



Weare in the World

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For Weare Residents, by Weare Residents

Thank You to Our Retiring Educators!

Center Woods Elementary

Hope Bailey, first and third grade, 17 years

"I will miss my team, Nicole Rivers, Kristy Townes, Heather Hoefs, Sara Marzinzik and Tina Healy; it's the family we created here at CWES," Bailey said.

Her most memorable moment is fundraising for the playground and helping to build it over a weekend. On a side note, she pointed out that her replacement for next year was one of her students at Center Woods.

"I feel like my work is complete," she said.

Travel is on her to-do list for the future. In June she's headed to visit her son in California; in July, it's Cabo San Lucas; and in September, she's off to Italy.

"Hope is the embodiment of what it means for a school to be a family," said Principal Jess Potter. "She is much like a sister to her colleagues; a trusted confidante and biggest cheerleader. If her retirement brings her a fraction of the joy and excitement that she's shared with so many, she's in for a wild ride."



Linda Bissonnette, music, 41 years

"I will miss the students, as they are full of curiosity and energy. They never cease to amaze me with what they say," said Bissonnette, who plans to continue to play the organ at her church in her retirement. She also plans to take violin lessons, volunteer at a local horse farm and spend time with her husband and dog on hikes. You can also expect

to continue to see her zipping around on her Spyder motorcycle.

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Dedication of Chess Table Set for Late Weare Library Director

In the memory of former Director Michael Sullivan, last month, a commemorative granite table was installed on the grounds of the Weare Public Library.

"Mr. Mike" was much beloved by the Weare community, and his unexpected passing in December 2019 was a shock to its residents and his family.

In memorial, the Sullivan family has provided the funding for this outdoor table, which seats up to three persons.



A new chess table in memory of former library Director Mike Sullivan will be dedicated (courtesy photo).

Along with an inscription, a checkerboard pattern is carved onto its surface – reflecting Mr. Mike's lifelong passion for the game of chess. Likewise, upon observing the table, many local parents have recounted how he

had taught the game of chess to their sons and daughters.

In the memory of Director Mike, the table's formal dedication will be held on Saturday, June 19 at 11 a.m. His family will be in attendance and everyone in the town is invited. And, anytime patrons would like to play a game of chess or checkers on its surface, just ask the library circulation desk for pieces.

A memorial like this reflects the legacy of Michael Sullivan, which will remain standing for many, many decades to come.

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At the Board of Selectmen's Meeting on June 7, Police Chief Christopher Moore (pictured on the left) presented awards and commendations to Officer Barry Charest, Meire Sousa, Ashley Sousa, Sergeant Ryan Frisbie and Corporal Michael Muise. Also honored were Officer Thomas Ouellette and Geoffrey Bartlett, who could not be present. (Tom Clow photo).

Police Officers and Local Citizens Receive Recognition and Awards

By Tom Clow

In a memo to all police department personnel dated March 17, Weare Police Chief Christopher Moore announced the recipients of commendations and awards that were approved by the department's awards committee on March 10. The awards were officially presented in a ceremony at the Board of Selectmen's meeting on June 7.

Corporal Michael Muise and Officer Thomas Ouellette were awarded a Certificate of Commendation for their "commendable actions and sustaining a life in a life-or-death situation on October 8, 2020." Moore said in a written statement that on that date, Muise and Ouellette responded to a medical call involving a male subject who was unconscious and not breathing. Due to their swift response, along with their training, they were able to provide life-saving efforts until medical responders arrived at the scene, he said. Unfortunately, it was later learned that the patient passed away at the hospital.

Sergeant Ryan Frisbie and Officer Thomas Ouellette were awarded a Commendation Bar for Lifesaving for saving the life of another on December 7, 2020. They responded to a medical call involving a female subject who was unconscious and in respiratory distress. They were advised that CPR was being attempted, Chief Moore said in his prepared release. When the officers arrived on the scene,


they directed the calling party to continue CPR while they applied an AED (automated external defibrillator) to the patient. Ouellette then took over the CPR while the AED analyzed the patient. A shock was advised and delivered. The officers continued the life-saving measures until members of the Weare Fire and Rescue arrived, Moore said. Medical personnel later reported that the patient survived her medical emergency and made a complete recovery.

Officer Barry Charest was awarded the Commendation Bar for Lifesaving for his actions in an off-duty capacity. Moore said that Charest was at the Encore Boston Harbor Resort with a friend, Michael DeBisz, who is a federal law enforcement officer, when they heard a loud noise and found an Encore employee lying on the floor unconscious. They took control of the scene and rendered medical aid.

Charest instructed DeBisz to administer chest compressions and directed an Encore employee to locate an AED. The device was applied and delivered a message of no shock advised. After multiple compressions and a sternal rub, Charest observed shallow breathing and the man became more responsive. The officers stayed with the man, speaking with him to keep him awake until Boston EMTs arrived, Moore said. Both Officer Charest and DeBisz later received calls from Encore management thanking them for saving the employee's life.

At the same ceremony, Officer Thomas Ouellette was awarded a Certificate of Commendation and private citizens Ms. Ashley Sousa, Mrs. Meire Sousa and Geoffrey Bartlett were awarded Letters of Recognition from the Weare Police Department for their actions on February 11, 2021. Ashley Sousa contacted the Goffstown Dispatch concerned about her mother's landlord, who hadn't been seen for two weeks. Officer Ouellette was dispatched to the residence to check on the man's welfare. After speaking with Sousa and Bartlett and making other observations, he determined that a forced entry was necessary. The occupant of the house was found sitting on a couch unable to move or speak.

Ouellette contacted dispatch and requested that Weare Fire and Rescue respond to the scene. Members of Fire and Rescue confirmed that the patient was having a medical emergency and transported him to the hospital.



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To the JSRHS Class of 2021:



JOSH ALBERT: Wishing you all the success in this next chapter in your life! Congrats! Mrs. Pelletier

NOELLE BARRIEAU: I am so proud of you for all of your accomplishments and know you will be great at St. A's. We love you! Love, the Pelletiers

BRIANNA BODNER: We are so proud of all your accomplishments. You are going on to do big things! Never let anyone dull your sparkle! Love you to the Moon N Back...Mom and Dad

ABI BURKE: You are such a smart, beautiful, talented, thoughtful and kind person. We are so proud to be your parents and of the person you have grown to be. We have no doubt that you will accomplish anything you put your mind to. Congratulations on all your hard work. We love you! Love, (your biggest fans) Mom and Dad

You are such a bright, beautiful and talented soul! How blessed we have been to have you in our dance family, even if only for a short time! Go out and show 'em what you're made of - GO GET 'EM! Love Always, Missy, Emma and your entire You Should Be Dancin' family

OLIVIA DAME: You are hardworking, smart and beautiful. I am so proud of the person you have become. You are going to accomplish amazing things in your life. Love you, Mom

VICTORIA DRAKE: Never be so polite you forget your power; never wield such power, you forget to be polite. Love, Mom, Dad and Mars

ALEXANDRA HARDCASTLE: We are so proud of you! Congratulations and we are so excited to see what the next chapter brings! Love Mom, Dad and T

BRADY JOHNSON: Your next chapter in your life is just around the corner. Make it as wonderful as you are! Mrs. Pelletier

BRIAN MCGINNON: Keep your focus and always be positive. You are amazing and will do great things! Love, Mama P

IZABELLA NELSON: I am so happy I have had the privilege of watching you grow from middle school through your high school years. You have become an amazing young lady. Best of luck at SNHU! Mrs. Pelletier

BROOKE PATNODE: Best of luck in your new journey! You will be amazing at whatever you do! Mrs. Pelletier

SYDNEE PELLETIER: We are so proud of you and can't wait to see what your future holds. Love, Mom and Dad

IZAIAH PIHL: You are an amazing kid with a great future! Best of luck in the military. You will be great! Congratulations. Mrs. Pelletier

BRIANNA PINTER : We are so proud of you! Keep being you and you'll do great things! The sky's the limit! Love, Mom, Dad and Katelyn

RYAN PLAMONDON: "Wait... what???" Congratulations Ryan! We love you and are so excited for your future! Love, Mom, Grammy Sue, Mimi and Wyatt

COLIN WARECKI: Congratulations on finishing this crazy year! Best of luck in your future! Mrs. Pelletier

JAXON WOOD: Watching you grow from a middle school boy to seeing the sweet young man you have become, I am honored to have been able to watch you grow through this journey! Congratulations. Mrs. Pelletier.

JSRHS Class of 2021 Student Speaker

Stephanie Rodonis of Weare was selected as this year's class speaker for graduation by John Stark faculty and staff. She was selected as the student who most embodies the school's vision: a learner who engages their mind in the pursuit of individual academic growth, social awareness and community involvement with regard, respect and integrity. Graduation is June 12.



Stephanie Rodonis (courtesy photo).

"While we may not have had the traditional high school experience, the past year has really allowed us to demonstrate our resilience," Rodonis said in a school district press release. "I am thoroughly impressed by the Class of 2021's strength and determination, and grateful for the support and flexibility of our dedicated teachers and staff. It's been a wild ride but we made it!"

Rodonis has been heavily involved in theatre while at John Stark. She has been the stage manager for seven productions during her high school career, only missing this spring's "The Theory of Relativity" because she was involved in that production as a member of the cast. She is Vice President of the John Stark Chapter of the International Thespian Society and President of the John Stark French Honor Society. She is also an active member at John Stark of SAGA (Sexuality and Gender Acceptance), the Photography Club and Amnesty International.

Rodonis is the recipient of a Lesley University Presidential Scholarship where she will study art therapy. She is the daughter of Michelle and Steven Rodonis.

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"Linda has shared the joy of music with students and has kept us in tune for All School Meetings and created a venue for students to demonstrate their talents in our annual Talent Show," Potter said. "Her sense of humor, thoughtful perspective and appreciation for traditions will be sorely missed."

Jean Eriksen, paraprofessional and classroom teacher, 26 years

"I will miss my students, past and present, and wish them all the best," said the second grade teacher about leaving. She plans to do what she loves most, and that is to travel and see and meet new friends.

"Jean's patience, kindness, and creativity have made a lasting impact on so many. May her retirement be filled with laughter, relaxation and new adventures," Potter said.

**Lorraine Jackman, paraprofessional, 19 years**

"I'm going to miss all the teachers, staff and students that have made these years interesting and fun," Jackman said. "I will miss the Halloween parades, too." She's looking forward to a little rest and relaxation and a new adventure in the days to come.

"You cannot find a more positive, easy-going person than Lorraine," Potter said. "She has worked in all of the elementary grades because she is so versatile and willing to work with all ages. We hope her retirement brings her as much happiness as she has brought all of us."

Weare Middle School**Debby LeBlanc, 6th and 7th grade, 43 years**

What did she love the most and will miss the most about teaching? "The kids; it's always about the kids," she said. Mrs. LeBlanc's name is often mentioned when you ask students years later about their favorite teacher.

"Deb is an amazing teacher who arrives every day with a smile on her face, excited to teach her students and learn new skills and strategies," said WMS Principal Shawne Hilliard. "When you think of a lifelong learner who has positively impacted generations of students, you think of Deb LeBlanc."

**Joan Morgan, paraprofessional and behavior technician, 19 years**

"I will miss talking with the students and watching them grow. I'll also miss the amazing people I work with and who have become my second family," said Morgan. At the end of this year, she's looking forward to spending time with her grandchildren and enjoying new adventures with her husband.

"Joan has worked to support students by creating an environment of safety, trust, care and respect, but her job didn't stop there. She tirelessly worked to build systems and processes to keep our building running smoothly," Hilliard said. "Her work has helped to create a positive climate and a culture of collaboration throughout the school, and she will be missed."

**John Stark Regional High School****Geri Lawton, administrative assistant in the Principal's office, 23 years**

Prior to joining the staff full time, she was a substitute teacher for two years. Often called "the knower of all things," Lawton adeptly assists two assistant principals and the principal every day. Lawton has worked with all six principals who have served John Stark since it opened in 1987.



"Watching my two daughters graduate (Jess in 2001 and Sarah in 2005) are my most memorable moments during my time at John Stark," she said. "I'm looking forward to having the summer off and hope to do some traveling with my husband. I also plan to spend more "Nana" time with my three (soon to be four) grandchildren."

Cathy Williams, Life Skills program and paraprofessional, 18 years

"My most memorable moment would be starting the Unified Sports program here and watching our students with disabilities participate on a high school team with their peers and watching their skills and confidence grow with each game. I will miss the students and staff here, but I am looking forward to spending time with family and sleeping past 5 in the morning," said Williams.



Henniker Community School

Marti Capuco, occupational therapist, 22 years

For the past seven years, Capuco has also been a behavior analyst in the district.



"It is awesome to see students whom I saw at age three grow up and do wonderful things," said Capuco. "Every day, I admire the grit that I see in all students who work hard to overcome their challenges. I will miss my students, some of whom I have seen for ten

years. I cannot wait to see where they end up in life." She looks forward to starting her retirement with a 10-day biking trip through the Netherlands and Belgium.

Lorraine Aucoin and Anne Morrisette

Aucoin retired from full-time classroom teaching in 2006 and returned to teach reading part-time for 15 more years. Never one to sit still for long, she plans to keep busy volunteering at the school.



Morrisette has taught at Henniker for 21 years and most recently as a part-time reading teacher. She thinks now she will finally have the time to write the children's stories for which she has so many ideas.



-Submitted by Patti Osgood

SAU 24 Teacher Lauren Morrocco Nominated for Teacher of the Year

The N.H. Department of Education announced its nominees for the 2022 Teacher of the Year and Center Woods Elementary School art teacher Lauren Morrocco is among 29 teachers in the state to be nominated.

The program selects a teacher who is capable of speaking for and energizing the teaching profession and representing the positive contributions of all teachers statewide. As part of the selection process, each candidate submits a written application containing

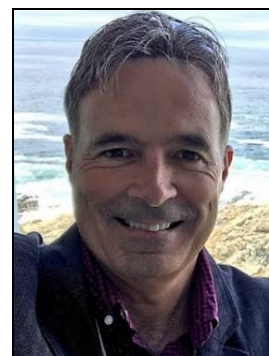


biographical and professional information, essays on topics ranging from personal teaching philosophy to the issues facing education, and letters of endorsement. A committee will meet with the candidates to hear speeches and visit schools, among other activities, before selecting the Teacher of the Year.

Morrocco taught at a Montessori school in Newport and SAU 24's James Faulkner Elementary School in Stoddard prior to joining Center Woods Elementary School in Weare in 2018.

Lee Despres Named SAU 24 Director of Technology

Lee Despres was named Director of Technology for SAU 24 beginning July 1. He comes to SAU 24 from the Pelham School District where he has been the Interim Information Technology Director since December. Prior to Pelham, he was the Information Technology Director for the Merrimack Valley School District. He has also worked in IT at Plymouth High School, Pinkerton Academy and for the Sulloway and Hollis law firm.



Despres was co-founder of the New Hampshire Chief
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Technology Officer Council (NHCTO) in 2014 and president of the organization from 2018-2020. While there, he spearheaded the NHCTO Council's partnership with the Student Data Privacy Alliance in response to N.H. House Bill 1612, the N.H. data privacy legislation.

"I am very excited to be joining the SAU 24 team," Despres said in a school district press release. "I look forward to collaborating and building relationships with district and school leadership, IT and instructional staff, school board members and all stakeholders."

Lee Despres lives in Chichester with his wife, son and daughter and enjoys supporting his children in their many sporting activities.

-Submitted by Patti Osgood



Autumn Fauteux with the great bug project in Mr. Ward's class (courtesy photo).

CWES Kindergarten Students Aren't Bothered by These Bugs

Kindergarten students in Mr. Ward's class at Center Woods Elementary School have been learning about the features of an insect. The students had to create their own insect that followed the basic elements: three body parts (head, thorax, abdomen); six legs; possibly antennae and possibly wings. They then created a journal that showed their insect with labeled parts, the habitat of their insect, the food the insect prefers and the insect's life cycle.

The project also provided students the opportunity to work on letter formation, sentence structure and writing to inform. The final project was a drawing of their insect on a magnifying glass. Each student got to share information about their special insect and present their journal.

-Submitted by Patti Osgood

JSRHS Student Receives Photo Honor

John Stark Regional High School sophomore Jennifer Rose Jezierski received Congressional recognition in "An Artistic Discovery," a high school art competition. Her entry was a photograph of her dog, Dakota.

The Congressional Institute sponsors a nationwide high school visual art competition to recognize and encourage artistic talent in the nation and in each Congressional district. Since the Artistic Discovery competition began in 1982, more than 650,000 high school students have participated. Students submit entries to their representative's office and panels of district artists select the winning entries. Winners are recognized both in their district and at an annual awards ceremony in Washington, D.C. The winning works are displayed for one year in the U.S. Capitol and qualifying participants receive certificates of special Congressional recognition for their artwork.

-Submitted by Patti Osgood



"Dakota" (Jennifer Jezierski photo).



The Fun Run on May 21 at WMS featured 138 official runners and many cheered them on. The top four finishers were Mike Veilleux (Ethan and Owen's dad), Rio Calle (grade 8), Ethan Veilleux (grade 8) and Owen Veilleux (grade 6). (Bronda Crosby photo).

Cub Scout Pack 24

By Bailey Theriault

In May, Cub Scout Pack 24 of Weare welcomed some new friends for a great day of hiking at Kuncanowet Town Forest in Dunbarton. The Scouts learned about Geocaching and had fun looking for signs of animal life and man-made structures along the trail. They discovered signs of birds, carpenter ants, beavers, squirrels, as well as fences, bridges, foundations and mill structures.



Scouts and friends on a hike (courtesy photo).

The Pack has a day of fun activities planned at Chase Park in June, including an overnight campout where the Scouts will all be recognized as they move up to the next rank.

Finally, seven Scouts will kick off their summer with a week of overnight camp at Camp Carpenter in Manchester, where they will swim, hike, practice archery, learn outdoor skills, sing camp songs and more!

The Cub Scout program is open to boys and girls in grades K-5. The Pack welcomes new members year-round. Anyone interested can find more information at www.beascout.org. Anyone interested in joining is invited to join us at a meeting or outing as a guest to take this awesome program on a test drive! Contact Mike Provencher, Pack 24 Cubmaster, for details mprovencher29@gsinet.net.

Scouts Honor Veterans

By Lorrie Piper

Weare Boy Scout Troop 24 joined the American Legion, Post #65 in a Memorial Day ceremony. Community members, members of the Legion, leaders and Scouts from Troop 24 met in front of the Weare Historical Society Building on Monday morning. The Annual Memorial Day



Ceremony was led by the American Legion and then moved to East Weare Cemetery and Hillside Cemetery where wreaths were placed on veterans' graves.



Marsha Lanier photos

Summer Term Offers Variety

By Chris Hague

From one-time programs to month-long classes, July offers a variety of online opportunities for the curious. Registration for the Learning Institute of New England College summer term is open through June 18. From July 2 through July 30, a film seminar looking at the work of the Coen Brothers will meet weekly, as will Keeping Score with Michael Tilson-Thomas; The Alcotts; and A Poet's Life and Work: Joel Oppenheimer. New England College alumni might remember this poet from his years on the faculty there.

Short courses include Puritanism in New England: the Good, the Bad and the Revolutionary; American Icons: Frank Lloyd Wright and Normal Rockwell; "Hello Girls" Documentary; Cary Grant: A Touch of Class; Freedom riders of 1961; Supreme Court Decisions 2020-2021; and I Was a Slave, Even Here in NH: The Concord Black Heritage Trail. A reading group that meets monthly will discuss Nathaniel Hawthorne's "The House of Seven Gables."

In-person visits to the Black Heritage Trail in Portsmouth and sculpture exhibit at Andres Institute in Brooklyn offer opportunities to share learning and socializing.

LINEC classes went online last year and since then have attracted participants from a broader geographic range than was possible for in-person classes meeting in Henniker. Quality presentations and congenial discussions make the token cost of participation a good value. Registration for the summer only is \$15, with no membership fee. Full descriptions of all programs are available at LINEC.org. For curriculum questions, email franphilippe38@gmail.com. Other inquiries may be sent to linecregister@gmail.com.



Road Reconstruction Projects Underway, Paving to Follow

By Tom Clow

Road reconstruction is well underway for the 2021 paving season in the Town of Weare.

According to information released by the Department of Public Works, major reconstruction projects this year will include Pine Hill Road, Walker Hill Road and Hatfield Road, as well as approximately 4,600 feet of the hill on River Road starting at the intersection with Barnard Hill Road. Reconstruction includes grinding out and reclaiming the old pavement, grading, rolling and adding a new base coat of asphalt pavement. The River Road project will also include an injection of asphalt emulsion and a thicker base coat. A top coat of pavement will be added to each of these areas in 2022.

This year, a top coat will be added to Bogue Road, Etta Lane and Thorndike Road between Quaker Street and Reservoir Drive, all of which were rebuilt in 2020. In recent years, the town has also used a chip sealing process to further extend the life of the pavement. This year, an asphalt rubber chip seal will be used on Mountain Road and Mountain School Road, and a traditional chip seal will be applied to Old Francestown Road.

Reconstruction work was made possible when voters approved a warrant article in March that added \$525,000 to the Road Reconstruction Capital Reserve Fund. Of that amount, \$276,150 will come from a State of New Hampshire Highway Block Grant with the remainder raised through taxation. The chip sealing will be funded through the road preservation bond approved by voters in 2019.



Pavement has been removed from about one mile of Pine Hill Road in preparation for a base coat of asphalt pavement (Tom Clow photo).

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Christopher Prunier of Weare gives a cut at Alphas Barbershop in Goffstown (courtesy photo).



LOCAL BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT:

Not Just a Clip Joint

By Diane T. Padilla

Christopher Prunier, owner of the Alphas Barbershop in Goffstown, is a firm believer in service, both military and civilian. Born and raised on the east side of Manchester, he moved to Weare a few years ago “to move further away from an overflowing city, to the more peaceful country.”

Prunier served as a U.S. Army combat engineer, assigned to Mosul, Iraq, in 2009. After his discharge in 2011, he was trying to find his way in life and was looking for a career. It was his fiancée who suggested he try hair school. At first reluctant, Prunier eventually reached out to Gail Hoage, the director of Michael’s School of Hair Design in Bedford. Her father was a veteran, and she suggested that Christopher could use the G.I. Bill to go to school.

While Prunier started his education at Michael’s, he did not complete it there.

“I went in a different direction as a master barber, instead of just a stylist,” Prunier said.

Early on, he was introduced to Dave and Cynthia Caron, owners of the New England School of Barbering. Dave Caron was also an Army veteran, and with numerous fellow veterans as students, Prunier found the right place to enhance his skills.

Prunier dealt with some military issues during his service with the Army, causing him some difficulties in adjusting to civilian life when he was discharged.

“I have never forgotten my struggles in the military, and See PRUNIER, page 9



Calling All Local Businesses!

In August, “Weare in the World” will publish a special edition dedicated to businesses in town. Along with

profiles and stories of local interest, the issue will include space for businesses to submit who they are, what they offer and how customers can reach them. Submissions

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the struggles I endured coming home, as a civilian adapting to almost a new world, and really a new way of life," he said.

Thanks to the advice and encouragement of his mentors, Prunier was able to obtain his master barber license, and continue to build himself a better future.

The Carons owned the Henniker Barbershop and Prunier worked there, eventually becoming a co-owner. While he enjoyed the rural beauty, he preferred a more traditional barbershop, one that was busier and catered to "families, kids, and adults, more of a community hotspot that does great haircuts." And thanks to his daily commute, Prunier acquired his new business.

"I would always pass this barbershop...in Goffstown," Prunier said. "Sometimes it was open, sometimes not."

This was Hunter's Barbershop, owned by Henry Hunter, a World War II veteran. Prunier saw a "for sale" sign out front, so, pulling together his finances, he left the Henniker Barbershop, bought the business from Hunter in 2015, and he and his fiancée worked tirelessly, turning it into Alphas Barbershop later that same year.

Today, Prunier is the proud owner of an establishment that offers a range of barbering services to everyone. He is particularly proud to offer special discounts to current and former military service members. Said Prunier, "... it makes me feel great making others feel great, (especially those) dealing with the stresses and mental challenges military and first responders deal with daily, in service or out. And if I could afford to, I wouldn't give any of them a discount. I would extend my services to them for free."

Alphas Barbershop is located at 4 Main Street, Goffstown. Call 603-785-6488.

Goffstown Rotary Grant Program Accepting Applications

By Robin Morrell

The Goffstown Rotary Club is opening its grant application acceptance window on June 15. The Club awards grants each year to organizations involved in community service-related activities. The deadline to submit applications closes July 31. Applications can be mailed to PO Box 533, Goffstown, N.H. 03045, or they can be submitted electronically to info@goffstownrotary.org. Applications will be reviewed and grants awarded by the end of August.

For more information or to receive an application, please email through our website at <https://goffstownrotary.org/contact>, send a message

through Facebook or call 603-606-8758 (Robin).

The Goffstown Rotary Club services the communities of Goffstown, Weare, New Boston and Dunbarton. It meets most Tuesday mornings at 41A Main Street in Goffstown, with the second Thursday of each month being in the evening. The evening meeting location varies. Follow us on Facebook for complete, up-to-date information on club meetings, activities and events!

Osborne Memorial Hall Indoor Yard Sale



This **INDOOR** town-wide yard sale is being held June 19, July 17 and Aug. 14, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Osborne Memorial Hall. There will be furniture, toys, matchbox and NASCAR collectibles, kitchenware, books and other odds and ends. Masks recommended. Sponsored by the nonprofit South Weare Improvement Society. Proceeds to benefit the maintenance and restoration of Osborne Memorial Hall, located at 16 Deering Center Rd. (Rte. 149). To rent the hall for your event or participate in Weare Flags Fly, call 603-529-7282.

Senior Café

We offer FREE lunch for any local area seniors aged 60+ at the Breaking Bread Senior Cafe. Bring a friend. Drive up and get your FREE Lunch while they last! It's recommended people call ahead for lunch at 529-4263. This voicemail connects to email. We

WILL get the message. Please leave your name and the number of lunches requested. Easy peasy.

The Cafe also offers indoor seating and can accommodate 14 guests at a time. Seating is arranged. We have outdoor seating as well. Visit our Facebook page for the latest news:

<https://www.facebook.com/Hand.in.Hand03281/>

Remember, the soup is on !

11 to 1 PM



Soups On

1st Annual Kickoff to Summer Raffle!

Sat., June 19, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

@Moody Pond Marketplace

across from Weare Post Office

\$1 per ticket to bid on gift cards, baskets and more!

Watermelon! Lemonade! Baked goodies!

You do not need to be present to win. Winners will be contacted Saturday evening.

See your neighbors!
Meet new neighbors!
Celebrate being able
to gather!

Outdoors, rain or shine
Social distancing requested
Masks recommended

Sponsored by the Weare Democratic Town Committee

To see a sampling of raffle items, go to

<https://wearenhdemocrats.org>

Canned goods will be collected for the Weare Food Pantry.

Lookin' for Love

By Cathy Bailey

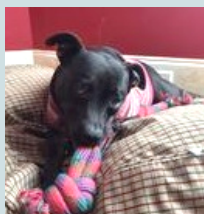
If you'd like to adopt any of the pets pictured here, please complete an adoption application at <https://www.heartsandtails.org/adoption-application>



Meet Fancy Freckles! Terrier mix; female; affectionate, happy, intelligent and eager to please; short coat; house trained; vaccinations up to date; spayed; two years old; weighs 38 pounds; microchipped; good with other

dogs and children; loves to go for walks. Adoption fee: \$550.

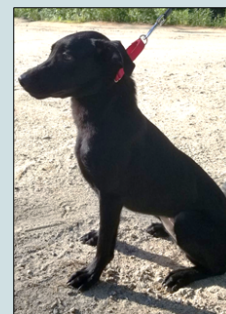
Meet Chloe! Terrier mix; female; affectionate, happy and intelligent; short coat; house trained; vaccinations up to date and spayed; 2 ½ years old; weighs 45 pounds; knows all her basic commands; good with children and loves her humans. Adoption fee: \$550.



Meet Gwen! Bull Terrier mix; female; affectionate, happy, eager to please and playful; short coat; house trained; vaccinations up to date; spayed and microchipped; two years old; weighs 48

pounds; good with other dogs and children. Adoption fee: \$550.

Meet Rosie! Black Lab Retriever mix; female; affectionate, happy, intelligent and playful; highly trainable; short coat; house trained; vaccinations up to date; spayed and microchipped; 18 months old; weighs 33 pounds; good with other dogs and children. Adoption fee: \$550.



Meet Sasha! Siberian Husky; female; affectionate, intelligent, obedient, playful, calm and gentle; medium coat; house trained; great on a leash; vaccinations up to date; spayed; microchipped; three years old; weighs 48 pounds; good with other dogs and adores children. Adoption fee: \$600.

For more information on these and other dogs, visit <https://www.heartsandtails.org/petfinder-list/>

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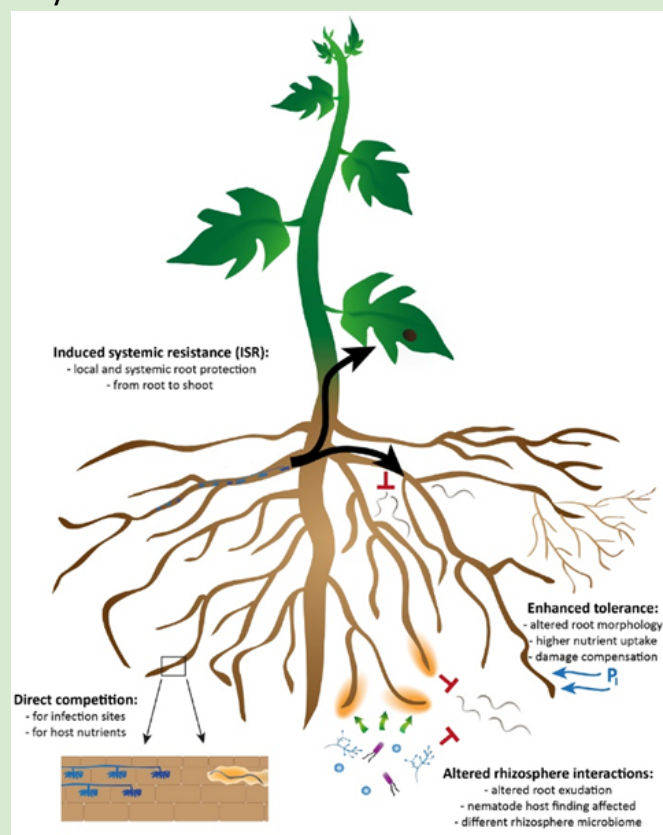
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Think Twice Before You Rototill

By Anne Wirkkala



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This article is about pests in your garden and how to fight them without chemical assistance.

There are several ways that gardeners can win this battle and still be chemical-free: mycorrhizae, companion planting, attracting beneficial bugs, row covers, high tunnels and plant caps, mulch, slug traps, fences, other helpers (chickens, ducks, geese, dogs). This article will deal with the most successful and the most important of them all: mycorrhizae.

Mycorrhizae (from the Greek *mycor* for fungus, and *rhiza* for root) develop a symbiotic association between themselves and plants, playing an important role in plant nutrition, soil biology and overall plant health. The relationship between plants and fungi is symbiotic because the plant obtains phosphate and other minerals from the fungus, while the fungus obtains the sugars it needs from the plant root. The long extensions of the fungus, called hyphae, help increase the surface area of the plant root system so that it can extend beyond the area of nutrient depletion. Microscopic mycorrhizal fungi (mycorrhizae) are found deep in any soil where plants grow. They form large networks of fine

filamentous growth throughout the soil. They associate with plant roots; some even burrow into the roots to create an even greater association with plants.

Remember that you can not see them with the naked eye. *Rototilling, plowing, spading or other methods for turning over the soil brings these microscopic fungi to the top of the soil where the sunlight kills them.* So to be successful with this method you can not “turn over” your soil.

Research has shown that plants connected by mycorrhizal fungi can even use these underground connections to produce and receive warning signals. Specifically, when a host plant is attacked by an insect, the plant signals surrounding connected plants of its condition. The host plant releases volatile organic compounds (VOCs) that attract the insect's (bad bugs) insect predators (good bugs). The plants connected by mycorrhizal fungi are also prompted to produce identical VOCs that protect the uninfected plants from being targeted by the bad insects.

Additionally, this assists the mycorrhizal fungi by preventing the plant's carbon relocation which negatively affects the fungi's growth and occurs when the plant is attacked by herbivores. Left on their own mycorrhizae improve barren, sterile soil, speed up plant growth, produce healthier plant growth, help plants resist soil toxicity (heavy metals, acidity, salt), help plants resist pests (nematodes, squash & potato bugs), help plants resist disease (scab, wilt, blight, mildew), and help plants develop immunity to pests. What's not to love about these guys?

Bear in My Backyard

By Sharon Czarnecki

I have lived here for 36 years. I have always fed the birds; BUT, I bring the feeders in every night, and I have always had two dogs. I had no bears.

This year, my son gave me a bag of thistle seed mix to add to my offerings – probably 90 calories in the whole bag. I also added hummingbird feeders a few years ago and they were never bothered. If there are any of you –

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like me – who thought they meant bring in sunflower seed only? That is definitely wrong. LOL, they mean every and all types of bird feeders of any kind every single night.

Who would think that such a large (*Female black bears weigh 125-150 pounds, whereas adult males are larger, typically weighing 200-250 pounds*) omnivorous animal



would bother with a 90-calorie bag of thistle seed? In fact, as fall approaches, they consume up to 20,000 calories per day. (My entire hummingbird feeder has about 773 calories and a cup of sunflower seeds contains 818.) The University of NH Cooperative Extension service for one, since they clearly warned me to take in ALL bird seed permanently from April 1 to Dec. 31. They also warn us to keep garbage cans in a garage or shed and thoroughly clean grills after every use.

What else can you do? According to the website Bird Watching HQ, bears do not like safflower seed, while cardinals, grosbeaks, finches (house and purple), titmice, chickadees, nuthatches and doves all enjoy it. You might also choose to try “hot” bird seed. Capsaicin, which is the active ingredient found in chili peppers makes them hot and irritating to eat. Only mammals are affected by this and there are “hot meat” bird seeds on the market that are laced with this substance. Another strategy is motion-activated alarms (placed fairly high up) and/or flood lights.

There are also many products on the market that can be purchased with varying degrees of success reported. Creative methods for hanging feeders and protecting trees are presented by Lions Bay Bear Awareness and Audubon.

Lastly, if a bear interacts with anything on your property, please call NH Fish and Game at 603-271-3421 X 5 since they keep track of this information. Do not call local animal control. They refer to the above agency.

Websites with additional information include:

[-https://www.wildlife.state.nh.us/wildlife/profiles/black-bear.html](https://www.wildlife.state.nh.us/wildlife/profiles/black-bear.html)

[-https://www.wildlife.state.nh.us/education/documents/trout-activity-guide.pdf](https://www.wildlife.state.nh.us/education/documents/trout-activity-guide.pdf)

[-https://extension.unh.edu/blog/black-bear-neighborhood](https://extension.unh.edu/blog/black-bear-neighborhood)
[-https://birdwatchinghq.com/bears-away-from-bird-feeder-s/](https://birdwatchinghq.com/bears-away-from-bird-feeder-s/)

[-http://www.bearsmart.com/live/bear-deterrents/](http://www.bearsmart.com/live/bear-deterrents/)

[-http://www.bearsmart.com/docs/bear-proofingbirdfeeders.pdf](http://www.bearsmart.com/docs/bear-proofingbirdfeeders.pdf)



Asked and Answered: Fathers (June 20: Father's Day)

My Dad's Funny Sayings

By Marge Burke

My dad was a master of funny sayings, many of them still safely tucked away in my memory bank. His drink request was often, “a cof of cuppee, please.”

When driving under a bridge he would shout out, “duck” to which my sister and I in the back seat would immediately comply.

Whenever I was sad or hurt he would take some of his imaginary,

magical “whiffle dust” out of his shirt pocket and sprinkle it around me. Problem solved. Thank you, dad.

His name was Joe. When his siblings and extended family were together, he often introduced himself as “Hi, my name is Joe, but call me Harry.” You see, his youngest sister married a man named Joe and they had a son named Joe. That worked well until I got married. My husband had a brother in law named Joe and a nephew named Joe and a father named Harry. So, when he was with my in-laws he would introduce himself as, “Hi, my name is Joe. Don't call me Harry; call me Charlie.”

Dad had lots of tongue twisters, some he invented. There was one that had two possible versions of the

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Marge Burke and her father, Joe, on her wedding day (courtesy photo).

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same thing: "George Birthington's Washday" or "Worge Joshington's Birthday." He would comment on my "Ouster Eatfit." His tongue twisters were often followed by another one of his sayings, "my eye tooth got wound around my tongue and I couldn't see what I was saying."

I still miss my dad, almost 30 years since he died, but am so glad I have these happy and funny memories.

**My Husband the Father**

By Sharon Czarnecki

Because Father's Day is just around the corner, I looked up the attributes of a "good" father on the internet. It certainly can be an intimidating list – especially since the job comes with no instruction manual and precious little overlap from child to child. Some of the lists I found seemed designed to engender an instant inferiority complex. Others seemed old fashioned or new age-ish.

But the web site www.momjunction.com had a list that my husband Andy exemplified. (*I use the past tense because he is not here anymore. But I just can't bring myself to say "late" husband because he was always on time and would hate that.*)

The list is as follows: Nine Qualities of A Good Father

- He is protective
- Affection is his middle name
- A wall of trust and security
- The source of encouragement
- Has the patience to listen
- Provides the necessities of life
- Respects the mother of his children
- Spending time with him is fun for kids

Thanks to all the fathers in our lives and most especially to Andy.

Coffee Talk

Old men at the donut shop
sit in a group of four,
sometimes five,
talk of yesterday.

They boast, they dream
of what has passed.
Their voices long for it
to return.

Politics - they remember when,
and cars they had – back then,
of families scattered far
but carried near;

And of work - seven to three
or three to eleven –
or eleven to seven –
third shift – worst shift.

They brag over their bellies,
wear baseball caps,
stand and stretch out kinks,
and leave;

To return tomorrow,
sit in a group of four,
maybe five,
and talk of yesterday.

-T. Clow

The Lady's Slipper

'tis the season for
lady slippers to
make their appearance,
delicate blossoms
pink, white or purple,
dance from their stems
on pointe, buoyant like
a ballerina,
grace the woodlands if
in safe, protected
areas, do not pick,
they are endangered,
they are New
Hampshire's
state wild flower, treat
with reverence and
enjoy their beauty.



-Marge Burke



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Tuesday, June 8

5 p.m. - Cemetery Trustees Meeting
7 p.m. - Parks & Recreation Meeting
7 p.m. - Garden Club Meeting, Sawyer Room/Library

Wednesday, June 9

4:15 p.m. - Trustees of the Trust Funds Meeting
6:30 p.m. - John Stark School District Board Meeting
7 p.m. - Conservation Commission Meeting
7 p.m. - Weare Democrats Meeting, Zoom

Thursday, June 10

7 p.m. - Planning Board Meeting

Monday, June 14

6 p.m. - Board of Fire Wards Meeting

Tuesday, June 15

6 p.m. - Weare School District Board Meeting
7 p.m. - Cable Committee Meeting

Friday, June 18

10:30 a.m. - Weare Area Writers Guild, Zoom

Monday June 21,

6:30 p.m. - Board of Selectmen Meeting

Thursday, June 24

7 p.m. - Planning Board Meeting

Saturday, June 26

9:30 a.m. - Weare Republicans Meeting, Sawyer Room/Library

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