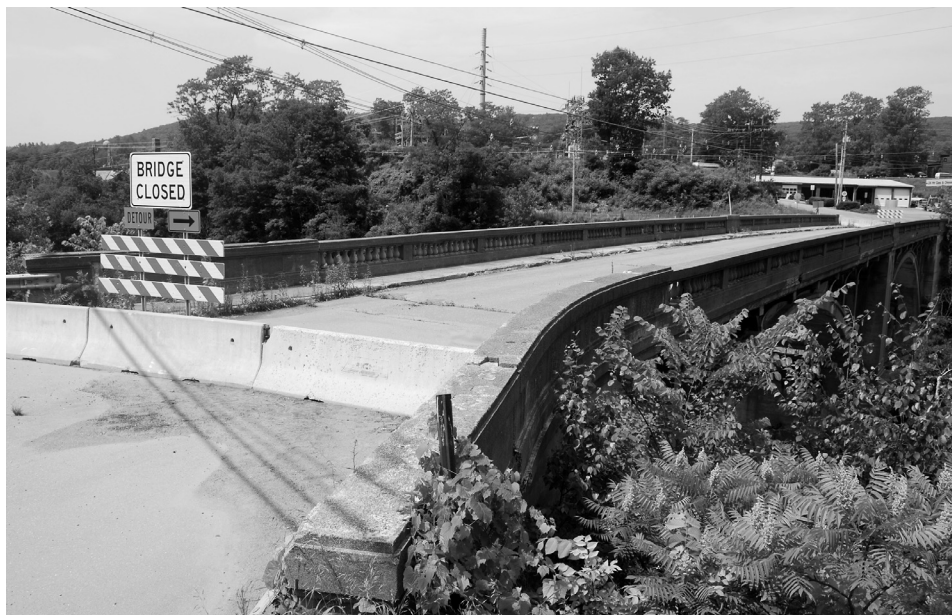




Vilas Bridge – 2022 and Beyond



The Vilas Bridge connecting Walpole and Bellows Falls was closed to vehicular traffic in 2009. At the time it closed, a reported 4,600 vehicles crossed the structure every day. Business owners in Bellows Falls have become increasingly frustrated over what they see as broken promises about maintenance of the structure by the NH Department of Transportation (NHDOT).

The Vilas Bridge was originally scheduled for rehabilitation as part of the NHDOT's 10-year planning system, but the date for scheduled work was pushed to 2022 and has now been taken off NHDOT's 10-year plan altogether. Walpole Selectman, Chas Street, indicated that the pending widening of the I-93 corridor from Manchester to the Massachusetts border is absorbing most of New Hampshire's state and federal highway monies for the next several years. He also advised that the Hinsdale Bridge connecting to the southern end of Brattleboro is in need of repair, and that within NHDOT District 4 (which includes Walpole and Hinsdale), the only bridge connecting Hinsdale

and Brattleboro had priority. NHDOT has consistently taken the position that the Vilas Bridge is one of three bridges in close proximity connecting Walpole to Vermont (the bridges in Westminster and North Walpole being the other two) and because of this the repair of the Vilas Bridge was not as high a priority.

In an effort to speed up the repair process, Rockingham, Vermont, Development Director Francis Walsh (a resident of Chesterfield, NH) nominated the bridge for consideration as an historic structure by The New Hampshire Preservation Alliance. At its 2012 annual meeting, the group added the Vilas Bridge to its *Seven to Save* list -- a collection of seven historic structures it is dedicated to restoring in the near future.

According to the NHPA's website, *Seven to Save* was created in 2006 "to focus attention and resources on significant historic properties in New Hampshire that are threatened by neglect, deterioration, insufficient funds, inappropriate development, and/or insensitive public policy."

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Crime Stoppers

There's a new super hero in the region, and its name is Crime Stoppers.

The Connecticut Valley Crime Stoppers (CVCS) was formed in the wake of a wave of burglaries and break-ins by an organized crime ring that operated in five New England states. Those responsible were apprehended last year; however, law enforcement predicts that crimes against property in the Connecticut Valley will increase exponentially in the next decade.

The CVCS mission is to assist law enforcement by publicizing crimes for which our police departments are requesting assistance from the general public. It provides a 24/7 anonymous tip line (1-888-680-8477) and offers rewards for information leading to an arrest.

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**For a look at the history
of the Vilas Bridge
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*The new park on Main Street
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Rewards can range all the way up to \$1,000, depending on the type of crime, and are paid immediately upon arrest; indictment and conviction are not a prerequisite. Incorporated in the State of New Hampshire as a non-profit corporation, CVCS is an affiliate of Crime Stoppers of America and has applied for non-profit status with the IRS. Its Board of Directors is composed of representatives from each member town: Walpole, Langdon, Alstead and Goshen. The present advisor is Alstead's chief of police, Chief Marcello D'Alessandro.

Most recently, Crime Stoppers Facebook page helped solve a Walpole-area crime in May. A reward was paid.

Expenses thus far have been minimal and, thanks to generous donations, CVCS is operating within its limited funds. In the future, CVCS will need the wherewithal to pay for rewards, to continue the anonymous tip phone line, and for the service that maintains the anonymity of those calls. Additionally, to be more effective and efficient, CVCS needs to purchase software that will

accept anonymous text messaging. This is where the public comes in: you can help with a check. Or, you can help by donating an item of value which can be auctioned off through the organization's eBay account. Either method is tax deductible (to the extent provided by law) and will be greatly appreciated.

Please make your checks payable to Connecticut Valley Crime Stoppers, Inc. (CVCS) and send them to: CVCS, P.O. Box 423, Alstead, NH 03602.

Donated items may be delivered by appointment only to the Alstead Police Department, the Alstead Gun Shop, or the Family Chiropractic Center in Walpole. A list of supporters will be published.

Further questions about the program can be addressed by calling any of the board members: Tom Gagnon, 504-2955; Clarence Meyer, 835-6411; Ira Day, 835-6073; Fred McKee, 835-6188; or Chief D'Alessandro, 835-6277. Recently added board members are Minna Good and Paula Gallagher, both of Walpole.

– Barbara Kasper

FMRHS Graduation

Graduation at Fall Mountain Regional High School is always a special time. Family members from all over the country fly in to quaint Fall Mountain to watch as their loved ones cross the stage to receive their diplomas.

This year's graduation was no different. The day of the ceremony dawned rainy and overcast. The morning's unfortunate weather indicated that the ceremony would have to be held inside the gymnasium. However, as luck would have it, the cloud cover broke and the sun shone down on the eager graduates.

During the two-hour period slated for the graduation, the rain held off and Fall Mountain was able to hold the commencement outside. The guest speaker this year was a Fall Mountain alum, Ted McGreer, the owner and operator of Ted's Shoe and Sport in

Keene. He spoke of leaving the comfort zone of high school and making a mark on the world.

The Salutatorian was Katie Doyle of Walpole (she will be attending Tulane University in the fall). The Valedictorian, Ryan Herman of Charlestown, will be attending Bowdoin College. Both graduates gave inspirational speeches, fondly recalling their days on the playgrounds of their elementary schools and thanking teachers and adults who helped them reach graduation day.

Principal Tom Ronning posed a question to each graduate asking them all to be mindful of what they may leave behind and the choices they will make as adults.

This coming-of-age experience was an emotional time. There were smiles and tears of joy as our graduates embarked upon their next journey.

– Simon Pierpont

A Mass In Memoriam
*will be said for Delores Ann Street
at Immanuel Episcopal Church
in Bellows Falls at 3 PM on July 5th.
All friends of the family are welcome.
Comfortable dress is suggested.*

Here's the latest update on the penny drive: In June we deposited \$71,726 and have a grand total of \$746.34 to donate to the Monadnock Humane Society!! On Saturday, May 11th we held a pet show. All the animals enjoyed the Beastly Bites we sold. We made more than \$100 selling treats and from donations! In June we are planning to visit the Humane Society to present our check. Thank you for helping us raise this large amount of money to donate. Thank you for helping us make the penny drive a big success!

Walpole School 4th Grades



Walpole School 4th Graders present their large check to Monadnock Humane Society Executive Director Michelle Thevenin.

Penny Drive Success

Walpole 4th grade students completed their year-long community service project with a visit to the Monadnock Humane Society and the presentation of a check for \$746.34 to the MHS. The students chose the society from a list of possible organizations early in the school year. They formed committees

which changed monthly; they wrote articles for the school newsletter, made PA announcements and new posters each month, opened a bank account and made monthly deposits, and staged special events such as a popcorn sale.

At Christmas an anonymous donor issued a matching challenge. They met and exceeded it.

The students placed decorated donation cans in each classroom and a large one in the hall during public events.

Drewsville Headstart put out a collection container and collected coins for them.

At the end of the year, the 4th graders held a pet show where they sold homemade dog and cat treats (called Beastly Bites) and collected more than \$100 in donations.

Our thanks to all whose spare change helped make the drive a success.

— Jean Kobeski

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Letters from Afghanistan

Demere Kasper

The best news from Afghanistan this month is that we have **no** community members over there now!

As of the writing of this piece, Captain Demere Kasper is in Kuwait with nine other female soldiers of the CST awaiting shipment back to the United States. She and her teammate, 1st Sergeant Susan Letendre, were transported from Mya Neshin to Kandahar in early June, where Demere attended a conference examining the effectiveness of the CST program. After a week or so there, they traveled to Bagram AFB in Kabul.

This morning (6/24), we received word that Demere, Susan and eight other women who were all wait-listed for a

flight out of Afghanistan were able to catch one to Kuwait last night. The latest information indicates they will have arrived back in the U.S. on Wednesday, June 26.

Demere said she has one more email about Mya Neshin, as the health clinic was officially opened just before they left, but it will have to wait for the July issue as she will have no internet access until after The Clarion goes to print.

Demere is touched that so many Walpoleans have mentioned enjoying her emails and kept her in their thoughts ~ as are we. Thank you.

– Barbara Kasper

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1st Sergeant Susan Letendre, a young Afghan, and Captain Demere Kasper

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August 18: The Jazz Express

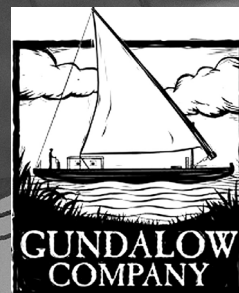
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In the event of rain, the concert may be cancelled.

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Walpole School Gundalow Adventure



Photos: Mindy Ransom

For some time now, the Walpole school year has ended on a distinctly wet note – the 6th grade canoe trip down the Connecticut River, the 8th grade white water raft expedition, and everybody else getting wet in the Town pool on Field day. This year, Walpole Grade 4 students capped their study of the state's history and their year with a trip to Portsmouth for a tour of Strawberry Banke Museum, and a cruise on the Gundalow Company's *Piscataqua*.

The gundalow is a shallow-draft, flat-bottomed cargo barge with a single triangular sail that was unique to the New Hampshire seacoast until the late 19th century, when they were replaced by steam-powered vessels. The Gundalow Company operates a modern reproduction – the *Piscataqua* – which serves as a floating classroom for programs ranging from navigation and local history, to biology and the environment. Students also help handle the ship.

The much-anticipated field trip was to have been in the first week of June, but because of bad weather, was rescheduled to the next-to-last day of classes. Funding for the trip was provided by the Fall Mountain Educational Endowment Association and the Walpole Outdoor Education Foundation.

Thirty-Two students, plus teachers, aides and some parents began their Portsmouth adventure at Strawberry Banke Museum, where they explored the living history exhibits, tried their hands at weaving, and listened to the costumed role-players bring the historic buildings and gardens to life.

The day's highlight was the gundalow cruise which took the students down the Piscataqua River to within sight of the Isle of Shoals. The 4th graders helped raise the gundalow's single, giant sail and took turns at the wheel. The *Piscataqua's* crew and volunteers tailor their presentations to each group of visitors: the Walpole students visited stations on deck and below where they dipped plankton from the river, learned the dynamics of the Piscataqua watershed, took compass



A turn at the wheel



A lesson on deck



Raising the sail



Trying the looms at Strawberry Banke

readings, and learned the history of the harbor and shipyards.

The 4th grade curriculum features the study of New Hampshire. Students visited five of the state's seven regions, concluding with the seacoast trip. For many, it was their first time on a boat, and several were hesitant at the start but quickly overcame their nervousness as they were involved in the sail. It was a rewarding experience for all.

– Jan Kobeski



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North Walpole Branch Library

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WRAP

"So, what's new and exciting?" There's almost always an answer for that question out at the Walpole Recycling Center, and, sure enough, this time when I asked Paul Colburn, "What's new?" he told me about a new development in the "Gable Top" paper carton world.

"What in the world is that?" you may well ask. You do know them - they're like those milk cartons that have a pointy top that can be pushed open and out to form a pouring spout. Old hat, so far. What's new is that instead of being impregnated with wax or other unacceptable matter, this new paper carton is covered with a "poly-coating" that can be rinsed off. All one has to do to make the carton acceptable for the "Mixed Paper" bin, is to rinse it off, remove the red cap, and fold the carton flat.

Paul says these cartons are versatile and can be found at your grocery store carrying such diverse goodies as orange juice and "Fish" crackers. (What won't they think of next?)

What else is new at the Center is the completion of the new addition for our noisy glass-crusher. The building is already up and painted, and there remains only the mounting of the door and completion of the necessary wiring before we can move the crusher into place.

There are some wonderful folks who should be thanked for their contributions to this project. LaValley Building Supply donated the necessary insulation to hush the noises. Matt's Drywall & Painting donated and installed the sheetrock, and painted the building, proof-positive of the fact that there are still nice people everywhere!

Speaking of "nice people," I'd like to put a plug in for our own folks out at the Recycling Center. For many years I was involved in the Walpole Town Library's Annual Book Sale. And for all those year (and continuing even today), the Center has given us hundreds of Banana Boxes into which we sort the books. Pallets full of boxes are specially delivered to wherever we are working, whenever we need them. Moreover, these same nice men will take all the empty boxes away at the close of every sale! Now that's what I call "nice."

And here's another example of their niceness. The students at the Walpole Village School asked the Center to save incoming one-gallon plastic milk containers so the kids could use them

to create "igloos," and to save 2-liter containers to be made into "penguins." It seems they are planning a celebratory parade. Watch for it; that's going to be one wonderful parade, whenever it comes.

Meanwhile, keep on keeping on recycling and don't miss the handsome George Watkins Memorial Garden that is taking shape next to the fire pond on your way out. Every week it gets lovelier. And it is the result of the niceness of Fritze Till and our wonderful volunteers.

- Carol Christian

All Saints Parish

On Saturday, May 11 at 10:00AM, 10 young boys from our parish received their First Holy Communion.

The Knights of Columbus will be having their Annual Yard Sale on Yard Sale Day, Saturday, July 20th in the back yard of St. Catherine Church. You won't want to miss all the many items we will have for sale at such great deals!! Hamburgers, hot dogs, and drinks will also be on sale. Stop in!

We will be going on a pilgrimage to the National Shrine to Divine Mercy in Stockbridge, MA on Saturday, August 24th. The cost is \$45 per person, which includes air-conditioned chartered bus and bus driver tip. The bus will leave from St. Catherine Church. If you are interested in joining us, please call or email the parish office.

Would you like to learn about consecration to Jesus through Mary from four of the Marian Greats: St. Louise de Montfort, St. Maximilian Kolbe, Blessed Mother Teresa and Blessed John Paul II? We will be having an evening or daytime six-week retreat, depending on how much interest we get for either one. So far, 30 parishioners have made or renewed their consecration. For more information, call or email the parish office.

Don't forget to log onto our website at www.allsaintsnh.net for the mass schedule, current bulletins, pictures, the histories of our churches, calendar of events and much more.


- Juanita Sweet

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It was hoped that the selection of the bridge as one of the Seven to Save would lead to its elevation in NHDOT's priority list, but such has not been the case. Recently Walsh advised the Rockingham Selectmen to schedule a joint meeting with the Saxtons River Trustees to consider whether they should jointly schedule a meeting with key Vermont officials to see if the State of Vermont would consider assuming a higher share of the rehabilitation costs for the Vilas Bridge.



The State of Vermont has appropriated \$60,000 toward the engineering and design of the repairs but Walsh advised that the person tasked with this job is 6 months away from beginning work on it. The analysis which has been done to date does show that the arches are in good shape, but that the road deck would have to be completely replaced and the abutments and piers need substantial work. The estimated cost of repairing the bridge has increased from \$3.5 million in 2009 to \$6.5 million in 2013.

- Rob Kasper

Walpole Schools

CLASS LISTS

2013-14 Class lists will be posted beginning Wednesday, August 14, from 8-3 PM at the Walpole Elementary School.

IMMUNIZATION

The State of New Hampshire has revised the school immunization requirements. The tetanus vaccine is required for children age 11 and older, instead of high school age. The most notable change has been for younger children who do not receive the varicella vaccine. The State now asks that your doctor order a laboratory test confirming immunity.

2013-14 Immunization Requirements: **Tdap** (tetanus, diphtheria, acellular pertussis) When a child turns 11, one booster dose of Tdap is required. Immunization can be postponed if a child has had a tetanus shot fewer than 5 years ago. **Varicella** (Chicken Pox): The requirement for varicella is progressive. Students entering kindergarten through 10th grade are required to have received 2 doses of varicella vaccine. If the student has not received the varicella vaccine, documentation of immunity by confirming laboratory test results is required for incoming kindergarten through incoming 4th grade students. History of disease (as reported by parent or health care provider) is acceptable for 5th grade through 12th grade. For a copy of the school immunization requirements, please visit: <http://www.dhhs.state.nh.us/dphs/immunization/children.htm>.

Students without proper immunization documentation prior to the first day of school will be subject to exclusion from school. You may have your health care provider fax your child's updated immunization record to the school at any time over the summer - 756-3343.

MIDDLE SCHOOL ATHLETES

One sports physical is all that is required for participation in middle school sports for 3 years. All physicals should be dated after May 1st of the student's fifth grade year. For incoming freshman, any student interested in playing sports at the high school must have a completed physical prior to try-outs. Most fall sports have try-outs in mid-August. Schedule your appointments accordingly.

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From 10 to 11 AM, there will be a Quaking Cranberry Bog Walk for children and adults who are young at heart. Come experience 'walking on water' on a quaking bog, by way of a plank boardwalk snaking across the wetland.

For those with good balance and an adventurous spirit, you may exit the bog using the 80 foot-long white pine tree that serves as a natural foot-bridge over the open water from the boardwalk to shore. Also for children, a newly-developed nature play trail called 'White-rock Woods' will be open all day for exploration.

At 1 PM, join us for a discussion about Native Plants in the Garden led by Michael Nerrie, designer and builder of Distant Hill Gardens. He will discuss the use of native plants in the ornamental gardens at Distant Hill.

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— Michael Nerrie



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Wild Blue

In the Wild Blue's 2012 rookie year, bats were huge and the main problems were injuries and pitching. The Blue has the pitching problem licked with a healthy Frank Brown and the addition of Joey Parrot to the line-up.

Add in last year's Walpole moundkeeper Chris Ballou and knuckleballer Drew Davis, and the Blue's hurlers are as solid as any team in the Connecticut River Valley Baseball League (CRVBL).

But with a season that was at 2-3 several weeks ago and finally reached a more-respectable 5-3 in late June, the question remains: Where'd the bats go?

"It's frustrating," said the Wild Blue's manager and shortstop Gary Dennis. "We've had games this year where the pitcher only needed a run or two to get the 'W' and we failed to come up with it."

Specifically in mind was their recent game against Claremont when Parrott sat down 17 batters and still took an "L" as his team went down 3-1.

"I mean, if he strikes out 17 and we hold the defending CRVBL champion (Claremont) Cardinals to three runs, we should theoretically come out ahead," Dennis said.

But not when the bats are quiet.

In 2012, the Wild Blue bats started out with averages in the .700s; some hitters stayed in the .500s with several in the .400s throughout the season. In 2013, the team average is thus far .319 with several batter floundering in the .200s or worse.

The good news: Recent games have included hitting clinics and smart base-running that has rung up high-score wins against Brattleboro and Keene. Questionable calls and extra innings gave Chester a win in mid-June; solid hits and flawless pitching/defense chalked up a 5-1 non-league win against the McGill Sugar House team in mid-June.

"We, as a team, collectively feel we've gotten past this slump and started hitting well again," Dennis said. "We're solid



competition for some of the better teams in this league and once our hitting catches up with our defense and pitching...watch out."

The Wild Blue results for May and June:

- A 14-7 win over Newport Polar Bears on May 17.
- A 7-5 win over Putney Fossils on June 6.
- A 19-0 win over Keene Black Dawgs on June 8.
- A 15-2 win over Brattleboro River Rats on June 16.
- A 4-3 loss against Chester Crush on June 20.

Upcoming home games:

- Sunapee Lakers at Walpole on Friday, July 12 at 7 PM.
- McGill Sugar House at Walpole on Tuesday, July 16 at 6 PM.
- Putney Fossils at Walpole on Friday, July 26 at 7 PM.

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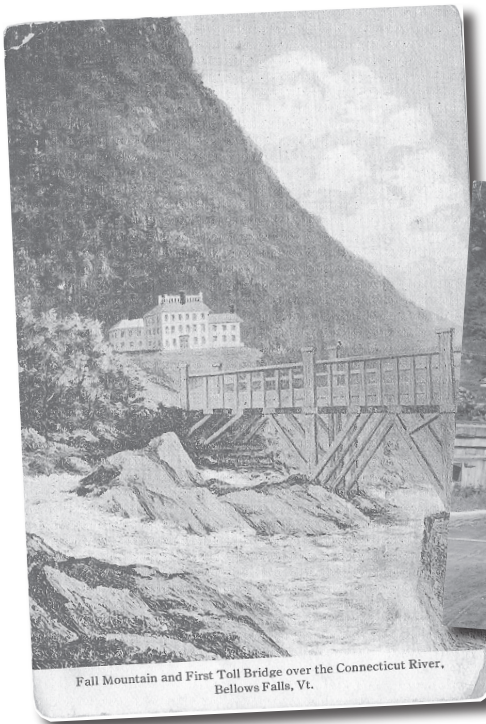
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...the Vilas Memorial Bridge

is the third bridge at this spot, and the original structure here was the first bridge ever built to span the Connecticut River?

In 1784, Col. Enoch Hale of Rindge, moved to Walpole and shortly obtained a charter from the legislature to build a toll-bridge. He erected his bridge below the principal falls in 1785. Of simple construction, it was 360 feet in length and stood 55 feet above the water. Hale's bridge remained the only bridge across the Connecticut until 1796 when the river was next spanned at Springfield, Massachusetts. Tolls collected in 1804 at the New Hampshire end of the bridge were 3 cents for a foot passenger, and for a horse and rider 6 cents.

Also erected at the New Hampshire end (sometime previous to 1799) was a large building known as "The Walpole Bridge Hotel," and in 1817 as the "Mansion House Hotel." Ownership of the bridge passed to Frederick W. Geyer when Hale's son failed to get a mortgage payment to Geyer in time. When Geyer died in 1826, his daughter Anna and her husband Nathaniel Tucker became the new owners, and the hotel soon became the "Tucker Mansion." A prominent feature of the landscape when the "Great Falls" were noted far and wide for their scenic beauty, Tucker's buildings, with numerous outhouses, were of grand proportions with elegant surroundings of gardens, statuary, decorative trees and foliage. They were removed, however, when the railroad was built in 1849, and the small elevation upon which they stood (just south of the current site of the railroad's engine house) was eliminated.

In 1840, the frame of the original bridge was found to be decaying. Tucker, without interfering with traffic, built a new Lattice



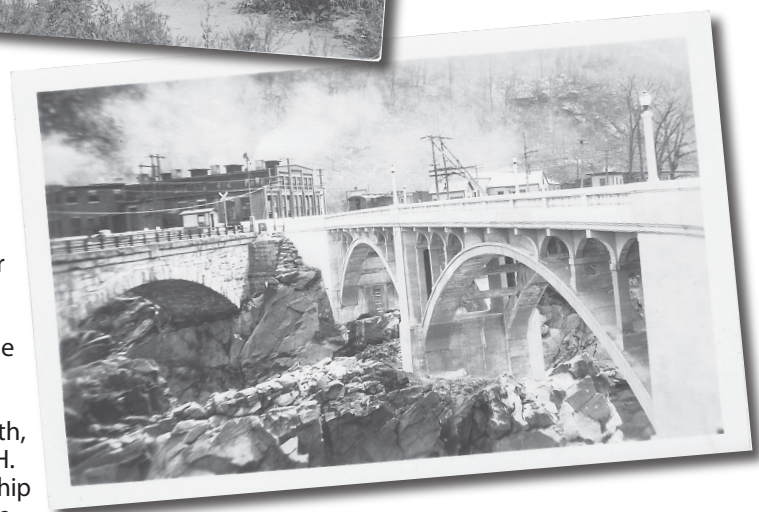
Truss Covered Bridge above Hale's, completing it in July. When the railroad arrived and his mansion at the base of Fall Mountain was dismantled, Tucker moved to a Bellows Falls home overlooking the Connecticut River at the Corner of Westminster and Church Streets. Following Tucker's death, his grandson, Edward H. Green, assumed ownership of the bridge and home.

A wealthy man in his own right, Edward married Hetty Howland Robinson in 1867. The richest woman in America at that time, she was known as "The Wicked Witch of Wall Street." The Tucker Bridge was sold twice, in 1880 and again in 1902. In 1904 Walpole and Rockingham bought the bridge, making it free along with the newly-built Arch Bridge.

Declaring the Tucker Bridge unsafe in 1930, the Walpole selectmen voted to

replace the bridge if Rockingham was willing to pay one third of the cost and the State of New Hampshire three-fifths of the remaining two-thirds. The balance of \$30,000 was to be raised as Walpole's share.

Charles N. Vilas (1852-1931), the benefactor of Alstead, soon assisted. Vilas had owned the Fifth Avenue Hotel in New York



City before he sold it to retire and reside full-time in Alstead in 1908. He gave \$66,931 to the town of Walpole to complete the concrete, three-span, open-spandrel bridge to be built as a "symbol of friendship" between Vermont and New Hampshire. When Vilas died in 1931, the bridge was named in his memory - The Vilas Memorial Bridge. New Hampshire owns 93 percent of the bridge, but because of deterioration closed it to all traffic March 19, 2009.

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Hooper Golf Club

The Hooper Golf Club offers its heartfelt thanks to the sponsors, contestants and volunteers who worked to make the Save Hooper Golf Tournament a success.

On June 30th, more than 100 golfers participated in a scramble-format tournament at the Hooper. Participants began the morning round at 8AM and finished at 5:30PM, with a lunch catered by the Pit Stop of Westmoreland. A long day of fun and golf was had by all.

Sponsor support of the tournament was widespread, with 25 Silent Auction donations and many sponsorships.

Gold sponsors were: Savings Bank of Walpole; Optical Solutions, Inc.; Vermont Academy; Cold River Bridges, Inc.; Walpole Foundation; Dr. Peter L. Bowman Family Dentistry, PLLC; and Clark Mortenson Insurance Agency Inc. Food was sponsored by the Therrien Family. Hole In One Prizes were sponsored by: Summit-Chrysler-Dodge-Jeep-Ram and by Robert Kimball, PC. Tee Advertisements were by Lisai's Market and Corner Deli; Durand Ford Toyota, Vt; Custom Wood Products Inc. and Pinnacleview Equipment Co.

Hooper Golf Club thanks you again.

— Hooper Board of Directors

Looking Forward...

July brings many exciting new events like the New Hampshire Women's Golf Association event and the 4th of July Open. Featuring a best-dressed contest, the event is open to non-members and guests.

Also, our junior golf program will be every Thursday morning starting at 8 AM. We would love to see all your youngsters there.

Another very important event is our \$350 half-year membership drive, which will start on July 16th. Women who join for the half-year, as well as current women members, will be entitled to 3 free ladies' golf clinics (7 PM on Tuesday, July 16th, 23rd and 30th). This is an effort to get more ladies up to Hooper and involved with our Ladies Tuesday Morning and Wednesday Twilight League.

Pro's Tip of the Month:

An efficient chipping and pitching game around the green can be a great way to save strokes. I recommend putting from just off the green, or chipping with an 8 or 9 iron when going over any length of fairway-type grass. The shorter stroke you make with the less lofted clubs helps mis-hits turn out much closer than if you were using a big swing with a lofted club. Of course, if you are playing over rough or a sandtrap, the loft of a pitching or sand wedge is usually needed to carry those objects.

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D.A.R.E. Program Returns

After a twelve-year hiatus, the Walpole School's 5th grade classes and the Walpole Police Department held the 5th grade D.A.R.E. graduation ceremony on Tuesday, June 11, 2013. The 5th grade students of Mrs. Ronning and Mr. Cassarino worked very hard to learn different strategies to live drug-free lives.

The students completed a 10-week program which included completing a workbook, an essay and extensive role-playing with D.A.R.E. Officer Mike T. Tollett on practical ways to resist pressure to experiment with drugs and alcohol. The D.A.R.E. (Drug Awareness Resistance Education) lessons focus on four major areas: providing accurate information about alcohol and drugs, teaching students decision-making skills, showing them how to resist peer pressure and giving them ideas for alternatives to drug use and violence.

One student from each class was selected to share their D.A.R.E. essay with all in attendance. Those students were: James Ronning and Gabe Andrus. In addition to being awarded a certificate, each student received a sports bag, a sports water bottle, bumper stickers, a Walpole Police Junior Officer sticker, and three neon pencils.

Dignitaries in attendance (who shook each student's hand) were Chief Michael J. Paquette II, Representative Tara Sad, Superintendent Dr. Deb Livingston, Selectman Chas Street, School Board member Lilla DeCoste and Principal Sam Jacobs. After the event, the students enjoyed pizza. (Thank You, Diamond Pizza!!) The graduation ceremony was enjoyed by all and was a great way to recognize the students for their efforts and achievements.

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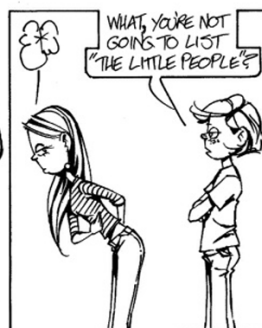
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Letters & Commentary

Clarion Editor:

Yesterday, June 12, I watched in dismay as 4 trees lining the 1000 block of Main Street in North Walpole were cut down. I was told that this action was part of a plan to widen the sidewalks next summer, and that sidewalks farther down the street had already been done.

I have very mixed feelings about this action. While losing the trees does have a few advantages, the disadvantages are disheartening.

Every summer, I watch neighbors stroll down my section of the sidewalk. This was the only section of sidewalk that offered any shade in the heat of summer, and I never heard anyone complain about it. It was simply a lovely section of this road on which to take a stroll, at any time of day.

Two of the trees did indeed merit removal, as there was a small one that was almost dead and a larger one that had begun to rot from the inside out. However, two of the trees seemed to be very healthy and thriving, despite the obvious pollution from all the tractor trailers that continually traverse this road on weekdays.

The widening of the sidewalk, I was told (by a town employee) would occur next summer if it was "in the budget." My question is: why were the trees removed if next summer's work might be done? Believe me, this same question is being asked by many of my neighbors, some of whom have stopped to ask, "Where did the trees go?" There has been much shaking of heads and sad replies.



Before & after on Main Street.



Photos: Karen Mader

The selectmen of the town may ask why I did not attend the town meeting when this issue was put forth. Well, like many of my neighbors here, my husband and I work more than 20+ miles away, and do not always get home in time to go to town meetings. It would be nice to be informed of issues that will impact us, yet we always learn of these things after the fact.

I have included pictures of the way this stretch of sidewalk used to look, and the ugliness that is currently our view. To my neighbors, I grieve with you at the loss of these trees, and I sincerely hope that the possibility of getting wider sidewalks at some possible future date will make us feel oh so much better. Sincerely,

Karen A. Mader
North Walpole homeowner

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Letters & Commentary

In memory of my friend John Neal...

My friend died on Saturday. I wasn't ready for it, nor, I suspect, was he.

There was a time, long ago now, when we thought 61 was ancient; that we would live forever, no matter what we did. We were invincible, and for a while we were. Sadly, we're not any more.

We were the best of friends in our school days. On green fields, in an old MG, double dating in his father's station wagon, full of ourselves and finding ourselves at the same time. Those are the days that still drift into my mind.

We went our separate ways, as all friends do. Married, had kids, then grandchildren. Had tough times to put polish on the good times, but always we were friends. We'd see each other a few times a year, to play golf, at a baseball reunion (he homered to win a state title once), a class reunion or a birthday bash when he turned 60, sometimes just to have a beer together. The conversations always picked up as if we saw each other every day, and always we were friends.

If he had any regrets, he never brought them up. He lived his life the way he wanted to, and no one ever said a bad word about him. At least not around me, maybe because they knew that he was always my friend.

The Bible tells us that death comes like a thief in the night and this is true. The thief came the other night and stole the earthly presence of a husband, a father, and a grandfather from his loving family. The thief didn't get my friend, though. He's still here in my memory and in my heart, and I hope we see each other again. I miss knowing that he's around.

Rest in Peace John Neal. Go with God my friend.

– Tim Griffin

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12/25/29 – 5/27/13

*What the heart has once owned...
it shall never lose.*

– Henry Beecher Ward

Strength, Comfort, Healing –
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during "Hap's" long illnesses
and suffering.

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Bob and Peggy Graves
(for their visits when I couldn't visit)
– and Ellie Shaw for her beautiful
memorial hymn and
Bob Diluzio/Foley Funeral Home
for all their compassionate help.

– Patsy Campbell and Family
Walpole, NH

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Do you have an idea for an interesting column or have you ever yearned to be a published writer? The Clarion welcomes additional submissions to entertain and inform our readers. You may have an unusual hobby or business (or know of someone who does) whose story needs telling. You could have an idea for an article we have not even considered.

Send us some ideas as samples of your writing. Single submissions or regular contributions are both welcome; we will publish as space permits. Submit to: Walpoleclarion@gmail.com

Walpole Library

Summer programs for children start June 27th. Picks, shovels, buried treasure and archeology are some of the themes area children will have the chance to explore during a summer-long **Dig Into Reading** program. All programs are free. Refreshments will be served. Kids (and their parents) may sign up at the library anytime for any and all of the programs below:

Zoo, Digging Animals: Thursday, June 27th, 2 PM, Walpole Library; **Digging for Treasures:** Saturday, June 29th, 9-11 AM, Walpole Library; **Burrowers:** Saturday, July 13th, 9-11 AM, North Walpole Library; **Mariposa, Mummies and Treasures of Egypt:** Wednesday, July 17th, 10 AM, Walpole Library;

Lindsay and her Puppets: Thursday, July 18th, 2 PM, Walpole Library; **Our Earth Rocks:** Saturday, July 20th, 9-11 AM, North Walpole Library; **Mad Science – Dig for Dinosaurs:** Thursday, July 25th, 2 PM, Walpole Library; **Make Your Own Graphic Novel:** Saturday, July 27th, 10-11:30 AM, Walpole Library; **Children's Museum of NH, Dig into the Deep Sea:** Thursday, August 1st, 2 PM, Walpole Library; **Nature's Art:** Saturday, August 3rd, 10-11:30 AM, Walpole Library; **Big Animals at the Zoo:** Thursday, August 8th, 2 PM, Walpole Library.

The **End of the Summer Reading Program Party** will be Saturday, August 10th, 10-11:30 AM, at the Walpole Library.

New Book Clubs for Kids

The Walpole Library is offering two junior book clubs this summer. The clubs will be reading two books tied into the **Dig Into Reading** theme: Jules Verne's *Journey to the Center of the Earth* and Louis Sachar's *Holes*. Multiple copies of both books are available at the library. Refreshments will be served.

Kids who are interested in reading other books or forming their own clubs should contact the library, which can provide the books, the meeting space and refreshments.

For more information about summer programs or book clubs (including times and dates of meetings), please contact Mary Farrell or Julie Rios at the Walpole Library at 756-9806 or librarydirector@walpoletownlibrary.org).

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There is no charge to participate, but registration is required. To register, call Lynn Anne Palmer at 352-2253. For more information visit www.HCSservices.org.

Hospice at HCS is a comprehensive non-profit hospice program, providing end of life care to patients and support to family members. Care is offered at home, in assisted living facilities or in nursing homes throughout southwestern New Hampshire.

– Lara Larson

Walpole Seniors

The Walpole Seniors will meet for a potluck lunch at the Congregational Church on the Walpole Common at noon on Monday, July 15. Sandra Hunting will share information about Certified Therapy Dog program. This program is relevant for those with seizure and hearing disorders. Everyone is asked to bring a contribution for the Fall Mountain Food Shelf. Please bring a dish to share. All Walpole Seniors are welcome. Come for fun and good socialization. Trip Planning information will be available.

– Jeanne A Jeffries

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– Jeanne A Jeffries



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Beekeeping Workshop

Beekeepers must take timely steps to control American Foulbrood and Varroa mites to *save the bees!* Charles Andros, former NH/VT Apiary Inspector, will hold a beekeeping workshop from 1-3:30 PM on Saturday, July 13, at 18 MacLean Road, Alstead, NH 03602. Look for the "BEE" sign on the south side of Walpole Valley Road. The topics of discussion will be: taking off and extracting honey, wax processing, treatment of mites and foulbrood, and making propolis tincture. Bring a veil, if you have one, as we shall be opening some colonies. We'll be inside if it is a rainy day. Water and chairs may also come in handy. Registration required. Email: lindenap@gmail.com or call 756-9056."

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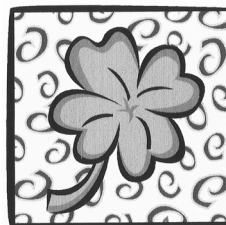
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Abenaki Springs Farm, Harlow's Farm, Old Drewsville Farm, and Hillside Springs Farm offer a wide variety of organically-grown heirloom vegetables, including some of which you may never have heard: a radish-size sweet salad turnip, and both green and purple kohlrabi.

Two local cheese makers are at the market: Sawyer's Artisanal Cheese and, new this season, Hollyhock Farm with local chevre (goat cheese). These cheeses, coupled with the local breads from Orchard Hill or the Bread Shed, make a fabulous treat.

The WFM has a new mushroom vendor this year, CNC mushrooms, selling three varieties of Oyster mushrooms: Tree, Blue, and Pearl.

Sweet treats are available from Twin Spruce Farm (maple products) and from Penni's Pantry, (jams and jellies). A number of vendors offer fresh eggs and a wide variety of locally-grown meats, including pasture-raised veal and chevon (goat meat) as well as beef, pork, lamb

and poultry. You'll also find veggie starts and local hand crafts.

Iris X and Wes's Culinary Creations have joined us with wild-crafted and herbal products, all-natural lotions and skincare products, culinary creations and beverages.

The WFM is held every Friday, from 4-6PM on the Common, rain or shine. See the WFM website (walpolefarmersmarket.com); look up the market on Facebook; email: jill@walpolefarmersmarket.com or call 756-3168.

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From the Far Side of Walpole

Observations by William Moses

Cleanliness is Next to Godliness

Ran into my friend, Elwud, outside the big mart store, standing around just shaking his head.

"What's up?" I asked. "Well sir", he says, "You are employed at a nursing home, aintcha?"

"Well, yes I am." "And you been in the hospital recently, aintcha?" "Right, again", I reply. "What has either of those subjects got to do with you standing out here shaking your head?"

"Well sir, there is an old sayin' attributed to the Bible that says, 'Cleanliness is next to Godliness', aint that right? And the hospitals and the nursing homes keep everything clean and the staff wash their hands and all that sanitizing stuff, right?"

I assured him that what he said was true. At the nursing home, we are extremely careful not to spread colds or sickness about the building. We are constantly washing our hands and making sure equipment is clean. But what, I asked, did all that have to do with his standing outside the big mart shaking his head?

"Well sir, I was standing around watching people as I like to do and I was watching this bunch of runny-nosed, sneezing bunch of kids going through that five dollar bin of DVD movies over there. Then I see this lady entering the store. But before she comes in, she takes that bucket of sanitary wipes they got out there and started wiping off one of the shopping carts. I bet she used nearly the entire bucket. She wiped it from front to back and top to bottom."

"Well, she obviously is very conscientious about germs and staying healthy. There is nothing wrong with that", I observed.

"Right", replies Elwud, "however, she then went to the five dollar DVD bin, where those runny-nosed, sickly kids was pawing through, and proceeded to rummage her way to the bottom, bare-handed looking for movies." I was beginning to see what Elwud was getting at. Just then, he directed my attention to the lady leaving the store. Her shopping cart contained Lysol, Mr. Clean and three specialty sanitizers. Plus six five-dollar, germ-dripping DVDs.

Elwud and I looked at each other, shrugged our shoulders and went our separate ways.

Cruise Night

The Real Twist Soft Serve Ice Cream stand in Walpole will hold its next Classic Car Cruise Night, weather permitting, on Sunday, July 14th, from 5PM till dark. Here's a chance for the whole family to enjoy a Sunday evening looking at old and antique cars, while enjoying a soft-serve ice cream or frozen yogurt. There will be live music by Doc Vinnie Dibernardo (vet on-call duties 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 gift certificates to the Real Twist or Real to Reel!

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 2013 Season Cruise Nights are scheduled for August 11th and September 1st. See you there!

- Gale Davis

HCS Wellness Clinic

Home Healthcare, Hospice and Community Services will hold *Nurse Is In* clinics in the Walpole area on Friday, July 26. An HCS wellness nurse will be available at Applewood Senior Housing in Walpole from 10 - 11AM, and at St. Peter's Church in North Walpole from 11:30AM-12:30PM. The nurse will check blood pressure and be available to answer questions about home care and any health concerns you may have. These screenings are open to the public of all ages and are offered free of charge.

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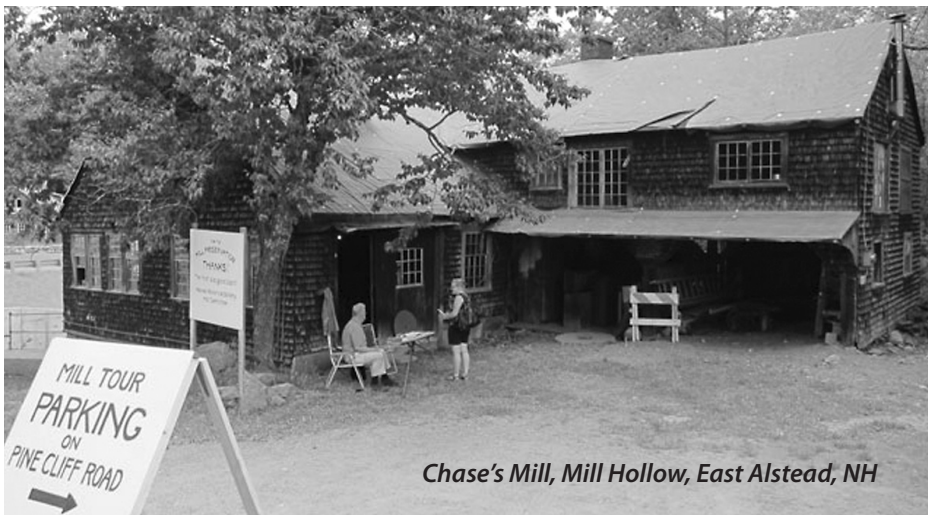
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Chase's Mill, Mill Hollow, East Alstead, NH

Shunpiking with Ray

For a number of years I have shared my travel experiences in my on-line travel blog, *Shunpiking with Ray*. In my quest to learn from others, I have often found locals are unaware of or have not yet visited historical, educational or fun attractions nearby. Here, I hope to tell you of area treasures and encourage you to explore and enjoy. To begin, let's head next door to Alstead.

This year is Alstead's 250th anniversary, and I recently read that there would be a town-wide tour of homes, historic sites, churches, the museum, and Chase's Mill on June 22nd. I had to at least see the mill, so mid-week I picked up my souvenir booklet (\$5) which includes maps and tour details to prepare myself for Saturday's touring. Chance of rain was 30% but *Blue Belle* reminded me that we just had to stay in the other 70% of the area. In fact, all was fine (her top has not been up in more than 20 years). We cruised over March Hill Road to pick up Pratt Road...to Alstead Center...to eventually traverse Camp Brook Road...to Mill Hollow prior to heading back down Forest Road (Rt. 123)...to Alstead Village or Paper Mill Village. *Blue Belle* enjoys kicking stones on dirt roads; and if you don't you are missing something (or need a sports car). I had so much fun and learned so much, I will have to write a complete travel blog post, and mention particularly all the gracious folks I met along the way on my five-hour tour fifteen minutes from home.

Entering quiet Alstead Center is stepping back into the 19th century without the assistance of imagination. I first gazed on the fascinating, all-decorative-tin interior of the First Congregational Church, where I was encouraged by my hostess to visit her daughter's Amos Shepard Tavern B&B across the way. Ann and Tim spent more than three painstaking years restoring and accentuating the architectural eye-candy within the building's walls, and now operate it as a B&B. I have now decided I do not need to travel hours for a grand B&B experience, I will soon just go over the hills for a night – actually two

centuries – away. Next it was down scenic and unpaved Camp Brook Road for Chase's Mill at the foot of Lake Warren. I have always had an affinity for waterwheels and old mills, and was I lucky to have Margaret Chase tour me through all three levels. Her Dad, Heman Chase, operated a woodshop here, giving lessons to area children using water-powered equipment which is still extant and operational. The newly-organized Mill Hollow Heritage Association is endeavoring to restore the mill and create a working museum. Voting with my dollars, I am now a "friend" of the organization.

A stop at the 2nd Congregational Church in East Alstead was next, and then I drove around many of the other sites before parking at the Vilas Pool. How many times have you passed on Rt. 123A, but not toured the grounds? Well, it is time to do so, and July 13 will be a special day there. I understand that the carillon will be played for the first time in many, many years. My final planned stop in Alstead Village itself was at the former Universalist Church, now the Alstead Historical Society. Bruce Bellows spent a great deal of time sharing the collections with me, and I particularly enjoyed the "upstairs" which was like visiting a well-preserved attic. I know I was born in the wrong century.

The "Sestercentennial Town-Wide Tour" will be held again on August 3rd and September 21st, with "Vilas Pool Day" on July 13th; and, *Ray Recommends* that you buy your booklet and take the tour.

– Ray Boas


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of Alstead.

Grandparents are
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Cliff and Marcia Oster of Langdon,
and Robert LaRock of NY.

William is named
for his late great-grandfather
William Beer and his
great-grandfather
Harvey Bascom of Acworth.

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