

The WALPOLE Clarion

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A 19th Century Life Imagined

Period costumes come alive in a Walpole Historical Society exhibit this month. The Walpole Historical Society opens their new season on June 2, by unveiling a totally new exhibit this month. Subtitled, *From the Day She Was Born*, the exhibit welcomes visitors to the Society's second floor gallery and tells the story of life for a fictional Nineteenth-Century woman in Walpole, Abigail Maude Simmons Jennings. Through her imagined life, visitors can catch a glimpse of that vanished era as Abigail passes through the milestones of a woman's life. Numerous tableaus display examples of generous donations by Walpole families to illustrate Abigail's experiences.

The exhibit's imaginary heroine was born and christened in 1830 by the minister of the Church on the Hill, Pliny Dickinson. Her lovely christening gown shows the style of the era. The scene changes and Abigail is in a small child's dress. After her wedding to Charles, head of the Indian Head bank in Walpole, Abigail is adorned in a shimmering teal going away dress.

A committee led by Paula Schwenk conceived the story as they chose from the 2510 catalogued items in the museum's extensive costume holdings. These costumes have been reviewed by local and national antique clothing expert, Karen Augusta, for authenticity and dating with correlation to family lore. Choosing a sample was a difficult task for the committee: Peg Dion, Chris Burchstead, Christy Winmill, Andrea Goins, Carole Cramer and Donna Drouin, President of the Society. In order to facilitate the process they created the stories of the mythical woman's life and selected pieces from the costume collection to tell the story. They were inspired by the portrait of a real woman, Pearl Hawley Bragg, of a Walpole family.

In a beautiful black dress covered with red strawberries, Abigail is prepared to



serve tea on Valentines Day. On the table is a gift from her dear husband, a tradition he followed for 25 years. In some of the scenes, samples of men's elegant clothing are visible. Because people were shorter and smaller waisted during the 1800's, modern mannequins are difficult to dress. Men's pants must have worn out, since few are in the current collection. Throughout the era, men's fashions did not change as frequently as women's, "They just changed the tie" said Karen Augusta. When the museum displayed the wedding dresses, Augusta invited a museum official from California to see the exhibit. He said "we should number and catalogue our items as you have". Labels at each scene explain time and materials.

A somber living room scene shows a male visitor at the time of Charles' death, widow Abigail and the laying out board by which Charles was moved from the home to the hearse which would carry him to his grave with the family walking behind. (The Walpole hearse is in preparation for future display.)

Your Father's Moustache

Your Father's Mustache, a film team from Walpole, took top honors at The First Annual NO FILM FILM FESTIVAL in Bellows Falls on April 28th. Produced by FACT-TV (Falls Area Community Television) and created by Joe Eisenberg of Alstead, a volunteer at the television station, the competition began taking shape last fall when the world-wide competition beginning on April 6th was announced.

The competition would give filmmakers one week to spoof one of eight classic American films with their own 15 minute maximum, re-imagined creation. Entrants would be provided with the film premise and genre to utilize for their spoof. The classic films included: Psycho; It's a Wonderful Life; Wizard of Oz; Citizen Kane; Close Encounters; Archer Mayor's Tag Man, The Truman Show; and, Weekend at Bernie's.

Their spoof script, however, was to be done in a different genre including: comedy, mystery, action, sci-fi, horror, musical, fantasy, action, and others. Twenty-four entrants from 9 states and Australia had their films screened on Vermont's largest movie screen in the Bellows Falls Opera House on April 28th before an enthusiastic audience.

Gail Golec of Walpole, an active member of The Walpole Players, recently expanded her interests into learning film making, and had her team ready for the competition. Recounting the experience, Gail told us, "we received the premise and the subplot on Friday April 6th." Their assignment was to re-imagine Tag Man as a sci-fi. Joining her was Bob Alden who assisted Gail in writing the script, and Alex Stradling who also filmed and edited. Gail produced and directed the cast which included Fran Kemp, Sarah Manning, Carolyn Norback, and Ben Northcott (Gail's husband). Bob and Gail also appeared in the film as dead bodies.

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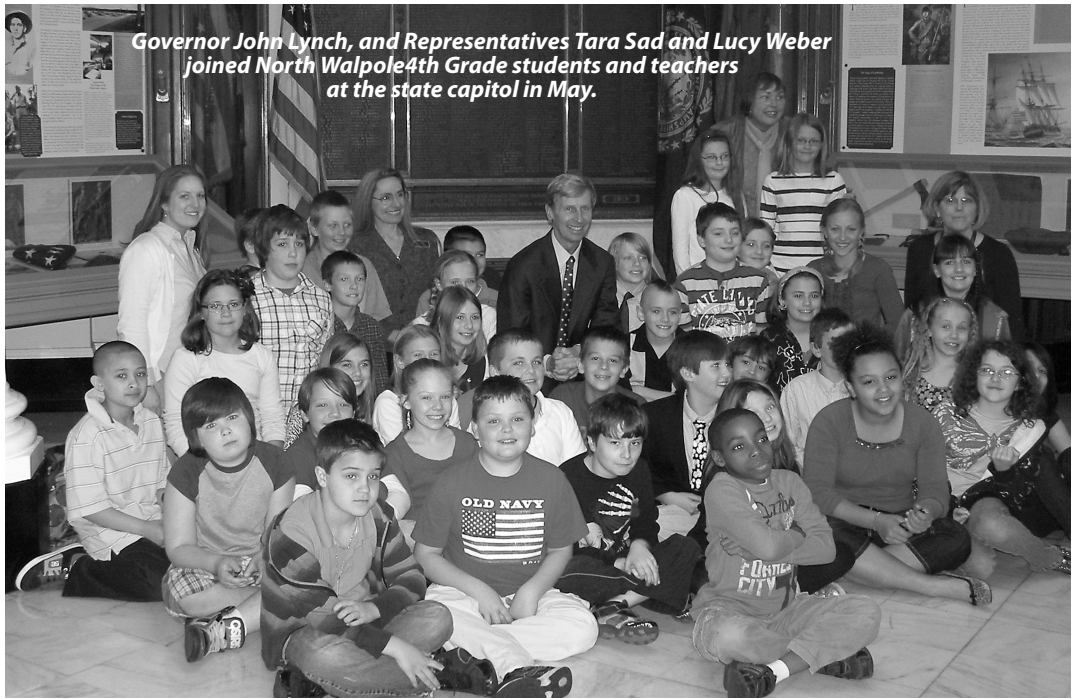
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Governor John Lynch, and Representatives Tara Sad and Lucy Weber joined North Walpole 4th Grade students and teachers at the state capitol in May.



THIS MONTH SEES THE BEGINNING OF WHAT WE HOPE WILL BE REGULAR SUBMISSIONS FROM OUR STATE REPRESENTATIVES. THE INAUGURAL ARTICLE COINCIDES WITH A RECENT FIELD TRIP TO CONCORD BY THE 4TH GRADE CLASSES FROM NORTH WALPOLE SCHOOL.

Notes from Concord

I am delighted to offer the first in a new series of articles from your state representatives about the happenings in our state capitol. Lucy Weber, Anne Cartwright and I will be submitting these monthly articles about the goings on in Concord, and we hope you will find these articles informative, interesting, and even at times entertaining.

Since I'm writing first, I am able to choose to write about what I enjoy doing most in the entire legislative year, the thing that I find most rewarding and most fun – accompanying the 4th Graders on their tour of the Statehouse!

This year, as in most of the six years that Rep. Lucy Weber and I have been in office, we had the pleasure of visiting the North Walpole School, where we met with the 4th graders a few days before their trip to the state capitol to discuss state government, our responsibilities as state representatives, and what they can expect to see when they come to visit Concord.

On Tuesday, May 1st this year, Lucy and I were in the Hall of Flags to greet the children upon their arrival. The day was rainy and gray, but you couldn't tell it by the sunny smiles on the faces of the kids. The guide (one of two outstanding guides on staff at the Statehouse) conducted the children on a tour of the country's oldest state capitol in which the legislature meets in its original chambers

(1819). They were able to sit in the seats in Representatives Hall and 'vote' on a bill. They were able to sit in the Senate Chamber and see the desk on which every presidential candidate since the early 1800s has signed his name to run for office. As a special treat, Governor John Lynch dropped by to meet the kids, shake their hands and have his picture taken with them. And, to top it all off, they got to welcome back to work State Trooper Scott Frye, the Governor's bodyguard who heroically saved a traffic accident victim from a burning vehicle just days before. The news cameras were there as well, so our Walpole 4th Graders were featured on that evening's Channel 9 News!

The kids, teachers and chaperones were just wonderful. Lucy and I feel honored to have been invited to participate in their Concord experience.

– Tara Sad

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Theatre Camp

There are still a few openings left in The Walpole Players' Third Annual Theatre Camp being held the weeks of July 9th and 16th. Grades 1-4 (completed 1st grade) will meet in the mornings of the first week only, and Grades 5-8 will meet the afternoons of both weeks.

During the first week both groups of campers will be introduced to movement using both body and voice – key essentials to the craft. This will be followed by improvisation exercises helping them to develop their wits in order to "play." Next they will be instructed in character study and acting and given a very basic introduction to the technical aspects of theater including lighting, costuming, make-up, scenery, etc.

On the final day of the first week the combined sessions will demonstrate to parents and friends what they have learned. The older campers will return the second week to work on an original play using what they have learned and then rehearse for its presentation on the last day. Last year an audience of over 50 attended the performance.

The camp, for which there is no charge, has been developed and is run by Jim Skofield and Carolyn Norback. The Walpole Players are pleased that so many area youths have participated in the past and then joined us in other ways including the annual production of *A Christmas Carol*. For more information, or to make a reservation, email Carolyn Norback at cnorback@antioch.edu or call 756-9077.



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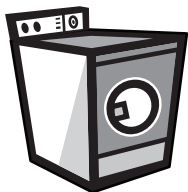


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"Due to people's schedules, we decided to try to get the filming done that first weekend and then we'd have the rest of the week to do the editing and get any shots we missed." She said that Friday night they "worked out the basic framework of the story, then Bob and I stayed up and wrote until about 3:30 am and finished the script. We met Saturday

morning with the actors at Costume Ladies, distributed the script and got them costumes and props. We met again later in the day to run lines, and to block the actors and the camera at the two locations. Then we got started early Sunday and filmed all day. During the week, Alex began editing what we had. Thursday we met again and filmed the opening sequence with the actors at the FACT-TV studio in front of a green screen. Alex finished up the edits and we submitted the thing down to the wire on Friday!"

About the writing and filming, Gail said, "We had a lot of fun with the idea of bringing in aliens who know nothing of human life and culture, and then base their perception on the first thing they see on TV - an episode of "Jersey Shore." They then assume identities a la the people on that show and base their new "human" life on that. They get confused when their computer sends them to Newark, VT instead of Newark, NJ, and stumble on a crime in the woods. They have no concept of the crime they are seeing and only focus in on the shoes the serial killer has accumulated and displayed, stepping over a dead body to get to them. They don't realize they should be scared of this ax murderer and again, focus in on his footwear. He proves to be no match for the two Jersey ladies who have their eyes on those shoes!"

"Jersey Girls From Space" won three of the ten awards at the No Film Film Festival including Best Acting, the Audience Choice award, and Best Picture. Gail has many more film ideas in the works, but in the meanwhile go to www.youtube.com and search for "Jersey Girls from Space." You'll be rewarded with ten minutes of laughter when two aliens who travel to earth to learn the culture of the human race unexpectedly land in the wrong place at the wrong time.



*Warming up during
a break in filming
are aliens
Carolyn Norback
and Sarah Manning
with Bob Alden and
Ben Northcott.*

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Amber Taylor,
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Alyson Trombley,
Brendon Tuttle,
Walker Vose,
Jasmine Webster,
Mitchell Zehr.

Roots on the River

With the lineup all set and excitement rising, Vermont Festivals LLC has announced Greater Rock Fitness will sponsor this year's children's tent at the 13th annual Roots on the River Music Festival

The festival will be held June 7 through 10, featuring four days of concerts and activities throughout the community. Begin with headliners The Fred Eaglesmith Traveling Steam Show, add concert favorites such as Hayes Carll and Mary Gauthier, and mix it all up with lots of regional and local talent, and you have a recipe for a much-anticipated weekend of great music and fun.

The children's tent has been a favorite attraction of the festival for several years. Under the experienced leadership of Lauren Freedman Whittlesey, and the sponsorship this year of Greater Rock Fitness, the Saturday tent will include activities all day for children, as well as healthy snacks.

This year's theme is the carnival games, Whittlesey said. Whether playing games, listening to a story, or making their own festival t-shirts, the kids have a great time, as do the adult and teen supervisors "We were delighted to sponsor the kids' tent at this festival," Marty Gallagher, manager at Greater Rock Fitness said. "It is a natural extension of the work we've been doing this year in the schools, encouraging children to exercise and eat healthy snacks."

Located at the Health Center at Bellows Falls, Greater Rock Fitness is a non-profit, community fitness center that serves the people of the Connecticut River Valley.

33 Bridge Street will once again be the kick-off venue for the festival. The Regional Artists Showcase this year will feature Mark Mandeville and Rianne Richards, Vermonters Bow Thayer and Perfect Train Wreck, and a favorite from last year, Waylon Speed who promises to shake the very foundations of the old brick factory walls.

The first of Friday's nine sets throughout town will be presented by Tall Heights. Come down to "The Square" to

catch their act, then wander around and catch Michael Hertz, an old friend of the festival playing vocal and instrumental favorites.

On Popolo's Restaurant deck behind the Hotel Windham, catch The Break Maids and a lively, foot tapping set. Wrapping up the open-air shows downstreet is Dan Weber from Portland, Oregon.

The Bellows Farmers' Market is not only the scene of two more Friday sets, but also the non-profit partner for the festival. "Tropical Storm Irene devastated many Vermont farms, but our farmers are a resilient bunch and we are showing our thanks by highlighting the Market this year," Ray Massucco, Vermont Festivals producer, said.

Other open-air shows include festival veteran, Phil Bosley, who will offer his own material this year, and The Crunchy Western Boys.

Moving to the "Big Tent" at the Everyday Inn, Friday evening's performances include Brock Zeman, along with Blackie and the Rodeo Kings, and Danielle Miraglia. The Big Tent show on Saturday includes eight sets of some remarkable acts, many festival favorites. Hot Mustard, Roger Marin Band (his 13th appearance at Roots) and Barnstar!, making a rare appearance, Melissa Ferrick, and Steel Wheels will set the afternoon off to a good start. Red Molly returns to the festival this year, as will the ever-popular Hayes Carll.

All this leads up to The Fred Eaglesmith Travelling Steam Show taking the stage with music and stories that draw fans from around the world.

Sunday features the popular all-acoustic concert at the Rockingham Meeting House. Opening for Eaglesmith will be Mary Gauthier, a favorite of this venue. And this year, a new feature has been added following the traditional hockey game, a "Farmers' Rock" farewell ball at Harlow Farmstand (included in the deluxe ticket holders package, but open to all for the regular Farmers Rock admission) merchant bingo, and end-of-show announcements.

"Every year the goal is to put together four days of music we think will excite our fans – whether they are veterans of Roots or first timers who want to come see and hear what all the buzz is about," Massucco said. "This year promises to be the best ever."

For more information about the festival, please go to the website: <http://vermontfestivalsllc.com/> or call 802-463-9595.

– Dot Reda

Walpole Schools

HEALTHY SCHOOL LUNCHES

National School Lunch guidelines will be even healthier next school year. The guidelines are expected to limit the total number of calories in an individual meal and require milk be low in fat. Flavored milks will have to be nonfat. Fall Mountain Regional School District has already been improving meals.

Our Food Service Director, Kim Burton, has been well aware of these guidelines since the child nutrition bill was signed by President Obama in 2010. The 2010 law, for the first time, will extend nutrition standards to other foods sold in schools that aren't subsidized by the federal government, including "a la carte" foods on the lunch line, snacks in vending machines, school parties, and fundraisers. The law goes into effect this summer.

SPORTS PHYSICALS

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YEAR-END EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

It's a busy final month for the Walpole schools. June 1 & 2: 8th Grade White Water Rafting trip in Maine; June 4: Grades K-4 Spring Folk Concert, 6:30 PM elementary gym (*Students need to be there by 6:15 PM. All grade K-1 students should dress nice for the concert. Grade 2-4 students should wear black and white*); June 5: Grades 5-8 Spring Concert, 6:30 PM elementary gym; June 6: All School Field Day...Airband, 1:15 PM in the gym; June 7 & 8: Grade 6 Connecticut River Canoe Trip; June 8: 8th Grade Graduation 6:30 PM at the primary school ball field (weather permitting) reception following... the 8th grade party will be held at the Walpole fire station following the reception; June 11: Kindergarten Graduation 10:00AM at elementary school gym... Last day of school dismissal: 11:45 AM, North Walpole; 12 NOON, primary & elementary.

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There were three periods of land grants in New Hampshire, starting with the earliest settlements from the 1630s to the mid-1700s. The next period began under the Wentworth governors in 1741, when NH was no longer under Massachusetts' administration, and continued until 1775, when the Revolutionary period began. The period of greatest growth in the New Hampshire province was under Governor Benning Wentworth from 1741-1766, who was followed by his nephew, John, from 1766-1775. Jointly they were responsible for at least 152 charters establishing new towns in New Hampshire (over half of New Hampshire's towns) and another 128 in Vermont, which at the time was part of New Hampshire.

The Wentworths were related not only to other prominent American colonial families, but also to the English aristocracy, and the new towns were given names from the family. Towns were also often named to honor to influential family connections and leaders. For example, Cheshire County was probably named for the estate of Sir George Wentworth, in Cheshire County, England.

The new towns were developed in various ways. The proprietary system of charters was a method to rapidly stimulate growth in a new area. A proprietor obtained a grant to a tract of land with the right to distribute the land and develop and govern the new town under the provisions of the charter. Often one individual bought a sizeable portion of a grant taking full responsibility for fulfilling the charter's conditions. Colonel Benjamin Bellows, as a Massachusetts surveyor, was appointed in 1745 to assist in settling the boundary line dispute between that state and New Hampshire. Benning Wentworth met and became impressed with Bellows, seeing him as a man having the qualities needed to settle a new territory. He sought to persuade him to settle in New Hampshire, offering Bellows his choice of unappropriated lands on the Connecticut River.

The French and Indian War delayed the decision. Bellows thought another township (now Claremont) with its superior water-power to be the best choice, but since it was north of Fort No. 4 its location was still too vulnerable to Indian attacks. Bellows then decided on the township designated No. 3 and he, Theodore Atkinson, Col. Josiah Blanchard and 67 additional grantees purchased the township with Governor Wentworth signing their charter on February 13, 1752. It was Bellows who took the lead in settling



here moving his family from Lunenburg, Massachusetts. This area on both sides of the river had long been known as Bellowstown, but east of the river was now named Walpole in the Charter.

Nine years later the conditions of the charter had yet to be met. It was recorded that "the grantees having represented that, by reason of Indian wars, it has become impracticable to comply with the conditions of the grant." They were granted a year to year extension until the conditions of the charter were fulfilled. This second document, dated March 12, 1761, confirmed the legality of Walpole and its land titles.

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Dodie Ransome and some of her friends have been spending an hour or two per month at the Recycle Center keeping the flowers healthy and growing. One of the "regulars" will be gone this summer and Dodie will need some help. Please give her a call at 756-3131 to see when you might be able to help.

Likewise, can you find time for a two-hour shift on a Tuesday, Thursday or Saturday, once per month? That sort of payback to our town is painless (and fun). Call our volunteer coordinator, Maggie Kyle, at 445-2323, or Paul Colburn at the Recycling Center (445-5197 any Tues, Thurs, Sat) to learn what is needed and where you can best help your town.

Or, just come by the Recycle and Reuse Center some Tuesday, Thursday or Saturday and speak with Paul.

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– Charles Blount

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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

Sunday events:

Breakfast & Bible study - 9 AM

Children's Class - 10 AM

Holy Communion, Sunday, 10 AM.
Children join the service in time to participate in Communion.

Fellowship - 11:30 AM

Weekly events:

Mid-week Communion service:
Wednesdays, Noon

June Potluck Dinner:

Friday, June 8, 6 PM. Everyone is invited to this daily friendly event. Bring a dish to share (entree, salad, or dessert).

Genealogy

The Walpole Historical Society will sponsor another free Genealogy Workshop on Saturday June 9, 2012 from 10 AM-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.

- Jeanne

A Jeffries

Walpole Seniors

The Walpole Seniors will meet for potluck lunch at the Congregational Church on the Walpole Common at noon on June 18, 2012. Steven Dalessio will talk about railroads. Bring a dish to share. All Walpole Seniors are welcome. Come for fun and good socialization.

All Saints Parish

All Saints Parish: St. Catherine of Siena Church, Charlestown; St. Peter Church, North Walpole. Pastor: Rev. Steven M. Lepine

A reminder that the Knights of Columbus Council #6938 will be holding their annual Richard Beauregard Memorial Golf Tournament on Sunday, June 3rd at Crown Point Country Club in Springfield, Vermont. For more information, contact Paul Judd at (603) 542-4897.

The Little Flowers Girls Club crowned Our Lady's Statue on the lawn of St. Catherine of Siena Church on Mother's Day, May 13. As Catholics, we don't adore Mary - we give honor to her as she is the Mother of God and the Mother of all of God's children.

As this goes to print we will be celebrating the Feast of Pentecost (Sunday May 27 - rightly called the "the birthday of the church." Pentecost is our rebirth into new life as those re-created in the Spirit. It is our celebration of being God's redeemed people who now share in the mission of the divine Son. It also brings a climax to the great season of Easter. As we go forth renewed in spirit may we as God's children, bear the fruit that will last and renew the face of the earth.

Enjoy this beautiful New England weather 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.

- Juanita Sweet

Women of Walpole

The Women of Walpole will meet on June 27th for their summer luncheon meeting. Meetings take place monthly and are held on a rotating basis at the homes of its members. Membership is open to any woman residing in the Walpole/North Walpole/Drewsville area. Call 756-3160 for more information on becoming a member.



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- Your vision of your retirement lifestyle — What do you want to do during your retirement years? Spend more time with your family? Volunteer? Open your own business? Your expectations of your retirement lifestyle will dictate, to a large extent, your savings and investment strategies.

- Your expenses: Once you've established a vision for your retirement lifestyle, you can begin to estimate the expenses you expect to incur during your retirement years.

- Your income: You can expect to receive income from a variety of sources: Social Security, pensions, part-time employment and investments, such as your IRA, 401(k) and any taxable investment accounts you may have. You'll need to estimate about how much income all these sources could provide.

- Your withdrawal rate: If your investments are going to provide a significant part of your retirement income, you need to carefully manage annual

withdrawals from your portfolio. Your withdrawal rate is key in helping to ensure your portfolio provides for your needs as long as you need it.

- Your portfolio reliance rate: Related to your portfolio withdrawal rate is your portfolio reliance rate — how much you rely on your portfolio to provide income. For instance, if you will need \$50,000 per year in retirement, and \$30,000 will come from your portfolio, your reliance rate will be 60% (\$30,000 divided by \$50,000). Your reliance rate will help determine how sensitive your strategy might be to outside events, such as market fluctuations.

While you need to be familiar with these expected elements of your retirement, you also must be prepared for the unexpected aspects, such as these:

- Living longer than you expect: How long you can expect to live is somewhat of a mystery. If you were to live longer than you anticipate, would you be financially prepared? To help make sure your money lasts throughout your lifetime, you may need to consider investments that can provide you with a lifetime income stream. And your longevity will obviously also affect your annual portfolio withdrawal rate.

- Inflation: At an average inflation rate of three percent, your cost of living will double in about 24 years. That's why, even in retirement, you will need some growth-oriented investments, such as

quality stocks to ensure you can maintain your desired retirement lifestyle. But if the unexpected happens, and inflation takes off at a much higher than average level, you may need to consider a greater amount of investments that offer the potential for rising income.

- Health care: Even after you're on Medicare, which won't cover everything, you need to prepare for the unexpected, such as a lengthy illness or the need for some type of long-term care. You may also wish to "self-insure" to a certain extent by setting aside funds in a liquid, stable account.

- By positioning your investment portfolio for both the expected and the unexpected, you can go a long way toward enjoying the retirement lifestyle you seek. So plan ahead, and make the necessary adjustments as time goes by.

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Youth in Bloom

Saturday evening, May 26th, the Walpole Common was a swirl of color with beves of beauties and masses of masculine élan. The occasion was the 2012 Fall Mountain Regional High School prom; and the weather couldn't have been better. Parents, relatives and friends all turned out to watch and photograph the arrival of the junior and senior students. Some were chauffeured to the Town Hall in stretch limousines while some arrived on foot, but all were dressed to the nines and beaming with excitement.

In keeping with this year's theme, *Nautical Nights*, both floors of the Town Hall were gorgeously decorated to resemble areas on a cruise ship. The "casino" was downstairs, with murals depicting various games of chance, scattered tables offering seating to enjoy refreshments, and a set within which to have formal photographs taken. Decorations upstairs were dominated by a large mural of the ship and supplemented by scenes from other parts of the vessel. Principal Tom Ronning exchanged his usual tuxedo for a Captain's dress uniform, and was ably assisted by school staff who all turned out in "crew" attire.

The prom has been held at the Walpole Town Hall for the past several years and although suggestions have occasionally

Color photos of the prom
 can be viewed in the online
 version of the Clarion at
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Bits & Bridles 4H

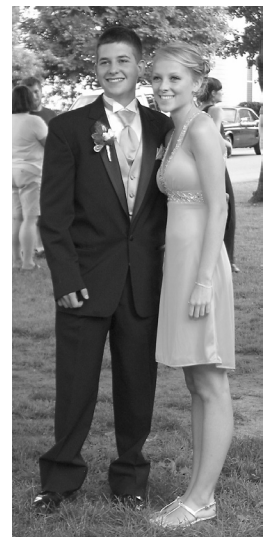
4-H members from the Bits and Bridles 4-H Club recently spent their afternoon cleaning the grounds of the Hooper Institute in Walpole. The members worked with volunteers Rebecca Sethi, Marcie Dunbar, and Jackie Caserta. They weeded, raked, and cleaned up stone walls and flower beds. They also planted flowers and plants that were donated by Rebecca Sethi and Jackie Caserta. Eloise Clark, director of the Hooper Institute, and Chair of the UNH Cooperative Extension Council in Cheshire County, was impressed by the great job that these members did.

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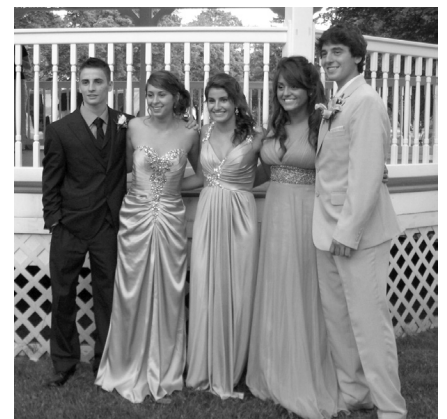
For more information on the 4-H Program in Cheshire County contact Andrea Sawyer, Extension Educator, 4-H at 352-4550.

— Diane Dugray



been made to cut costs by having it at the high school gym, one would be hard-pressed to find a spectator who supports the idea. Not only friends and loved ones come to watch the panoply on the Common; many people who live in or near the village come down specifically to see the young people looking so attractive. Many commented that they very much enjoyed seeing today's youth looking so wholesome, fresh and appealing. The gazebo seldom hosts a more striking assemblage.

— Barbara Kasper



Wild Blue Hits Stride

With most of May in the books, the Walpole Wild Blue has clearly worked out start-up, early-season bugs and started stitching together solid offense and seamless defense for a few Ws in the 2012 season. As of the Clarion's press time, the Wild Blue is 3-3 with the next in-league game at the Claremont Cardinals on June 3.

Hitting hasn't been a problem from the get-go. Solid power batting by catcher Adam Kobeski and pitcher/left-fielder Chris Ballou has been supported by high-average batters like outfielder/infielder Blake Gowen, shortstop Gary Dennis, rightfielder Doug Palmer, second baseman/pitcher Frank Brown, center-fielder Mike Snide and pitcher Brian Pickering. Pickering, in fact, is leading the league in batting average, sporting an impressive .833 in 15 at-bats as of late May.



"When Pick gets up to bat, the whole dugout is glued because he's one of the older guys on the team and has been pretty much a sure bet to get on base," Dennis said.

Pitching, in general, was troublesome in the early games. By Connecticut River Valley Baseball League (CRVBL) rules, pitchers needs to be at least 30 years old. And finding good, consistent pitching in that age group in a one-town area is rough to say the least.

The Wild Blue has Brown, who is good to go six or seven innings and the occasional nine, throwing solid fastballs and "junk" with great strike-zone consistency. Pickering has had some arm/shoulder issues and not been available as much as originally hoped. Part-time hurler Garin Clough -- who helped pitch Walpole to a first victory this year over Putney -- has limited availability. Chris Ballou, the team's starting left-fielder with a booming arm, gave a go at pitching earlier in the season and has now earned a starting spot with two wins under his belt and an ERA of 1.8. So the pitching is coming around.

The bats have been the crowd-

pleasers from the season opener. Ballou and Palmer have gone yard three times thus far -- including a Ballou grand slam against Putney. Kobeski, Dennis, Gowen Kohler and Snide have put a few doubles up -- Kobeski with five on his own.

The addition of Matt Beam at first base has also brought with it some solid hitting -- Beam is hitting .500 with 10 at-bats thus far. Brown, co-manager with Dennis and the player with the deepest baseball roots on the team, is slugging .455 with one of the highest on-base percentages on the team. The team's average through May is .461.

"This team has what it takes to go all the way," Dennis said. "Our fielding is solid. The batting speaks for itself...62 runs in six games. And we're getting a rhythm going with our pitching."

Walpole's June in-league games are mostly away: June 3rd at Claremont is at the home field at 5 PM; June 17th at Saxtons River, June 24th at Putney and June 30th at Ludlow. But a slate of late-scheduled home non-league games -- Dennis said most will be set for Friday and Saturday nights -- is forthcoming in June and July. "For June at least, we're going to try to get a few Friday or Saturday night games in non-league," he said. The weekend night games seem to be what Walpole baseball fans want the most.

Schedule additions will be made through posting bills around town and Facebook updates. As well, an updated schedule is always online at <http://www.e-leaguemanager.com/CRVBL/>. Go to "Teams" on left menu, down to "Walpole Wild Blue," then "Team Schedule" on left.

May results: Walpole Wild Blue @ Chester Crush, 6-1 Loss; Newport Polar Bears @ Walpole Wild Blue, 11-2 Win; Brattleboro River Rats @ Walpole Wild Blue, 16-6 Win; Fall Mountain Varsity @ Walpole Wild Blue (non-league exhibition), 9-7 Loss.

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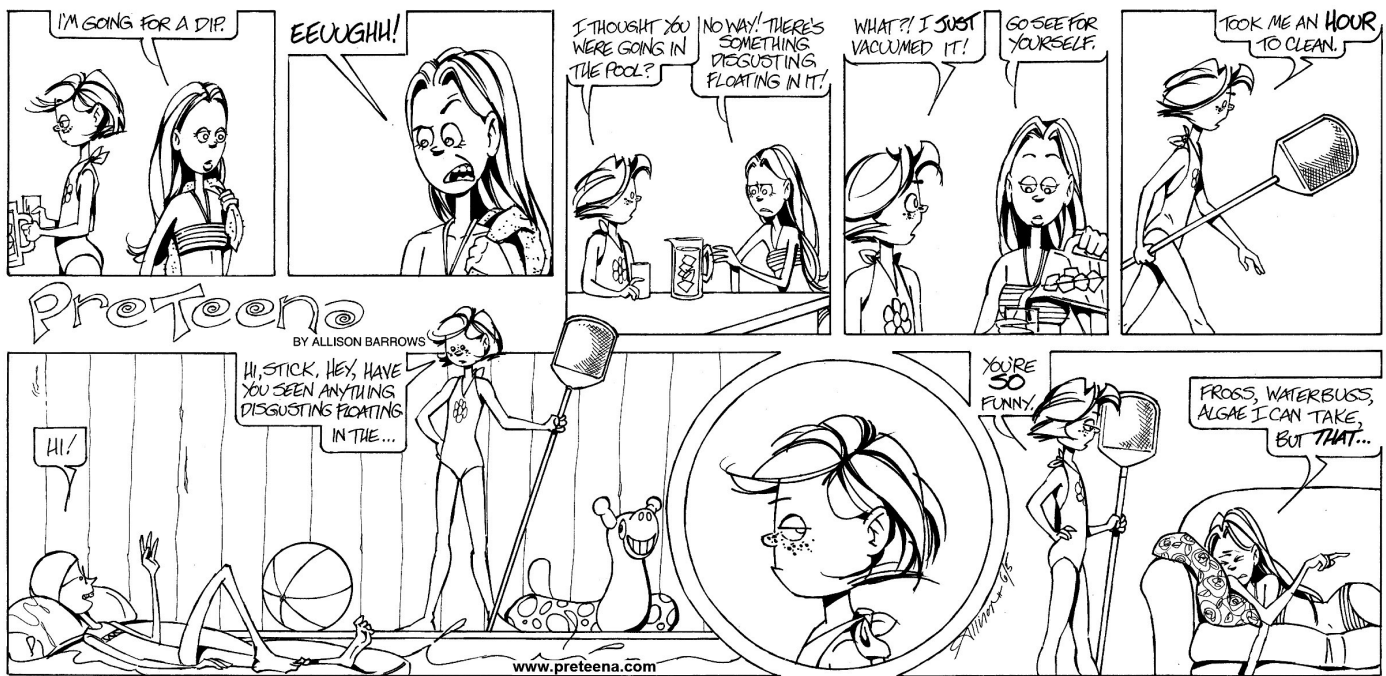
The Hooper Institute has announced its summer program offerings for 2012 for Walpole residents. A half-day camp will meet between 9 AM and noon beginning Monday, June 18th through Friday June 29th at the Hooper Institute building, 165 Prospect Hill Road, across from the golf course. Campers entering grades 1 through 4 will engage in hands-on activities related to animals, water, trees and gardens using the field and forest. Rebecca Whippie will supervise a staff of Walpole teens who will serve as counselors.

Children entering grades 5-8 can participate in two camp experiences directed by Eloise Clark. Adventure Camp meets June 18-22 at various locations around Walpole. These energetic hikes visit the Academy Ravine, Fall Mt., Kingsbury Mt., plus a cookout at the Hooper Shelter and a bike-hike along the railroad bed. Woodworking camp will be held between June 25-27 for either a morning (9-11:30 AM) or afternoon (12:15-2:45 PM) session. Campers work on projects of their own choice to take home.

Nature Rambles is a program for families or folks of all ages, held July 2, 3, 5, 6. Children under the age of 8 need to be accompanied by an adult. We will explore the environment of Walpole at a leisurely pace from 9:30 to 11:30 AM on those days. The group will explore High Blue, the Mill Pond, Fanny Mason Forest and the Connecticut River.

Registrations have gone home through the Walpole School. Should you still need one, they are available in the drop box by the front door at the Institute. Call 756-4382 with questions.

– Eloise Clark



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Other scenes live the story: showing Christmas with the children, an evening out in a lovely red dress, and a dowager great grandmother in a beautiful grey green dress at the time of a 1905 christening. A great granddaughter in period attire is christened by William F. Warren.

The work of setting up the scenes took place during the winter months when the museum is closed. Carol Christian, curator of the collection, corresponded with the committee from Seattle and says "It's all about the costumes. Ingenuity is required as the scenes are arranged to adapt the clothing to the manikins. "Lots of tape and pins and



shoulder pads" says Paula Schwenk.

The museum will be open 10-4 PM on Saturdays from June until mid October, or by appointment by calling 756-3449. Docents will help visitors view the exhibits as well as the rest of the permanent collection, including a Farm Scene with tools, the school room and a tavern scene. The committee invites other Historical Societies to visit the exhibit and share ideas.

The Society's gift shop has new items this year. A lawn party and sale will occur on June 23, from 10 AM til 2 PM. For details and further information, check the Walpole Historical Society's website walpolehistory.org

— Jeanne A Jeffries

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Fall Mountain Graduates

Fall Mountain High School will hold its graduation ceremony on Saturday, June 9, 2012 at 10 AM. Fred "Fritz" Wetherbee is the guest speaker. Mr. Wetherbee is a writer and television host who has been honored with five Emmy Awards. From 1975 to 1984 he was news director and general manager of radio stations WSCV/WSLE-FM in Peterborough from 1985 to 1995 he was the host of New Hampshire Crossroads on New Hampshire Public Television. currently has his own segment on New Hampshire Chronicle. One hundred and forty-nine seniors will receive diplomas. Fifty-three of the graduates were named as New Hampshire State scholars.

2012 top ten Fall Mountain Regional High School graduates:

1. Kaitlyn Klema - Smith College
2. Tyler Gendron - Quinnipiac University
3. Forrest Oberst - Keene State College
4. Mallory Fredriksen - Assumption College
5. Leah LeDrew - University of Hartford
6. Megan Sellarole - University of New Hampshire
7. Mary Locke - Union College
8. Elizabeth Cubberley - St. Michael's College
9. Rachel Welling - Becker College
10. Ryan McPherson - The College of Saint Rose

Congratulations to all 149 graduating seniors.

Walpole Farmers Market

The Walpole Farmers Market (WFM) has opened for the season, and will be held every Friday from 4 to 6 PM, rain or shine, on the Common. The market has 19 weekly vendors and 12 occasional vendors this year, selling farm fresh seasonal vegetables, herbs, berries, grapes, meats, eggs, milk, annual and perennial flowers, garden plant starts, maple products and fiber.

Vendors also offer items made from the products of local and regional farms, including artisan wine, cheese, and breads; 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.

At the opening market, two lucky customers won a raffle for bundles of gift certificates from WFM vendors. One, Jen Breismeister, lives just across the street from the market and is a market regular. The other, Susan McKnight, is a nurse at our local clinic, a resident of Chester who was visiting the market for the first time. Both said, "But I never win anything!"

They won an array of gift certificates for such diverse items as wool socks,

cheese, ground beef, a farm tour, a perennial plant, soap, baking mix, yarn, prepared food, organic lettuce seedlings, loaf of bread, jar of jam, sausage, wooden coaster or spatula, pint of maple syrup, alpaca needle-felted animal, etched wine glasses and wine samples, and, of course, farm fresh produce.

The WFM website has had a facelift (walpolefarmersmarket.com), and is a good source of information about the market. You can sign up there to receive an occasional email about upcoming



markets and sign up to follow the blog to see what has happened at past markets. You can also follow the market on Facebook, or get more information by emailing jill@walpolefarmersmarket.com or calling 756-3168.

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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 July 15th, August 12th and September 2nd. See you there!



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You can dress 'em up, but you can't let 'em out... Walpole Officer Dave Hughes playfully frisks prom goers Pat Wright (at left) and Kaian Wilkes before the Fall Mountain Regional High prom at the Walpole Town Hall. See page 12 for more prom photos.

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