

The WALPOLE Clarion

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A Window on the Past

Walpole's history goes back much farther than the town's founding in the 18th century. This is the first in a series of articles by Walpole resident Gail Golec which will shed some light on those distant days. Golec holds a B.S. in Anthropology with a focus on Physical and Forensic Anthropology from Mercyhurst College. She has been a professional archaeologist for 12 years and now works for Monadnock Archaeology Consulting, LLC. out of Stoddard, where she is a "project archaeologist."

Whenever I give a talk about the Native American history of the area, many people in the audience are a little shocked to learn that we have archaeological evidence representing over 9,000 years of continuous occupation right here in our stretch of the Connecticut River Valley. For Native people, this is somewhat less of a shock, as their cultural history tells them that they have been here since the beginning of time (and you thought your ancestor on the Mayflower was impressive).

First let me stress that what we do is an actual science. We have done many hours of background research into the sites we examine before we even touch a shovel to excavate. We approach that excavation methodically making sure everything is photographed, documented and labeled. Archaeologists must be exceptionally aware that the work they do, by its nature, ends up destroying a site. It is incumbent upon them to leave behind solid, useful information that was obtained in such a way that is respectful to the long-ago people whom they are studying and their descendants living today.

Our research in and around the river has produced artifacts representing most major time periods in pre-history (Paleo-Indian 14,000-9,000 years before the present; Archaic 9,000-3,000 year before the present; Woodland 3,000-400 years before the present; and Contact 400-200 years before the present). Around 14,000



Artifacts found in the Walpole area. See article for details.

years ago, this area had melted out from under the glaciers of the last ice age and glacial Lake Hitchcock, which once filled the Connecticut River Valley from Rocky Hill, Connecticut to St. Johnsbury, Vermont. Not long after the post-glacial environment stabilized, the Paleo-Indians settled in the region. We find sites down in the Asheolut River Valley in Keene and Swanzey beginning around 12,000 years ago. While there has not been evidence of sites that old between Bellows Falls and Walpole, we have found fragments of projectile points (stone tools created by removing small flakes of stone; generally of an "arrowhead" shape but used to tip darts, knives and spears also) that are "Late-Paleo" - approximately 9,000 years old (*Photo above, bottom*).

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Hooper Study Committee Issues Recommendations

On June 11, 2012, the Hooper Study Committee met with representatives from the New Hampshire Department of Charitable Trusts and the New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration. The officials from NHDRA opined that the Hooper Golf Course is a taxable entity and should be paying real estate taxes on the value of its club and lands. The representatives from the NH Charitable Trust indicated that the Hooper lands, as presently utilized, were a "wasting asset" for the purposes of the Hooper Trust and had to be put to the "highest and best" economic use.

The notes from the Hooper Study Committee meeting on June 18 indicated that: "It seemed clear from all discussion June 11, 2012 that the Office of Charitable Trusts is eager for the Hooper Study Committee to put a comprehensive plan together that they can support and with the Trustees [of the Hooper Trust] approach the Probate Court to apply the Cy Pres doctrine to [either] limit development, have a conservation easement [or] sell the entire Hooper Golf Course or in separate units or with the highest possible return to the Trust."

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Horse Thieves Host Archer Mayor

Like a posse chasing a fleeing horse thief, arrangements for our "Horse Thieves" banquet are proceeding at breakneck speed. This banquet is staged every other year by the Walpole Society for Bringing to Justice Horse Thieves and Pilferers of Hen Roosts and Clothes Lines (really - that's its name - no kidding), for the enjoyment of its members and guests. The big event is set for Saturday, September 22nd (mark it on your calendar now, so that you won't forget it). Doors open at 5:30 with dinner at 6:30; it's a traditional roast beef dinner, but for the first time in a horse's age there will be a veggie option available if ordered in advance.

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Notes from Concord

As a NH Representative, I was the prime sponsor for three bills. The first is HB1416 which would have removed fluoride from the public water supply. HB 1416 was modified by the Resources Committee into a warning label to be added to the consumer confidence report. The statement is "if your child under the age of 6 months is exclusively consuming infant formula reconstituted with fluoridated water, there may be an increased chance of dental fluorosis. Consult your child's health care provider for more information." This bill was signed into law on June 5, 2012. This is a small victory for the protection of infant health.

Your private property rights are important to me so I sponsored HB1634. This bill was to stop implementation in New Hampshire of UN Agenda 21 through ICLEI. The original bill did not pass. However, with an effort to present UN Agenda 21 information to the Representatives in the NH House, an amendment with the exact wording was added to SB 217. Here is a web address to the video of the hearing before the Veterans Affairs and Federal Relations committee by all who testified. <http://www.governmentoversite.com/state-capitol/public-hearings/>

SB217 with amendment passed the House by a vote of 207 to 99. The Senate did not concur so the bill failed. More education is needed especially in the Senate.

Enclosed are two web addresses for information on UN Agenda 21. The first address is a good brief over view and the second address is extensive information linked to the original documents. <http://www.takingliberty.us> and <http://www.freedomadvocates.org>. The UN Biodiversity Assessment report describes private property as unsustainable.

Please call me at 756-3781 if you have any questions.

– Representative Anne Cartwright

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From 9,000 years ago on (Late-Paleo, Archaic, Woodland and Contact), the Native people came back to this area year after year, in large part due to the seasonal migration of fish up the Connecticut River. This predictable source of abundant food was a huge attraction for them; not only did they come every year but it is likely that hundreds congregated during the time of the runs. Geographically, this area was unique due to all the rivers which feed into the Connecticut above and below the falls. Three rivers (the Williams River north of the the falls and the Saxton and Cold Rivers to the south) all run perpendicular to the Connecticut, providing east-west/upland access routes to the main river valley floor. Any groups living away from the Connecticut would have only to follow these rivers to take them down to the falls and the fish.

The river bottom itself, with its wide, flat terraces on both banks, provided ample space for large groups to set up seasonal camps in order to process all the fish that were being netted from the river (photo 2, a stone-net sinker). Finally, these falls were some of the highest the migrating fish would encounter along their journey to their spawning waters, and many fish could not make it up and over them. Many fish would turn back and go downstream to spawn, creating a huge backlog of fish south of the falls. Reports from early European scouts mention routinely catching 85 shad in a sitting during the fish runs.

– Gail Golec

*Next Month: Mountain, River, Falls:
 Natural Convergence into a Sacred Spot*

– Gail Golec

*There is nothing new under the sun
 but there are lots of old things
 we don't know.*

– Ambrose Bierce

Hooper Defense Fund

Artist David Howell has donated a painting (pictured at left) to Hooper Golf Club for their Hooper Defense Fund Campaign. The Club is currently selling raffle tickets in the pro shop for the painting, with all monies raised going directly to the Defense Fund. The drawing will be held at the club's Member/Guest Dinner on Saturday, July 21.

For more information, contact Ronald J. Rosko, PGA, Golf Professional, Hooper Golf Club, at 756 4080.

– Ron Rosko



Bellows Reunion

The Bellows Are Coming... Home, to Walpole For the first time in more than a generation, descendants of Walpole's Bellows Family are returning to celebrate another family reunion. According to Sue Bellows of Charlotte, Michigan, coordinator of the family event, approximately 50 family members should be arriving in the area on Wednesday, July 11 for a five day visit. For many of the participants, this will be a first time visit to their ancestral home.

And what a family it is -- descendants of Walpole's founding family, with Colonel Benjamin Bellows as progenitor. He was a successful surveyor in the employ of King George III's royal governor, Bennings Wentworth. Governor Wentworth needed plots of townships in order to secure the new, western lands of the New Hampshire royal colony. Bellows was retained to survey what are now the townships of Chesterfield, Westmoreland and Walpole along the Connecticut River. Col. Bellows was rewarded for his fine work with the township of his choosing. He knew the land and he chose well -- Walpole.

Thus, for the next 200 years, Bellows family members were outstanding members of Walpole and of the namesake village of Rockingham township across the river -- Bellows Falls. Names from the Revolutionary period, like General Benjamin Bellows, the Colonel's son, who entered the fray as a young lieutenant, engaged in raising troops and consulting on military affairs and twice leading his battalion to reinforce troops at Fort Ticonderoga. The Reverend Henry W. Bellows, renowned pastor of All Souls' Church in New York City and founder of the US Sanitary Commission during the Civil War, still summered in Walpole. Lawyer and Probate Judge, the Honorable Josiah G. Bellows was an active community member, a founder of the Savings Bank of Walpole and lived into the Twentieth Century. Another Twentieth-Century Bellows family member, Ellen Bellows Robinson Endicott, was daughter of the Rev. Dr. Henry W. Bellows and a founder of the Walpole Historical Society.

Today's Bellows Family has planned an array of activities for their short stay in the area, with events scheduled from Bellows Falls to Grafton and White River Junction. On Friday, July 13, the family will be hosted at a reception at the Walpole Historical Society at 10 AM, with a walk up Old North Main Street to the town cemetery.

Ms. Sue Bellows has expressed the hope that her family will have an opportunity to meet their local family members while in the area. For more information, contact Susan Bellows at sbellows@peoplepc.com or Donna Drouin at www.walpolehistory.org

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The guest speaker this year is Archer Mayor, the author of the highly acclaimed, Vermont-based series featuring detective Joe Gunther, which the Chicago Tribune describes as "the best police procedurals being written in America." In 2011, Mayor's 22nd Joe Gunther novel, *Tag Man*, earned a place on the New York Times bestseller list for hardback fiction. This guy is an amazing story-teller; one of his hair-raising tales takes place just across the river in Bellows Falls.

Reservations for this event will be available starting August 1st. Contact Lewis LaClair by e-mail: Lewis.LaClair@zampell.com, or in person, or by mail at 331 North Road, Walpole, NH. The seating capacity at Town Hall is 160 and reservations for members of the *Horse Thieves* and their guests will be issued on a first come-first served basis. We expect to sell out and encourage you to get your reservations early. As you would expect for an organization that devotes itself to chasing horse thieves and other undesirables, we don't commit to a reservation until we have your money in hand! Of course we take cold, hard cash; we also take checks payable to *Walpole Horse Thieves*. Ticket prices are not yet final -- most likely in the mid-twenties per person.

Any adult male resident of Walpole is eligible to become a member of the Walpole Horse Thieves by paying the \$2 lifetime dues (yes, really - two bucks) and signing our membership book. No horse is required and we don't even require that you like horses or know anything about them. If you want to enjoy one of the highlights of the Walpole social calendar for September 2012 with the Horse Thieves banquet and hear from, and meet Archer Mayor, you gotta join the "Horse Thieves." Want to be a member? E-mail me at cblount586@gmail.com and we'll get started - painless! If you are in doubt whether your name is on the roster, e-mail me and I'll get back to you with an answer.

Don't tell, but there are a couple other changes coming with this year's banquet. Watch for more information in the Clarion as the big day approaches. And...your homework assignment for the summer: *read at least one Archer Mayor book!* I have checked with the Walpole library for you and find that all Archer Mayor books are in their inventory and, on short notice they can get additional copies from other libraries in New Hampshire.

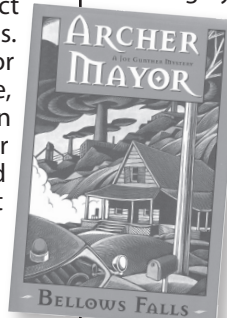
— Charley Blount

Author Archer-Mayor is the author of the highly acclaimed, Vermont-based series featuring detective Joe Gunther, which the Chicago Tribune describes as "the best police procedurals being written in America." He is also a past winner of the New England Independent Booksellers Association Award for Best Fiction—the first time a writer of crime literature has been so honored.

Mayor was variously employed as a scholarly editor, a researcher for TIME-LIFE Books, a political advance-man, a theater photographer, a newspaper writer/editor, a lab technician for Paris-Match Magazine in Paris, France, and a medical illustrator. He is a death investigator for Vermont's Office of the Chief Medical Examiner, a detective for the Windham County Sheriff's Office, and a travel writer for AAA. He also has 25 years experience as a volunteer firefighter/EMT.

Mayor's critically-acclaimed series of police novels features Lt. Joe Gunther of the Brattleboro, Vermont police department. The books, which have been appearing about once a year since 1988.

Whereas many writers base their books on only interviews and scholarly research, Mayor's novels are based on actual experience in the field. The result adds a depth, detail and veracity to his characters and their tribulations that has led the New York Times to call him "the boss man on procedures".



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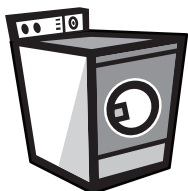


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Daylily Festival

The Walpole Artisans and Florediem Flower Farm are proud to present *Daylilies & Art – A Collaboration of Beauty*. The 10th Annual Florediem Daylily Festival occurs each year at the gardens of the Florediem Flower Farm, located at 313 Hill Road, Alstead, New Hampshire, during the peak bloom season of July. This year the festival is the weekend of July 14th and 15th, 10am-5pm.

Florediem Flower Farm is located in a picturesque valley in southern New Hampshire, close to the Connecticut River. The gardens are set among the hayfields and woodlands of an 1813 farmstead. These fabulous gardens display over 500 different varieties of daylilies in almost every color from the palest of pastels to the brightest of reds, oranges and yellows. While Florediem Farm is primarily a daylily nursery, they also provide hostas, perennials and seasonal cut flowers for bouquets and special occasions.

This year the Florediem Daylily Festival is a great opportunity to leisurely walk through these magnificent gardens while they are at their most beautiful. Have questions about color, shade vs. sun, early vs. late? No problem, there are always knowledgeable daylily growers to help you make decisions about any daylily purchases.

Pinnacleview 4-H

The Pinnacleview 4-H Club has had a busy spring. We started the year off with eight members competing in the NH state dairy quiz bowl. In the senior division, Tristain Phillips won second place overall. The junior team consisting of Maddie Beaudry, Tabitha Phillips, Chelsey Patch and Haley Christie placed first, with Maddie Beaudry placing first overall. The novice team consisting of Sage Stark, Brodie Keller and George Gowdy did a great job as well.

The group sold refreshments at the Horse Hippology Contest at the Walpole School while members of our sheep program visited various sheep farms as well as attending the Sheep and Wool Festival. In May, Tristain Phillips, Tyler

The Walpole Artisans will be showcasing their locally handmade Fine Art and Crafts at Florediem this year, available for perusal and purchase, on Saturday, July 14th, from 10AM-4PM. Tents and tables will be onsite featuring a fine selection of paintings, photography, glass, jewelry, vintage art, wearables, photography, woodworking, and more, favoring floral motifs. This is the first collaboration of The Walpole Artisans and Florediem Flower Farm, and if successful, should prove to be a popular annual event!

After you make your floral choices, relax with a picnic lunch or a glass of Florediem Farm's ice tea or lemonade, while your selections are dug for you. You are encouraged to bring a blanket and picnic and spend some time enjoying the property. You could also get some of your Holiday/Event shopping done early! Find it all at the 10th Annual Florediem Daylily Festival.

For more information on this event, please contact Darren Honey at: theidealboard@myfairpoint.net, and/or visit the Florediem Flower Farm on their website: <http://www.florediem.com>. You may also call 603-756-3020, or stop in the Cooperative for more information.

– Loribeth Robare

Woodman, Maddie Beaudry, Abigail Allen and Haley Christie traveled to Vermont to compete for a place on the NH state dairy judging team. Tristain Phillips won a spot on the team and will compete in the fall at Eastern States.

The group fulfilled a community service project requirement by planting the flowers at the Walpole Fountain and Walpole Town Hall. Hope everyone enjoys the beautiful flowers when they are in bloom.

On June 2nd, 11 members of our group marched with their heifers in Brattleboro, VT at the Strolling of the Heifers. It was a fun day but very wet! The show season is around the corner, so everyone is getting their animals ready

– Haley Christie



Hooper Institute

The Hooper Institute, Walpole is sponsoring a third week of summer programs in early July. *Nature Rambles* are for families and nature lovers of all ages. However, people under the age of 8 need to be accompanied by an adult. We will explore the environment of Walpole at a leisurely pace. Wear proper footwear. We'll meet between 9:30 and 11:30 AM on the following days.

Monday, July 2 is a hike to High Blue and the Warner Forest. The trail climbs slowly to one of the highest spots in Walpole and has a lovely view. Meet at Christian Hollow (junctions of County and Watkins Hill roads.)

Tuesday, July 3, we'll explore the mature forest, wooded swamp, marsh and open water of the Mill Pond Conservation area. We'll look for pondlife and practice tree identification. Meet at the parking area on Turnpike Road near RN Johnson.

Thursday, July 5, hike Fanny Mason Forest on a new trail under construction in this largest Town forest. We may visit a recent logging site as well. We will meet at the northbound rest area on Route 12 and drive to the new entry.

Friday, July 6 we'll meet at Boggy Meadow Farm cheese shop on river Road South. We will walk through the farm to the Connecticut River and explore the shoreline for animal tracks and other signs of life. Plan to get wet!

All programs are free of charge. (donations accepted). Call 756-4382 with questions

— Eloise Clark

Lion's Awards

Two \$500 scholarships were awarded to Fall Mountain High School graduates at the school's Awards Night May 31 by the Fall Mountain Lions Club.

The Dan Tenny Memorial Scholarship was presented to Kyle Dalke who will attend Lakes Region Community College to take the electrical systems program. He is the son of David and Cammie Dalke of Charlestown.

Kara MacDonald, daughter of William and Carla J. MacDonald of Charlestown was given the Fall Mountain Lions

Farmers Market

The Walpole Farmers Market (WFM) is held every Friday from 4 pm to 6 PM, rain or shine, on the Common. Market vendors sell farm fresh seasonal vegetables, herbs, berries, grapes, meats, eggs, milk, maple products and fiber. Vendors also offer items made from the products of local and regional farms, including artisan wine, cheese, and breads; gelato; prepared foods and baked goods; fleece, roving, yarn, and finished garments; household tools and decorations; and traditional crafts like soap, pottery, wood products, crocheted rugs, baskets and ornaments.

Two special events are scheduled for July: a *Hands on Straw* workshop on July 13 and a youth market on July 27.

At the workshop, participants can learn about different grains and the straw they become, and make a traditional harvest ornament. All ages are welcome and participants can keep the ornament they make.

At the youth market, young people sell products they grow or make with local ingredients and materials. Last year youth brought eggs, baked goods, sausages, and beef jerky. Applications for this year's youth market can be found on the "Admin" page of the market's website (walpolefarmersmarket.com/market-admin/). For more information on this market, please contact Holly Gowdy at 445-5104.

The WFM website is a good source of information about the market (walpolefarmersmarket.com). You can also follow the market on Facebook, or get more information by emailing jill@walpolefarmersmarket.com or calling 756-3168

— Jill Robinson

Scholarship. She has applied to several schools and would like to attend Champlain College. Kara has not declared a major course of study.

On June 1, the Lions ended the 2011-12 year with dinner at the Sumner House in Charlestown. The meeting to kick off the next year will be Sept. 6 at 7 PM in the Community Room at the Charlestown Library.

Lions will have a food booth at Fort 4 for the Revolutionary War Encampment on Sept. 15 and 16. Funds raised will fund the club's community projects.

Persons interested in joining Lions should contact incoming president Alan Grigsby at 542-2031.

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✎ AWARDS

Twenty-four students received awards at the River Valley Technical Center in Springfield; five received student of the year in their program area, eight received an award for exemplary attendance, and one received the Assistant Director's Award.

More than \$150,000 dollars was awarded to our students (current and graduated) this past Thursday at our Awards Night. Special thanks to all members of the community who contribute to these awards, especially Dollars for Scholars.

✎ SPORTS PHYSICALS

Physicals are required for Incoming Freshman: Most fall sports at the high school have tryouts in Mid-August. Schedule your appointments accordingly. Health forms can be obtained online on the district website under Parents High school forms are on the high school portion of the SAU 60 website under athletics.

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Did You Know That...?

Excursions into Walpole People, Places & History with Ray Boas

...Having received his grant to the lands that were to become Walpole, Colonel Benjamin Bellows moved here from Lunenburg, Massachusetts in 1753 and first built a garrison house or fort just to the north of the extant Bellows Homestead, most recently known as The Walpole Inn?

As told by the Reverend Henry W. Bellows, Pastor of All Souls Church in New York City and one of Colonel Bellows most famous descendants, in his address to the town in 1855, "It was shaped like an L, about a hundred feet long in the arms and twenty feet broad, built of logs and earth, and surrounded by an outer palisade. Although a private garrisoned house, it was yet of such importance to be named among the fortresses maintained at the public expense at Fort Dummer, Westmoreland, and Charlestown, being No. 3 in this chain of defenses." The government supplied a heavy iron gun to each fort for public protection, but Rev. Bellows was unsure if his ancestor ever drew any ammunition for Walpole's gun. In 1755 Bellows had besides his family living at the fort thirty men who were in

his employ and went to work in the fields or at the mill carrying their muskets.

In 1762 Colonel Bellows built his homestead, a large and exceedingly well built (for the times) and well furnished house, which became a center of hospitality to all travelers, strangers and public men who stopped by as well as to the large number of men he employed. Upon his death July 10, 1777, the home passed to his 15 year-old son, Thomas. Rev. Henry W. Bellows had no idea why Thomas was given the homestead instead of one of his older siblings, but assumed Thomas was the most prudent. In fact, he kept the estate intact throughout his life. Thomas, who was very active in local affairs, was to live there all his life, dying on April 18, 1848. His son, Reverend Thomas Bellows (1807-1890), retired to the homestead about 1837 having to give up his ministry due to ill health. He never married, and upon his death and after three generations and 128 years, the property left the family. In 1890 it was given to the American Board of Foreign Missions (Congregationalist in origins, the board was chartered in 1812).

In 1890 the homestead and its property were purchased by Copley Amory. A member of a prominent Boston family, Copley was born in 1866 and graduated from Harvard in 1888. He owned the homestead for 35 years operating it as a stock and dairy farm. He made many improvements to the property with additional barns and reservoirs for water and fire protection. In 1899 he erected the stone water tub which can still be seen on the road opposite the homestead, and in 1898 he introduced golf to Walpole by organizing the Homestead Golf Club which was located on what is now the Old Drewsville Road.

The 85 years following Copley's sale of the Bellows Homestead in 1925 saw a number of changes in use and land size. Mrs. Jennie Ketchum opened the Stage Coach Inn in 1926, but records show The Walpole Savings Bank owned the property by 1934. R. N. "Jack" Johnson bought the Homestead and its land in 1943, needing the sheep barns for his growing tractor business. Thus began a period of subdividing and developing different portions of the estate. One of the first divisions was the sale of the Homestead in 1944.

In 1950, Bellows Homestead was being used as a nursing home, but by the early 1960s it was again vacant. Mr. and Mrs. Edmond C. Cutler bought the homestead and opened the Homestead Inn in 1965. It operated under several ownerships until John and Peter Sheldon sold the inn to Bruce, Tom and Lucy Weber in 1998. Lucy was surprised to discover that she had distant connections to the Bellows family. The Webers made extensive renovations including changing the floor plan to eight bedrooms with ensuite bathrooms, and added the tennis court. When completed, they reopened it as The Walpole Inn. Bruce died in 2000, and the family continued to run The Walpole Inn until selling it in 2006. This past month the Bellows Homestead again was sold. Hopefully the CLARION will be the first to report its next iteration in life.



The Bellows Homestead in the mid -1880s



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In layman's terms it means that we Walpoians have recycled over 521 tons of aluminum cans, Construction & Demolition, electronics, plastics and metals, and that we achieved that awesome figure by utilizing NRRR Programs. It's a vertible mountain of recyclables that we have kept from clogging the landfills, and turned into something useful again.

To create a "Program" NRRR goes forth and finds a market for whatever product it might be. They find someone, somewhere who is making something useful out of reprocessed metal, or plastic, or whatever the materials are. For instance, the #1-Pete bottles are shipped down south where they become carpet. Think of that. You might be walking on your water bottle!

Number 2 plastics go off to Michigan to become bottles for your laundry detergent. The metal cans become cans once again up in Canada. Other metals go all the way to Turkey! Wood from the C&D becomes pellets for your wood stove. Wires from electronics are reworked for new wire duty, and so on. And NRRR pays us for that 521 tons of re-usable materials and then sells it to their markets.

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NRRR itself is a proactive, non-profit cooperative that works with it's membership of recycling groups from all across the Northeast to help make their recycling programs strong, efficient and (here's the best part) financially successful. These very "Programs" are what makes recycling in Walpole cost so little to the town.

You and I get the benefit of it's efficiency because the Town does not have to make up for it's cost by adding to out taxes.

A "Win-Win" situation if ever there was one. So keep those cans and bottles coming friends, you're doing good work!

- Carol Christian

Race Fund Raiser

The Fall Mountain cross country running and skiing teams are hosting a running race on July 7th to raise funds for their programs. The race starts at 10 AM at Fall Mt High School; registration opens at 8:30. It's a 5.8 mile running race on Fall Mountain. \$20 entry fee, fun kid race to follow, free t-shirts while they last, prizes from Orchard Hill Breadworks and post race food and raffle. For more information, go to www.wnhtrs.com.

Flea Market

The Bellows Falls Area Senior Center will hold a Flea Market and Food Sale in the Center's barn on Saturday, July 14, from 9am-2pm. Anyone wishing to donate items should contact the Center at 463-3907. All items should be clean and in working order. No clothing or TVs can be accepted.

- Patricia Noble

Pie Sales

Since the Savings Bank of Walpole started sponsoring summer band concerts on the common, the First Congregational Church has sold coffee and slices of pie. Over the years, concert goers have looked forward to dessert and coffee or iced tea, and they come back week after week for their favorites. The church will again be offering slices of pie and beverages for sale beginning a half hour before the concert begins. This year, band concerts will run from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. See you there!

Women of Walpole

The Women of Walpole will meet for their monthly meeting on June 27th at 2:00 PM. Membership is open to all women residing in the Walpole/North Walpole/Drewsville area. For more information, call 756-3160."



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— George Burns

Library Hours

Bridge Memorial Library

Monday: 1:30 - 8 PM
Tuesday: 1:30 - 6 PM
Wednesday: 10 AM - Noon; 1:30 - 6 PM
Thursday: 1:30 - 6 PM
Friday: 1:30 - 5 PM
Saturday: 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM

North Walpole Branch Library

Tuesday - Wednesday: 2 - 4 PM
Saturday: 1 - 4 PM

Walpole Worship

First Congregational Church

Reverend Craig Breisemeister

Service: Sunday, 10 AM

Grace Bible Fellowship

756-4837

Service: Sunday 9:15 AM

St. Peter's Church (North Walpole)

Pastor, Reverend Steven M. Lepine

Mass: Mon. 8:30AM; Fri. 8:30AM;

Sat. 4PM; Sun. 8:30AM

Confessions: Saturday, 3-3:45 PM

St. John's Episcopal Church

Rector, Reverend Susan de Puy Kershaw

Service: Sunday, 10 AM

Walpole Unitarian Church

Reverend Telos Whitfield

Service: Sunday 10 AM

St. John's Episcopal

Summer 2012

Sunday Schedule

Breakfast & Bible, 9 AM: Continuing with a study of the Gospel of Mark

Holy Communion, 10 AM

Sunday School is on hiatus until September. Children are welcome in the morning service.

Special Worship Services

July 15 -- "Favorite Hymns" hymn sing

July 22 -- The Rev. Sally Hague, celebrant

July 29 -- The Rev. Bruce MacDuffie, celebrant

Aug 5 -- The Rev. Bruce MacDuffie, celebrant

Mid-Week Activities

Wednesday Communion - Noon

Note: there will be no Wednesday services on July 11, 18, 25, Aug 1, and Aug 8

Wednesday "Crafternoons" -- 3:00 PM in the Parish Hall, throughout July and August

St. John's resident artists will have a variety of weekly projects for the Christmas Bazaar in November. No tools required. Please join in.

Memorial Service

A Memorial Service for Neal and Harriett Perkins, former residents of Walpole, will be held at St. John's Church on Saturday, July 7, 10:30 AM,

Genealogy

The Walpole Historical Society will sponsor another free Genealogy Workshop on Saturday July 21 2012 from 10-12 noon. Jeanne & Peter Jeffries have pursued Genealogy for over 30 years and welcome beginners as well as experienced persons. Hints regarding research sources as well as stone walls will be shared. Call for reservation at 603 756 2933. More information can be found on the Walpole Historical Society website: walpolehistory.org. There will be no workshop in August.

— Jeanne A Jeffries

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The Knights of Columbus have begun receiving donations for their yard sale which will be held on Saturday, July 21 in conjunction with the Annual Town Wide Yard Sale. If you have any items you may want to donate, you may leave them at St. Catherine Garage Saturday mornings between the hours of 8:00am - 12:00pm. If you need anything picked up or have any questions, you may contact Richard Chuda at 603-558-0702.

Bishop Peter Libasci will be leading a pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC, September 20-21, 2012. The cost is just \$495 per person which is all inclusive including airfare. For a flyer you may log onto: www.CatholicNH.org/pilgrimage.

If you are interested in joining our parish, you may contact the parish office at 603-826-3359.

Summer has officially begun – have a safe and enjoyable summer and when you have a minute, log onto our website at www.allsaintsnh.net for our bulletin, current pictures of activities and lots of information about our parish.

Walpole Seniors

The Walpole Seniors will meet for Picnic potluck lunch at noon on July 16, 2012. Bring a dish to share. Come for fun and good socialization. Bring lawn chairs.

— Jeanne A Jeffries



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Dream on!

Summer Programs for Kids at the Walpole Library

Dream on is the theme for the Walpole Library's summer children's programs, with stories, crafts, songs, activities and one visit from the animal kingdom all centered around a night-time theme.

Among the highlights: A visit from the albino python on July 26th, as part of the "Zoo at Night" program.

Saturday programs for older kids (6-11), including "Make Your Own Comic Book" and "Explore Theater Arts. Bats! invaded the library on August 2. End of summer party on August 4

Events will be held at both the Bridge Memorial Library on Main Street in Walpole on Thursday afternoons and Saturday mornings, and at the North Walpole Branch on Church Street in North Walpole on Friday mornings. All programs are free and include refreshments. Call the library at 756-9806, email us at librarydirector@walpoletownlibrary.org or stop by to sign up.

Friday, July 6th, 9-11 AM: Story/Craft at North Walpole

Saturday, July 7th, 10 AM: Make your Own Comic Book

Thursday, July 12th, 2 PM: Puppets with Lindsay

Friday, July 13th, 9-11 AM: Story/Craft at North Walpole

Wednesday, July 18th, 10:15 AM: Dover Children's Museum

Thursday, July 19th, 2 PM: Weaving Craft

Friday, July 20th, 9-11 AM: Story/Craft at North Walpole

Thursday, July 26th, 2 PM: The Zoo at Night

Friday, July 27th, 9-11 AM: Story/Craft at North Walpole

Saturday, July 28th, 10 AM: Explore Theatre Arts

Thursday, August 2nd, 2 PM: Bats!

Saturday, August 4th, 10 AM: End of Summer Party

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Sunday 7/15: Walpole at Newport, 11 AM.

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Walpole Wild Blue

For an inaugural season, the Wild Blue is doing pretty well. We're 5-4 at press time, holding third place in the nine-team Connecticut River Valley Baseball League with a team batting average of .448. Errors in the field are a rarity -- although they do seem to come in clusters when they do happen -- and we've definitely worked out pitching struggles that plagued us in early-season games. But in our first year as a team, we've learned a few things that will help in the seasons to come. And as a manager, it's been one learning episode after another.

The first lesson: Injuries WILL come.

Our first loss was the solid pitching of Dave Read. Dave strained his elbow in the early season and will likely miss most of 2012. In early June, a massive collision with a baserunner dislocated third-baseman Erik Baker's left shoulder and put him on the DL until August.

Most recently, Frank Brown (photo at right) -- co-manager, second baseman, solid starting pitcher, team curmudgeon -- also had a collision with a baserunner. The impact broke his lower left arm and did major damage to his left wrist. He's out for the year.

This should all be no surprise, really. Our average age on the Wild Blue is 35. Even those of us who have avoided the DL have aches and pains each game that we hope just go away and not end our seasons early.

Lesson #2: Solid pitching gets wins.

Early-season pitching woes have been corrected. Newfound pitching talent Chris Ballou -- normally an outfielder -- as well as the addition of Drew Davis (acquired from the Newport Polar Bears for future draft considerations and the promise of one round at the Salt Hill Pub after our 7/15 away game) have meant solid out-of-the-gate starts. Brian Pickering continues to play a relief role even though an injury has led to Pick playing first base more often.

Part-time starter Garin Clough brings the heat and strike-zone efficiency each time he makes it to the mound. Brown was the last piece of the Wild Blue's pitching puzzle before his injury weeks ago. We're in a good rotation with Ballou, Davis, Clough and Pickering.

Lesson #3: No matter your age, the dugout is still a blast.

The comradery on any sports team is most of the fun. As we've settled into our positions and roles on the Wild Blue, the games have become more fun on the bench. We support each other 100 percent, high-fiving after great hits or defensive plays, and offering support after an error or unimpressive at-bat.

Lesson #4: The Wild Blue can HIT

Walpole has eight batters in the top 25 hitters in the league...four of them are in the top 10.

Lesson #5: You're as good as your last game.

Going 5-5 with three doubles against a guy throwing 80 mph means the probability is high you'll go 0-5 with four strikeouts the next game against a guy who hurls 45 mph and hangs a curveball in your wheelhouse on every 2-strike pitch. It happens.

Lesson #6: The Walpole fanbase, sponsors and support have been tremendous.

The idea that Walpole would support a competitive hometown baseball team was on the mark. We're getting better turnout for our weekend night games. A few of

those crowds have been a lot of fun to play in front of as well (special thanks to Marcia Weil who tends to ringlead the cheering section at those games). While we didn't have much say in our first season for game day/time placement, we'll be working next year to have more in-league games on Friday or Saturday nights under the lights. Sundays at 11, we're hearing, is not the best day/time for many fans.

Keep an eye out now for "non-league" night games we've been scheduling to get more playing time under the lights.

We're told by Walpole Field administrators that we'll also have signage at some point along the road that will clue in the Walpole fanbase as to when a game has been changed, added or cancelled. Currently, we only have Facebook and posted signs around town to alert fans of these changes...it's inefficient at best.

Thanks again to our awesome Walpole Wild Blue sponsors: Pinnacleview Equipment, E.E. Houghton Co., Jancewicz & Son, Savings Bank of Walpole and Murray's Restaurant. Some recent generous anonymous donations have also helped with mid-season expenses. The Wild Blue is thankful for all.

— Gary Dennis





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Walpole Artisans

The Walpole Artisans are proud to welcome John C. Traynor as the Featured Artist for July/August. Traynor's work is enjoyed in over one thousand private and public collections in the United States and abroad.

There will be an Artist Reception on Friday, July 27th from 5:00-7:00PM at the Walpole Artisans Cooperative on 52 Main Street in Walpole, NH. Please come meet the artist, view his current work, and enjoy refreshments. His work will remain at the gallery through August 19th, 2012.

John has received more than two hundred awards of merit for his art, including the Salmagundi Club Medal of Honor and Merit, the Grumbacher Gold Medal, the Robb Sagendorph award, and the Frank Dumond Memorial Award for best light and atmospheric effect in a painting. His works of art range from 2- by 3-inch miniatures to 40- by 50-foot murals. Painting outdoors on location is a primary source of inspiration for Traynor's landscapes. Smaller paintings are finished indoors, or used as studies for larger works painted in his studio. Portraits are painted on a commissioned basis in his studio or the home of the person or persons to be portrayed.

Traynor was born and raised in western New Jersey. He had an interest in painting at an early age. After graduating early from Delbarton High School, he pursued formal arts training at Paier College of Art

in New Haven, Connecticut, and figure painting with Frank Mason at the Art Students League of New York. It was at the League that he began pursuing his career as a professional artist. Traynor continued to study landscape painting in Vermont with Mr. Mason, drawing with Carroll N. Jones Jr. of Stowe, Vermont, and sculpture for one year with Brother Jerome Cox in Florence, Italy. John approaches all his paintings in the same way. With each he is trying to create a sense of light, space and atmosphere.

"Being an artist means that everything I look at is analyzed by form, color, and tone. I love the randomness and spontaneity of nature; I appreciate the structure of architecture and the beauty of good design. When I paint I am relating what I see, what I'm appreciating, regardless of whether I'm painting a landscape, a still life or a portrait. I want to share what I see with the viewer, the spontaneity, the structure and the beauty of what is all around us."

For more information, please call 603-756-3020, or visit the Cooperative. Find locally handmade Fine Art and Crafts six days a week at the Walpole Artisans Cooperative at 52 Main Street, in Walpole. Hours of Operation -- Tues: 11AM-2:30PM, Wed-Sat: 10AM-5PM; Sun 11AM-4PM. Find and Like us on Facebook; also on the web at www.walpoleartisans.org, and our blog at <http://thewalpoleartisans.blogspot.com/>

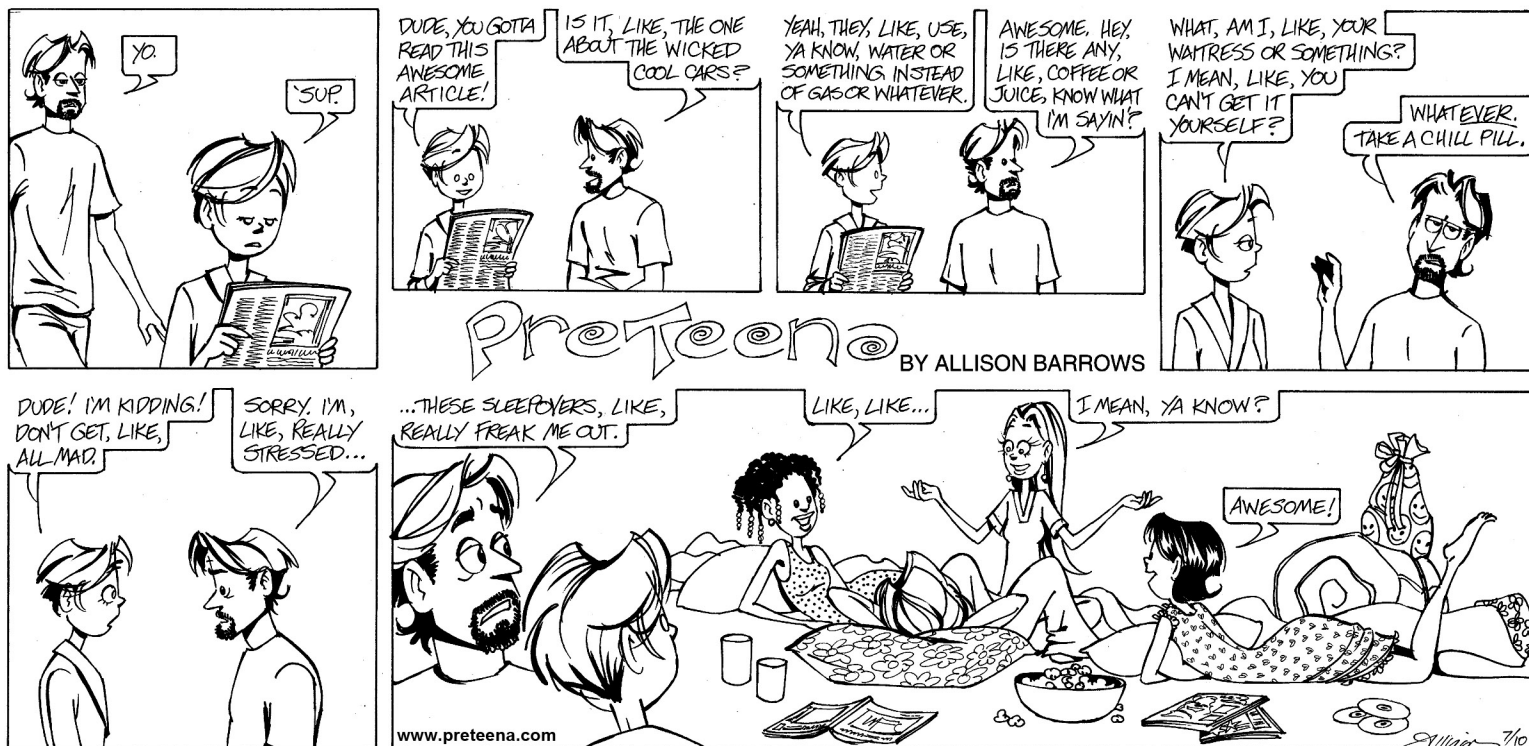
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The Committee voted unanimously to present the following recommendations to the Trustees of the Hooper Trust:

1. That "the land occupied by the Hooper Golf Course should be subdivided to set off the area around the cottage in accordance with the zoning regulations of the Town of Walpole..."
2. That "the land occupied by the Hooper Golf Course should be subdivided to set off the land occupied by the Hooper mansion, the barn currently used for storage and other related out buildings..."
3. That "the Hooper Trust will bear the cost of the survey."
4. That "the Hooper property appraisals, now several years old, should be updated after the completion of the recommended survey."
5. That "the land surrounding the Golf Course should be timbered..." and "(A)ny monies from timbering ...[be] ... paid to the [Hooper] Trust..."

Peggy Pschirrer, the Chair of the Committee, also announced that she and Charlie Lennon, another member of the committee, would be meeting with two attorneys from the Walpole Foundation to discuss the Foundation's possible interest in purchasing the Hooper buildings.

— Rob Kasper



Commentary & Letters

Hello,

I believe I have missed this month's deadline but would like you to still know my thoughts and perhaps you will add a note in your next print.

I invited five people to join me to try out "Bogey's Grille" at the Hooper Golf course. We made dinner reservations Memorial weekend. We enjoyed a delightful meal on the porch (No rain!). The manager gave us a tour and we were all delighted, planning to use the Hooper for future guests.

Diane is a wonderful hostess and we all left knowing we will be returning soon. I plan to gather more friends to meet me on the Porch and I hope this note will entice others to visit. Special note...none of us play Golf!!

While I am here visiting with you I would like to ask a favor. I am a horse back rider, friends and I may be seen on the roads in Walpole on our horses. We would appreciate it if people would slow down (motor vehicles and bikes) and drive cautiously when you see us.

Thank you for your periodical...I am enjoying it.

– Gayle Beaudoin

Welcome Home

Lauren Campbell, daughter of Doug and grand-daughter of Pat and Hap Campbell, has completed her tour of duty with the U.S. Air Force Black Hawk Helicopter 20th Expeditionary Squadron in Afghanistan. She recently presented her grand-parents with a U.S. flag that flew over Afghanistan while she was there along with a certificate and pictures of her crew. Lauren is an aerial gunner and studying for her Masters Degree at the University of Central Florida. Alyse Campbell (daughter of Greg, and grand-daughter of Pat and Hap) recently received her Masters Degree in Social Work from the University of Maryland.

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Cruise Night

The Real Twist Ice Cream stand in Walpole, will hold its next Classic Car Cruise Night, weather permitting, on Sunday, July 15th, from 6-9PM. Here's a chance for the whole family to enjoy a Sunday evening looking at old and antique cars, while enjoying delicious soft serve ice cream. There will be live music by DocVinnie Dibernardo (on-call permitting). Anyone who brings his classic car to show will get a free regular sized sundae. Everyone visiting can get free jimmies, diptop or flavorburst with any cup or cone. Make sure to enter the drawing for free ice cream or DVD's!

The Real Twist is located next to Real to Reel Video at the North Meadow Plaza in Walpole. It is open noon – 9PM, seven days a week. Enjoy your ice cream outside, in the lovely garden, or under the porch.

Future 2012 Season Cruise Nights are scheduled for August 12th and September 2nd. See you there!

– Gale Davis



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- Alyse Campbell, Masters in Social Work U of Maryland - May
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Springfield Community Band

July 8

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July 15

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July 22

East Bay Jazz Ensemble

July 29

The Temple Band

August 5

Brattleboro American Legion Band

August 12

Montague Community Band

August 19

The Jazz Express

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