6 pm, and Friday 3-8 pm. The Hub serves Bradford and surrounding towns, welcoming 7th-12th grade youth, and offers video games, pool table, air hockey, music, crafts, computers, and free snacks.

The Hub's mission is to provide a safe, enjoyable

environment where teenage youth are heard, encouraged, and empowered. Its after-school and out of school programs are designed to stimulate creativity, enhance self-esteem, and develop social and educational skills; to encourage community awareness through community service projects; to foster leadership skills; and to provide a safe location for social and recreational activities.

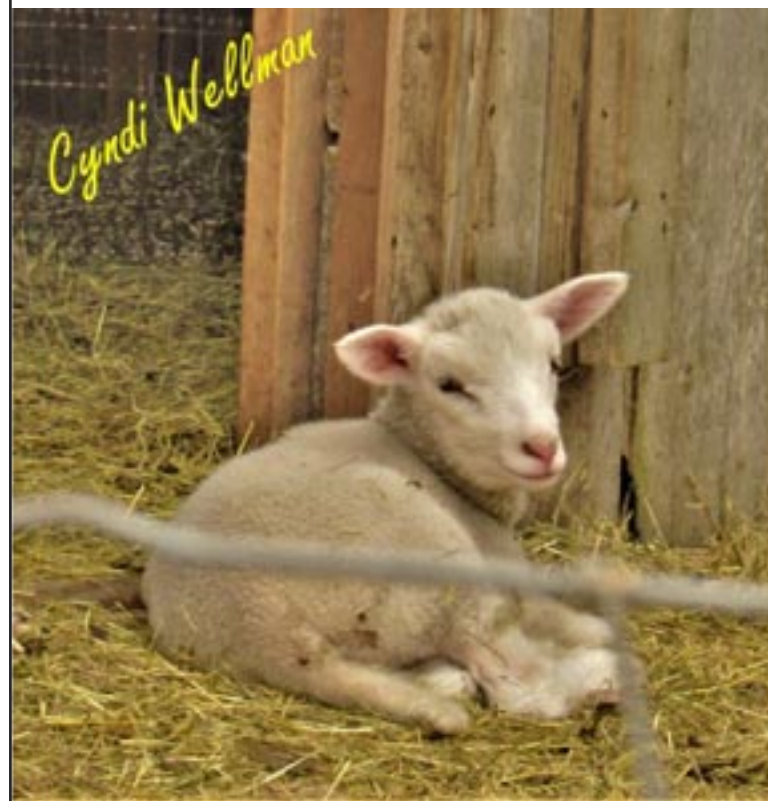
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# The Life Aquatic and Public Trust at The Colonial Theatre



Pictured are members of the St. Johnsbury Academy Sophomore Stewards who worked with the NEK Council on Aging to create 38 five-gallon "Veggie Buckets," portable gardens for area elders. NEKCOA AmeriCorps Senior Coordinator Karen Budde had help from St. Johnsbury Academy faculty, James Bentley, Peter Wright, and Aaron Carr. Special thanks went to those who donated time and materials to coordinate the buckets: Maple Grove Farm, Aubuchon Hardware, Grimes Nursery, St. Johnsbury Nutrition Center, and volunteers Peter Emmons, Bonnie Boardman (bucket delivery drivers), Mel Reis, and David and Linda Brown. The Veggie Bucket program has been an annual tradition since 2015.

The Colonial Theatre in Bethlehem, New Hampshire will offer two special films as part of a new Fly With Me series and the return of the popular Wild Thing series on Thursday, May 19th and Friday, May 20th.

The Colonial's new series Fly With Me, is a collection of films dedicated to travel and people changed by the places that they go, Wes Anderson's The Life Aquatic with Steve Zissou kicks-off the series on Thursday, May 19th at 7:30 PM. Funny and absurd, with a touch of melancholy, Anderson's film uses Cousteau-like characters to explore interpersonal relationships. "The first time I saw the film, I was entranced. It was like nothing I had ever seen before and I was hooked," said Colonial Theatre's Director of Programming Susanna Brent, adding "it is the perfect film to start the Fly With Me series because, ultimately, it's about the adventure of life."

On Friday, May 20th, The Colonial Theatre and Ammonoosuc Conservation Trust will screen the first film in this season's Wild Thing series, Public Trust. The Wild Thing film series is created in partnership with Ammonoosuc Conservation Trust and highlights films about the natural world. Public Trust is a striking film from Patagonia Films highlighting the 640 million acres of America's Public Lands supporting biodiversity and



carbon sequestration essential for the health of the planet and the powerful forces that threaten these public lands and waters. Panelists Gal Potashnick Outreach and Member Services Director, Ammonoosuc Conservation Trust, Will Abbott Project Manager of the Rocks Estate, Society for the Protection of NH Forests, and Sally Manikian the Vermont and NH Representative, the Conservation Fund will speak at 7:30 PM, followed by the award-winning documentary at 8:00 PM with a post-film question and answer session.

The Ammonoosuc Conservation Trust (ACT) works with communities and individual landowners in New Hampshire's North Country to protect working landscapes, wildlife habitats, equitable open spaces, and clean air and water. ACT also works to create or renew interest in the natural world by connecting communities to the land and each other through engaging programming.

General Admission tickets are \$12, Members General Admission tickets are \$10. Tickets for both of these special events are available online at [bethlehemcolonial.org](http://bethlehemcolonial.org).

The mission of the Friends of the Colonial is to inspire and invite participation in the cultural conversation by preserving and improving this historic landmark theatre, providing high-quality film and performing arts programming and quality family entertainment, and offering a vision of small-town revitalization based on the arts.

To learn more about upcoming movies and events, purchase tickets, or to become a member or volunteer please visit [www.BethlehemColonial.org](http://www.BethlehemColonial.org). While you are there, sign up for regular email updates or follow The Colonial on Instagram (@bethlehemcolonial), Facebook (Facebook.com/BethlehemColonial) or Twitter (@ColonialNH).

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### Letter to the Editor

To the Editor,

Concerning the letter from Richard Roderick in the May 3, 2022 issue of Trendy Times. I must object strongly at calling letter writer Mr. Briggaman "...a troll...". Mr. Editor I hope you will admonish Mr. Roderick that you will not allow personal attacks. Can I infer from Mr. Roderick's remarks about Keystone XL and other topics he has chosen to expound on that he is an expert on: drinking water, environmental damage and native American treaties, oil company finances, NAFTA and

USMCA treaties, Iran's nuclear threat, the meaning of job numbers and finally the art of negotiation. If you want to gain from a negotiation, the issue should be attacked, not the person. Thus "...good people on Both (why the capital B?) sides." To sum up, in my opinion, Mr. Roderick needs a MAJOR attitude adjustment! He can start by giving up reading the Washington Post, a rag full of biased misinformation due to poor journalistic investigation.

Robert Peraino  
Franconia, NH

Robert,

*The point you make about negotiating the issue not the person is a good one, one that I strongly agree with. When facts are presented it should not matter who is presenting them. If the facts are true then we must all overlook the fact teller.*

*The issue, as I see it, is that opinions can easily be interjected with facts. This makes statements that began as factual, merely someone's opinion or what some would call the person's "Slant" on the statement.*

*Lastly I would like to point out that objecting to a person's opinion is your right as well as Mr Rodericks's, and Mr. Briggaman's. It is a fundamental right in this country that I also fully and consistently support.*

Gary Scruton, Editor

### Letter to the Editor

To the Editor,3

02 Cares, a community organization committed to supporting and celebrating the health and wellness of all, would like to thank the businesses and organizations in Wells River who helped bring attention to Alcohol Awareness Month.

These were the places lit up with red light displays during the month of April. Check out other 302 Cares activities on their Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/302Cares/>.

Peggy Hewes  
Wells River, VT

Peggy,

*I do not know as much about 302 Cares as I probably should. But I will echo your thoughts of appreciation to the businesses and individuals who support the efforts of this group.*

*Please know that the pages of Trendy Times are always open to pass the word along about upcoming events for this as well as any other group in the area.*

Gary Scruton, Editor

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by Maggie Anderson

The past week has magnified people's efforts to drown out voices misaligned with their own opinions.

Conversely, when people read a writer's words on a page they hear what the writer is saying free of the blaring screech of megaphones and the imbecilic machinations of performance artists.

For the moment, I'll set aside what I see as dubious timing for the "leak heard 'round the world," I'll even stop myself from sputtering about the crimes being perpetrated against, not only the SCOTUS justices and their families themselves, but the damage being done to anyone or anything seen as an impediment to giving voice to a singular opinion, or the chance of those crimes making the 6 o'clock news.

The loudest noises on the issue of abortion begin with the demand for a woman's right to choose. I will not argue with that. I believe a woman has the right to choose. She has the right to decide who to slip into bed with. She has the right to decide whether or not to, and what type of birth control to employ when she has crawled into bed with somebody capable of impregnating her.

Pregnant man emojis aside, only a biologically female human body - more specifically, a woman - is able to support the growth and the needs of an unborn human being, but a woman still has the right to choose not to become pregnant.

Once those initial choices are made, if a woman chose not to employ any kind of protection against the possibility of an unwanted, or

# Choices

unplanned pregnancy, her choices morph when she finds herself unexpectedly - though considering all the calisthenics and the heavy breathing, finding oneself unexpectedly pregnant, you must admit is a bit of a stretch.

But once it is confirmed she is indeed with child, from that point on the choices are not just about her body. The choices become choices for the two persons involved.

Consider conjoined twins. There is not a doctor who would kill one twin because his or her sibling was an inconvenience, or because she or he never wanted a brother or a sister in the first place.

And there is not a law on the books anywhere in this country which would make

such a travesty legally possible.

When two persons are involved in any legal argument, each should be entitled to protection under the law, and that my friends is the most confusing factor in this bizarre equation.

We see unborn human beings as blobs of disparate cells signifying nothing - when and if we want an abortion. On the other hand, we see those same developing humans as unborn babies if a woman chooses to carry them to term.

So the question I pose is, if a pregnant woman and her unborn child - or children - are murdered is the killer only responsible for ending one life?

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When you hear the word "budgeting," your first thought might be that it's mostly for young people starting out in their careers and adult lives. Yet, budgeting can be important for everyone, no matter their age. And even if you feel that you're in pretty good financial shape, with a reasonable amount of savings and investments, you can still benefit by establishing a budget or improving your current one.

Here's what budgeting can do for you:

- Give you feelings of control – Not knowing where your money is going can be bewildering. But when you follow a budget, you'll get a clear picture of your money movements. Consequently, you'll feel more in control of your finances – and possibly your life, too.

- Help you identify your priorities – A budget is, first of all, a practical tool that can help you manage your finances by showing what you must spend on your needs – mortgage, utilities, car payment and so on. But a good budget should also have

space for your wants – which can range from mun-

## Harness the power of budgeting

dane things, such as new clothes and entertainment, to more aspirational items, such as gifts to charitable organizations you strongly support. By having your needs and your wants in front of you, on a piece of paper or a computer screen, you can determine if you're spending too much on things that aren't important to you and not enough on those that are. Consequently, you may be able to adjust your budget in a way that allows you to put more financial weight behind your priorities.

- Save for emergencies – You never know when you'll need a major car repair or a new furnace or face a large medical bill – all of which can be true budget busters. That's why, within your monthly budget, you should designate a certain amount to an emergency fund, with the money held in a liquid, accessible account. To make it easier to contribute to this fund, you can set up automatic transfers from your checking or savings account into a separate, liquid, low-risk account. It's a good idea to keep at least three to six months' worth of living expenses in your emergency fund.

- Help you pay down debt – By sticking to a budget, you can determine how much money you can devote to paying down your debts. And if you find opportunities within your budget to cut back on your spending, you can use the savings to reduce your debts further.

- Save for your future – Here's another important category for your monthly budget: the future. You should always try to put away some money, even if it's only a relatively small amount, to a retirement account such as an IRA. As your salary goes up, you can increase these amounts. Of course, you may already be contributing to a 401(k) or similar account where you work, but you could spend decades in retirement, so you'll want to accumulate as many resources as you can for those years.

A budget is a humble-appearing document. But, as we've seen, it can play a far more meaningful role in your life than you might have thought – so use it wisely.

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

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## Vermont Wildlife Advocates Celebrate a Big Win

STOWE, VT—Governor Phil Scott signed into law House Bill 411, legislation that represents one of the most comprehensive bans in the country on the needless killing of wildlife, known as wanton waste. The ban not only covers big game species like deer and moose, but also foxes, gray squirrels, crows, and other covered wild animals. The law goes into effect immediately.

"I am thrilled Vermont has

moved forward with greater protections for wildlife by restricting wanton waste, the senseless killing of wild animals for entertainment," said Barry Londeree of the Humane Society of the United States. "The passage of this law is a sign of the growing strength of wildlife protection advocacy in Vermont."

Vermont wildlife advocates initially began working on this effort in 2018 after learning of a retired Vermont game warden who petitioned the Fish & Wildlife Board for a ban on wanton waste because of his time in the field observing wasteful hunting and trapping practices. Vermont Fish & Wildlife took no action on his petition, so wildlife advocates began working on this effort through the legislature.

"The legislation was long overdue, and we are grateful that Vermont finally has a law in place to protect wildlife against wasteful killing," said Jennifer Lovett, Conservation Biologist and Protect Our Wildlife Board Member. "I thank Represent-

tative Amy Sheldon for sponsoring this bill, and also thank my Senator, Christopher Bray, who chairs the Senate Natural Resources and Energy Committee, for understanding the importance of protecting one of Vermont's most precious attributes, its wildlife."

The law includes an exemption for the killing of wildlife in defense of person or property. However, advocates are concerned that other exemptions may make enforcement of the new law difficult.

"We will be counting on Fish & Wildlife to actively enforce this law and also make it part of hunter and trapper education," said Brenna Galdenzi, President and Co-founder of Protect Our Wildlife. "We think that over time, this law will change the culture of killing. If someone is required to use the animal they hunt or trap, they may think twice about why they're killing. No animal should be used merely for target practice."

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### Letter to the Editor: Just Curious

To the Editor,  
 I'm just curious as to why Richard M. Roderick (Trendy Times, May 3, 2022) is so concerned as to why I was writing to a New Hampshire newspaper? As far as I am aware, the Trendy Times is a free public publication that allows all readers to freely express their opinions. Editor and publisher, Gary Scruton, has always been gracious and accommodating to those wishing to express their opinions in his paper. I have written to his paper a number of times in the past. I'm not sure what relevance it is to Mr. Roderick that I happen to be from Connecticut. He goes on to question whether I have connections to the area; did I grow up in the area, or do I vacation in the area. None of these should be of concern to Mr. Roderick. I'm not sure how old he is, but the odds are that I have been coming to this area (mid 1960s) longer than he has been on this earth. Mr. Roderick claimed in

our letters that I, as well as an earlier writer, Mr. Alex Foryan (Trendy Times, April 5, 2022) have contained wrong information. Inasmuch as Mr. Roderick managed to misspell my last name two different ways in the same article would leave us wondering just how attune he is to the details and accuracy of his many unfounded claims. I won't take the time or space to point out these inconsistencies, twisting of details, misinterpreting situations, cherry picking facts, as this was already clearly and precisely called out by Robert A. Peraino, MD's letter (Trendy Times, May 3, 2022).

It's clear from Mr. Roderick's many letters to this paper that he has resorted to the Democrats old play book of personal attacks, handpicked facts to serve a particular narrative, and misrepresentation of facts that can be easily fact-checked.  
 Robert Briggaman  
 Newington, CT

Robert,  
 First I want to thank you for the kind words and the realization that I continue to do my best to not take either side in most of these political debates. I feel my readership is much better served if I give space for both sides to express their opinions as well as facts. My one desire is that the two are clearly identified as to what they actually are. When opinions are touted as facts is when the system begins to break down.

With that in mind I will clear up the fact that Mr. Roderick has been on this earth since before the 1960's.

I also want to encourage both of you, as well as others, to continue to write to me. I enjoy doing these responses and hope it help move the discussion (without the name calling or other negative remarks) forward, not backward.

Gary Scruton, Editor

### Letter to the Editor

To the Editor  
 I read Robert A Peraino's letter about me in the May 3rd Edition and I found it amusing, but not factual. "The good doctor doth protest too much, methinks". It would be pointless to respond to his claims filled with a lot of diversions and misinformation to the points I had made (with sources). But a few comments are warranted. I am an independent voter, and not registered to any party, and in the 2020 elections if he is interested, I voted for real republicans, not maga republicans, democrats and progressives. He admonishes me in his letter to be civil with "But be civil." and the next sentence starts out "Our demented president... so much for civility. In my letter that he refers to, I offered sources of almost all the statements I made, while in his letter he offered nothing to back up his statements and uses phrases

like multiple news sources without naming even one news source. He challenged me to investigate crime statistics, I have, but it doesn't seem like he has. I am actually insulted that he implies I think the police are "THE" bad guys when I said "Holding the police accountable is not demonizing the police and one can support BLM and support the police at the same time; the two are compatible" The main reason I wrote my two recent letters is because writers like you, Mr. Foryan, Mr. de Mayo, and Mr. Briggaman write these long letters filled with basically the same disinformation and extreme maga talking points, I felt it was important to point out just because you and the others say something it doesn't mean it is true especially when no verifiable facts accompany statements.

You ended your letter with "Mr. Roderick if civil dis-

course and debate of the issues is not against your beliefs than I urge you to stand out and be civil; respect the U.S. Constitution Amendment I and not use personal attacks in place of discussion, debate and compromise to resolve issues. If some of us do this, the idea will spread and return us, the U.S.A., to its founding principles and verify that a democratic republic, not a democracy of mob rule, is the light that the world envies. Do you accept my challenge"? My answer is, I stand by my two recent letters and their content. I think most people will agree that they were civil in tone, free of personal attacks, and respected the US Constitution Amendment; therefore I will not be responding further. My question to you is: Will you accept your challenge?

Richard M Roderick  
 Wells River

Richard,

Civility is defined as: formal politeness and courtesy in behavior or speech. "I hope we can treat each other with civility and respect" (per Google search) That sounds like a proper way to handle things to me. As I have stated more than once, Freedom of Speech is a cornerstone of our great country. But with every freedom also comes some responsibility no matter what

side of the argument you are on.

Simply agreeing to disagree is one solution to a discussion with opposing views. But another path is to discuss, without opinions being involved, the facts of the matter and make a decision that can move the issue forward. I believe it is more important to get things done than it is to take credit for things being done.

Gary Scruton, Editor



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# What About Ma?

by Kellie Quackenbush

## All About Progress

My step-mother survived the depression, a time in our history when companies closed and there were huge shortages in household staples; her fear of being without food was so great that she had a locked closet full of canned goods. I always thought her fears were for nothing because our country had gotten so good at producing food that the government dumped truckloads of produce in the desert to rot.

Progress has made farming and preserving foods in this country so good that we actually pay to waste food. Our progressive farming techniques have been shared with other countries around the world and corporate farming has become big business. Small farms do struggle when they cannot produce food products at the same low cost as big corporate farms. Per [www.theguardian.com/environment/2019](http://www.theguardian.com/environment/2019), "How America's food giants swallowed the Family Farm" by Cris

McGreal, Our country has become dependant upon corporations to feed us.

While large family farms still dominate the production of food in the USA, the USDA reports that corporate farming has taken .5% of the farming market in America. Agribusiness is the term for corporations that are in the food production business.

Wheat, corn, barley, oats, and rice are the largest of the commodities sold across the world. With corporations involved in the purchase and sales of food commodities, there are 2 business trends that may cause shortages in one or more areas of the world. When you add manufacturing and the rules of supply and demand..... Common goods like toilet paper and baby formula become big business bonanzas. (Tharawat Magazine .com) We are now on the other side of a world pandemic. For over two years people were not working, businesses closed, produc-

tion of canned goods and frozen foods slowed and sometimes stopped. Truckers were not allowed to work, their licenses expired, governments were not issuing new licenses. Cross country and international trade was halted and the ability of stores to keep products on the shelves is amiss.

This is regression which leads to recession and is closely followed by depression. Our country is feeling the effects of letting fear rule our thinking. Problems that developed in manufacturing were solved by closing the doors. More unemployment, less production, less money and now runaway inflation make for tough times. We are no longer functioning as a modern progressive society, regression has started. The locked closet full of food does not sound so crazy now. The importance of farmers, truckers, manufacturers and a balanced budget is real. There once was a time when people planted "victory" gardens to supplement their diets. Now is not a bad time to renew that practice. Less dependence on stores to provide what we need is a good thing. Happy planting season.



Woodsville High School announces the WHS Class of 2022's 3 Sport Athletes. In order to qualify, WHS Scholar-Athletes must participate in at least three sports for all four years of high school. This year's WHS'3 Sport Athletes are... Emily Farr, Leah Krull, Maddie Roy, and Michael Maccini.



Woodsville High School's Top 4 Scholars for the Class of 2022! 🌟 Maddie Roy, Emily Farr, Hannah Keeler, and Sammie Sarkis. The top WHS/ River Bend CTE student is Jessica Riley.



WHS recently held a celebration for the WHS Class of 2023. Thank you, Mr. Chase, Mr. Strauch, Mrs. Marston, Mr. Page, and Mr. Nichols for "volunteering" The juniors raised the most amount of diapers in the WHS JAG Diaper Drive (they helped raise 15,000 diapers for local needy families) and this is their reward....



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# Tek Talk with Eli

And that includes Wi-Fi network passwords.

To start, use the search feature to open the Keychain Access app and do the following:

1. Click on System under System Keychains in the sidebar.
2. Next, click on Passwords at the top of the window.
3. Find the Wi-Fi network you want the password for and double-click on it.
4. Finally, check the box next to Show password and enter your password when prompted.

The password field will then show the password you used to log in to that Wi-Fi network. You can double-click in the password field to select the password and copy it to your clipboard, if needed.

How to find Wi-Fi passwords on Windows

Finding the password to the Wi-Fi network you're currently connected to is simple on Windows, but getting your hands on all stored Wi-Fi passwords takes a bit of work, so we'll discuss both methods below.

To find the password to the Wi-Fi network you're currently connected to on Windows:

1. Click the Start button and then go to Control Panel > Network and Internet > Network and Sharing Center (Windows 11) or Settings > Network & Internet > Status > Network and Sharing Center (Windows 10).
2. Next to Connections, click your Wi-Fi network name highlighted in blue
3. In the Wi-Fi Status page that opens, click Wireless Properties and then on the Security tab.

4. Finally, check the box next to Show characters to display your Wi-Fi network password above it.

However, this isn't the only way to find your Wi-Fi network passwords. The method above only allows you to view the password to whatever Wi-Fi network you're currently connected to, but there is a way to find the passwords to all the Wi-Fi networks you've ever connected to on your Windows computer.

To find all your Wi-Fi network passwords on Windows:

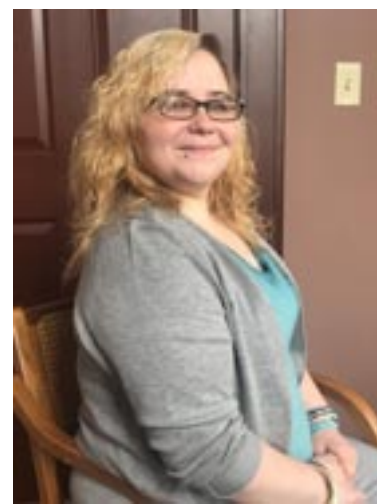
1. Right-click on the Windows icon in the taskbar on your desktop.
2. Click Windows Terminal (Admin).
3. Type in netsh wlan show profile and hit Enter on your keyboard to view every Wi-Fi network you've connected to.
4. Once you find the Wi-Fi network you want the password for, type in netsh wlan show profile "(Wi-Fi network name)" key=clear (for example, netsh wlan show profile "Netgear667" key=clear), and then hit the Enter key.

Settings for profile, connectivity, security and cost will appear. The Wi-Fi network password will appear under Security settings, and next to Key Content. In addition to Windows Terminal, you can also use the Command Prompt application to type in the commands listed above to find your Wi-Fi passwords.

I hope this information is helpful. Any questions you can call me at (603)747-2201, e-mail paigecs@gmail.com or visit www.paigecomputerservice.com.

# NEK Council on Aging Welcomes Amanda Thornton

St. Johnsbury, VT – The Northeast Kingdom Council on Aging is pleased to welcome Amanda Thornton as their new Data Entry Specialist. She will be responsible for managing data entry in support of the Council's service information compiled for state and federal agencies. She will work in the Council's St. Johnsbury office and report to Karen Desrochers, Director of Client and Caregiver Team Support.



Thornton started at the Council as an intern in December 2021 and provided staff support with administrative projects, mailings, reception services, and database assistance.

"We were pleased to welcome Amanda as an intern and provide her with the opportunity to learn more about the Council," said Meg Burmeister, Executive

Director of the NEKCOA. "When the opportunity came to fill an open position left by a retiring staff member, we were happy to invite Amanda to our team. She is eager to learn and her excellent customer service is already evident with our clients."

She lives in St. Johnsbury and enjoys exploring, taking walks, and spending time with her children.

by Eli Heath  
Paige Computer Services

Do you have a computer and you are trying to find the Wifi password for your router? Here are the steps provided to you from Nelson Aguilar of Computing Magazine

If you've forgotten a Wi-Fi password to a network you previously logged in to, your computer should still have it.

Are you looking for the Wi-Fi password for a network you've logged in to in the past? Whether it's a school, work or coffee shop network, the password should be stored on your laptop. But if it doesn't automatically connect to the network next time, you may have to do a little digging to find out what the password is.

If your computer has connected to that Wi-Fi network before, don't worry. The first time you connect to a network on a Mac or Windows computer, the network name and password are stored in memory. It's fairly easy to dive into your computer settings to extract and record the password for other devices.

We'll tell you how to find the passwords to all of the Wi-Fi networks you've ever connected to on MacOS and Windows.

How to find Wi-Fi passwords with MacOS

Every password you've entered and saved on a Mac is stored in Keychain Access, the password management system for MacOS.

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by Cindy Pinheiro  
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# Crispy Ginger Snap Cookies

Hello hello my fellow chefs! How are you all doing today? I'm okay but have developed some allergies so I feel like my head is in the clouds. We cut the grass for the first time and it looks pretty good. There are a lot of dead patches. I've been enjoying the nice weather but a nice steady rain would help the grass and my allergies.

Today's recipe is easy peasy and "Delicioso".

You probably have the ingredients in your pantry. You can use a hand mixer or your electric mixing bowl which is what I used. Let's get started with today's recipe and how to make it.

- Ingredients**
- 1 1/2 sticks of butter at room temperature
  - 3/4 cups sugar plus 1/2 cup sugar
  - 1/4 cup brown sugar
  - 1/3 cup unsulphured molasses
  - 1 large egg at room




- temperature**
- 1/2 tsp salt
  - 2 tsp baking soda
  - 1 1/2 tsp ground ginger
  - 1 tsp ground cinnamon
  - 1/4 tsp ground allspice
  - 2 1/4 cups all purpose flour
- Parchment paper**  
Preheat oven to 350 degrees
- Beat butter and 3/4 cup white sugar and 1/4 cup brown sugar until light and fluffy about 2 minutes. Add molasses and egg, beat until combined. Put in separate

bowl salt, baking soda, ginger, cinnamon, allspice and flour, whisk together and add to mixing bowl a little bit at a time until combined. Put remaining 1/2 cup white sugar in shallow bowl. With your 1 1/2 Tbsp cookie scoop make a cookie then roll in sugar and place on parchment lined cookie sheet. Put 3 across because they spread out. Don't crowd. Bake for 15 minutes until surface cracks and looks crackled. Cool on sheet for 5 minutes then carefully transfer to wire rack. Cool completely and store in airtight container.

That's it you are done. These wonderful cookies are great with a nice cup of coffee or tea or a glass of milk. Please give them a try.

Well folks that's it for today's recipe. Enjoy! Until next time I am signing off. Sincerely, Cin Pin



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