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### NEW OWNER OF WYKR TO SPEAK AT THE WRAP ANNUAL MEETING



Joshua Smith, new owner of the WYKR and WTWN radio stations will be the guest speaker at the WRAP (Wells River Action Program) Annual meeting to be held on February 18th at 4pm in the vestry of the Wells River Congregational Church at 76 Main St. N, Wells River

Joshua Smith grew up in Groton and is a 1994 BMU graduate. After grad-

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uation he went to art school in St. Louis, Missouri. He was a Peace Corps Volunteer in community health in Niger, Africa for 4 years and later did relief work with **Doctors Without Boarders** in Pakistan, Philippines, South Sudan, Zimbabwe, Uganda, Libya, and Nigeria. He has worked in the nonprofit field for several years, and also operated a podcast series and internet radio station focused on Vermont authors and artists. Smith currently lives in Morrisville, VT with his wife, Edith and their 3 children. WRAP invites the community to come and hear about Smith's previous

work and his plans for WYKR.

The annual meeting includes a short business meeting, election of board members and an annual report presentation plus a catered dinner by Tuttle's Family Diner. Attendees can choose either a meat or vegetable lasagna dinner and includes a garden salad, garlic bread, dessert and beverage. The cost is \$15.00 per person.

Reservations are required and must be made by Friday, February 16th. Reservations may be made at the Baldwin Memorial Library, by placing a check in a sealed envelope along

with your name(s) and telephone number or email address and dropping it in the WRAP box. Reservations may also be made at LC Design Concepts, made on-line by using Paypal at https://www.paypal.com/US /fundraiser/charity/1450599 or by mail at WRAP, PO Box 538, Wells River, VT 05081.

For more information email **WRAP** wrapwr@gmail.com or call Kelsey at 802 757 0101. The meeting is open to all. You do not have to be a member of WRAP to attend.

Annual Dues are only \$5.00 per person and may be added to your meal reservation or mailed to WRAP at PO Box 538. Wells River, VT. 05081 The mission of WRAP is

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to enhance the quality of life in Wells River Village and its immediately surrounding villages and towns by supporting affordable housing, business, and economic development and, tourism and recreation. Preserving the rural and historic character, of Wells River Village. Membership in WRAP is open to all who are interested in improving and preserving the Wells River Area whether or not they reside in the Wells River area.





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#### Jan's Fairlee Diner

#### By April Dyke

Well, hello my trendy already had our place set- comes with friends as some of you tings set out. And the heard /Kingdom radio, Deli. I unfortunately did went with water. there, but I will be stop- decided what we wanted. ping by for the next

Dining Guide. As I am ex- sausage, cited to try it. I instead decided to go Sunday to Jan's, Fairlee Diner in Fairlee, breakfast. dragged Anthony Along fin. I got sauwith me, we got there fairly early a little after 8 the side. Had AM apparently just before them add onions for the morning rush. I and cheese to love the fact that it is a my home fries. true diner we decided to Anthony decided sit in a booth and had our on pick of where to sit. They

my menus on the table. They I decided to go with a mushroom onion, bacon and cheddar cheese omelette that

came with home This time I an English mufsage gravy on Eggs your which way

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broadcast this past Friday have an array of different on our beloved WYKR breakfast foods. Ranging which from French Toast to Eggs was my first broadcast Benedict and of course ever (it was possibly a lit- any type of omelette you tle nerve-racking), but I want. The waitress asked did it. I said that I would what we wanted to drink I be stopping at Full Belly went with a coke and he not end up making it grabbed those while we

eggs which hе had scrambled, home

fries, sausage and an came to \$27.50. I paid time to received the bill which entines Day!!!

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English muffin. We did not with a cc and left a tip. As have to wait long for it to always. It was such a come out. Which was great way to start out great as I was hungry. Super Bowl Sunday morn-This time didn't get much ing. I hope everyone has talk with the a great and safe next two owner Jan. As she was weeks. Tune in every slaving away behind the other Friday for where I counter. Anthony finished will be going next. Also his and I had to bring what will be coming up in some of mine home. We the next issue. Happy Val-



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#### Letter to the Editor: Sickness in the Country

To the Editor

The New Hampshire primary election is over and a little over half of the Republicans who showed up to vote said they wanted to see Donald Trump back in the White House. Donald Trump, the man who has been:

- 1) convicted of raping a woman,
- 2) convicted of cheating the state of New York out of hundreds of millions of dollars in taxes; who has been
- 3) indicted by a jury of his peers for stealing and concealing boxes of highly classified materials from the government; who was
- 4) indicted by a jury of his peers for inciting the January 6th insurrection against our government; who was
- 5) indicted by a jury of his peers of interfering in the Georgia 2020 presidential election; who
- 6) has promised to be a dictator his first day in office; and also
- 7) has promised to get retribution against his political enemies when in office.

The majority of voting New Hampshire Republicans think it's a good idea for that man to be president – again.

Only ten short years ago, Americans would not have been able to conceive of the idea of a convicted rapist and tax cheat even running for president, let alone being elected to the office. It seems that's not a big thing anymore.

What is wrong with these people?

The Republican party is no longer the "party of Lincoln". That party is long gone. What remains in its stead is a danger to our democracy and to the very existence of our nation.

We cannot let this indicted and convicted criminal become our president again. The whole concept of what the founders envisioned America to be - what so many Americans have fought and died for - is at stake.

Rachael Booth Landaff, NH

Rachael,

The voters in the recent New Hampshire primary were the second group to have a say about who will hold the position of President of the United States for the upcoming four years. Though many might say that the primary process is now finished, there are many who feel there is still a ways to go. In somewhat of a rarity in US politics there is also a potential for a strong third party candidate to be part of the general election come November. These factors all lead me to believe that it will be a long and interesting trip for this country to get to November 5, 2024 and whatever may happen after that date.

Gary Scruton, Editor

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Marshfield, VT – Beth Ellen (Davis) Lindstrom, 56, quietly passed away on Thursday, February 1, 2024. She was born in Attleboro, MA, on February 1, 1968, to her parents Sandra (Roberts) and Allan Davis.

When she was still a young girl, her family moved north to Barnet, which is where Beth spent her child-hood alongside her siblings, Scott and Sherri.

In 1984, she married David Coutu, and they were blessed with three children, Mathew, Dakota and Crystal. In 2002, she married Matthew Lindstrom, and she was blessed once more with the birth of her son Denver. Family was everything to Beth, and she loved to spend time with them, especially more recently with her grandkids. Beth always had a smile on her face and could light up any room.

Beth always made sure that she could provide for her children and worked multiple jobs to keep everything running smoothly. She has worked at Marty's First Stop, the Creamery Restaurant, and for a span of time also worked at the Lindstrom Family Farm in Cabot.

Aside from spending time with family, she also enjoyed reading, playing cards, working through puzzle books and crossword puzzles.

She was predeceased by her father, Allan Ross Davis on November 17, 2013; and by a brother-inlaw, Wayne Bearce on September 8, 2023.

Beth's memory will be cherished by her fiancé, Greg Farnham of Marshfield, VT; her children, Mathew Coutu of Marshfield, VT, Dakota Coutu and fiancé Brooke Foster of North Concord, VT, Crystal

# OBITUARY: Beth Ellen (Davis) Lindstrom,

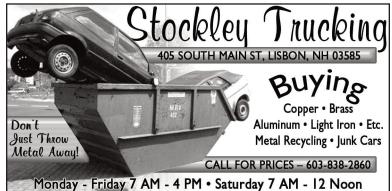
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Laferriere and husband Scott of Danville, VT, and Denver Lindstrom of Cabot, VT; her grandchildren, Taylor, Zayne, Kinsey, Jaxson, Dominic and Melanie; her mother Sandra Davis of St. Johnsbury, VT; her siblings, Scott Davis and Tammy of Barnet, VT, and Sherri Bearce of Monroe, NH; and many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

There will be a Celebration of Life at the Monroe Town Hall on Saturday, February 24, 2024, from 1 – 3 PM.

Those who wish may donate to any charity that benefits animals in Beth's memory.

To offer the family and online condolence, please visit www.rickerfh.com
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You may have read reports about an impending "debt crisis" in the U.S. Should you be worried about investing in Treasury securities?

Part of the concern over debt has been driven by the cost of government borrowing, which has risen because of higher interest rates. But it's worth noting that while interest expenses have risen to nearly 2% of gross domestic product (GDP), this measure had exceeded 3% in the early 1990s. So, while the upward trend of federal debt could prove problematic down the road, the claims of a current crisis may be overblown. And Treasury securities are considered among the safest investments in the world, as they are secured by the full faith and credit — that is, the ability to borrow and tax of the United States.

In any case, if you haven't invested in Treasury securities, you'll want to know the basics. First of all, when you purchase a Treasury security, you're lending money to the federal government for a specific period of time.

Here are your purchase options:

Treasury bill – Typically matures in four, 13 or 26 weeks, although

# Treasury bonds: Still safe for investors

some have maturities of up to a year.

Treasury note

– Matures between one and 10 years.

Treasury bond – Typically matures in 10 to 30 years.

When you buy Treasury notes or bonds, you receive semiannual interest payments, but when you purchase a Treasury bill — a T-bill — you generally buy it a discount, and when the bill matures, you receive its face value. So, for instance, you might pay \$4,700 for a 13-week Tbill and get \$5,000 back at the end of the three months.

When investing in Treasury securities, you'll want to keep these features in mind:

Price fluctuation -While your interest payments will always remain the same, the market value of your Treasury security can change. So, you might not get face value for a Treasury bond if you sell it before it matures, particularly if market interest rates are higher than the rate you've been receiving. Because longer-term bonds have more payments left to make than shorter-term ones, they are more sensitive to interest rate changes and market price fluctuations.

Taxes – Interest income from Treasury securities is subject to federal in-

tax but exempt from state and local taxes.

In addition to the tra-

ditional Treasury bonds, bills and notes, another option is available: Treasury Inflation-Protected Securities (TIPS). Unlike other Treasury securities, in which the principal is fixed, the principal of a TIPS can move up or down, based on movements in the Consumer Price Index for Urban Consumers (CPI-U). Once your TIPS matures, if the principal is higher than the original amount, you'll get the increased amount; if the principal is equal to or less than the original amount, you'll get the original amount. TIPS pay a fixed interest rate semiannually until maturity, but because interest is paid on the adjusted principal, the amount of your interest payments can vary. As with other Treasury securities, you can hold a TIPS until maturity or sell it before it matures.

Don't let scary or gloomy predictions discourage you from considering Treasuries — they remain a good option as part of the fixed-income portion of your investment portfolio.

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When: Saturday Feb. 17th 10:00 AM

Where: Woodsville Elementary School Gym

#### What are we talking about:

Woodsville Elementary
 \$2.3 Million Renovations
 Informational Meeting and Building Tour
 French Pond Renovations
 and Expansion Informational Meeting

Please come on the 17th to hear the details and ask questions about these necessary improvements.

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#### Take A Walk Down Easy Street and Experience The Hard Knock Life As The Colonel Town Players **Present Annie**

LANCASTER - A spunky orphan, a well-to-do billionaire, a trio of evil schemers, a mansion full of kind-hearted servants, and President Franklin D. Roosevelt will come together in the beloved musical, Annie, playing for two weekends only live at the Lancaster Town Hall.

Inspired by the comic Little Orphan Annie with an acclaimed book and score by Thomas Meehan, Charles Strouse, and Martin Charnin; The Colonel Town Players of Lancaster are pleased to bring this Tony Award winning production to the stage beginning Friday, February 9. The show runs for two weekends with performances at 7 pm on Fridays and Saturdays and matinees at 2 pm on Sunday.

With equal measures of pluck and positivity, little orphan Annie charms everyone's hearts despite a next-to-nothing start in 1930s New York City. Annie is determined to find the parents who abandoned her years ago on the doorstep of a New

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York City orphanage that is run by the cruel, embittered Miss Hannigan. With the help of the other girls in the orphanage, Annie escapes to the wondrous world of NYC, and finds a new home and family in billionaire Oliver Warbucks, his personal secretary, Grace Farrell, and a lovable mutt named Sandy.

Featuring well-known songs like "Tomorrow," "Easy Street," and "It's The Hard Knock Life," the show is sure to leave audience members singing and dancing in the aisles over its two-weekend run. production stars Brooke Lavoie as Annie with Rain Rouleau understudying the role and features local star and recent New Hampshire Theatre Alliance award winner BJ Williams as Oliver Warbucks. Stephanie Cameron, Christine Caouette, Tyler Rancourt, and Ellen Endres round out the cast's leading and supporting members while dozens of others grace the stage as members of the ensemble.



Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$12 for students with advanced reserved seating available visiting online by https://app.artspeople.com/index.php?tic keting=ctwnp . General admission tickets for the balcony can also be purchased at the box office beginning 30 minutes before each show. Annie runs Friday, February 9, Saturday, February 10, Friday, February 16 and Saturday, February 17, at 7 PM, and Sundays February 11 and February 18 at 2 PM. For more information find The Colonel Town Players on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/coloneltownpla yersoflancasterinc/

Annie is presented through special arrangement with and all authorized materials supplied by Music Theatre International 423 West 55th Street, New York, NY 10019 (212) 541-4684, mtishows.com.

#### Letter to the Editor: A Plea to Vote!

Dear Editor,

The long past appointee process is over in the Town of Dalton! The power is now in the hands of its residents and not the empowered few! This is a plea to the voters to exercise their fundamental right and for the first time to choose who they want to serve on their Planning Board!

I have been a proud resident of Dalton for 12 years. I am a veteran and also served in law enforcement for 21 years. I want to bring fresh blood with no personal agenda

to the table of the Planning Board.

I offer my time and energy to navigate NH state laws as they would relate to your business you bring before the board. My willingness to serve our community and resolve issues will benefit the Planning Board as it executes its duties. Bringing respect, commitment and common sense for all the residents of Dalton.

Vote Robert Sampson for Planning **Board** Member Robert Sampson Dalton, NH

Thank you for your willingness to step up and be part of the team that will work on future issues in the town of Dalton. It takes many people, with various outlooks to do a complete job in any town group. It also takes people willing to spend their time and energy to do the job well. Good luck and I echo your call for voters to show up and cash their ballots.

Gary Scruton, Editor





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from 10am to 3pm Cobleigh Library (14 Depot Street, Lyndonville, VT.)

**Drop off** Baked goods at the library on Mon Feb.12 from 2-5pm

Tues Feb.13 from 9-11am. For more information call 802-626-5475.

**Saturday February 17 Roast Pork Supper** North **Danville Baptist** Church By Reservation Only

**Groton Free Public Library NEK Council on Aging: Community Listening** Session 2/22/2024 11am **Groton Free Public Library** 1304 Scott Highway,

**Groton Vermont** 

#### **Horse Meadow Senior Center Menu:**

February 2024

Grab & Go from 11:00-11:30. Congregate Dining from 11:30-12:30

Coffee Bar is open from 8:00-3:00

2/13 Spinach Quiche, Carrots, Milk

2/14 Chipped Beef, Mashed Potato, Peas & Onions, Fruit Cup, Milk (Music by The BOYZ @11:00)

2/15 Chicken Noodle Casserole, Zucchini & Onions, Milk

2/16 Shepherd's Pie, Stewed Tomato, Spinach, Fruit Cup, Milk

2/19 CLOSED for President's Day

2/20 Italian Sausage Tortellini Bake, Green Beans, Roll,

2/21 Hot Dog & Potato Dinner, Corn Bread, Carrots, Fruit. Milk

2/22 Salisbury Steak, Mashed potato, Mixed Vegetable,

2/23 Roasted Pork, Baked Potato, Carrots, Fruit Cup, Milk

2/26 American Chop suey, Wax Beans/Carrots, Garlic Bread, Fruit Cup, Milk

2/27 Beef with Pepper/Onion, White Rice, Warm Apple Sauce, Milk



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Guest Speaker: Joshua Smith,

New owner of the WYKR radio station

Brief Business Meeting **Elections of Board Members Brief Annual Report presentation** 

Reservations Required – by February 16th – PayPal - ttps://www.paypal.com/US/fundraiser/charity/1450599 or Leave check in a sealed envelope at the Baldwin Library US Mail - WRAP, PO Box 538, Wells River, Vt. 05081

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WHITEFIELD, NH - February 6, 2024 - The Weathervane Theatre, a professional, award-winning Equity theatre in Whitefield, NH, will present ten productions on its Mainstage between June 13 and October 13, 2024. Opening with Beautiful and closing with Cabaret, Weathervane Theatre will present the remaining eight productions in its signature alternating repertory style.

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#### THE WEDDING SINGER

The year is 1985. The place is New Jersey. A wannabe rock star (aka a professional wedding singer) is left at the altar and finally changes his tune. Based on the hit Adam Sandler movie.

Plays in alternating repertory June 30 - August

#### **SKELETON CREW**

Nominated for the 2022 Tony for Best Play, Dominique Morisseau's powerful and tense play focuses on a makeshift family of workers at the last exporting auto plant in the city navigating the possibility of foreclosure. As power dynamics shift, this time of uncertainty pushes them to the limits of survival. Plays in alternating repertory July 3 - 18

#### **GALLERY**

A World Premiere Musical four decades in the making. Featuring the music of Tony Award and Pulitzer Prize winner Ed Kleban (A CHORUS LINE), this funny, tuneful, and poignant musical is conceived and directed by two-time Tony Award winner Richard Maltby, Jr. Plays in alternating repertory July 20 - August 6.

#### EVERYBODY'S TALKING ABOUT JAMIE

The hit West End musical about learning who you are —and loving it! 16-year-old Jamie overcomes obstacles and courageously follows his unconventional dream in this inspiring true story turned musical marvel. Global regional premiere! Plays in alternating repertory July 31 - August 29.

#### THE FULL MONTY

The raucous, pop-rock-musical adaptation of the hit movie turned Broadway smash returns... that takes it all off. Plays in alternating repertory August 14 - September 29.

#### CLUE

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WHO did it, WHERE, and with WHAT?!

Based on the iconic 1985 movie inspired by the classic board game, Clue is a hilarious farce-meets-murder mystery. Plays in alternating repertory August 27 - September 28.

#### **ROMEO & JULIET**

Shakespeare's classic love story comes to the Weathervane stage in an exciting new production! The power of love and the peril of hate write the destiny of these star-crossed lovers in this timeless tale directed by Nathaniel P. Claridad. Plays in alternating repertory September 18 - 27.

#### CABARET

In here, life is beautiful. Step inside the seedy Kit Kat Club in 1930s Berlin. Kander & Ebb's ground-breaking musical presented in a bold new production at the historic Weathervane Theatre. Plays October 6 - 13.

Subscriptions are now on sale at www.weathervanenh.org or by phone (603.837.9322). Beautiful is available to subscribers ONLY. Group (groups of 10+) and 9:30 AM school matinees (Romeo & Juliet) are now on sale. Please contact our box office at boxoffice@weathervanenh.org or 603.837.9322 for more information. Single Tickets will go on sale in April.

## Happy Valentines Day from Trendy Times!!!

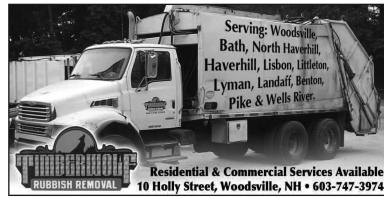






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#### February 13, 2024

#### OBITUARY: Warren A. "Sonny"

Haverhill, NH – Warren A. "Sonny" Freeman, 91, passed away with his wife by his side at the Lafayette Center on Friday, February 2, 2024. He was born on September 9, 1932, in Groveton, NH, to his parents Isabelle (Foster) and Warren Freeman.

On September 2, 1967, he married Diane Marie (Millette), and they have been together ever since.

Warren worked at Blackmount for many years, fixing small engines. He could fix just about anything. He was known to say, "If man made it, man can fix it".

He was predeceased by his parents. He will be remembered by his wife of 56 years, Diane Freeman.

Warren will be laid to rest in the Horse Meadow Cemetery on Wednesday, May 8, 2024, at 1PM.

To offer the family an online condolence, please visit www.rickerfh.com
Ricker Funeral Home & Cremation Care of Woodsville is assisting.



Above is a photo of a High-bush Cranberry shrub after a fresh snow storm coating the bright red clusters of cranberries. Years ago I purchased young High-bush Cranberry shrubs from the Grafton County Conservation Districts Spring Plant sale. I planted them along with small Crab Apple trees for the wildlife which has been very successful over the years. The High-bush Cranberry in the spring has a large attractive cluster of white flowers, with large green leaves that looks like a maple leaf. I encourage you to plant some High-bush Cranberry Shrubs, you will enjoy them as well as the Wildlife. Tom Thomson



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#### The End Of The Line!

By: Maggie Anderson

When the kids were small and I had 3 in diapers at the same time we installed one of those elongated phone cords in the little house on Savage Street.

It was one of those coiled ones that could be stretched practically from one state to another. I needed a long one because, the minute I picked up the receiver somebody had to go potty "right now, Mama!"

Not only did I need a long cord to cut short the hours I spent up to my elbows - literally, in those prepamper days - in baby poop, as every mother knows, the minute you're on the phone the battles and the bullying begin.

Few things are as perfectly timed as a ruckus when a kid's mother is on the phone.

Three seconds after I'd answered the phone, Nathan would begin to wail; he'd come screaming that "Depney hit me with my fruck!" which, loosely translated meant Bethany had gotten tired of her little brother kicking her block tower over the moment she'd gotten it just so, and she'd clocked him in the head with one of his tiny trucks.

And every time I think of those long cord days I'm reminded of the episode during the taping of "Around the Corner with Chucko," a local kids' show Hank used to call Yucko with Chucko, that is until the day three of our kids were invited to be guests on Chucko's show.

By the time it was over, Chucko was bleary-eyed and near collapse when he got nose-to lens close to the camera and said, "Boy does Chucko need a vacation." Our oldest was in school by then, but the other three gave Chucko a workout he was still recovering from when we ran into him, sans makeup, at a Community Concert later that year. Apparently our three were the reason Chucko considered retiring that year.

From the moment the show started Chucko's problems began. First Leonetta refused to give him an answer when he asked her to guess what had happened to the ball he'd just had in his hand, she was equally unresponsive when it reappeared from her ear the next moment.

I knew that look, had been on the wrong end of it many times since she joined the family, a steely stare that transmitted enough venom to convince Roy Rogers to step back. She spent every minute of the show frozen in the same attitude.

Natasha was her usual, work-in-progress self, and spent the entire time with two fingers of one hand jammed as far into her mouth as she could without gagging, and whacking any surface nearby with the free hand.

In the meantime their baby brother was creating a problem for the sound technician when he wouldn't quit wailing at the top of his well-tuned lungs, " I want the fruck!" " Where's the fruck?"

Chucko looked at me and said "What is that kid's problem?" I told him Nathan had been playing with a tiny truck in the green room and the stage manager had taken it from him when he hustled everybody out to meet Chucko.

Chucko spun around and yelled, "Will somebody get this kid the D%\*#\$! truck!"





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## Letter to the editor: Remember the Alamo! Stand with Texas!

To the Editor,

I wholeheartedly agree with Governor Chris Sununu's decision to join with the other 24 GOP governors from across the country in backing Governor Greg Abbott (R-TX) in adding razor wire to Shelby Park along the Rio Grande on the Texas side of our southern border in order to stop the invasion of illegals into our country. Additional support by these GOP governors to send members of their state national guard is also part of the plan. In my opinion, President Trump should consider this Texas governor, Governor Greg Abbott, for the position of Vice President when President Trump is re-elected as the 47th President of the United States of America.

A little history...

In 1836, Mexican soldiers under the command of President General Antonio Lopez de Santa Anna reclaimed the Alamo Mission near San Antonio de Bexar killing legendary American figures like Davy Crockett, Jim Bowie, William Travis, more.... ultimately leading to the Mexican-American War which ended with the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo in 1848.

Presently, we have another invasion at the Texas border....one which is drastically effecting the lives of legal, tax-paying American citizens all over America. Every state is now a "border state" with cartel drug dealers spreading illegal drugs throughout our country which is killing thousands of Americans. National se-

curity issues regarding public health, personal safety, and increasing lower sanitary conditions are becoming more prevalent. Inflation due to the giving of these illegals "free everything" from housing, health care, food, rent, education, phones, flights to any city they choose.Increased crowdedness. induced homelessness are becoming commonplace in America...issues commonplace in Third World countries. Diseases which we eradicated decades ago are returning to haunt every American. In some cities, schools are being commandered by city officials in which to house illegals instead educating our own taxpaying American students. In some cities, luxury hotel rooms are being closed to paying tourists to house illegal aliens. Airports are housing illegal aliens. It is reported that Illegal aliens can "cut the lines" in boarding airplanes, and do not need to have a picture ID nor have their picture taken in order to board a plane, Sidewalks in some cities are sewers strewn with urine, feces, and filthy drug needles.

Those cities labeled as "sanctuary cities," where officials proudly claim to be refugee-centers for the illegals, don't even want them anymore claiming they need more federal money from the American taxpayer to cover their exploding costs. Congressional Democrats are suggesting a socialized "wealth tax" on all Americans to cover the ever-ex-

panding national debt (\$34 Trillion and rising!) into which we are allowing ourselves to be buried. Why are we allowing this to continue to happen? NGO's (non-governmental organizations) such as: international charities, research institutes, communitychurches, organizations, based lobby groups, and professional organizations are a big source of this illegal, human trafficking leading to the undermining our values and Constitutional rights as quaranteed in the US Constitution. Did we forget our history resulting from the surprise attack on Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941, or from the surprise attacks on the World Trade Center/Pentagon on September 11, 2001? Now, there are those among us who could easily wreak similar devastation, and we don't even know who or where they are in America according to Border Patrol and present Administration officials as well as the FBI.

We should seriously consider Standing with Congress Texas. The should seriously stand together and impeach Alejandro Mayorkas, US Secretary of Homeland Security and bring legal action against President Joe Biden for his traitorous deeds of not protecting the American people, contradicting his sworn pledge to "...protect and defend the Constitution of the United States."

"Remember the Alamo! Stand with Texas!" Nick De Mayo, M. Ed. Sugar Hill, NH

Nick,

The Texas border as well as every other border in this country offers a means for legal and illegal visitors to cross. New Hampshire may not have a long border with Canada, but most of it is open and could easily be crossed by someone who really want to do so. Can we, or should we build a wall there as well?

Our immigration system is broken. Congress does not seem capable of fixing it. To me, the current immigration problem is way bigger than just Texas. It is time for something to be done by ALL of our elected officials, in unison, and with the purpose of keeping our citizens safe and still offering a means for new people to arrive, legally, to join us in this great nation. Let's stop pointing fingers and start working together.

Gary Scruton, Editor



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#### Letter to the Editor: **Ken Leavitt Letter to the Editor**

To the Editor,

As there is no readily identifiable method of addressing a Letter to the Editor in your recent edition of Trendy Times, I hope this letter finds its intended recipient, Editorial Columnist Scruton.

Mr Editor, While you pledge not to make assumptions in your response to Mr Leavitt, I will make one: that you will not, and likely have not, ever revealed to your reading public, who you have voted for. Meanwhile, you comment from behind your editorial curtain, on those who do not conceal their political affil-Michael,

iation. So, if a man will not publicly disclose what party and candidate he supports, does he really have any true convictions at all? Who or what does he really believe in...except to protect himself from public criticism.

Come out from hiding, Mr Editor; but, if you insist on hiding, please have the decency to refrain from publicly lecturing, and even demeaning, those who display the courage you lack. Put more directly, either 'put up or shut up.'

Your glib response as a practiced wordsmith are no substitute for your lack of full disclosure and integrity. You are clearly a coward.

Michael E Armstrong 8 Hillside Dr Ryegate, Vt

PS Unlike you, I will publicly disclose my party affiliation and every vote I have cast in the prior 30 yrs of my voting record. And, unlike you, I do not demean others for their choices. Thankfully, there are a lot more transparent and honest people like Mr Leavitt and me than there are cowards like you.

As a means of further eduction I looked up the definition of "coward" (As found using Google) "a person who lacks the courage to do or endure dangerous or unpleasant things." I do not see answering Letters to the Editor as dangerous. However they can be, at times, unpleasant, especially when replying to a personal attack.

I would certainly describe myself as more of a passivist than an extremist. I would much rather discuss a subject and find a mutual middle ground than to have a point of view that I refuse to waiver from. I do certainly have my own options on many subjects, and offer them to friends, family and on occasion people I meet. However, as the Editor of Trendy Times I do not offer those opinions as a matter of, at least perceived, responsibility. It is our job to offer the space for every side to put across their point of view. It is NOT our job to disagree with it, but merely to sometimes point out an alternate viewpoint.

Regarding my voting record, or yours, this country offers the opportunity to cast a secret ballot. I honor that right and privilege. And I will continue to do so.

One final word "wordsmith". My brother has always referred to our grandmother as a wordsmith. I take that as a very nice compliment.

Thank you.

Gary Scruton, Editor

#### **Composting Toilet**

#### By: Elinor Mawson

As promised, here is isn't a cheap item!" the story of our composting toilet.

When we bought our camp it was completely without amenities--by this I mean running water, electricity, your name it. It was just an empty building.

For the first year, we managed with a portapotti--the kind that looks like a little green house in the yard. We brought our water in huge jugs, and used kerosene lanterns for light. Fortunately we had a spare woodstove that kept us warm. It was real rustic!

Our first amenity was electricity. We had to have a special pole installed to provide what we needed, and then all kinds of boxes and wires to connect it. Although we still carried our water, we hung up the lanterns with a smile.

Then we researched alternative toilets. Amazingly, there are many kinds, most of which weren't either available or appropriate. We settled on a unit composting needed electricity and a vent.

Off to the plumbing store we went. The man we talked to must have had a bad day; when we told him what we wanted, he pointed upstairs and told us that's where we'd find it. Up we climbed. After looking around, we saw what we were looking for. It was HUGE! It would take up half the space that would contain it. The unit came with a small brochure which we hoped would have directions for its care.

When walked we downstairs to order the toilet, the man was still having a bad day. "Do you realize what you are getting?" he snarled. "This

We assured him that we had studied all about it. After paying the price, we loaded it into our van and subsequently installed it in our camp. It involved filling it with diatomaceous earth, and there was a crank that fluffed up the contents after each use. The brochure said that it had a little drawer at the bottom that needed to be cleaned out every 3 or 4 months and we could use the dried-out contents for fertilizer for our plants.

Well! When we went to do the cleaning process, the contents were NOT DRY! WE had to use rubber gloves and yards of newspaper! We never waited so long again.

And to make matters even more strange, I returned from a trip to England and my husband met me at the airport. Did he say, "Hello?" Did he ask me if I had a good time? NO! He said "We got another toilet!"

Somebody got their wires crossed. When he was mowing the lawn, he noticed a large box in the yard. Upon examination, he found another toilet just like the one we bought. He was beside himself! "What will we do with it?" he wailed.

"Not a thing," I replied. "That man at the plumbing store was nasty. It's up to him to find out what happened and do something about it. Let's wait to hear from him".

We never did. And several years later, we gave it away.

And several years after that, we gave away our own, and bought an electric unit which cleaned it-





Our dear mother Bonnie Kathleen (Lennon) McMinn sadly passed away on January 17, 2024 at the age of 78. Born July 12, 1945, to Raymond Lennon and MaryEllen (Lee) Lennon of Beacon Falls, CT, she lived an abundant family life being the youngest of eleven children.

Bonnie made friends easily and loved getting involved in her community. In her early years she was a Baton Majorette and a Candy Striper. She liked volunteering at her church and visiting the elderly. She worked many jobs, but one constant was being an Avon Consultant. In her retirement, she joined the Eagles Club. She loved to coordinate pot-luck suppers at her home for senior living. She was always generous and made sure her children and grandchildren felt special and would chaperone field trips. She was a well-loved member of the community in Beacon Falls - Naugatuck Vallev in CT and her senior home in Whitefield, NH.

She was a devoted wife for 50 years of the late Bruce R. McMinn. She was also predeceased by siblings William, Clarence, Harold, Ann and

John Lennon, MaryEllen Kingsley, and Florence

# OBITUARY: Bonnie Kathleen (Lennon) McMinn

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She will be missed by the family she leaves behind. Her son Brian P. McMinn and his wife Sylvie McMinn of Whitefield, NH. Her daughter Bridget (McMinn) Santagate and her wife Theresa Santagate of Austin, TX. Five grandchildren Jennifer Walsh of VT, Adam Mihalcik, Christopher

McMinn of NH, Ryan Capozziello of IL and Megan Capozziello of TN and four great-grandchildren Zachary, Carter, Emma and Willow June. A sister Marion Zollo of Beacon Falls, CT, brothers Raymond Lennon of Naugatuck, CT and Lee Lennon of The Villages, FL.

She will be interred with her beloved husband at Centerville cemetery in Hamden, CT. Date will be announced at a later time.

A sponsored Irish corned beef dinner will be held in March at her senior home residence in Whitefield.

In lieu of flowers, consider a donation to NAMI: https://nami.org/Home?ca mpaign=509521

To offer the family an online condolence, please visit www.rickerfh.com Ricker Funeral Home & Cremation Care of Woodsville is assisting the family with arrangements.

## Conservation Plant Sale Provides Benefits for Landowners and Wildlife

The Grafton County Conservation District (GCCD) is now taking orders for the 2024 Conservation Plant Sale. Plants are selected for environmental benefits such as wildlife food and cover, reforestation, wind and sound protection, shade, bank stabilization and erosion control.

The plants are sold as bare-root stock. Healthy, hardy plants adapted to our growing conditions are offered for sale. The Plant Sale is GCCD's biggest fund raising activity each year. The money generated by this sale is used to support District programs and educational activities including NH Ag in the Classroom activities, NH Envirothon, tours and workshops.

Each year GCCD offers a variety of flowers and shrubs attractive to landowners and wildlife. Elderberry, arrowwood, black chokeberry and American hazelnut provide food and cover for birds and small mammals. Gray dogwood, spicebush, ninebark and buttonbush are attractive to birds and butterflies. American arborvitae, balsam and fraser fir, white pine, sugar maple and American mountain ash can provide browse, fruits and shelter for wildlife, shade and wind protection. A variety of apples, blueberries and raspberries are also available.

The District offers different plants each year to meet the varying needs of landowners.

To receive more information on the Conservation Plant Sale and an information packet contact Grafton County Conservation District at 603 787-6973 or email: pamela.gilbert@nh.nacdnet.net.

The 2024 Plant Sale Order Form and Plant Descriptions are also available on our website at:http://graft-onccd.org. The deadline for ordering plants is February 24, 2024. The plant orders available for pickup up at Windy Ridge Orchard in North Haverhill on Friday, April 26 and Saturday April 27 for spring planting.



Woodsville, NH – Jeffrey E. Cowell, 62, passed away on Saturday, February 3, 2024. He was born on September 9, 1961, to Rosalie E. "Nancy" (Raymond) Cowell Partington and William G. Cowell, Sr., in Wareham, MA.

He graduated from Woodsville High School in 1979 and went on to join the Navy and had become a Petty Officer before becoming disabled, and honorably discharged. After the Navy, he returned to Woodsville and attended the University of New Hampshire and received his associate degree in political science.

As a young man, he was very outdoorsy. He loved fishing and snowmobiling. In high school he played all the sports, he was in the drama club, and landed the lead role in South Pacific. He was a Free and Accepted Mason, a member of the American Legion, and overall was very patriotic.

Jeffery's love of sports continued throughout his life, and he enjoyed listening to games, it didn't matter if it was the Bruins, Celtics, Red Sox, or NY Giants. He also really enjoyed music, and some of his favorites were Elton John, Boston, and Styxx.

He loved to make

## OBITUARY: Jeffrey E. Cowell

people laugh and loved a good meal.

He was predeceased by both his parents, Rosalie Cowell Partington and William Cowell, Sr., and by a brother, William Cowell, Jr.

He is survived by his sisters Paula Reynolds of Dahlonega, GA, and Prudence Kaiser and husband Stephen of Bath, NH; his nephews, William Cowell and wife Bethany of Woodsville, NH, Joel Cowell of Woodsville, NH, Bradley Reynolds, Jr. and wife Samantha of Lebanon, NH, and Christian Cowell of Springfield, VT; his nieces, Laura Reynolds and fiancé Austin Clouse of Dahlonega, GA, Amy Reynolds of Warren, NH, Samantha Gardner and husband Karl of Groton, VT, Brittany Dodge and husband Jeremy of Bath, NH, and Kaitlynn Lavoie and husband Chris of Celebration, FL; 25 nieces great and nephews; a great-great nephew and a great-great niece.

There will be a graveside service at the Pine Grove Cemetery on Saturday, May 11, 2024, at 10 AM with Melissa Gould as Celebrant, with a celebration of life to follow.

To offer the family an online condolence, please visit www.rickerfh.com Ricker Funeral Home & Cremation Care of Woodsville is assisting the family with arrangements.





walked out).









#### Letter to the Editor: **Democrats Roll Out Red Carpet** for Illegals

To the Editor,

The illegals continue to pour in over the border and are flown into our country by the thousands. It is total insanity. When the illegals are flown in on commercial flights, they DO NOT HAVE TO SHOW ID, GO THROUGH TSA OR HAVE A PICTURE TAKEN OR TAKE A VACCINE. THEY ARE ALSO GIVEN A \$5,000 VISA CARD. THEY ARE MOSTLY SIN-MILITARY AGED GLE MEN.

Our Supreme Court gave Biden's administration permission to remove razor wire barriers that were placed on the border to prevent illegals from pouring in. Texas is standing up and utilizing their National Guard on the border to stop this onslaught of illegals. More and more red states are supporting Texas on this.

In Democrat run New York, students were forced to leave their school at one point so illegals could occupy it. Illegals now have rights over tax paying US citizens?

Also recently in NY, a gang of illegals VI-CIOUSLY attacked police officers. They were arrested and then RE-LEASED without bail. They quickly boarded a bus to California where they will actually be eligible to rehealthcare ceive free benefits. So illegals come in, are given money and handouts, attack our police and then get to walk out freely and go to another blue state and get more handouts. (One who was released was giving everyone the finger as he

In Brooklyn, 100 illegals are suspected of being pickpockets by the police and residents and there

were complaints about the

lawlessness at the 2000

bed migrant shelter there.

And, as this is written, NY also plans to spend 53 million on PREPAID CREDIT

CARDS for illegals!!

In Chicago, the Democrat mayor is being sued basically pouring money into the illegals and putting them above the needs of the citizens. The illegals ARE RECEIVING **FOOD** ASSISTANCE, TRANSITIONAL HOUS-ING PROGRAMS, EDU-CATIONAL ASSISTANCE. HEALTHCARE, CHILD CARE AND LEGAL AS-SISTANCE.

They are also using land and buildings for the illegals that could've been used for the community.

The Democratic governor of Massachusetts is asking the residents to consider taking in illegal immigrants to live with them. Is she out of her mind? These people pour over the border illegally and now American citizens are supposed to support them? Here is an idea for all of the Dems and all of supporters their who wanted open borders and sanctuary cities. Why don't they take the illegals into their homes and support them? They are so quick to call everyone racist who was against letting illegals pour in. Well if they are so concerned, why don't they take them in?

In our NH, there is a Alex Foryan need for more border agents along the northern

border because of the illegals coming across. The Biden administration released "SELECT, CHERRY PICKED" statistics to oppose this plan and sent it to the ACLU immediately to undermine Governor Sununu. Governor Sununu spoke out against this. Now think about that for a second -- Biden's administration WANTS the illegals pouring into our state.

By the way, when it comes to these illegals, isn't it interesting that Biden and his ilk are not worried about who has been vaccinated? During Covid, US citizens were locked down, had to wear masks, practice social distancing and were restricted from many activities. The people who refused the vaccine (aka the "clot shot") were demonized. They lost jobs, were booted from the military and could not travel into many states. Now all that doesn't matter for the illegals. They can go anywhere they want. They can be carrying all kinds of diseases (as well as criminal histories), yet it does not matter. They are not being screened or vetted.

Obviously, this administration is hellbent on flooding this country with these people. This is a very well planned, orchestrated invasion and part of Biden's (and his allies) plan to destroy our nation as we know it.

How can anyone possibly vote for any Democrat in this upcoming election?

Landaff, NH

Alex,

As I believe I have said before, don't judge an entire group of people just because of the letter after their name. Not every Democrat, nor every Republican, believes in, and supports every position of all the other R's or D's.

In regards to immigration, I believe that the system is broke and has been broken for many years. Most people, and even elected officials agree with that statement. The issue appears to be that the two sides can not agree on even small steps to move forward to fix the problem.

There are still plenty of people who come to this country to work who have all the proper paperwork. There are many who come here legally to live and become citizens. We have always been known as a melting pot. Right now it seems the flames, however, may be out of control.

Gary Scruton, Editor



(Nault) Linda Wormer, 73, MONROE -Gayle died peacefully at the Jack Byrne Center for Palliative & Hospice Care in Lebanon on Tuesday, January 30, 2024. She was born on April 25, 1950, to Ester (Nault) Lacroix in Barton, VT. Gayle was a nurse for over 50 years, retiring from Caledonia Home Health in 2021. In addition, she worked at Monroe Clinic, Monroe Consolidated School, Monroe Health Officer, Cottage Hospital, Northeastern Vermont Regional Hospital, and for the late Dr. Muffin Lyons.

She was a loving and dedicated daughter, wife, mother, grandmother, and friend to many. Gayle was married to Bob for over 50 years and was the cherished mother of Julie (Sean) Higgins and Christen Wormer. She graduated from Sacred Heart High School and went on to complete her nursing degree at the University of Vermont.

In addition to her children and husband, she is survived by her grandchildren Keara, Broden, and Kayden Higgins; sistersin-law Deborah (Kenneth) Kryzak, Beth West, and Mary (Peter) Richardson; and many nieces and nephews. She is predeceased by grandparents Eva and Perlie Nault, her mother Ester Lacroix, mother and father-in-law Robert and Melissa Wormer, and brother-inlaw Bud West.

Gayle enjoyed visiting her daughters, traveling the world, annual family trips to the Outer Banks, attending her grandchildren's events, and having lunch dates and drives with her friends. For many years, she participated in Life Long Learning classes through Saint An-

## OBITUARY: Gayle Linda (Nault) Wormer

selm's College, where she would travel to the countries they learned about. Her contagious and never-ending love and passion for taking care of others defined her.

As we say "see you later" to Gayle, let us celebrate the beautiful heart that beat within her and the countless lives she enriched through her unwavering love and dedication. May her memory inspire us to embrace the same spirit of selflessness and kindness that defined her remarkable life.

A ceremony and celebration of life will be held later this spring where family and friends are invited to attend, more information to come later.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to:

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#### Letter to the Editor: New Hampshire House Bill 1678-FN

To the Editor,

Food Coops across the country have a long history of supporting local agriculture and healthy eating. I'm writing this letter in support of a Farm to School Bill that is currently before the New Hampshire House (HB 1678-FN). The goal of the bill is to increase the availability of local fruits and vegetables in our school systems statewide. Similar Bills have failed to pass recently in New Hampshire, leaving a significant amount of Federal matching funding on the table. Speaking on behalf of the Littleton Food Coop's 9 Board Members and over 9,000 Members we feel that it is imperative that HB 1678-FN passes in Fiscal Year 2024.

We're not sure why this initiative hasn't passed before this year? This program has a modest cost of \$241,000 for the state and accesses significant federal matching funds that have already been approved. Do our representatives have something against NH Farmers? Or perhaps they're not interested in better nutrition for our school children? I doubt that is the case. Maybe I am missing something here? What we don't want is the errors of the past to doom a positive path forward. Therefore the Littleton Food Coop and its Members urge our legislatures to pass HB 1678-FN during this session.

Cooperatively, Ed King, General Manager LFC

Ed,

It probably goes without saying, but a child who is well fed is much more ready to learn. Good healthy eating is a learned habit as well. I will not claim to know more about this bill than what you have written. So I will simply wish you well with your push for this legislation.

Gary Scruton, Editor

## Historic homes, golf course and grange added to the NH State Register of Historic

**Places** 

The New Hampshire Division of Historical Resources has announced that the State Historical Resources Council has added five properties to the New Hampshire State Register of Historic Places.

Of the three nearly identical houses built next to each other in the 1830s, the Fitch-Brown-Patten House is significant for its connections to the residential development of Claremont's downtown. Designed with Greek Revival details and renovated in the 1930s in the Colonial Revival style, the house was donated by its last resident, Mary Patten, to the city in 1975 and is used by the Claremont Historical Society for displays, meeting space and as a research library.

Built circa 1820 in Hanover's Etna Village, the Georgian-style Bridgman House may contain older elements from a previous building constructed on the site in 1767. Bridgman, who lost her ability to see and hear after contracting scarlet fever at the age of two, is considered one of the first deafblind persons to learn language when, at the Perkins School for the Blind in Boston, she learned a tactile alphabet that she later taught to fellow pupil Anne Sullivan, best known as Helen Keller's teacher.

The William Peabody

House was built by one of Milford's earliest English settlers circa 1740 and was home to three generations of the family. The two-and-one-half story, Georgian Revival-style building has a center chimney and five working fireplaces, including one in the keeping room with a bake oven. Peabody's son Stephen served in the Revolutionary War and his son, also named Stephen, was elected to the Governor's Council three times. The property was listed in the National Register of Historic Places in 1979.

The Antrim Grange #98 first served Antrim Center as a meetinghouse for religious and civic purposes when it was completed circa 1791. After New Hampshire's Toleration Act of 1819 mandated the separation of church and state, the town dismantled the building, relocated it, removed the second floor, rebuilt it and repurposed it as a town hall. When South Antrim became the town's population center and a new brick town hall was built there in 1894, the building found new purpose as a grange hall.

Sunset Hill Golf Course and Clubhouse in Sugar Hill mark golf's early years of popularity. The course was built in 1897 and is one of the first golf courses in New Hampshire; the clubhouse followed in 1900 and is a rare and significant example of clubhouse design and construction from the earliest era of golfing in the state. Originally amenities for the Sunset Hill House — one of the White Mountains' grand hotels, demolished in 1973 — the nine-hole course and clubhouse are still open to the public.

Anyone wishing to nominate a property to the New Hampshire State Register of Historic Places must research the history of the nominated property and document it on an individual inventory form from the New Hampshire Division of Historical Resources. Having a property listed in the Register does not impose restrictions on property owners. For more information, visit nhdhr.dncr.nh.gov.

New Hampshire's Division of Historical Resources, the State Historic Preservation Office, was established in 1974 and is part of the NH Department of Natural and Cultural Resources. NHDHR's mission is to preserve and celebrate New Hampshire's irreplaceable historic resources through programs and services that provide education, stewardship, and protection. For more information, visit us online at nhdhr.dncr.nh.gov or by calling 603-271-3483.





### **Greek Yogurt Cookies with Icing**

hello my fellow chefs!

How is everyone doing today? I'm doing good and I hope you are too. Penny and Penelope are loving the snow. Penelope is a chocolate Lab and runs so fast and rolls on her back in the snow. Penny tries to keep up but she's a Chihuahua Terrier mix and her legs are much shorter, it's pretty comical to watch. Sometimes Sox my cat comes yogurt out with us. She's the real comedy act watching her try to walk in the snow being very verbal as her little legs sink in the snow. Bella my other cat is color content to stay in the house. Ever since she had surgery she never wants to go out which is fine with me. Pretty Bird my parakeet sings to me all day long. He's very vocal especially when I'm flour, baking powder and playing music.

Well today's recipe is easy peasy and makes 20 cookies. I put pink glaze on for Valentines Day using food coloring. My friend Polly treated me to Thai food and it was only the second time I had

Thai she ordered and it was delicious. Thank you Polly! She sampled a cookie and she gave them a thumbs up. Let's

get started with what to buy and how to make them.

> Ingredients 1 1/3 Cups all purpose

1/2 tsp baking powder 1/2 tsp salt

1/4 cup (1/2 stick) Butter softened

1 cup sugar

1 large egg

Zest from 1 lemon

1 1/2 Tbsp lemon juice

1/2 tsp lemon extract 3/4 cup plain Greek

Glaze ingredients

1 cup powered sugar

2 Tbsp lemon juice OR 2 Tbsp milk

Few drops red food

If you want the frosting flavor lemony use lemon juice. If you want the icing sweeter use milk. I used lemon juice but I think next time I'll try milk.

In small bowl whisk salt. Set aside. In large bowl, I used my electric mixing bowl but you can certainly use a hand mixer, combine the softened butter and sugar until all combined then add large egg and keep mixing until smooth. Add

lemon zest, 1 1/2 Tbsp lemon juice and the 1/2 tsp lemon extract finally add the Greek yogurt mix until smooth. Add the dry ingredients a little at a time mixing constantly until all combined. Cover and chill in fridge for 30 minutes.

Line a cookie sheet with parchment paper and preheat oven to 375 degrees. With your cookie scooper (1 1/2 Tbsp) put heaping scoop on cookie sheet. 1 inch apart. They rise but don't spread much. I fit 20 cookies on my sheet. Bake for 10-14 minutes depending on how thick your cookie sheet is. The thinner it is the quicker they will cook. They only brown on the bottom so check bottom at 10 minutes. Mine took 12 minutes.

While baking using a small bowl add powdered sugar. In separate cup add lemon juice or milk add food coloring a drop at a time until you get desired color. Whisk adding the liquid slowly. I didn't use all my liquid. Be careful not to make to thin. Should be like a glaze consistency.

When cookies are done transfer to a wire rack and let cool. Frost with glaze. The glaze does dry after a little while. That's it you are done. Easy peasy and

Delicioso! Please give this recipe a try I think you and your family will love them and think you are a star. I think you can play around with this recipe maybe using vanilla extract or coconut extract or use your imagination. Let me know if you come up with a good combination. Also if you have a favorite recipe that you are willing to share email me and I will give it a try. As always

if you have any questions please let me know and I will help you out.

Well folks that's it for today's recipe. I hope you enjoy them. Stay safe and healthy my friends and Happy Valentines Day.

Until next time I am signing off.

> Sincerely, Cin Pin







