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NEWS & NOTES

Drug take-back

The DEA is promoting a national drug take-back day on Saturday, April 27, with collection sites listed as open to take prescription drugs from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. According to dea.gov/takeback-day, local drop-off spots include area police departments and Elliot at River's Edge in Manchester. "DEA and its partners will collect tablets, capsules, patches and other solid forms of prescription drugs. For more than a decade, this event has helped Americans easily rid their homes of unneeded medications—those that are old, unwanted, or expired—that too often become a gateway to addiction. ... Collection sites will not accept syringes, sharps and illicit drugs. Liquid products, such as cough syrup, should remain sealed in their original container. The cap must be tightly sealed to prevent leakage," according to a press release from Granite United Way, which will participate at its three public health networks (see graniteuw.org).

Moose sounds

According to an April 16 press release, researchers at the University of New Hampshire have used publicly available online videos to develop a method to assess wild moose sounds in nature and to identify distinct differences by age and sex, as a first step in creating an acoustic network that could help track, monitor and protect moose populations.

In a statement, Laura Kloeper, an assistant professor of biological sciences at UNH, said

that "by tracking moose, scientists can predict how forest habitat affects moose distribution. Specifically, how habitat disturbances, like those caused by some timber management, affect where moose prefer to live and how those preferences change with the seasons or the time of day. Since moose have a wide roaming range and low population densities, monitoring them is an ever-present challenge that could be aided by non-invasive technologies like a moose acoustic sensor."

Their study published in the journal JASA [Journal of the Acoustical Society of America] Express Letters outlined their use of online videos crowdsourced from hunters and recreationalists to identify differences in moose calls and characterize them by age and sex, according to the same release. Researchers collected 673 calls — 199 from cows (females), 255 from bulls (males) and 219 from calves — and although individual variations existed, there were clear differences between groups, according to the same release.

The researchers plan to include networks of calibrated acoustic recorders across a landscape to develop an automated detector and determine moose population density to inform forest management, according to the same release.

Their efforts are supported by the New Hampshire Agricultural Experiment Station through joint funding from the USDA National Institute of Food and Agriculture as well as the State of New Hampshire and conducted in partnership with NH Fish and Game Department, according to the same

release, which also named co-authors of the study including Alex Zager, Sonja Ahlberg, Olivia Boyan, Jocelyn Brierly, Valerie Eddington and Remington Moll.

Visit unh.edu/unthoday/2024/04/developing-bioacoustic-methods-characterize-new-hampshire-moose-populations for details and links to the JASA Express Letters article.

Relief money

An April 22 press release stated that President Joe Biden granted Gov. Sununu's request for a major disaster declaration in response to severe storms and flooding in January that resulted in significant costs to local communities. Rockingham and Grafton counties are included in the declaration. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), working with state and local emergency management officials, had completed a Preliminary Damage Assessment and found that the statewide cost for response to this event totaled more than \$3 million. This declaration allows communities in the two counties to seek federal funding assistance, according to the release.

The declaration also makes federal support available through the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program and the Public Assistance Program, with the purpose of the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program being to reduce the loss of life and property due to natural disasters and to enable the implementation of mitigation measures during the immediate recovery from a disaster, according to the same release.

Manchester: The Assumption Greek Orthodox Church in Manchester Ladies Philoptochos Society will hold an Eastern Orthodox Easter Bake Sale on Saturday, April 27, from 11:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. in the church hall. Spinach peta, Greek cookies, assorted Greek pastries, pastry platters, and Easter bread will be available for sale.

Merrimack: See EVs and talk to their owners at the Merrimack Electric Vehicle Fair on Saturday, April 27, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Tractor Supply Parking lot in Merrimack (515 D.W. Highway). Visit driveelectrificearthmonth.org to RSVP and see a list of vehicles expected to be there.

Londonderry: Friends of Leach Library in Londonderry (276 Mammoth Road) are holding a book sale on Tuesday, April 30, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., according to their website, although hours are subject to volunteer availability and they ask that you call the library to check if the book sale room will be open prior to your visit. Visit londonderrynh.org/leach-library or call 432-1132.

The same press release mentioned that the Department of Transportation has been granted \$20 million in federal funding for seawall reconstruction and the funds will be used to reduce flooding, structural damage and post-storm cleanup time along Route 1A. Visit governor.nh.gov.

Fire in Plymouth

On Saturday, April 20, a fire broke out on Main Street in Plymouth that forced the evacuation of Flying Monkey Movie House and Performance Center. The investigation into the fire is ongoing; Downtown Pizza received most of the damage and is currently closed, according to a report on WMUR.

Vincent Vella, CEO of The Common Man Family, said in post on the venue's Facebook page: "The Monkey has sustained only minor smoke damage. We are unbelievably lucky and happy to report that our beloved venue has survived such a devastating event. Unfortunately, some of the Monkey's neighbors have suffered tragic losses, and Main Street in Plymouth will look different for some time. We will support them in their efforts to recover."

The venue's marquee reads "Everything is fine. We are OK. See You Friday. 4-26 Sugar Mountain," according to a photo posted April 22. 🌧️

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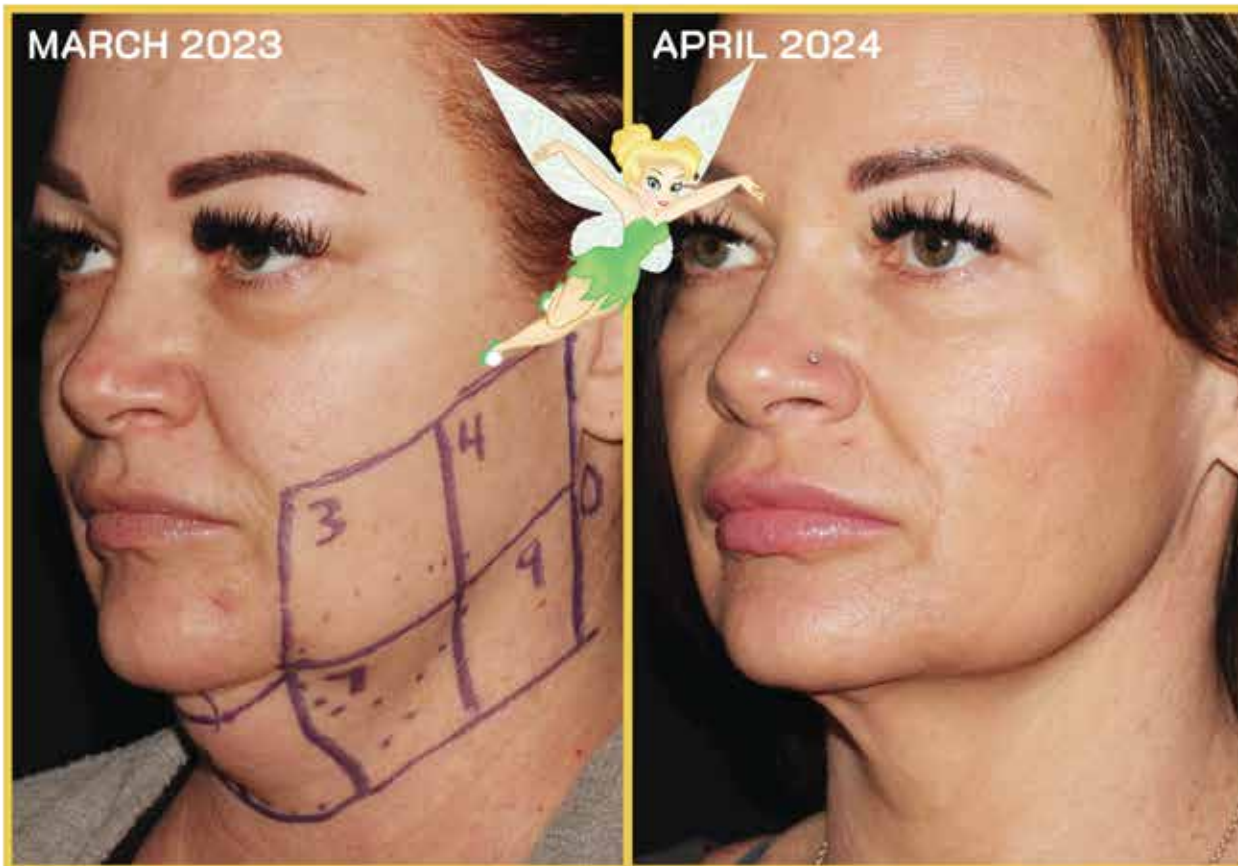
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NEWS & NOTES Q&A

Growing in the garden

A talk with Henry Homeyer, the Gardening Guy

Henry Homeyer's regular advice about all things gardening has appeared in newspapers, including the Hippo, around New England (currently, his pieces run about once a month, including this week on page 10). He is the author of several books, including *The New Hampshire Gardener's Companion*.

Q: What got you into gardening?

I started gardening as a young boy. I'm talking ages 2 or 3. My grandfather in Spencer, Massachusetts, he was an organic gardener starting back in the '40s ... I was born in '46 — and he just made it fun. He was a fun guy. He taught me a lot but he didn't tell me to do things. He didn't give me chores I didn't want to do, I didn't have to pull weeds. I got to do things like stir a big wooden rain barrel full of chicken manure and water to ... make a manure tea that we would then dip into and put on his tomato plants, and it was all fun. Gardening has been part of my life for 75 years.



Henry Homeyer

well-known but it does very well under old apple trees and that's where I have a patch and they spread by root, which I like, they're early, which I like, and they bloom for over a month, which is unusual for a perennial flower.

Besides garden beds, are there other structures you like to build or have in a

garden?

Absolutely. I think that because we have such a long winter, and fall and spring don't have much going on, we need to have things that are three-dimensional besides our flowers. At the entrance of my vegetable garden I built a cedar entrance arbor with cedar poles and a slanted, criss-cross roof, kind of hard to describe.... It is a good structure for growing vines on. I have wisteria growing up that. I have also another vine structure that's a 10-foot hexagon with a tall roof, again made out of cedar. ... In addition to that I have benches, a marble bench, I have sculpture, iron sculpture, ceramic objects, bird baths.... If you have a big garden, if you have some Adirondack chairs at the far end of it, it draws people toward them as a place to sit down. It's good to have something comfortable and probably in the shade.

What can gardeners do in New Hampshire in the next two weeks for their gardens?

It really depends on what our weather is, but you don't want to compress your soil by walking in wet soil. You don't want to rototill your vegetable garden right now. You don't want to walk in your flower beds to clean them up right now because it's going to compact the soil. Plants get their oxygen from air spaces in the soil, they don't get it through their leaves, they get it through their roots. So if the soil is wet and we step on it, it's compressing it. This is a good time to take inventory on what is growing, what made it through the winter, what's coming up, and what didn't. ... This is a good time for looking and planning, maybe do a little raking, you can rake the lawn now if it's dried out, those sorts of things. — Zachary Lewis

What non-native plants do well in New Hampshire or are there any non-native New Hampshire plants you'd recommend?

Well, I recommend native plants whenever possible. If we can plant 90 percent native and 10 percent non-native, or 80-20, that's a better mix. A lot of the non-natives are not useful to our pollinators and birds who didn't evolve with them, so our natives are so much better. With that being said, there are certain trees and shrubs, particularly, that are so beautiful I have to have them. I have a Merel magnolia which is going to bloom ... big white flowers, blooms in early April — fabulous plant. Not a native. Japanese red maple is another one that you see from time to time that has a deep, rich red leaf all summer long and brilliant in the fall.... Go to the local nursery, don't go to a big box store, go to your local nursery ... They're well-educated, generally, and can help you find just the right thing for you and for your part of the state.

Do you have a favorite plant that's often overlooked?

I have over 100 different species of trees and shrubs. I have more than that in terms of perennial flowers. One that I really like is the candlestick primrose.... It's a non-native but it grows in moist soil in partial shade or even full shade. It blooms in late May, early June, with a series of blossoms going up a stem. It comes in a variety of colors from magenta and pink to almost white. It's not

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The Big Story – The NFL 2004 Draft: It comes your way starting tonight (Thursday) from Detroit at 8 p.m. on ESPN and the NFL Network. As I write this the Patriots still hold the third overall

pick. If they stay there they'll most likely take North Carolina QB **Drake May**.

Sports 101: Including their AFL days, name the five Patriots drafted first overall. Hint: The first was from BC and did not sign with the team.

News Item – Spring Playoffs Start: Good Game 1's for the Bruins and Celtics. For the B's it was 5-1 over Toronto behind two goals and an assist from **Jake DeBrusk**. For the C's it was a 114-94 win over Miami. That included the usual of rolling to two big leads before infuriatingly losing focus to see them whittled down to scary territory instead of just putting them away.

News Item – Injuries Riddle Sox: It's standing room only on the Red Sox injured list starting with losing shortstop **Trevor Story** for the year. He's joined by **Raffy Devers**, **Triston Casas** and AL home run leader **Tyler O'Neill** and we have yet to see newly acquired second baseman **Vaughn Grissom** too. Starting pitchers **Garrett Whitlock** and **Nick Pivetta** are also on the list along with gone for the year projected No. 2 starter **Lucas Giolito**. Still, with all that, they swept Pittsburgh over the weekend to start the week 13-10.

The Numbers

0 – points scored in 32 minutes played in what could be free agent to be **Klay Thompson's** final game with Golden State when they were run out in the play-in round by Sacramento.

0.66 – ERA for **Kutter Crawford** in five Red Sox starts over 27.1 innings.

17 – wins against 19 losses for Milwaukee since hiring **Doc Rivers** to replace the fired 32-14 **Adrian Griffin**.

... Of the Week Awards

Thumbs Up – Jack Edwards: At his retirement after 19 years as the Bruins' highly enthusiastic play-by-play guy. Congrats to the Durham, N.H., native and WGIR/Channel 50 alum on a job well done.

Iron Man – Zdeno Chara: The ex-Bruins captain gets it for running the Boston Marathon on April 15 (3:30:53) and for astonishingly running another six days later in London in just 3:11:04.

Player – Tanner Houck: For once **Alex Cora** actually let the player just do it, and Houck delivered a beauty, a three-hit,

nine-strikeout 2-0 complete game shutout over Cleveland that, oh by the way, took 1:47 to play.

Question – Brayan Bello: So how in the name of **Al Nipper** did Bello do basically the same as Houck vs. Pittsburg — two hits, seven K's and just two walks — but somehow throw three more pitches and last three fewer innings?

Fun Media Feud – Shaq & Charles Barkley vs. Kendrick Perkins: Perk said on ESPN radio that the TNT duo "obviously don't watch NBA games" after they dissed the Knicks' playoff chances. The boys didn't like that so they showed clips of the retiring **Blake Griffin** dunking in Perk's face with Shaq saying — "I don't watch Knick games, but I watched that one." Chuck then said to Shaq, "out here killing roaches" followed by a TV version of dunking in Perk's face — "five points a game [and you're] gonna call me out?" Ouch.

Sports 101 Answer: The Pats' five first overall picks were **Jack Concannon** ('64), **Jim Plunkett** ('71), **Kenneth Sims** ('80), **Irving Fryar** ('84) and **Drew Bledsoe** ('92). Concannon signed with the NFL's Chicago Bears instead.

Final Thought – Draft Strategy: This notion the Patriots should hold out for an "unprecedented" **Herschel Walker**-like offer is unrealistic and ridiculous. It's the third pick — not the top pick with a once-in-a-generation QB sitting there like **Andrew Luck** or **Joe Burrow**.

So if it were me, I'd pull a **Danny Ainge**, who got the Celtics where they are today with the creative 2013 deal that got him **Jaylon Brown** and **Jayson Tatum**.

Like trading down a couple of times. First with the (possibly QB interested) Giants for their sixth pick and first in 2025. Then, with QB desperate Minnesota in danger of missing out on a Top 4 guy, I'd propose they get the sixth and Pats third-round pick for the 11th and 23rd along with wide receiver **Jordan Addison**, who had 90 catches for 900-plus yards and 10 TD's as a rookie in 2023. And I might even be willing to slide down a little further from 11 for more draft capital. But the first two trades would give them a proven wide receiver, along with the ammo to get a left tackle, another wideout and maybe even be in position to take Gronk like Georgia tight end **Brock Bowers** if in the unlikely event he slides out of the first 10 picks.

Then I'd live with **Jacoby Brissett** at QB and go into the 2025 draft with two first-round picks at least.

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Pour one (medium popcorn with butter) out

The Regal Cinema in Concord has sadly joined the ranks of closed and closing area movie theaters. According to a Concord Monitor story from April 16, the 7:30 p.m. showing of *Kung Fu Panda 4* on April 18 marked the final act of the theater location's 28 years in Concord. In addition to first-run films, the theater offered a summer series of kid movies, which will be a much missed option for air-conditioned family entertainment.

QOL score: -1

Comment: *The theater site and the neighboring Steeplegate Mall are slated to become "a huge retail and housing complex, with some 625 apartments," the Concord Monitor story said.*

Six fewer loons



Distressed loon. Courtesy photo.

Last year at least six loons died of lead poisoning in New Hampshire, according to a joint press release from the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department (wildnh.com) and the Loon Preservation Committee (loon.org) on April 16. The deaths, which

occurred at lakes and ponds across the state, were due to the ingestion of lead fishing tackle and sinkers, according to the press release. Fish and Game and the Loon Preservation Committee remind anglers that lead tackle is no longer legal in New Hampshire and can be turned in at Fish and Game offices and at many transfer stations across the state. Additionally, until the end of the year, anglers can exchange one ounce or more of illegal lead tackle (lead sinkers and lead-headed jigs individually weighing one ounce or less) for a \$10 gift certificate redeemable at many New Hampshire tackle shops. According to the Loon Preservation Committee, a loon will die from lead poisoning approximately two to four weeks after ingesting lead fishing tackle.

QOL score: -1

Comment: *Loons that are on land that are not on nests are likely in distress. the release said. The Loon Preservation Committee asks the public to report loons in distress by calling 476-5666 or visiting loon.org.*

Not the basil!

The New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health Services (dhhs.nh.gov) is advising consumers not to eat Infinite Herbs Organic Fresh Basil packed in 2.5-ounce clamshells and sold at Traders Joe's stores. According to an April 18 press release, there is a multistate outbreak of salmonella infections linked to this brand of basil. The recalled product has been voluntarily removed from stores and should no longer be available for sale. Consumers who have purchased Infinite Herbs Organic Basil should not eat the product and are urged to check their refrigerators and freezers for any stored product. "As salmonella bacteria can cause serious illness, it is best to throw out any potentially contaminated food rather than risk infection," said Iain Watt, Interim DPHS Director.

QOL score: -1

Comment: *The Department of Health and Human Services reports that there are no reported New Hampshire cases associated with the outbreak of salmonella infections at this time.*

Last week's QOL score: 63

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QOL this week: 60

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Saturday, April 27

Today is **Independent Bookstore Day!** **Gibson's Bookstore** (45 S. Main St. in Concord, gibsonbookstore.com, 224-0562) will have bookstore bingo, a raffle, and give-aways of advanced reader copies of upcoming books, beginning at 10 a.m., while **Bookery** (844 Elm St., Manchester, bookerymht.com) will have a raffle, magic from Magic Man, and a performance by the Uke-



ladies at 3 p.m. **Balin Books** (375 Amherst St. in Nashua; balinbooks.com, 417-7981) has a list of special offerings on its website and will host New Hampshire author Maggie Thrash to discuss her novel *Rainbow Black* at 11 a.m. and singer-songwriter Sweet Harriet at 1 p.m. **Toadstool Bookshop** (12 Depot St. in Peterborough; toadbooks.com) will hold a 20 percent off new hardcovers sale. See indiebound.org for plans at more area bookstores.

Saturday, April 27

The **Great New England Spring Artisan, Antiques, and Vintage Market** will take place from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (and Sunday, April 28, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.) at the Hampshire Dome (34 Emerson Road in Milford, hampshiredome.com, 673-8123). There will be 150 exhibitors, food trucks, cocktails and live music. Tickets are \$5 at the door and are good for both days. See gnecraftartisan-shows.com.

Saturday, April 27

Hudson Lions will sponsor their semi-annual **Psychic Fair** from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Hudson Community Center (12 Lions Ave. in Hudson, hudsonnh.gov, 886-6003). This event will benefit Hudson Lions Charities. No credit cards will be accepted. Admission is free; there will be a fee for psychic readings.

Saturday, April 27

The Coppal House Farm (118 N. River Road, Lee, nhcommaze.com, 659-3572) holds **Open Farm Day** from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. This is the kickoff event for the 2024 season, which starts the celebration of 20 years as Coppal House Farm. Animal barns will be open for visiting and there will be demonstrations of draft horse harnessing, ploughing, and glass flameworking, and more. Admission is free.

Sunday, April 28

Opera stars of the future compete in **NH Opera Idol** beginning at 3 p.m. in the Can-

tin Room at the Bank of New Hampshire Stage (16 S Main St., Concord, ccanh.com, 225-1111). Doors open at 2 p.m. Young opera singers compete for cash awards and performance contracts to a July 2024 production of "I Pagliacci." The audience will choose the competition winners. Tickets cost \$30.75 and are available through the Capitol Center for the Arts website. 🐾



Save the Date! Saturday, May 4

The Seacoast Cat Club will host its 45th Annual CFA Allbreed Cat Show, including feline agility competitions, Saturday, May 4, and Sunday, May 5, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Everett Arena (15 Loudon Road, Concord, concordnh.gov, 228-2784). Admission costs \$10 for adults, \$7 for seniors and kids under 12.

Thursday, April 25

The Aviation Museum of New Hampshire (27 Navigator Road in Londonderry, nhahs.org, 669-4820) hosts "**Turtles Fly Too**," a presentation by local pilot David Dineen about a yearly mission to

airlift misguided sea turtles out of cold New England waters at 7 p.m. Admission costs \$10 per person for non-members. Tickets are available through the museum's website. For more information, go to turtlesflytoo.org.

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GARDENING ADVICE FROM LOCAL GREEN THUMBS PLUS GARDEN CLUBS & PLANT SALES

Everyone's thumb can be a little greener.

In this week's issue, we offer tips for better gardening — or even just a better gardening mindset — from local experts. Whether this is your first spring putting seeds in the dirt or you've been tending to a yard full of plants for years, these experts have helpful advice.

Longtime gardener and gardening writer Henry Homeyer gives his advice for a successful vegetable garden this season. We asked some local garden club members for their tips for better gardening — want more from them? We also have a list of when and where to meet up with local garden clubs to get more hacks from longtime green thumbs. And whether you're just starting with your gardening journey or expanding your garden every year, there's no better place to get good advice and hardy plants than those clubs' plant sales.

Ten tips for planning a successful garden

Plant what you love, plant what you know

By Henry Homeyer
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Despite late snow storms that dumped deep snow over much of New England, spring is right around the corner. Let's take a look at some keys to a successful year in the vegetable garden.

1. Don't bite off more than you can chew. Yes, I grow about 40 tomato plants each year, but most folks don't want to can or to put up many pounds in the freezer. A well-tended small garden is better than a huge weedy one. Select plants that you love, and just plant a few. Don't crowd them. You don't have to start everything from seed — most garden centers have plants for sale in six-packs, and a good selection of varieties.

2. Don't use any chemicals in the garden. Mother Nature doesn't, and you shouldn't either. A chemical fertilizer is largely made of salts of nitrogen, phosphorus and potassium. Too much of these salts can kill the microorganisms that work with the roots of your plants to feed them. A bag of 10-10-10 is 70 percent filler, and the content of this portion is not specified — it's a "trade secret."

3. Compost is your best friend in the gar-

den. Unlike chemical fertilizers, it provides most or all of the micronutrients needed by plants, things like magnesium, calcium and sulfur. And it contains living organisms, the bacteria and fungi that work with your plant roots to provide nutrients to your plants. Mycorrhizal fungi coat the roots of plants. They produce acids that dissolve minerals and share them with your plants. The plants pay the fungi with excess sugars they produce on sunny days.

4. Build up mounds of soil and compost to create raised beds, or build wood-sided ones. You can hoe soil from the walkways into your raised beds, and maybe buy a pickup truck load of compost to mix in and enrich your soil. Most landscapers will deliver compost. Raised beds provide nice loose soil and discourage kids and dogs from walking through them. And in a rainy summer like the last one, raised beds drain well,

5. Enrich your soil with organic fertilizers like Pro-Gro and Plant Tone. They are made from things like ground peanut hulls, soybean meal, seaweed and oyster shells, with a few naturally occurring minerals. They are broken down in the soil and released slowly — just a small amount is water-soluble. They are a big help in poor soils, but don't overdo these either.

6. Make a habit of walking through your garden every day. Look for problems: Are your newly transplanted tomatoes looking limp? If so, they probably need water. Are there potato beetles? The Colorado potato bug can be a real problem. But if you watch for orange egg masses under the leaves and scrape them off, and pick larvae and beetles every day, you can control the problem in a home garden. One adult lays many eggs that can produce new adults in 30 days or so.

7. Don't let weeds blossom and produce



Raised beds are easier to weed and harvest. Photo by Henry Homeyer.

seeds. Ever. Make 10 minutes of weeding **every day** a part of your daily ritual, just like you brush your teeth every day. Use a good weeding tool — I really like the CobraHead Weeder because it easily gets under weeds and can be used to tease out long roots. Some weeds spread by root, so getting out entire roots is important. A scrap of root from many grasses will survive and produce new plants.

8. Water judiciously. Those flip-flop overhead watering devices may be good for a newly planted lawn, but they waste a lot of water in your vegetable garden. Water with watering can, or attach a watering wand to your hose. A good watering wand allows you to water around your plants, but not your walkways or empty places. Too busy to water, or off to the beach? Use a water timer and soaker hoses. They can do the job for you.

9. Why weed your walkways and around your tomatoes many times in a season if you can prevent it? I put down four to six layers of newspaper, then a layer of straw or mulch hay to keep it in place and help hold in moisture. Most weeds won't grow though

the newspaper, and earthworms will eat it up by the end of the season. Inks in newspapers now are soy-based, but I avoid the colored sections.

10. Don't get discouraged, no matter what. Last summer we had lots of rain and not so much sunshine, and many vegetables did not perform well for me — or anybody. Your garden will do better in times of drought or persistent rain if the soil is rich in organic matter and biologically active. Regularly re-plant some things you know how to grow, perhaps lettuce, and rejoice in fresh salads. And remember, there is never a good reason to spray chemicals on your plants — after all, if it kills the Japanese beetles, it can't be good for you. Good luck!

Henry eats something from his garden every day of the year by storing and freezing things from his not-so-small garden. Send him questions or comments by email at henry.homeyer@comast.net, by mail at PO Box 364, Cornish Flat, NH 03746. Please include SASE if you wish a response by mail. He will be writing just one article a month henceforth. 🍀



This potato beetle will lay orange eggs under potato leaves. Remove them all! Photo by Henry Homeyer.

Plant sale season

Get greenery and advice

Looking for new perennials, annuals, herbs, vegetable seedlings and more? Head to a local plant sale, often held by local garden clubs. Not only can you find our-region-friendly plants; you can also find experts who can help you find success with that butterfly bush or early-producing tomato. And here's a plant sale shopping tip: Show up early to have your pick of plants or show up near the end of the sale when remaining plants are often priced to move.

Know of a plant sale not mentioned here? Let us know at adiaz@hippopress.com.



Calla Lilies. Photo by Carolyn Taylor of the Hooksett Garden Club.

- **Amherst Garden Club** will host its plant sale on Saturday, May 11, from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Wilkins School (80 Boston Post Road in Amherst). According to their website, they will be highlighting native plants this year. They encourage participants to come and learn why these are important for our environment by visiting the many vendors who will be selling vegetables, herbs, hanging pots, houseplants, garden ornaments, used garden books and magazines, container pots and more, according to the same site. There will also be delicious home-baked items to eat or for gifting, according to the same site. See amherstgardenclub.org/plant_sale.

- **Bedford NH Garden Club** will hold its plant sale Saturday, May 18, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Bedford Village Common, 15 Bell Hill Road. See bedfordgardenclubnh.org.

- **Candia Garden Club** will hold its annual plant sale Saturday, May 18, from 9 a.m. to noon at Rockingham Lodge #76 (12 South Road in Candia). The sale will feature annuals, herbs and vegetables. Members dig up perennials from their yards. There is a raffle of garden-related and other items.

- The **Friends of the Daland Memorial Library** will hold a plant sale on Saturday, May 18, from 9 to 11:30 a.m. at Daland Memorial Library, 5 N. Main St. in Mont Vernon.

- The **Derry Garden Club** has a plant sale Saturday, June 1, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Robert Frost Farm on Rockingham Road in Derry. "We'll have anywhere from 1,200 to 1,500 plants to sell," said Diana Hill, club president. Their club puts a lot of focus on perennials, she said, "but we also do have members that start annuals and herb and vegetable plants as well. We sell trees." See derrygardenclub.org.

- The **Colonial Garden Club of Hollis** will hold its plant sale on Saturday, May 11, at Lawrence Barn Field on Depot Road from 9 a.m. to noon. The event is their annual fundraiser and provides the funds for their monthly educational programs, communi-

ty contributions, charitable contributions, scholarships, town plantings, seasonal decorations and more, according to hollisgardenclub.org.

- The **Friends of the East Kingston Public Library** will hold a book, bake and plant sale on Saturday, May 18, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the East Kingston Public Library, 47 Maplevale Road in East Kingston. See eknh.org.

- The **Goffstown Community Garden Club** will hold its plant sale on Saturday, May 18, from 8 a.m. to noon at the Town Commons (at the corner of Main and Elm streets in Goffstown).

- **Great Island Garden Club** in New Castle will hold a plant sale on Saturday, May 18, from noon to 3 p.m. at New Castle Recreation Center, 301 Wentworth Road in New Castle. See greatislandgardenclub.org.

- **Hooksett Garden Club** plant sale will take place at the Hooksett Public Library, 31 Mount St. Mary's Way in Hooksett, on Saturday, June 1, from 9 a.m. until noon, rain or shine. The event will feature annuals, perennials, vegetable plants, herbs, houseplants, a garden-related yard sale, and Ask A Master Gardener booth where you can find out all about the plants you are buying, a children's table and raffle items from local businesses and crafters, according to hooksettnhgardenclub.org. Most plants are from Hooksett Garden Club members, the website said.

- **Hopkinton Garden Club's** 2024 spring plant sale takes place on Saturday, May 11, between 8 a.m. and noon at the Hopkinton Town Common, where club members will sell a wide variety of annuals and perennials, many grown in their own gardens, and includes flowers, vegetables, herbs, native plants and hanging baskets, and cash, check and credit card payments will be accepted, according to their website. The spring plant

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More expert advice

Garden club members weigh in

By John Fladd & Zachary Lewis
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“Don’t know who needs to hear this ... but, you’re a good gardener. The plant should have tried harder.” — a post on the Pelham Garden Group Facebook page.

Or, as a Canterbury Garden Club presentation put it, “Don’t sweat it! Whatever happens in the garden ... just don’t sweat it!”

For more advice on how to approach your garden — from general philosophy to specific plant tips — we asked area garden club members to weigh in.

From the Bedford NH Garden Club

Jeanene Procopis, who handles publicity for the Bedford Garden Club, said, “In our garden club we concentrate on perennials, planting perennials, and we try to plant native plants, plants that are native to this region rather than plants that wouldn’t be acclimated to our conditions here, so we try to push those native plants.”

And you can plant what’s pretty, or easy.

“We all enjoy annuals for their pop of color during the growing season,” Procopis said. “Perennials come back every year and they can be divided. They can be shared with friends or neighbors. They’re kind of a workhorse of a plant but they can provide a lot of beauty and enjoyment to a garden.”

When asked for garden tips, she said, “I’m not a master gardener.... Daylilies usually will grow in lots of conditions. They’re an extremely hearty plant but they need to be divided after a while because they will start growing within the pot they are planted in and start crowding together.... A lot of people have daylilies in their yard because they come back every year and they’re very

low-maintenance. In the fall you need to cut back the dead leaves to get them ready for winter but in the spring they push up their leaves. Some are early bloomers, some are a little later, so they’re just a really hearty plant.”

As for her views on gardening overall: “For most people it’s a fun hobby. You learn by trial and error sometimes. You might have the wrong plant in the wrong place, but it’s a hobby of discovery, and for most people it’s extremely relaxing and rewarding because you get to see something grow and it’s kind of fun and beautiful.”

From the Concord Garden Club

Gena Moses, president of the Concord Garden Club, encourages gardeners to “have less lawn and plant more areas that are friendly to native species, that are more friendly to animals ... plant for wildlife value, reduce your nighttime light pollution. Don’t use fertilizers or sprays.”

From the Derry Garden Club

Diana Hill, president of Derry Garden Club, responded to a request for a tip on gardening by saying, “You mean 2,000 gardening tips.” After narrowing that number down, the first thing Hill spoke about was jumping worms and how to mitigate them. These are “horrible, invasive worms ... and they eat the understory of our forests, and we don’t want to spread the jumping worm, so when we get plants in the community ... we bare-root the plants, we take all the dirt off, we wash them and put them in clean soil so we’re not spreading these worms.... We have these huge parties where we wash [roots] and get together ... have lunch and drink wine and just scrub pots clean so we know we’re not spreading any invasive species.”



Persian Shield. Photo by Carolyn Taylor of the Hooksett Garden Club.

Derry Garden Club is also into urban pollinator gardens.

“Don’t clean up your gardens too early in the spring,” Hill said. “The pollinators can’t survive under the temperature of 50 degrees at night and the pollinators and bees burrow in leaf litter and dead plant litter, and if you clean it up too soon the bees and pollinators will have no place to go at night ... so don’t clean up your gardens until it’s 50 degrees in the day and the night.”

Her final tip was about the perennial flowering plant anise hyssop; these, she said, “will feed the pollinators with pollen, of course, and their nectar, but birds also eat the seed heads at the end of the season, so it becomes an empty tube for the bees to live in, in the wintertime. So it hits all three seasons. Some varieties are native to New Hampshire. They propagate very easily, they self-seed, which is nice, you can fill in your garden quickly and you can also transplant them to other areas of your yard and they are full-sun and drought tolerant, so they’re basically a hands-off plant.”

From the Epping Garden Club

Eunice Miller mentioned one of her favorite tips is that so many people buy something that isn’t the right fit, and that it is important to get the right plant for the right location. If it needs sun, put it where the plant will get sun, and so on.

From the Hooksett Garden Club

Carolyn Taylor, publicity chair for the Hooksett Garden Club, offered a gardening tip for a tropical plant that can live in New Hampshire: “A few years ago my brother gave me some canna bulbs, rhizomes actually, and I got hooked. Although they are tropical plants not native to New England you see them in large planters in front of

stores, restaurants, etc. ... I put them in the ground as soon as the soil has reached 50 degrees and no danger of frost, usually in May.”

They need space because the bulbs will multiply, and “each plant should have three to five ‘eyes’ planted facing up.” Canna bulbs love the sun and water. “They pretty much need full sun because they are tropical and they need quite a bit of water,” Taylor said. “They take about three weeks to come up ... and once they come up, will bloom all summer into the fall. You can keep them blooming by cutting off dead flowers.”

Birds are big, if tiny, fans of the plant, she said. “They’re very attractive to hummingbirds. They really love the fact that they’re open, they can get into them.”

From the Litchfield NH Garden & Plant Enthusiasts (a Facebook group)

“Mulch, mulch, mulch. And weed right after the rain. Start small and then expand. When in doubt, ask! There are lots of people who have years of local experience. AND look around. See what other people in your community are growing and when. Then you will know what does well in your area,” posted Stacy Lamountain.

“Start small and get to know your plants. When you see and experiment with them in each stage, you can better understand and predict what techniques they might like and what they might not. Then you can start to recognize their sisters and cousins and predict what they might like too. And finally, because you’ve gotten to know them well, it isn’t quite work anymore to care for them. It’s more like visiting a friend,” posted Kate Stevens.

Garden tours

Get ideas from other people’s gardens at area garden tours. Know of other tours? Let us know at adiaz@hippopress.com.

- See the **Secret Gardens of New London** in a tour of six gardens, held by the New London Garden Club on Thursday, June 20, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tickets cost \$25 in advance; see newlondongardenclub.org.

- The 35th annual **Pocket Gardens of Portsmouth Tour** will take place Friday, June 21, from 5 to 8 p.m. and Saturday, June 22, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The self-guided tour of eight private gardens and one public garden in the Little Harbor neighborhood will also include music, artists and more, according to southchurch-uu.org, the website of the South Church Unitarian Universalist Congre-

gation, which is holding the event. Tickets cost \$25 in advance and \$30 on the day if available.

- The Palace Theatre will hold its annual **Garden Tour** of nine gardens (plus other stops) around Manchester on Saturday, June 22, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tickets cost \$25 in advance and \$30 on the day. See palacetheatre.org.

- The Bedford Garden Club will hold a **“Follow the Blooms” garden tour** of seven gardens in Bedford on Saturday, June 29, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tickets cost \$25 when purchased in advance (see bedfordgardenclubnh.org) and \$30 when purchased on the day from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Bedford Village Common at 15 Bell Hill Road.

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Fellow gardeners



The Burleigh Triangle Garden. "The Burleigh" is a small triangular garden at the intersection of Ministerial and Bedford Center roads. Photo courtesy of Jeanene Procopis of the Bedford Garden Club.

Here are some of the area garden clubs. Know of one not mentioned here? Let us know at adiasz@hippypress.com.

- **Amherst Garden Club** meets monthly from September through June at the Messiah Lutheran Church (303 Route 101 in Amherst) on the first Thursday of the month except in September, when they meet the first Thursday after Labor Day. The meetings typically include a featured speaker, according to their website, amherstgardenclub.org, with their business meetings beginning at 9:15 a.m. and followed by a featured speaker at 10:30 a.m.

- **The Bow Garden Club** typically meets on the second Monday of the months of

April, May, June, September, October and November while a special "Progressive Dinner & Garden Tour" is held in mid-July for members and their guests, according to bowgardenclub.org. There is no August meeting and the club's annual business meeting and holiday brunch is held on the second Saturday of December, according to the same website.

- **Candia Garden Club** meetings are held the fourth Wednesday of each month at 6 p.m. in the meeting room of the Smyth Public Library (194 High St. in Candia)

- **Canterbury NH Garden Club** meets every other month beginning in October and alternating weekday and Saturday morn-

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From the Manchester NH Garden Club

"Spending some time in the fall putting your garden to bed will make your job much easier in the following spring." — Fiona McKenna

From the Merrimack Garden Club

"If you start plants from seed indoors, harden them off by leaving them outside during the day and bringing them back inside at night for a week. This will help prevent the seedlings from getting shocked when they get in the ground." — Jennifer Mayer-Cox

From the Nashua Garden Club

"Stop the back-breaking work of adding mulch to your gardens each spring. Instead, use ground covers to block out weeds and add attractive flowers to the bare spots in your perennial beds." — Terry Robinson Lemack

"In the fall, when I bring in plants that have spent the summer outside, I am very careful to hose off the leaves and roots in

hopes that I don't bring an infestation of insects into my house." — Joan Bonnette

From the Salem Friendship and Gardening Club

"Plant native flowering plants that will feed pollinators. Please don't spray your dandelions!" — Lorie Ball

From the Tailgate Transport Rescue, which is holding its second annual plant sale

"When you buy a new plant, find out what it needs, so you can plant it in your yard where it will get the right amount of sunlight." — Jennifer Abericio

From the Unitarian Universalist Church in Manchester, which holds an annual plant sale

"Dig up plants for transplanting in the early spring, just as they are starting to bud. When planting transplants, water the hole thoroughly before burying the new plant, then again, after it's been buried; this will give the roots a chance to have contact with moist soil." — Jean Stfanik 🌱

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sale is the Hopkinton Garden Club's major annual fundraiser. See hopkintongardenclub.org.

• **Massabesic Garden Club** in Auburn will hold a plant sale on Saturday, May 18, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Griffin Free Public Library (22 Hooksett Road in Auburn). See massabesicgc.org.

• **The Merrimack Garden Club** will hold its plant sale on Saturday, Aug. 3, beginning at 8 a.m. at Saint James United Methodist Church, 646 D.W. Highway in Merrimack.

See merrimackgardenclub.org.

• **The Milford Garden Club** will hold its annual plant sale on Saturday, May 18, from 8:30 a.m. to noon at the Community House Lawn, 5 Union St. in Milford. The event will feature a variety of perennials as well as a raffle table, a bake table, other vendors and a performance by the MHS Jazz Band, according to milfordnhgardenclub.org.

• **Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum**, 18 Highlawn Road in Warner, will hold its annual plant sale on Saturday, June 1, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The New Hampshire Herb-

al Network will also hold its annual Herb and Garden Day in the museum's Powwow Field. See indianmuseum.org.

• **The Nashua NH Garden Club** will hold its plant sale on Saturday, May 18, from 8 a.m. to noon at the Nashua Historical Society, 5 Abbott St. in Nashua.

• **The Newfields Garden Club** will hold its plant sale on Saturday, May 25, from 9 a.m. to noon at the Town Hall, 65 Main St. in Newfields. Find them on Facebook.

• **Project Inspire 603**, an organization that helps New Hampshire classrooms get

school supplies, will hold a plant sale on Friday, May 17, and Saturday, May 18, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 88 Kelsey Mill Road in Northwood. Find them on Facebook.

• **Tailgate Transport and Rescue**, a dog rescue nonprofit, will hold its second annual plant sale on Saturday, June 1, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Burger King parking lot at 737 D.W. Highway in Manchester.

• **The Unitarian Universalist Church of Manchester** (669 Union St. in Manchester) will hold its annual plant sale on Saturday, May 18, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. 🌱

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ings to accommodate a variety of schedules. Frequent communications are maintained through their email list. Contact canterburynhgardenclub@gmail.com.

• **The Concord Garden Club** holds monthly meetings, typically on Thursdays, from September through May plus the CGC annual luncheon in early May. "We do member-focused events all year long," said Gena Moses, President of the Concord Garden Club. One event that is open to the public happens "in conjunction with Concord Parks and Rec department called Habitat at your Home which is to try to help residents learn how to plant more sustainable gardens at their homes." This event will be held at City Wide Community Center at 14 Canterbury Road in Concord on Wednesday, May 1, from 6 to 8 p.m. with tickets ranging from \$10 to \$20 and participants will need to register to attend. See concordgardenclubnh.com.

• **Derry Garden Club** meets the first Friday of every month with most of the meetings held at the Boys & Girls Club (40 E. Derry Road in Derry); get in touch through their website, derrygardenclub.org, since they are not able to use the space in the summer months.

• **Dunbarton Garden Club** will celebrate the 20-year anniversary of the Daffodils of Dunbarton project with five different daffodil packages: General John Stark Blend, Molly Stark Mix, Caleb's Courage, Scipio

Page Blend and Dunn Cottage Blend, with sale information to be updated soon, according to dunbartongardenclub.org. The club meets once a month from April through December, typically on the second Monday of the month at the library/old town hall (1004 School St.) on the second floor, according to the website.

• **The Epping Garden Club** has an annual pansy fundraiser in the spring after the Memorial Day parade, a pink petunia sale around the first week of June, and a Fall Color sale with mums, asters and ornamental cabbages from Wentworth Greenhouses in Rollinsford at the end of August, for which the Epping Garden Club will take pre-paid orders. Email eppinggardenclub@gmail.com.

• **The Goffstown Garden Club** meets March through December on the first Thursdays at the Odd Fellows Lodge, 42 Mountain Road, at 6:30 p.m. It's a community garden club with plots for residents. Find them on Facebook.

• **The Colonial Garden Club of Hollis** holds regular meetings on the first Tuesday of October, November, December, February, March, April and May at the Lawrence Barn at 9 a.m., according to hollisgardenclub.org.

• **The Green Team of Londonderry** meets on the third Thursday of each month from 6 to 7:45 p.m. at the Leach Public Library, 276 Mammoth Road in Londonderry. Find them on Facebook.

• **The Hooksett Garden Club** holds monthly meetings at the Hooksett Public Library (31 Mount Saint Mary's Way in Hooksett) on the fourth Wednesday of the month, February through October, with social time from 6 to 6:30 p.m., the meeting (often with a program) starting at 6:30 p.m. and then a business meeting at 7:30 p.m. See hooksettnhgardenclub.org.

• **The Hopkinton Garden Club** meets on the third Tuesday of each month, September through May, according to hopkintongardenclub.org.

• **The Kingston Garden Club** meets in person on the third Thursday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at Kingston Community Library, 2 Library Lane in Kingston. Find them on Facebook.

• **The Loudon Gardeners Club** meets on the third Tuesday of each month, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the Loudon Community Building, 29 S. Village Road in Loudon, according to the Loudon Town Calendar. Find them on Facebook.

• **The Manchester NH Garden Club** meets one Thursday a month (see manchesternhgardenclub.weebly.com for the upcoming dates) at Girls at Work, 200 Bedford St. in Manchester.

• **The Massabesic Garden Club** in Auburn has monthly meetings on its schedule at massabesicgc.org, where you can find more about membership. The next meeting is Wednesday, May 8, at 6 p.m. and wraps up the 2023/2024 season.

• **The Merrimack Garden Club** meets on the fourth Tuesday of every month at 6:30 p.m. at the St. James United Methodist Church, 646 D.W. Highway in Merrimack. See merrimackgardenclub.org.

• **The Milford Garden Club** meets on the second Monday of every month at 10:30 a.m. at the First Congregational Church Parish House, 10 Union St. in Milford. See milfordnhgardenclub.org.

• **The Nashua Garden Club** meets the first Wednesday each month from 7 to 9 p.m. at the First Baptist Church, 121 Manchester St. in Nashua and via Zoom. See sites.google.com/view/nashuanhgardenclub.

• **The Newfields Garden Club** meets on the first Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Paul Memorial Library, 76 Main St. in Newfields. Find them on Facebook.

• **Salem Friendship and Gardening Club** meets on the third Monday of each month from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. at the Kelley Library, 234 Main St. in Salem. See salemfriendshipandgardenclub.org.

• **Weare Garden Club** meets the first Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. at the Hand in Hand Senior Center and Thrift Shop, 33 N. Stark Highway in Weare. Find them on Facebook.

• **Windham Garden Club** meets on the third Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. at Windham Town Hall, 4 N. Lowell Road in Windham. See windhamgardenclub.org. 🌱

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Weaving a tapestry

Palace brings Carole King story to stage

By Michael Witthaus
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For anyone who ever wondered where songs come from, the Palace Theatre's splendid production of *Beautiful: The Carole King Musical* provides a perfect primer. It's to director Carl Rajotte's credit that the music, performed by a talented ensemble cast, is accompanied by photos of original artists like the Drifters, Shirelles and Righteous Brothers, as well as the principal artists played by feature actors.

Rachel Gubow shines in the title role, her first at the Palace, both as a singer and actress. She reveals how King, along with songwriting partner Gerry Goffin, helped shape the soundtrack of a generation. Austin Mirsoltani, also making his Palace debut, does an admirable job as Goffin, as he illustrates the inspiration for songs like "Up on the Roof" and "Will You Love Me Tomorrow?" along with the challenges of working in a highly competitive creative environment.

Beautiful: The Carole King Musical

When: Fridays, 7:30 p.m., Saturdays, 2 & 7:30 p.m., Sundays, 2 p.m. through May 12

Where: Palace Theatre, 80 Hanover St., Manchester

Tickets: \$28 and up at palacetheatre.org

That milieu is fleshed out by Donnie Kirschner, who ran Aldon Music in 1960s Times Square, played by Ken Quiricone, along with fellow songwriters Barry Mann and Cynthia Weil. In the latter roles, Evan Ross Brody and Lauren Echausse are hilarious, earning more than a few laugh-out-loud moments on opening night.

Brody is reprising a role he recently played in a Florida production of *Beautiful*. In an interview following the initial performance, Director Rajotte called the pair's contribution essential. "Evan sent us his reel, and I just thought he was hysterical," he said. "This show needs that, Cynthia and Barry, to lighten it up."

He continued that Gubow seemed destined to portray the artist who, as a composer, helped shape the mid-20th-century's Great American Songbook and later joined contemporaries like James Taylor and Joni Mitchell for a singer-songwriter movement that included her 1971 solo album *Tapestry*.

When the show opened on Broadway, Gubow was just out of school and auditioned for the lead role, urged by her agent. "That was her first Broadway callback, and even though she knew at the time it was a dream, ever since then she's been studying Carole King," Rajotte said. Later, Gubow was an understudy in a Beverly, Mass., production, serving one time as lead. "She



Austin Mirsoltani and Rachel Gubow in *Beautiful: The Carole King Musical*.

came in knowing the show really well, which is great, because Carole's on stage all the time."

There's much more to King's story than music. *Beautiful* spans a turbulent decade, and Mirsoltani is convincing as a man who feels constrained by suburbia, even as he's writing the words to songs like "Pleasant Valley Sunday" for the Monkees sitcom. Goffin and King's marital breakdown brought a visceral response from the opening night crowd; their acting is that convincing.

As written by Douglas McGrath, the musical's book is a historical mashup. For example, Act 1 ends in a Vermont ski lodge in 1964, and the second begins with King working on an arrangement of "Chains" — which was actually a hit for the Cookies two years earlier. Also, and perhaps less critical, King's transition from Goffin's partner to solo performer omits a messy path that included both a failed trio called *The City*, and a pre-*Tapestry* solo record.

Such artistic license is allowable in the service of vividly depicting a moment that likely won't come again, as a gaggle of creatives barely out of their teens followed their instincts into immortality. Nuanced performances from the core five cast members show the movement from musicians performing other people's songs to writing their own, the cultural upheaval of the hippie movement, and creating in a place where, to use a Cynthia Weil line, there was "always magic in the air."

There are many reasons to see this more than excellent production before it closes on May 12. All of them are good ones, but director Rajotte's rationale is perhaps the best.

"I know everyone is coming to hear Carole King's music," he said, "but what I really want is that they hear her life story ... where the music came from is just so important."

Art

• **"WILDLIFE FROM 7 CONTINENTS"** presented by Greater Concord Chamber of Commerce (49 S. Main St., Suite 104, Concord) by artist Kae Mason through Monday, May 6. The gallery is open Monday through Friday

from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

• **"HUMAN / NATURE,"** will be on display at the McLane Center (84 Silk Farm Road in Concord; nhandubon.org) through Friday, May 17. The show features artwork by Jackie Hanson, a New Hampshire artist. Visit the exhibit

from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

• **"PUSHING OUR BOUNDARIES"** Twigg's Gallery's (254 King St., Boscawen, twiggsgallery.org, 975-0015) first exhibit for the 2024 season showcases four League of NH Craftsmen artists will run until

Sunday, May 19. Hours are Thursday and Friday 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday noon to 4 p.m.

• **"KARA WALKER: HARRIER'S PICTORIAL HISTORY OF THE CIVIL WAR (ANNOTATED)"** at the Currier Museum of Art (150 Ash St. in Manchester; currier.org) and will be on display through Monday, May 27.

• **"LITTLE RED RIDING HOOD: POLLY APFELBAUM & ALICE MACKLER"** at Outer Space gallery (35 Pleasant St. in Concord) will run until Saturday, June 1, by appointment. Visit outerspacearts.xyz.

• **"UNFIXED CONCRETE IDEAL"** is on display at Gallery at 3S Artspace (319 Vaughn St. in Portsmouth; 3sarts.org) through Sunday, June 2. The gallery is open Wednesday through Saturday 11 a.m. through 6 p.m. and Sunday noon to 5 p.m.

• **"I LIVE A JOURNEY OF A THOUSAND YEARS,"** featuring about 20 works by Raphaël Barontini, will be on display through Sunday, June 23, at the Currier Museum of Art (150 Ash

St. in Manchester; currier.org).

• **"ONCE IN A MOMENT"** at Sullivan Framing and Fine Art Gallery (15 N. Amherst Road in Bedford). The exhibit highlights the work of Peter Noonan. Visit sullivanframing.com.

Theater

• **BEAUTIFUL: THE CAROLE KING MUSICAL** runs through Sunday, May 12, at the Palace Theatre (80 Hanover St. in Manchester; palacetheatre.org, 668-5588). The show is at 7:30 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays and 2 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays as well as Thursday, May 9, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets cost \$38 to \$59.

• **GLITCHES IN REALITY**, a magic show starring Simon Coronel, will play at the Rex Theatre (23 Amherst St. in Manchester; rextheatre.org, 668-5588) on Friday, April 26, and Saturday, April 27, at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, April 28, at 2 p.m. Tickets cost \$39 to \$49.

• **A FEMINE ENDING**, described as a "bittersweet new comedy" will be presented by Cue Zero Theatre Company Friday,

April 26, and Saturday, April 27, at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, April 28, at 2 p.m. at Arts Academy of New Hampshire (19 Keewaydin Drive in Salem). Tickets cost \$15; see cztheatre.com.

• **FORBIDDEN BROADWAY** will come to Stockbridge Theatre (5 Pinkerton St. in Derry; stockbridgetheatre.showare.com) on Thursday, May 2, at 7 p.m. Tickets cost \$35 and \$45.

Classical

• **PUTTING IT ALL TOGETHER**, the spring concert for the New Hampshire Gay Men's Chorus, will be presented at four locations in May: Saturday, May 4, at 7:30 p.m. at Christ the King Lutheran Church (3 Lutheran Drive in Nashua); Sunday, May 5, at 3 p.m. at the Rex Theatre (23 Amherst St. in Manchester; rextheatre.org); Saturday, May 18, at 7:30 p.m. at Stratham Community Church UUC (6 Emery Lane in Stratham), and Sunday, May 19, at 3 p.m. at the Concord Community Music School (23 Wall St. in Concord). See nhgmc.com for tickets.

HAZY ART

PILLAR (205 N. State St. in Concord), an exhibition space, will be hosting **"Into the Ether,"** on view until Friday, June 7, with an opening reception on Sunday, April 28, from 2 to 5 p.m. This group exhibition focuses on the nebulous and ephemeral with hazy, high-key abstractions, airy pastels and immersive installation, according to their website. Memory and myth are explored through painting, mixed media works, mylar drawings and sculptural installation, from the artists Sung Won

Yun, Kevin Xiques, Lydia Kinney and Samantha Eckert, according to the same website. PILLAR works with emerging and established artists to highlight the current diversity of art-making in the Northeast, according to the same website. Gallery hours are Sunday, Tuesday and Friday from 3 to 7 p.m. Visit pillargalleryprojects.com or call 657-8111. "What Andy Taught Me" by Kevin Xiques



THE ROUNDUP

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• **“Neon Bathroom!”:** Karen Jerzyk presents “Neon Bathroom!” at 400 Bedford Street (400 Bedford St., Suite 329, Manchester; 400bedfordstreet.com), a multi-purpose art space, on Tuesday, April 30, from 5 to 7:30 p.m. Participants can step into a surreal neon bathroom and have their portrait taken, in 30-minute increments, according to the event website. Karen Jerzyk is a surrealist photographer who combines elements of sci-fi and fantasy with elaborate environments to create visual narratives by either building a set from scratch in her studio or finding an existing location, according to the same website. Striving for an element of what some people have said reminds them of an era of “future-past”, her photos tend to appear timeless, with colorful montages laden with underlying themes, according to the same website. Each portrait is \$40. Visit karenjerzykphoto.zenfolio.com. Tickets are available at Eventbrite, eventbrite.com/e/karen-jerzyk-presents-tickets-870680748557.

• **On the Trail:** The final weekend of *The Trail to Oregon*, a musical comedy presented by Actors Cooperative Theatre, runs Friday, April 26, and Saturday, April 27, at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, April 28, at 2 p.m. at the Derry Opera House, 29 W Broadway in Derry. Go to kidscooptheatre.ludus.com for tickets and find the Actors Cooperative Theatre on Facebook for videos about the show.

• **Earth Day art:** The Massabesic Center (26 Audubon Way, Auburn) is partnering with the League of NH Craftsmen to feature original work in its “**Earth Day Exhibition 2024 — A Nature Inspired Show**,” featuring work from including photography, prints, and fiber art, which will run until Fri-

day, May 31, according to their website. The exhibition will be open during regular Center hours, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., and is free for all ages. Visit nhaudubon.org.

• **Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Portsmouth Mini-Con 40** is on Saturday, April 27, and Sunday, April 28, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. both days, at Cisco Brewers (35 Corporate Drive, Portsmouth), an event celebrating the 40th anniversary of the Dover-born Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles and featuring Turtles creator Kevin Eastman as well as other creators and artists from Mirage Studios, according to the event’s website. This extremely limited attendance event celebrates the 40th anniversary of the original Portsmouth Mini-Con in 1984, which featured the premiere of Eastman and Laird’s beloved characters, and is a fan tribute honoring those who helped propel the TMNT to their current popularity, according to the website. This exclusive event is not a “comic-con” but a reunion of celebrities and a Turtle celebration for the hardest of hardcore fans, according to the website. See portsmouthminicon.com for ticket options.

• **Work with metal:** Manchester Makerspace (36 Old Granite St., Manchester) is hosting an **Intro to Blacksmithing** course on Wednesday, May 1, from 6 to 9 p.m. Attendees will learn basic skills that translate to every facet of the craft, from forging Knightly Broadwords to stunning wrought iron gates, and will start by making coat hooks, according to the website. The non-member price of \$200 includes one month of membership at Manchester Makerspace that can be activated on the day of the class, according to the same website. See manchestermakerspace.org.

• **Haiku workshop:** A poetry reading and open mic at the **Griffin Free Public Library** (22 Hooksett Road in Auburn) will be held on Saturday, April 27, at noon with a haiku workshop from local poet Michael Czarnecki where patrons are encouraged to share stories, songs, poems and any original works, according to the website. No registration is required and all ages are welcome. Visit griffinfree.org. — *Zachary Lewis* 🍀



MUSIC AT ANDRES

On Sunday, April 28, from 6 to 8 p.m. the Andres Institute of Art Event Center (106 Route 13, Brookline) will present the musical stylings of **Dirty Cello**, a San Francisco band performing classic rock, Americana and folk, according to their website. Funds raised support the art, trails and mission of the Andres Institute of Art, which works to educate and train artists, promote the integration of art and technology, and support fine arts, according to the same website. Tickets are \$25. Visit andresinstitute.org or call 845-9174.



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INSIDE/OUTSIDE

And on this farm there was a summer camp

From Sheep Week to Cow Week, Joppa Hill has all the farm fun

By Zachary Lewis
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On a 35-acre parcel of land, The Educational Farm at Joppa Hill provides a path to learning about life on a farm for the whole family with their friendly menagerie of livestock and volunteers to guide you along the way. The farm is open and free to the public from sun-up to sundown every day of the year. Visitors can feed the animals, explore extensive trails, or take part in one of the many events, like fairs, concerts and even a Christmas tree bonfire after the holiday season.

The Farm and barnyard family will be growing this year.

“We are excited to announce that we are acquiring new animals,” Kim Wall, a member of their board of directors, said, and they will be “rebuilding our bunny enclosure, just to give you a hint of some of the animals that might be coming, and ... we are redoing all the fencing around the farm and around the animal enclosures.” These additions and renovations will enhance an already pleasant environment.

Because it is an educational farm, Joppa Hill has a bountiful harvest of programs to educate the public throughout the year. One particular program that gets a lot of attention is the summer camp.

“There are kids who will sign up for multiple weeks,” of camp, Wall said. She pointed out a perk to visiting the Farm or attending summer camp: “You can play with these animals and not have them at home.”

Katie Schelzel, Farm Manager and Camp Director, gets a lot of joy from running the summer camp.

“It is so fun to watch [campers] gain ownership in the success of the farm and caring for the animals and taking care of the property and going inside of the barn,” Schelzel said. “My favorite part of camp is when parents come and pick the kids up ... and they pull their exhausted parents around the entire farm and show them every animal in detail and stories of all the things they learned throughout the day, and I am an exhausted parent so I know what that’s like, but it’s a real treat to watch them feel so proud of what they do.”

Each camp is centered on activities tailored



Photo courtesy of Joppa Hill Farm.



Photo courtesy of Joppa Hill Farm.

to a specific barnyard animal.

“For cow week we make butter. For horse week, we’re grooming the horses and bathing the horses. Chicken week we do a lot of experimentation with eggs,” she said. “There’ll be farm- and animal-themed books. Daily lessons and activities about the animals are what really change.”

Some things are the same every week.

“We have eight weeks, we’re considering adding a ninth, and each week has a different animal theme but every day of every week has the same general routing,” Schelzel said. “Every day kids will do barn chores such as collecting eggs, measuring feed for the ani-

mals, or mucking the horse stalls. They’ll go on daily nature hikes.”

Sixty spots per week are available for kids ages 5 to 12 with two cohorts, the first for ages 5 to 8 and the other for 9 to 12, so that the experience is tailored to their age range. The day on the farm goes from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, and registration starts in late March. Farm members get priority registration.

“It’s really structured so that kids could come for every week and still have something new every week,” Schelzel said. “Even if a week fills up, there’s a waitlist, which isn’t

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A quieter storytime

Nashua Public Library (2 Court St., Nashua) will host **Sensory Story Time** on Thursday, April 25, from 1:30 to 2 p.m. This is designed for kids in grades K-5 who have sensory processing challenges or autism, according to the website. The program will include a set schedule for kids to follow along, quieter music, and dimmed lights. Participants are encouraged to bring their own sensory seating and fidgets, according

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just like the pie-in-the-sky waitlist As parents, you know, you sign your kids up in the spring and then you get an opportunity for summer plans and you have to change your week — so I would definitely encourage parents to use the waitlist ... it's rolling, so there isn't a deadline."

The first week of camp starts June 17, and it's Sheep Week.

Schelzel signed her own daughter up a few years ago and she's never looked back.

"My daughter actually went five, six years ago to camp, which is how I originally was introduced to the farm," she said. "And then I started volunteering ... working for the farm, and now I'm the Farm Manager and Camp

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to the website. Visit nashualibrary.org.

A senatorial storytime

U.S. Sen. **Maggie Hassan** is scheduled to attend the storytime on Friday, April 26, at 1:30 p.m. at Bookery (844 Elm St. in Manchester; bookerymht.com). The event is free; register online.



Shrek 2

Movie night

Need some family entertainment? *Shrek 2* (PG, 2004) is screening at the Chunky's Cinema Pub in Manchester (707 Huse Road; chunkys.com). See it

Thursday, April 25, at 2:30 p.m.

Science Playground

Weather permitting, the **Science Playground** at the McAuliffe-Shepard Discovery Center (2 Institute Way in Concord; starhop.com) will open for the season on Wednesday, May 1. The center itself is open daily from 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. through Sunday, April 28 (and then reverts to regular school year hours of Wednesdays through Sundays from 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.). The playground is part of the regular admission to the center, which costs \$13 for adults, \$12 for ages 13 through college or 62+ and \$10 for ages 3 to 12. Planetarium shows cost an additional \$7 per person; see the website for a schedule. 🍌

Director and have an amazing team that helps keep it updated ... and having an exciting curriculum to learn and be really hands-on with the animals."

Fresh air with blue skies or rain clouds can't be beat.

"There's something naturally therapeutic about being out in nature and with animals all day. One of the most special things about the farm is that everybody leaves happy. Parents can feel good when they pick their kids up at the end of the day that they're learning about nature and about animals," Schelzel said. "They're learning about teamwork and organization and responsibility and they're having fun while doing it." 🍌

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By Ray Magliozzi

*Dear Car Talk:
I have a 2008 Toyota Prius with 95,000 miles on it. About 18 months ago, the catalytic converter was stolen, and I replaced it with an aftermarket converter for about \$200.*

All was well until about a month ago, when the check engine light came on (error code P0420). I have replaced the lower oxygen sensor and the gas cap, but the light stays on. I still get over 50 mpg in city driving with no problems. I went to a dealer, and they want \$2,700 for a converter replacement! Is it safe or wise to keep driving the car? — Karl

It's safe, Karl.

Code P0420 is "cat efficiency," which means "time to replace the catalytic converter ... again."

Why would it be time to replace the catalytic converter just 18 months after you bought your last one? Because you bought a really cheap one for \$200. Cheap converters will skimp on the catalysts — the rhodium, palladium and dealer-boat-payment-ium — the stuff that makes converters expensive.

You're actually lucky that it lasted 18 months. We've put in a few of those really cheap converters, and sometimes the Check Engine light comes on within days.

The reason it may not be wise to keep driving is that your converter is no longer doing its job. That means all the tree-hugging points you amassed by driving a Prius are being wiped out by the air pollution you're adding to your neighborhood. And if you live in a state where they do emissions inspections, you definitely won't pass.

So, you have several choices. If you can get that same brand of converter that you got last time, you could try another one. Maybe that'll give you another 18 months.

By my calculation, you can get 13 and a half of those \$200 converters for the price of one Toyota converter. And if they each somehow last you 18 months, that's about 20 years. Maybe you can even get one with a free, theft-deterrent bumper sticker: "Warning to Thieves: Cheap Converter Installed."

Of course, the next cheap one may not last 18 months. That may have been an outlier. It's hard to know.

So, you might also check out some independent repair shops that specialize in working on Toyotas. They may be able to

steer you toward an aftermarket converter that costs less than the Toyota part but that they've had good, long-lasting success with.

And consider a converter shield, which doesn't prevent theft but makes it harder,

and might encourage a thief to move on to an easier mark.

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INSIDE/OUTSIDE TREASURE HUNT

*Dear Donna,
Time to clean out. Wondering if there is any value to these homemade Barbie-size doll clothes made by my mom for my sister and myself. I have fond memories of playing with them. Tried to pass them on but no interest these days. What to do with them?*

Thank you, Donna.
Cynthia

Dear Cynthia,
Your dresses bring back memories for me as well.

Handmade doll clothes (hand-stitched and sewing machine-made) can be collectible. I think the older the better, and detailing, material, condition etc. all come into play for value.

Barbie-era clothes would all have value to



a collector. The patterns on ones like yours are so "modern"-looking. How fun to mix in with original Barbie outfits.

The value I think is in the buyer. I would think in the \$5+ range for each

outfit. The elaborate or wild could even bring lots more!

Cynthia, thanks for the memory and I hope you find a new home for the clothes.

Donna Welch has spent more than 35 years in the antiques and collectibles field, appraising and instructing. Her new location is an Antique Art Studio located in Dunbarton where she is still buying and selling. If you have questions about an antique or collectible send a clear photo and information to Donna at footwdw@aol.com, or call her at 391-6550. 🗨️

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ON THE JOB

JOE TUPLIN

BUILDER OF COOL STUFF AND OWNER AT KILTED MOOSE OUTDOOR FURNITURE (KILTEDMOOSE.COM)

Q: *Explain your job and what it entails.*

I started by building, essentially, outdoor furniture, Adirondack chairs and coolers.... It kind of progressed from there to looking at something and then trying to figure out, 'How do I make this and what's the best way to make it?' So I've done everything from the chairs, different style chairs to coffee tables, cutting boards, charcuterie boards from different materials just to see if I can work through how to do it and how to build something kind of different and maybe unique.

full-time position but it's definitely something that helps fill the time and keep me active. You can't really focus on anything other than what you're doing when you start using table saws.

What led you to this career field and your current job?

I learned basic construction ... from my dad. ... I started getting interested in seeing the stuff people were making and wondering if I could make that and then I figured out that I could and then just trying to keep finding a way to challenge myself.

How long have you had this job?

I started doing this in 2017. It's not my

What kind of education or training did you need?

I haven't had any formal education in making anything but I find that there's a lot of really talented people out there, whether on YouTube or Instagram, who are really good at showing what they do. They kind of stress a wood-working community over competition, and helping each other get great ideas....



Chairs made by Joe Tuplin

What do you wish other people knew about your job?

I wish they understood what it costs to make something handmade.

What was your first job?

I worked at Burger King. I loaded hamburgers onto a conveyor belt,

What is your typical at-work uniform or attire?

Depending on the weather, usually shorts and a T-shirt. Some type of ... protection and I use a mask because a lot of the sawdust, particularly with exotic woods, is a bit toxic.

What is the most challenging thing about your work, and how do you deal with it?

My biggest challenge is I'm my own worst critic.

What do you wish you had known at the beginning of your career?

I wish I knew how to maximize what I am getting out of a piece of wood and to minimize waste. Particularly now when wood is so expensive. You want to be able to maximize every inch of that board considering the price of it these days.

What is the best piece of work-related advice you've ever received?

Don't take things too seriously, you have to enjoy the moment. You have to enjoy the process of putting together and creating something and not let the stress of trying to make it perfect overwhelm you.

— Zachary Lewis 🍌

Five favorites

Favorite book: *The Stand* by Stephen King

Favorite movie: *Death to Smoochy*

Favorite music: I like hard rock, metal

Favorite food: Pizza

Favorite thing about NH: I like that you can be in any environment within like 45 minutes depending on which direction you travel ... the variety in New Hampshire is endless.



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MHT: Most Happy Tacos!

It's time for Taco Tour 2024

By John Fladd
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When the Greater Manchester Chamber organized its first outing with the Taco Tour last year, there was a steep learning curve, said Cole Riel, the Director of Taco Tour Manchester.

"Last year, we were able to get a handle on logistics, like line control and helping restaurants put out product," he said. "It's not what we're used to, serving 20,000 taco-loving folks."

This year's Taco Tour on Thursday, May 2, from 4 to 8 p.m., in downtown Manchester promises to be the biggest yet. Started in 2011 as a way to draw attention to Manchester's vibrant food scene, the Tour has grown each year, drawing in more and more local restaurants to participate, and increasingly larger crowds to taste their tacos or Mexican-themed dishes and vote on their favorites. The restaurant with the winning taco will win bragging rights, a trophy and \$1,000 to donate to a charity of its choice. Originally conceived and organized by the Hippo, the Tour was run by Intown Manchester in 2019, then took a Covid hiatus, returning last year organized by the Greater Manchester Chamber.

According to Riel, this year's Taco Tour will include more than just tacos.

"There will be a concert stage at the corner of Elm and Bridge streets," Riel said. "Fun acts like the ones who will be performing just add liveliness to the event." The acts will include Harrison Goodell (harrisongoodellmusic.com) at 4 p.m., Cody James and Joe DeLault (thecodyjamesgang.com) at 5 p.m., and deSoL (desol-music.com) at 6 p.m.

According to Steve Freedman of radio station 92.5 The River, which is helping sponsor this year's live performances, the performers are particularly well-suited for Taco Tour.

"We [The River] are proud to break new artists and promote local artists," Freedman said. "The first two acts — Harrison Goodell,

Cody James and Joe DeLault — are 'home-grown,' and the main act, deSoL, is a Latin rock band that we at The River have supported for over 10 years."

There will be other fun events, such as a pet watering station and a doggie costume contest run by the Friends of the Manchester Animal Shelter, and a Stonyfield Yogurt Family Zone at the Manchester YMCA (30 Mechanic St.).

This will be the second year that The Potato Concept has participated in Taco Tour, though the first year from their new brick-and-mortar location, on Hanover Street.

"We're pretty proud," said co-owner Brandon Rainer. "This event is the town jewel for Manchester." The Potato Concept's offering in this year's Tour will be a "Potaco," a twice-baked potato skin with seasoned ground beef, cheese, lettuce, tomato and sour cream. There will also be a "Vegan Potaco" with a black-bean salad filling.

900 Degrees Pizzeria (50 Dow St.) will serve chicken tacos with a house-made fresh pico de gallo.

"We love this event," said 900 Degrees General Manager Dan Gove. "It's a lot of fun; it gives us a chance to give people something completely different than we normally do." He and his staff are preparing 1,000 tacos.

The overall mission of Taco Tour Manchester has remained the same since 2011: to make the public aware of the depth and diversity of Manchester's restaurant scene.

"We want to provide an awesome, well-rounded experience for families and restaurant enthusiasts," Riel said. "We want to remind them of restaurants they may have forgotten about since the last Tour. They will taste [our food] and make plans to come back shortly after."

The tacos

More than 70 local restaurants are participating in this year's Taco Tour. See the map for their locations. Here are their scheduled offerings:

815 Cocktails & Provisions – BBQ Chicken, Alabama white sauce, marinated collard greens, vidalia onions, lime

900 Degrees – chicken tacos
Alas De Frida – Birria Taco
Alley Cat Pizza – "El Gato" pizza folded with taco toppings

Annapurna – Steamed chicken and fried momo (dumplings) taco with an authentic Nepali sauce, and vegetable or pork steamed or fried momo taco with authentic Nepali sauce

Antojitos Colombianos – chicken, pork and vegetarian Tacos



Previous Taco Tour. Courtesy photo.

Bad Brgr – "Smash Burger Taco" and a chicken taco

Barcode Lounge & Grill – "Mac & Cheese Tacos" with pulled pork, Jerk Chicken with pickles, as well as dessert tacos

Ben and Jerry's – Mexicone Dream Ice Cream Nachos (Americone Dream ice cream, waffle cone "chips," caramel drizzle)

bluAqua Restrobar – "The Jaws Taco" with fresh shark

Boards and Brews – "Garlic Parmesan Ranch Tacos" with chicken tenders and fries, and sweet potato fry tacos

Buba Noodle Bar – "Bahn Mi Taco" with lemongrass beef, Asian pickles, cucumber, cilantro, umami sauce

Campo Enoteca – Polpetti (Meatball) taco

Cat Alley Cafe – Breakfast Taco with scrambled eggs, chorizo, potatoes, and queso fresco

Consuelo's Taqueria – "Taco'n Madre" with sauteed pork served on a corn tortilla topped with green tomatillo, guacamole salsa with onions and cilantro

DeadProof Pizza Co. @ Bonfire – Street birria taco and vegan maple gochujang cauliflower taco

Diz's Cafe – "Diz's Magic Taco," a beef taco with DizSpinaca, topped with shredded lettuce and pico de gallo

DoubleTree by Hilton Manchester Downtown – birria beef taco

El Rincon – "Taco Borracho," with carnitas, pork, and beef with caramelized onion, jalapeno, and chorizo

Firefly Bistro & Bar – "Cheesy Chicken Taco" with seasoned chicken, cheddar cheese, chipotle crema, and crunchy tortilla chips in a soft flour tortilla

Granite State Candy Shoppe – "Chocolate Taco Crunch Mix," with chocolate-drizzled waffle cone pieces with cinnamon and chocolate

Granite YMCA (The YMCA of Downtown Manchester) – Sugar cookie taco with strawberry and whipped cream filling, oreo crumble, and orange and green sprinkles

Hooked + Ignite – fried fish tacos

Industry East – Peanut chicken satay tacos, with confit chicken, Thai spiced peanut sauce, scallions, and sesame

Keys Piano Bar & Grill – Jerk chicken soft taco with cabbage slaw and ginger, or a vegan option with grilled vegetables

Kisaki – Sushi taco, with spicy crab and lettuce with tempura seaweed skin

Margarita's Manchester – soft flour tortilla with carnitas, garlic crema, pickled radishes and fresh cilantro

Maya's – jerk chicken & jerk beef tacos
Manchester Fire Department Central Station – smoked pork taco with cilantro lime coleslaw and a special hot sauce

Osaka – Spicy Crab with crunch and avocado wrapped with seaweed (hand rolled) and Spicy Tuna with crunch and chopped raw tuna, wrapped with seaweed (also hand rolled)

Patz Deli – "Mexican Chicken Salad" with chicken, carrots, peas, corn, mayo, sour cream, crushed Fritos, Sriracha, in a soft flour tortilla

Pho Golden Bowl – "Pho Taco," with beef, sour carrots, rice noodles and basil

Piccola Italia Ristorante – Chicken Parmigiana with a chicken cutlet, sauce and mozzarella, and a Chicken Caesar Taco with grilled chicken, romaine lettuce, caesar dressing, Parmigiano flakes and croutons, also a dessert Cannoli Taco

Queen City Cupcakes – Churro Cupcake
Rare Breed Coffee – Iced Horchata Cortado and Caliente Hot Chocolate

Shopper's Pub – "American Taco" with tender broiled pork in a toasted shell with sweet pickle relish and a blend of spices

Soho Bistro & Lounge – chicken, beef, steak or scallop tacos

Stashbox – biscuit & gravy tacos

Strange Brew Tavern – whiskey-marinated shredded chicken in an ancho pepper-infused crema

Sub Zero Nitrogen Ice Cream – Ice cream tacos and nachos with waffle bowls as tacos and nacho shells

Taj India – Chicken Tikka Taco

Thai Food Connection – a wonton shell with chicken and Thai sauce

The Farm Bar and Grille – BBQ pulled pork, cheddar cheese, coleslaw, in a flour tortilla

The HopKnot – "Walking Taco" with jalapeño honey, beer cheese, pico de gallo, and beans

The Patio @ Hilton Garden Inn Manchester – "PB&J Taco" with blueberry tarragon jam, peanut chicken, sour cream & onion potato chips, and Sriracha aioli

The Pint Publik House – Soft flour tortilla filled with Jamaican curried chicken, cheddar-jack cheese and shredded lettuce

The Potato Concept – "Potaco" with ground beef, cheddar, lettuce, tomato and sour cream

The Stoned Wall Bar & Grille – A jerked chicken and kiwi salsa taco

Thirsty Moose Taphouse – "Beef & Cheese Taco" with pico de gallo and sour cream

Thousand Crane – "Teriyaki Chicken Taco"

To Share Brewing Co. – "The Elvis" with banana slices, honey drizzle and optional bacon, on a flour tortilla 🍷

TACO TOUR

When: Thursday, May 2, from 4 to 8 p.m.
Where: downtown Manchester plus a few spots outside downtown
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The Official Taco Tour 2024 Map, available on the Taco Tour website (tacotourmanchester.com/map), includes information about locations of participating restaurants, ATM's, portable toilets, water stations and more.

Gearing up for Cinco de Mayo with Gran Mayan Tequila

Cinco de Mayo is a vibrant celebration of Mexican culture and heritage. While many people associate this festive day with parades, music, and vibrant colors, it is also an opportunity to appreciate the rich history and traditions of Mexico. Tequila and Cinco de Mayo have become nearly synonymous in many parts of the world, particularly in the United States.

Tequila, Mexico's national spirit, is an integral part of the country's cultural identity. Made from the blue agave plant, tequila has a long and storied history. It dates to the 16th century when Spanish conquistadors first encountered the agave plant and learned how to distill its sweet nectar. Over the centuries, tequila production has evolved, and today, it is recognized worldwide as a symbol of Mexican craftsmanship and quality.

One brand that stands out for its superb quality and craftsmanship is Grand Mayan Tequila. Long-time industry veteran Carlos Monsalve, founder and owner of Grand Mayan Tequila has more than 20 years working in nearly every facet of the tequila business.

Carlos dedicates his life to Grand Mayan Tequila, where he and his family are involved in 100% of the process. With his son Carlos Jr., he takes a hands-on approach with each aspect of the production process, from the soil testing and agave

sourcing to tasting of each batch of tequila before it is carefully bottled. He has gained international recognition for his drive and passion for premium tequila, and is honored to be working with his son, Carlos Jr., to carry on the family tradition.

Grand Mayan Tequila is a stunning example of what happens when traditional production methods meet modern luxury. Each aspect of Grand Mayan — from the tequila itself to the presentation — is designed with an unwavering dedication to quality and aesthetics. Each unique ceramic decanter is hand crafted, individually numbered & painted by local Mexican artists in Mexico City, making each bottle a piece of artwork, but it's what's inside that is truly a masterpiece.

Highly rated Grand Mayan Tequila is the perfect complement to any Cinco De Mayo celebration. Whether poured into a chilled shot glass or made into a Silver Margarita, Bloody Maria or Paloma. Grand Mayan Tequila's craftsmanship and quality will shine with every sip. Salud!



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Grand Mayan Silver Margarita

- Ingredients**
- 2 oz. Grand Mayan Silver
 - 0.5 oz. Allen's Triple Sec
 - 1 oz. Fresh Lime Juice.
 - 0.5 oz. Agave Nectar.
 - Lime Wheel.
 - Kosher Salt (optional).

Add tequila, orange liqueur, lime juice and agave nectar to a shaker filled with ice. Shake until well chilled. Rim glass with kosher salt (optional). Strain into a glass over ice. Garnish with a lime wheel.

Bloody Maria

Ingredients:

- 2 oz. Grand Mayan Silver or Reposado.
- 4 oz. Tomato Juice.
- 0.5 oz. Fresh Lemon Juice.
- ½ tsp. Fresh Horseradish.
- 4 Dashes Worcestershire Sauce.
- 2-4 Dashes Hot Sauce
- 1 Pinch Celery Salt
- 1 Pinch Black Pepper

For Garnish* lime wedge, lemon wedge, cucumber slice, jalapeno pepper slice & cilantro.

Add tequila, tomato juice, lemon juice, horseradish, Worcestershire sauce, hot

sauce, & seasoning to a shaker. Fill with ice & briefly shake. Strain into a Collins glass over ice. Garnish with assorted accoutrements.

Paloma

Ingredients

- 2 oz. Gran Mayan Silver
- 0.5 oz. Fresh Lime Juice
- Grapefruit Soda
- Lime Wheel
- Kosher Salt (optional)

Rim a glass with kosher salt (optional). Add tequila and lime juice to glass. Fill with ice and top with grapefruit soda. Gently stir and garnish with a lime wheel.

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IN THE KITCHEN

WITH EMILEE VIAUD



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Emilee Viaud earned a bachelor's degree in pastry arts from Johnson & Wales University, and subsequently worked in bakeries and restaurants in the Boston area. She then took a break from restaurants to work in the travel industry, but later opened her own pastry business, Sweet Treats by Emilee, where she focuses on custom cakes and cookies as well as selling sweet treats at retail locations in southern New Hampshire.

Emilee is also the Executive Pastry Chef of Greenleaf and Ansanm in Milford and Pavilion in Wolfeboro.

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What is your must-have kitchen item? an honor.

A KitchenAid mixer. I use it for almost everything. I have even started to make pie dough in a mixer with a paddle attachment, which is a lot faster than a food processor or by hand.

What would you have for your last meal?

Bacon, egg and cheese on a croissant. Breakfast is my favorite meal of the day. I could eat one of these every day. Nothing beats a freshly made croissant.

What is your favorite local eatery?

Lighthouse Local (21 Kilton Road in Bedford, lighthouse-local.com, 716-6983) and its bakery, The Bird Food Baking Co. They make amazing doughnuts and cookies! I also love their breakfast sandwiches.

Who is a celebrity you would like to see eating something you've made?

Duff Goldman. He would be honest in his critique on taste and design. I grew up watching him on TV, so having him eat something of mine would be

What is your favorite thing that you make professionally?

I actually like decorating more than the science behind baking. I like to find the art within pastry, so decorating wedding cakes with buttercream and cookies with royal icing is where I can be creative and find it to be relaxing (sometimes, lol).

What is the biggest pastry trend in New Hampshire right now?

Croissants stuffed with chocolate chip cookie dough. I haven't had one yet but hope to get one soon; almost every bakery has jumped on making them. I might make them for the Milford Farmers Market this summer!

What is your favorite thing to cook at home?

After working in the kitchen all day, any hot meal will do. I always make meals that are quick, easy and something my 4-year-old will eat as well. I usually go for pasta, green beans and garlic bread. 🍷



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Cut-Out Sugar Cookies

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- 1 pound soft room-temperature unsalted butter
- 2 cups granulated sugar
- 2 room-temperature eggs
- 2 Tablespoons vanilla extract
- 1 teaspoon almond extract
- 6 cups all-purpose flour
- 4 teaspoons baking soda
- 1 teaspoon salt

Beat butter and sugar together just until incorporated in a stand mixer.

Scrape the bowl after each new ingredient is added.

Add eggs and both extracts and mix until incorporated.

Add the cups of flour, baking soda and salt, and mix until the dough forms a ball and pulls away from the sides of the bowl.

Roll the dough out, cut your shapes and bake at 350°F for 8-10 minutes until the edges just start to turn brown.

FOOD



DRINKS WITH JOHN FLADD

The Double Take

I have a friend who is an identical twin. During the Covid lockdown, she and her sister both had babies. Each of them would visit each other fairly frequently, but because they were being really cautious with newborns in their houses, the visiting sister would stand on the porch fully masked. They would each wave to the inside baby, and the babies, assuming this was just how things worked, would wave back at the lumpy, masked, vaguely mommy-shaped figures on the porch.

After a year or so, both sisters and their babies were able to get together in the same room for the first time without masks. According to my friend, the look on the babies' faces as each of them saw two pretty much identical versions of their moms on opposite sides of the room was one of the most hysterical moments in the history of babies.

The point of this story — aside from the fact that it's fun to mess with babies — is that the nature of reality is always a little beyond our comprehension. We have all been in situations where we thought we knew what was going on, but then discovered that we really, really didn't, and had to reconcile two similar but fundamentally mismatched versions of reality.

Which, somehow, brings us to today's cocktail.

Double Take

This is a take on a classic — if not often made — cocktail, a Cucumber Ginger Gin Fizz. This version uses largely the same ingredients as the original, but turns them on their head. Traditionally, this is made with cucumber juice and ginger syrup. This version uses homemade cucumber syrup and ginger brandy. You might think of this as a mirror image — the “other mommy” — of the original.

- 1 ounce cucumber syrup (see below)
- 1 ounce London dry gin – I like Death's Door, but Gordon's would work well, too
- 1 ounce ginger brandy – I'm a fan of Jacquin's
- 1 ounce fresh squeezed lime juice
- 2 ounces seltzer



Double Take. Photo by John Fladd.

Combine the cucumber syrup, gin, brandy and lime juice with ice in a cocktail shaker. Shake enthusiastically.

Strain over fresh ice in a rocks glass.

Gently stir in the seltzer.

Sip, while thinking deep thoughts about the nature of reality.

The lime hits you first. You smile and nod approvingly, because you really like the taste of lime juice, and here it isn't too acidic. Then your palate and a different set of synapses grab your attention and say, “What do you mean, ‘lime’? That's ginger.” And you keep smiling and nodding, because you like ginger, too. But it's at that point that you notice the cucumber, which is pushed out of the way by the lime again. It's like a set of extremely demanding triplets. Fortunately, they have the gin and the fizziness of the seltzer to ground them.

The nature of existence can be transient.

Cucumber Syrup

Wash, but don't peel some cucumber — half of one, three of them, it doesn't matter — and chop it into medium (half-inch) dice.

Freeze it for several hours, or overnight. This will give jagged ice crystals a chance to form and poke holes in all the cucumber's cell walls.

Combine the frozen cucumber and an equal amount of sugar — by weight — in a saucepan, and cook over medium heat. You're going to look at what seems to be a dry, lumpy pile of sugar, and think to yourself, “That's never going to make syrup!” Until it does. All those tiny holes made by the ice crystals will let the sugar draw all the liquid out of the cucumber, and because a cucumber is approximately 96 percent water, everything will come together very satisfyingly.

Bring the syrup to a boil, to make certain that all the sugar has dissolved, then remove from heat, and let it steep for 30 minutes.

Drain the syrup with a fine mesh strainer, and store in your refrigerator for several weeks. 🍷



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Gryphon Rue, *4n_Objx* (self-released)



Traditionally, my desk has been a dumping ground for noise and avant releases of all types, which I've never minded; the only thing that gets on my nerves is impromptu jazz that uses badly matched acoustic instruments, like, say, a fiddle with a clarinet. I mention all that merely as preface for this, which is decidedly not acoustic at all; in fact it's a very techy and quite accessible blend of electroacoustic, field recordings, tropicalia psych and krautrock. There's an underwater, deeply textural feel to all the contents, which unexpectedly shift into bizarre royal-trumpet parts like the

soundtrack from *The Cell* (the J-Lo one I mean) and then gradually move back to more aquatic, graceful spaces. Rue is a New York City kid, and this isn't his first LP; I'm sure he'll be a soundtrack force in future. I almost hate to call it experimental, since that tends to scare people off, but yeah, these are doodlings, but high-end ones. A+

—Eric W. Saeger 🍷

Caldwell, *Caldwell* (Popclaw/Rise Above Records)



New Orleans-based rocker Kevan Caldwell is a member of The Planchettes, which probably doesn't mean anything to you, but you should check them out, because they were like a '60s garage/horror rock New York Dolls, like, if three subway rats formed a band and got booted out of every place they played, they would have sounded like The Planchettes. This dude is sort of a chicken-fried Nick Cave, evident from the wah-pedal groove of opener "No Flowers Today" and the breezy, acoustic-fronted pop idealism of "Love Confessions," to the tripped-out nursery rhyme strut of

"Picturesque Self Portrait," this is an album of endless curveballs, one that any psychedelic garage lover should consider investigating. He was big into the Kinks at the time of writing this LP (Covid lockdowns informed it as well), so it's a peek into this guy's soul, which seems to be a welcoming place. A —Eric W. Saeger 🍷

PLAYLIST

A seriously abridged compendium of recent and future CD releases

- Just like every other Friday, we'll see a relentless storm of new CDs on April 26, can you hardly even wait or what, folks? Like every week, I'm about to look at my super-secret list of new CDs, a list that only professional music journalists can see at metacritic.com, after I'm done whispering prayers to Odin that every CD on the list won't be annoying. Wait, we have a nice start for once, with a new **Pet Shop Boys** album, called *Nonetheless!* Over the years, Pet Shop Boys have become a secret, guilty pleasure for people who don't like all the really bad music that's been put out for decades now (OK, fine, maybe they aren't so secret, given that they were listed as the most successful duo in U.K. music history in the 1999 edition of *The Guinness Book of Records*, can you just not argue with me for once, that'd be great) and prefer music that makes them feel good, not that they started out that way. Like, their first hit single in the '80s, "West End Girls," used to get on my nerves and make me think of creepy incels, but 15 years ago their PR person sent me a copy of their album *Yes*, and I was all like, "Wait, when did these guys become the greatest duo in U.K. music history?" But putting that aside, all I can hope is that their newest single, "Loneliness," is unequivocally awesome, so that I can make fun of myself again for being so wrong about this successful U.K. duo! Oh damn it all, it's awesome, a really mellow krautrock-infused thing with a rubber-band beat and way-toned-down vocals, excuse me while I'm once again forced to recite 50 "Hail Odins."

- **Wolfgang Tillmans** is a really famous photographer from Germany, which somehow led to his believing that he's also a musician, and so he has done Music Stuff, including having one of his tracks sampled by Frank Ocean on his video album *Endless*. Yes, there is much postmodernism going on here, which is annoying to people like Jordan Peterson but enticing to others who are art-challenged. I cannot choose, so I'm going to let Tillmans' music do the talking and listen to "Here We Are," which is apparently included in Tillmans' new album, *Build From Here*. OK, it starts out annoying, with a droopy krautrock intro synth-line that drags on forever, and then it becomes a David Bowie thing. Boring. Oh wait, here's another tune that's on the album, called "Where Does The Tune Hide," and Tillmans sings on it. Ack, gross, it's like Haujobb (if you even know them) but it's super stupid, a bunch of pretentious New Age nonsense. This is not my favorite record of all time.

- Lol, I remember way back in the mid-2010s, when bands were giving themselves names that had two V's in them, do any of you people even remember that doomed little mini-trend, like Wavves? Well, I'm here to report that there is a new band that does that, called **Hovvdy**, whose self-titled album is here, for my expert examination, get on my doctor table, little album, and let's have a look at ya. Hm, the doctor chart here says they're an American indie-pop duo from Austin, Texas, I'll bet it sounds like Guster, let's go check out the single, "Forever." Yup, ding ding ding, it sounds like Guster but with a little Vampire Weekend syncopation but not enough to register an actual pulse. Holy cats, folks, let's wrap this week up.

- Lastly we have famous French tech-house producer duo **Justice**, with their newest album, *Hyperdrama!* You remember these guys, with their asphalt-grating Ed Banger sound that's gone the way of the McDLT, but the new single is "Generator," made of typical edgy noise-electro, like soundtrack music for a live-action Pokemon movie, so nothing's changed. They're coming to the MGM Music Hall in Boston on Aug. 2. —Eric W. Saeger 🍷

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POP CULTURE BOOKS

Tough Broad, by **Caroline Paul** (Bloomsbury, 264 pages)

In her 2016 book *The Gutsy Girl*, Caroline Paul drew from her own experiences as a firefighter, pilot and outdoorswoman to urge 8- to 13-year-old girls to live a life of “epic adventure.” It was the sort of book that many older women bought for their daughters and nieces, but along the way they read it, too — and loved it. Numerous reviews detail how women much older than the target audience made changes in their own life after reading the book.

Now Paul is back with a book written especially for much older women. In *Tough Broad*, she urges women past the half-century mark (and even nearing the century mark) to forget their age and head outdoors for their own epic adventures. These adventures, the subtitle warns, include boogie boarding and wing walking, which as the cover photo shows is exactly what it sounds like: moving along the outside of a small airplane in flight, and I suppose I should add *intentionally*, not because your plane malfunctioned.

Maybe our grandmothers secretly yearned to do that and didn’t have the societal permission, I don’t know. But wing walking at any age seems a bit, well, out there. But Paul argues that exhilarating outdoor adventures are not the result of having a positive attitude toward aging but “the integral gateway” to feeling good about this stage of life. This matters because numerous studies have shown a strong correlation between how we feel about aging and how we fare physically and cognitively. This is not to say that happy aging erases the physical insults and deterioration, but rather, as one 80-year-old scuba diver told Paul, “You can be a couch potato, or you can decide that whatever ails you is insignificant.”

Then 57, Paul is the youngster in this book, although she often talks older than she is. In the opening chapter, for example, she is meeting friends at Yosemite National Park but is thwarted at the gate by rangers who won’t let her drive in because her friend, who obtained the car pass, isn’t with her. Undaunted, she parks away from the gate, puts on a helmet, retrieves her electric skateboard from the car trunk and tries again. The bemused rangers, after “they all stutter-step away from

me as if I’m about to wipe out their entire squadron of youthful shins,” let her in.

But she’s not there to skateboard but to meet up with another friend in her 50s who plans to BASE jump (illegally) from the top of the El Capitan monolith.

And so it goes. Paul, who clearly did not get enough adventure in 14 years of working for the San Francisco Fire Department, goes from adventure to adventure, often with people much older and fitter than she is. Meeting a 93-year-old hiker, for example, Paul has to beg off the 5-mile trek that the older woman wants to take because of previous injuries. The hiker reluctantly agrees to downgrade to just 3 miles, telling Paul at one point, “I’m an ageist. I don’t like old people.”

What she means is that she doesn’t like people who use age as an excuse for not getting outside and doing things that are challenging. And while there are plenty of stimulating things one can do inside, like read books or play chess, Paul argues that outside adventures are unique in bringing us to life, and she doesn’t mean just your backyard or a county park. “The less urban the environment you stroll in, the more well-being you feel,” she writes.

While a few of the activities that Paul covers here are much more staid than illegal BASE jumping — birdwatching makes an appearance, for example — the book’s most fascinating women are the ones doing the wildest things. Take the 71-year-old wing walker, who Paul discovers through a video that her children posted on the internet with the caption “MAMMA WENT WING WALKING! Without a word about it to us kids.” When Paul tracks her down, she learns that the wing walker had breast cancer and a mastectomy, chemo and radiation at age 64 and wanted to do something to celebrate her recovery. She’d learned about wing walking when she typed in “Something fun to do here” on Google. She didn’t just jump on the plane, but worked out for six months in preparation, without saying a word to her family.

Paul later tries it herself and realizes that it isn’t just the physical challenge that is



so empowering, but what it does for one emotionally. She writes: “I realize how perfectly wing walking primes us for awe: there is the majestic view at thirty-five hundred feet that feels almost religious; there is the total disequilibrium of doing something so antithetical to every survival instinct; there is the exhilaration of twirling and ricocheting and falling in a

vast sky.” True, she notes, a person can experience awe during, say, a walk in a forest, but it’s “psychological disequilibrium” that keeps the neurons firing. We hear a lot about the benefits of sleep and meditation and lowering stress; less so about the need for novelty and challenge. But Paul writes, when she signs up to learn to fly a gyrocopter, she is helping her brain to remain elastic and nimble. “Embrace disequilibrium,” she exhorts us.

Just as Paul’s previous book, meant for young girls, appealed to older women, *Tough Broads*, though meant for older women will likely inspire women decades younger — and those whose goals are much more modest than walking on a plane mid-flight. In one chapter Paul accompanies a 59-year-old woman to a swimming lesson; the woman has tried multiple times over the years to learn to swim and never could, becoming more and more terrified of drowning each time. But she is determined to master her fear. She regrets that “there’s an entire area of life that I can’t participate in” and dreams of scuba diving somewhere exotic with her family. She is still dreaming — her story turns out not to be quite as inspirational as the others, but the moral is the same: that growth comes from trying, whether or not we succeed.

Paul, who is the twin sister of the actress Alexandra Paul, shares a poignant story about her mother, whose own mother had been anxious and overprotective, making her become risk averse. But at age 54 Paul’s mother tried skydiving and for the first time considered herself brave, and this courage set her off on new adventures. At 84 she told her daughter wistfully, “What I would give to be 60 again.” Paul concludes, “do it now, before you can’t.” That’s good advice for any woman, or man, at any age. **A** —Jennifer Graham

Books

Author events

- **HOWARD MANSFIELD**, author of *I Will Tell No War Stories*, will discuss his book on Thursday, April 25, at 6:30 p.m. at Gibson’s Bookstore (45 S. Main St., Concord, gibsonsbookstore.com).
- **MAGGIE THRASH**, New Hampshire author of *Rainbow Black*, will sign and discuss her book at Balin

- Books (375 Amherst St., Somerset Plaza, in Nashua; balinbooks.com) on Saturday, April 27, at 11 a.m.
- **KAREN EBER** will discuss her book *The Perfect Story* at Balin Books (375 Amherst St., Somerset Plaza, in Nashua; balinbooks.com) on Sunday, April 28, at 1 p.m.

Book events

- **BOOK TALK: NORTHERN**

VOICES discussion of Mike Pride’s ninth and final book, *Northern Voices*, with Pride’s longtime colleague Mark Travis, at the NH Historical Society (30 Park St., Concord, nhhistory.org) on Saturday, April 27, at 2 p.m. Free, no registration required.

History, stories, discussions & lectures

- **THE ROAD MORE TRAV-**

ELED: HOW THE AUTOMOBILE CHANGED NH, lecture by Amanda Grappone Osmer at NH Historical Society (30 Park St., Concord) on Thursday, April 25, at 6 p.m. Free for members; nonmembers are invited to join the Society to enjoy this program. Advance registration required; see nhhistory.org.

The Ministry of Ungentlemanly Warfare (R)

Guy Ritchie does an *Inglourious Basterds* by way of *Operation Mincemeat* and gets *The Ministry of Ungentlemanly Warfare*, which is based on a true story from the nonfiction book by Damien Lewis.

As with the 2021 Netflix film *Operation Mincemeat*, *The Ministry of Ungentlemanly Warfare* gives us a young Ian Fleming (Freddie Fox) during World War II, working here for a senior officer “M” (Cary Elwes), getting mixed up in wartime spycraft that uses cunning and misdirection to defeat a seemingly better-situated German military. In this case, the plan — Operation Postmaster — is to destroy the ship that supplies the German U-boats that are making it difficult for the British to get food and military reinforcements from America. The ship is in the Spanish-controlled port of an island off the Atlantic coast of Africa. Gus March-Phillips (Henry Cavill), a British officer known for breaking rules and not following orders, is charged with putting together a small crew to sail to the port and blow up the ship — but, like, quietly and unofficially in a way that won’t put the British in open conflict with Franco’s Spain. His basterds include Anders Lassen (*Reacher*’s Alan Ritchson, playing the same kind of mountain-sized butt-kicking robot here), Geoffrey Appleyard (Alex Pettyfer), Henry Hayes (Hero Fiennes Tiffin) and Freddy Alvarez (Henry Golding — who is my fave in this movie’s collection of “men who could be the next James Bond”). In the

port town, British agents Heron (Babs Olusanmokin) and Marjorie Stewart (Eiza Gonzales) wine and dine and generally distract and pull information from the various Nazis, the ickiest of whom is Heinrich Luhr (Til Schweiger). When the night of the big event arrives, Heron also enlists the help of local Kambili Kalu (Danny Sapani, who also feels like a pretty good Bond candidate).

There is an overall shagginess that slows the movie down and a flatness to the characters that I feel is not uncommon when you’re dealing with a real-world story filled with lots of real people you don’t want to leave out. There is nothing particularly new here; the movie has a “serviceable cover of a decent radio hit” feel overall.

But the group of rascalness-inclined heroes makes for a mostly fun bunch of people to hang out with for two hours. The caper elements are probably the movie’s most interesting and while I wish they were maybe a little sharper, they provide enough energy to keep the last part of the movie in particular buzzing along. **B-**

Rated R for strong violence throughout and some language, according to the MPA on filmratings.com. Directed by Guy Ritchie with a screenplay by Paul Tamasy & Eric Johnson &



The Ministry of Ungentlemanly Warfare

Arash Amel and Guy Ritchie based on a book of the same name by Damien Lewis, The Ministry of Ungentlemanly Warfare is two hours long and is distributed in theaters by Lionsgate.

Abigail (R)
A kidnapping gig goes hilariously wrong for a group of criminals in *Abigail*, a horror movie?

I mean, *Abigail* has the fixings of a horror movie — big creepy house with passageways and cobwebs and a gang of untrustworthy types who don’t know each other and a “maybe the killer is in here with us!” situation. But this movie is laugh-out-loud hilarious and wonderfully hammy.

The “no names” rule by boss Lambert (Giancarlo Esposito) is why the gang of kidnapers calls each other Joey (Melissa Barrera), Frank (Dan Stevens, chewing all the scenery as he does what feels like a Nic Cage impression), Rickles (William Catlett), Sammy (Kathryn Newton), Peter (Kevin Durand) and Dean (Angus Cloud). They didn’t even

all know that the person being kidnapped is a child, Abigail (Alisha Weir), or who her father is. Joey, a nurse charged with taking care of Abigail, promises the young girl she’ll keep her safe and get her back to her father as soon as the ransom is paid. Abigail appreciates that and tells Joey she’s sorry about what is about to happen to her.

A shaken Joey goes back to the group — who is this girl’s father and what kind of trouble are we in?

The trailers to this movie spell out exactly what kind of trouble the group is in and it is delightfully bonkers. We first see Abigail as she dances ballet to “Swan Lake” and she spends much of the movie in a ballerina outfit, bringing big *M3gan* vibes to everything she does. The criminal characters mostly play it straight — they are after all being picked off one by one — while still acknowledging the unreality of their situation. The movie nicely blends the tropes of a haunted house-style horror and an unreliable criminals caper with its silly-but-great central premise for an overall fun time. There are some jump scares and a significant amount of explodey, chunky gore but otherwise this is definitely a horror movie that delights in the campiness of its genre more than its frights. **B**, maybe even a **B+** for the overall sense of glee

Rated R for strong bloody violence and gore throughout, pervasive language and brief drug use, according to the MPA on filmratings.com. Directed by Matt Bettinelli-Olpin and Tyler Gillett with a screenplay by Stephen Shields and Guy Busick, Abigail is 106 minutes long and distributed in theaters by Universal Studios.

Film

• *La Chimera* (2023) will screen at Red River Theatres in Concord (redrivertheatres.org) on Thursday, April 25, at 4 & 7 p.m.
• *Wicked Little Letters* (R, 2024) will screen at Red River Theatres in Concord (redrivertheatres.org) on Thursday, April 25, 3:45 p.m.; Friday, April 26, through Sunday, April 28, at 2:15, 4:30 & 6:45 p.m.; Monday, April 29, and Wednesday, May 1,

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• *Sasquatch Sunset* (R, 2024) will screen at Red River Theatres in Concord (redrivertheatres.org) on Thursday, April 25, at 4:15 p.m.; Friday, April 26, through Sunday, April 29, at 12:15 p.m.; Monday, April 29, and Wednesday, May 1, at 4:15 p.m.
• *Challengers* (R, 2024) will screen at Red River Theatres in Concord (redrivertheatres.org) on

Thursday, April 25, at 6:30 p.m.; Friday, April 26, through Sunday, April 28, at 1, 4 & 7 p.m.; Monday, April 29, through Thursday, May 2, at 4 & 7 p.m.
• *Dottie* (2024), a short from Articine described as “a film about dementia and empathy,” will screen on Saturday, April 27, at 7 p.m. at Red River Theatres in Concord (redrivertheatres.org).
• *Spirited Away* (PG, 2001) will

screen via Fathom events in both dubbed and subtitled versions. See the dubbed versions on Sunday, April 28, at Cinemark in Salem at 3 & 7 p.m., O’neil Cinemas in Epping at 3 p.m. and Regal Fox Run at Newington at 3 & 7 p.m., and on Tuesday, April 30, at 7 p.m. at Cinemark in Salem and Regal in Newington. See the subtitled version on Saturday, April 27, at 3 p.m. at Cinemark in Salem and Regal in

Newington; Monday, April 30, at 7 p.m. at Cinemark in Salem, O’neil Cinemas in Epping and Regal in Newington, and on Wednesday, May 1, at 7 p.m. at Cinemark in Salem, O’neil Cinemas in Epping and Regal in Newington.
• *The Kid Brother* (1927), a silent film starring Harold Lloyd and featuring live musical accompaniment by Jeff Rapsis, will screen on Sunday, April 28, at 2 p.m. Wil-

ton Town Hall Theatre.
• *Labyrinth* (1986) will screen at Chunky’s in Nashua and Pelham on Monday, April 29, at 7 p.m.
• *Dirty Dancing* (PG-13, 1987) will screen at Chunky’s in Nashua and Pelham on Tuesday, April 30, at 7 p.m.
• *The Goonies* (1985) will screen at Chunky’s in Nashua and Pelham on Wednesday, May 1, at 7 p.m.

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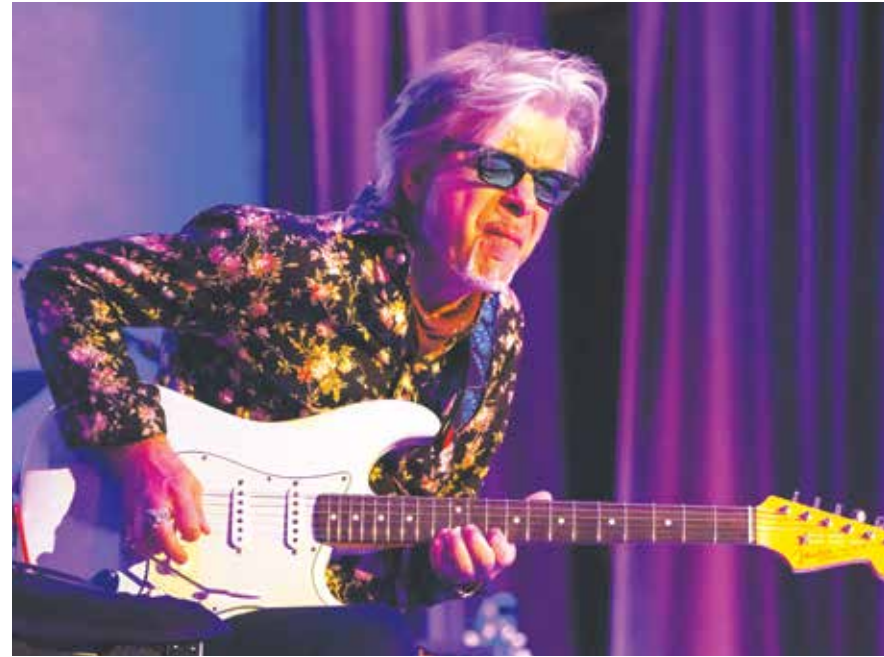
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NITE Celebrate

Johnny A. revisits guitar icon Jeff Beck

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• **Country:** Boston-based singer-songwriter **Louie Bello** celebrates his new single at an area show. Bello's upbeat modern country song "Yippy Ki Yay" was well-received on streaming services, receiving more than a million views. His latest release, "Grown Man Cry," is a tender ballad about love and loss. Thursday, April 25, 8 p.m., The Goat, 50 Old Granite St., Manchester. See louiebello.com.

• **Rustic:** Singer-guitarist Michael Glabicki pairs with instrumentalist Dirk Miller for a show dubbed **Uprooted**. In a game of musical word association, Glabicki's band Rusted Root invariably leads to "Send Me On My Way." From TV ads to kids' movies, the mid-'90s hit became ubiquitous, and through multiple decades of constant touring and several albums, the percolating left field smash continues to permeate. Friday, April 26, 8 p.m., Bank of NH Stage, 16 S. Main St., Concord, \$38.75 at ccanh.com.

• **Underground:** No-nonsense Manchester rock trio **The Graniters** are joined by Boston bands the Lipstick Boys and Already Dead at a new venue in Nashua. The 21+ BYOB event is among many efforts offered by the Midnight Creatives Collective, a new group that aims to help independent musicians gather and provide resources to assist in navigating the vagaries of the music business. Saturday, April 27, 9 p.m., Terminus, 134 Haines St. (2nd floor), Nashua, \$15/door, see facebook.com/midnightcreativescollective.

• **Eclectic:** Drawing from a wide-ranging palette, the music of **Dirty Cello** is, in the words of one critic, "funky, carnival, romantic, sexy, tangled, electric, fiercely rhythmic and textured." Band leader Rebecca Roudman is a classically trained cellist who ditched the straight-laced world to rock out. They play everything from "These Boots Are Made For Walking" to "Wayfaring Stranger," and originals. Sunday, April 28, 6 p.m., Andres Institute of Art, 106 Route 13, Brookline, \$25 at andresinstitute.org.

• **Brassy:** A fundraiser for the Central and Hillside jazz programs is hosted by **Freese Brothers Big Band**, giving young musicians an opportunity to shine in the spotlight. Since 1986, the big band has awarded scholarships worth nearly \$100K to youth music programs in communities across New Hampshire. Tuesday, April 30, 6:30 p.m., Rex Theatre, 23 Amherst St., Manchester; tickets are \$20 at palacetheatre.org.

There's history between guitarists Jeff Beck and Johnny A.

The two jammed together multiple times, beginning a few years back in Portland, Maine, when Beck invited Johnny A onstage after his band opened for him. Later, the Massachusetts-born axeman toured with the re-formed Yardbirds, Beck's (and Jimmy Page's) first band, playing all the guitar parts. Heady stuff for a guy who'd said if he could jam with anyone in the world, it wouldn't be Jimi Hendrix or his idol John Lennon; it'd be Jeff Beck.

However, when asked in the weeks after Beck died last year to put together a band to remember him, Johnny A declined — firmly.

"I said, I'm not really into doing tribute things, first of all, and b, the guy is not really copyable," he recalled in a recent phone interview. "He [the promoter] called me again and I turned him down. Then he called me again."

By then, he'd thought more about his time playing songs like "For Your Love" and "Shapes of Things," and conceded the tireless promoter might have a point. "He said, 'Hey, listen, you played in the Yardbirds for three years. The reviews I've seen of you capturing that era of music with those guitar players were always very, very positive.'"

He agreed to consider putting a band together but made clear it would not be a tribute.

"I'd approach it like I approached the Yardbirds ... pay respect to the artist, don't really try to copy, try to conjure the spirit of the music, and keep my own personality injected in there somehow," he said.

The result is Beck-Ola, a band named after the guitarist's second solo album. It includes the rhythm section from his trio, drummer Marty Richards and bassist Dean Cassell, singer Mike Gill (Beyond Purple) and keyboard player Steve Baker. The latter is a great fit for Beck's jazz fusion era, having played with Stanley Clarke, Billy Cobham and Allan Holdsworth.

British Guitar Blowout - Beck-Ola and Journeyman

When: Sunday, April 28, 7 p.m.
Where: Nashua Center for the Arts, 201 Main St., Nashua
Tickets: \$29 and up at ctix.com

The two-week tour, which will include a Saturday, April 27, show at the Flying Monkey in Plymouth and a Sunday, April 28, show at the Nashua Center for the Arts will focus exclusively on Beck's solo career.

"We're doing 21 songs from different albums that go all the way back to *Truth*; nothing really from the Yardbirds," he said. "I'm calling it 'A Celebration of the Music of Jeff Beck,' because we're trying to capture the spirits of different eras."

He plans to follow the guitar legend's unique approach to his material.

"He never really played melodies the same way twice, they were always interpreted like a singer would sing a song, differently every time," he said. "Even though it's really the same melody, the inflections and the nuances and the phrasing are altered."

It's an approach he's had since taking up guitar in the mid-1960s.

"I'm influenced by a lot of people but it's more about what makes them tick," he said. "If you can conjure up that little spark ... maybe re-imagine that energy

and bring it to your own playing. Maybe it echoes the personality that you're trying to, I wouldn't say emulate, but pay tribute to."

The final two nights of the brief tour will be special, as Beck-Ola co-headlines with Journeyman, an Eric Clapton tribute led by young phenom Shaun Hague.

"Fans of British blues rock guitar will get their fill," he said, adding, "I think people will like it, if they come out and have an open mind and they like the music of Jeff Beck, and they miss it."

JOHNNY A

“Pay respect to the artist, don't really try to copy, try to conjure the spirit of the music, and keep my own personality injected in there somehow.”

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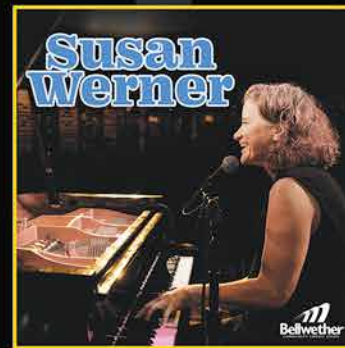


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TUESDAY 30
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SUN 5 New Hampshire Gay Men's Chorus Present's "Putting It All Together" 3:00PM

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Foster's Tavern 403 Main St., 875-1234	Kathleen's Irish Pub 90 Lake St., 744-6336	Contoocook Gould Hill Farm & Contoocook Cider Co. 656 Gould Hill Road, 746-3811	Goffstown Village Trestle 25 Main St., 497-8230	Jaffrey Park Theatre 19 Main St., 532-9300	Manchester Backyard Brewery 1211 S. Mammoth Road, 623-3545	KC's Rib Shack 837 Second St., 627-RIBS	Milford Riley's Place 29 Mont Vernon St., 380-3480
Auburn Auburn Pitts 167 Rockingham Road, 622-6564	Brookline The Alamo Texas Barbecue & Tequila Bar 99 Route 13, 721-5000	Deerfield The Lazy Lion 4 North Road, 463-7374	Hampton CR's The Restaurant 287 Exeter Road, 929-7972	Kingston Saddle Up Saloon 92 Route 125, 369-6962	BluAqua 930 Elm St., 836-3970	Salona Bar & Grill 128 Maple St., 624-4020	Stoncutters Pub 63 Union Square, 213-5979
Barnstead Back Door Grill 107 Maple St., Center Barnstead, 269-3000	Candia The Barnyard / Town Cabin Pub 285 Old Candia Road, 483-4888	Derry Fody's Tavern 187 Rockingham Road, 404-6946	The Goat 20 L St., 601-6928	Laconia Cactus Jack's 1182 Union Ave., 528-7800	Bonfire 950 Elm St., 663-7678	Shaskeen Pub 909 Elm St., 625-0246	Moultonborough Buckey's 240 Governor Wentworth Hwy., 476-5485
Bedford 1750 Taphouse 170 Route 101, 488-2564	Concord The Barley House 132 N. Main St., 228-6363	Dover Auspicious Brew 1 Washington St., 953-7240	L Street Tavern 603 17 L St., 967-4777	Defiant Records & Craft Beer 609 Main St., 527-8310	Bookery 844 Elm St., 836-6600	South Side Tavern 1279 S. Willow St., 935-9947	Nashua Casey Magee's Irish Pub 8 Temple St., 484-7400
Copper Door 15 Leavy Dr., 488-2677	Hermanos Cocina Mexicana 11 Hills Ave., 224-5669	Epping Telly's Restaurant & Pizzeria 235 Calef Hwy., 679-8225	Smuttynose Brewing 105 Towle Farm Road	Fratello's 799 Union Ave., 528-2022	Candia Road Brewing 840 Candia Road, 935-8123	Stark Brewing Co. 500 Commercial St., 625-4444	Casey Magee's Irish Pub 8 Temple St., 484-7400
Murphy's Carriage House 393 Route 101, 488-5875	Lithermans 126 Hall St., Unit B	Hudson The Bar 2B Burnham Road	Wally's Pub 144 Ashworth Ave., 926-6954	Litchfield Day of the Dead Mexican Taqueria Mel's Funway Park 454 Charles Bancroft Highway, 377-7664	Derryfield Country Club 625 Mammoth Road, 623-2880	Strange Brew 88 Market St., 666-4292	Fody's Tavern 9 Clinton St., 577-9015
Bow Chen Yang Li 520 S. Bow St., 228-8508	Tandy's Pub & Grill 1 Eagle Square, 856-7614	Luk's Bar & Grill 142 Lowell Road, 889-9900	Whym Craft Pub & Brewery 853 Lafayette Road, 601-2801	Londonderry Coach Stop Restaurant & Tavern 176 Mammoth Road, 437-2022	The Foundry 50 Commercial St., 836-1925	To Share Brewing 720 Union St., 836-6947	Haluwa 44 Gusabel Ave., 864-8348
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					Great North Aleworks 1050 Holt Ave., 858-5789	Merrimack Homestead 641 Daniel Webster Hwy., 429-2022	San Francisco Kitchen 133 Main St., 886-8833
							Spyglass Brewing 306 Innovative Way,

Thursday, April 25	Epsom Hill Top: music bingo, 7 p.m.	p.m. Fratello's: Duke Snyder, 7 p.m.	Pittsfield Over the Moon: open mic, 6 p.m.	Ogden, 6 p.m.	Bristol Kathleen's: Irish Sessiun, 7 p.m.
Auburn Auburn Pitts: open jam, 7 p.m.	Gilford Patrick's: Don Severance & Max Sullivan, 6 p.m.	Londonderry Stumble Inn: D-Comp Trio, 7 p.m.	Portsmouth Cup of Joe: Dan Duquette, 8 p.m. Gas Light: Dani Sven, 2 p.m. The Goat: Isaiah Bennett, 9 p.m.	Warner The Local: Ian Archibold, 5 p.m.	Brookline Alamo: Dave Clark Rocks, 6 p.m.
Bedford Copper Door: Justin Jordan, 6 p.m.	Goffstown Village Trestle: Jennifer Mitchell, 6 p.m.	Manchester Candia Road Brewing: open mic with Jay the Barber, 6 p.m. Fratello's: Johnny Angel, 5:30 p.m. Goat: Cox Karaoke, 8 p.m. Shaskeen: Showcase 603: On the Cinder, Graniteers and more, 8 p.m.	Salem Copper Door: David Corson, 7 p.m.	Friday, April 26	Contoocook Contoocook Cider Co.: Chris Collen, 5 p.m.
Candia Town Cabin: Peter Pappas, 6 p.m.	Hampton CR's: John Chouinard, 6 p.m. Wally's: open mic, 8 p.m. Whym: music bingo, 6:30 p.m.	Merrimack Homestead: Henry LaLiberte, 5:30 p.m. Tortilla Flat: Kat Ivy, 7 p.m.	Seabrook Backyard Burgers: Jennifer Mitchell, 6 p.m. Red's: Jay Gratton, 7 p.m.	Alton Bay Dockside: music bingo, 7 p.m. Foster's Tavern: The Lone Wolf Project, 6 p.m.	Dover Cara Irish Pub: Max Sullivan, 9 p.m.
Concord Hermanos: live music, 6:30 p.m. Lithermans: Garrett Smith, 5:30 p.m.	Hudson Luk's: Mike Forgette, 7 p.m. Lynn's 102: karaoke w/George Bisson, 8 p.m.	Milford Riley's Place: open mic, 7 p.m.	Somersworth Earth Eagle: open mic w/Dave	Barnstead Backdoor Grill: Chris Torrey, 6 p.m.	Epping Telly's: Redemption Duo, 8 p.m.
Derry Fody's: music bingo, 8 p.m.	Kingston Saddle Up Saloon: karaoke w/DJ Jason, 7 p.m.	Nashua Casey Magee's: open mic, 7:30 p.m. Fody's: DJ Rich Karaoke, 9:30 p.m. San Francisco Kitchen: Chris Lester, 6:30 p.m.		Bedford Murphy's: Patrick Synan, 6 p.m.	Goffstown Village Trestle: Charlie Chronop-

Music, live and in person

These listings for live music are compiled from press releases, restaurants' websites and social media and artists' websites and social media. Call the venue to check on special rules and reservation instructions. Get your gigs listed by sending information to adiaz@hippypress.com.



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ous, 6 p.m.	6:30 p.m.	Gas Light: Amanda Dane Band, 7 p.m.; Krystian Beal, 9:30 p.m.	Gilford Patrick's Pub: Katie Dobbins, 6 p.m.	Pipe Dream: Fred Ellsworth, 2 p.m.	Merrimack Homestead: Paul Gormley, 6 p.m.
Hampton CR's: Bob Tirelli, 6 p.m. The Goat: Mike Jetti, 9 p.m. L Street: karaoke, 9 p.m. Whym: Liz Ridgley, 6:30 p.m.	Meredith Twin Barns: Willy Chase, 5 p.m.	Grill 28: Travis Rollo, 6 p.m.	Goffstown Village Trestle: Mugshot Monday, 6 p.m.	Stumble Inn: B-J Korona, 1 p.m.; Cosmos Factory, 8 p.m.	Milford Riley's: Bat Magoon, 8 p.m.
Hudson Luk's: Erik White, 7 p.m. Lynn's 102: karaoke w/George Bisson, 8 p.m.	Merrimack Homestead: Clint Lapointe, 6 p.m.	Salem Luna Bistro: Bella Perrotta, 7 p.m.	Hampton The Goat: Chris Toler, 9 p.m. L Street: karaoke, 9 p.m. Wally's: Small Town Stranded, 9 p.m. Whym: Chris Cavanaugh, 6:30 p.m.	Manchester Backyard Brewery: Justin Cohn, 6 p.m. Bonfire: Eric Grant Band, 6 p.m. Bookery: Ukeladies, 3 p.m. Derryfield: Those Guys, 8 p.m. Foundry: Rebecca Turmel, 6 p.m. Fratello's: Joe Winslow, 6 p.m. The Goat: Musical Brunch with Brooks Hubbard, 10 a.m. Great North Aleworks: Paul Driscoll, 4 p.m. The Hill: Jodee Frawlee, 5:30 p.m. Shaskeen: Tri Chromes, Mushroom Cloud, 8 p.m. Strange Brew: Lisa Marie & All Shook Up, 9 p.m. To Share: Ian Galipeau, 5 p.m. Wild Rover: Chris Perkins, 6 p.m.	Nashua Balin Books: Sweet Harriet, 1 p.m. Casey Magee's: Jenni Lynn Duo, 8 p.m. Haluwa: Night Owls, 8 p.m. Liquid Therapy: Quiny Lord, 7 p.m. Peddler's Daughter: Pop Farmers, 9 p.m.
Jaffrey Park Theatre: Eve Pierce, 6 p.m.	Milford Riley's: The Bulkheadz, 8 p.m. Stonecutters Pub: DJ Dave O karaoke, 9 p.m.	Seabrook Red's: Beau Dalleo, 8 p.m.	Hudson Luk's Bar: Brother Seamus, 7 p.m.	Meredith Twin Barns: Jack Ancora, 5 p.m.	New Boston Molly's: The Incidentals, 7 p.m.
Laconia Defiant: The hArt of Sound, 5:30 p.m. Fratello's: Kyle Dumais, 7 p.m.	Moultonborough Buckey's: American Ride Duo, 6:30 p.m.	Sunapee Community Coffee House: Skip Gorman, 7 p.m.; open mic, 8 p.m.	Jaffrey Park Theatre: Buskin Batteau and Friends, 5:30 p.m.	Laconia Fratello's: Richard Cumming, 6 p.m.	Portsmouth Cup of Joe: James Gaudreau, 8 p.m. Gas Light: Whatsername, 7 p.m.; Dave Clark, 9:30 p.m. The Goat: Mike Jetti, 9 p.m.
Litchfield Day of the Dead: music bingo, 6:30 p.m.	Nashua Casey Magee's: karaoke, 9:30 p.m. Haluwa: Rock Junkies, 8 p.m. Peddler's Daughter: Down a 5th, 9 p.m.	Saturday, April 27	Laconia Fratello's: Richard Cumming, 6 p.m.	Londonderry Coach Stop: Joanie Ciatelli, 6 p.m.	Salem Luna Bistro: Phil Jacques, 7 p.m.
Londonderry Coach Stop: Justin Jordan, 6 p.m. Stumble Inn: Whatsername, 8 p.m.	New Boston Molly's: Lewis Goodwin, 6:30 p.m.	Alton Bay Foster's Tavern: Willy Chase, 6 p.m.	Londonderry Coach Stop: Joanie Ciatelli, 6 p.m.		
Manchester Backyard Brewery: Ian Galipeau, 6 p.m. Bonfire: Chase Clark, 9 p.m. Derryfield: Diamond Special, 8 p.m. Foundry: Paul Driscoll, 6 p.m. Fratello's: Lou Antonucci, 6 p.m. The Hill: Keith Crocker, 5:30 p.m. South Side Tavern: Cox Karaoke, 9 p.m. Stark Brewing: Taylor Marie,	Northfield Boonedoxz Pub: karaoke night, 7 p.m.	Bedford Murphy's: Bella Perrotta, 6 p.m.	Brookline Alamo: Matt Bergeron, 6 p.m.		
	Penacook American Legion Post 31: Jennifer Mitchell, 7 p.m.	Bow Chen Yang Li: Ryan Williamson, 7 p.m.	Concord Hermanos: live music, 6:30 p.m.		
	Pittsfield Over the Moon: Between the Jigs and Reels, 7 p.m.	Bristol Bristol House of Pizza: NKM, 6 p.m.	Dover Auspicious Brew: Happy Just To See You / Mechanical Canine / Andy Klosenski, 8 p.m.		
	Portsmouth Cup of Joe: Beer Rats, 8 p.m.	Epping Telly's: Jimmy's Right, 8 p.m.			

COMEDY THIS WEEK AND BEYOND

Weekly comedy nights
 • Wednesday Ruby Room at the Shaskeen in Manchester, rubyroomcomedy.com, 9 p.m.
 • Thursdays Laugh Attic at Strange Brew in Manchester, strangebrewtavern.net, 8:30 p.m.
 • Saturday Murphy's Taproom in Manchester, murphystaproom.com, 8 p.m.

• Rodney Norman McCue's, in Portsmouth, mccuescomedyclub.com, Saturday, April 27, 8 p.m.
 • Corey Manning Headliners in Manchester, headlinersnh.com, Saturday, April 27, 8:30 p.m.
 • Todd Barry Music Hall Lounge in Portsmouth, themusichall.org, Sunday, April 28, 5:30 p.m. and 8 p.m.
 • Kevin Nealon Tupelo in Derry, tupelomusichall.com, Thursday, May 2, 8 p.m.
 • Joey Carroll & Friends Headliners at Makris in Concord, headlinersnh.com, Thursday, May 2, 8 p.m.
 • Dave Russo Presents Fulchino Vineyard in Hollis, fulchinovineyard.com, Friday, May 3, 7:30 p.m.
 • Jon Rudnitsky Music Hall Lounge in Portsmouth, themusichall.org, Friday, May 3, 8:30 p.m.
 • Mutts Gone Nuts! Dana



Kevin Nealon
 Center in Manchester, tickets.anselm.edu, Saturday, May 4, 4 p.m.
 • Jordan Klepper Chubb Theatre in Concord, ccanh, Saturday, May 4, 8 p.m.
 • Marty Caprano Headliners in Manchester, headlinersnh.com, Saturday, May 4, 8:30 p.m.
 • Tim McKeever Headliners at Makris in Concord, headlinersnh.com, Thursday, May 9, 9 p.m.



OH TO LIVE ON SUGAR MOUNTAIN

With the re-release of a CSNY live album and the rediscovery of a lost verse from "Cortez the Killer," Neil Young has been in the news a lot lately. Brush up on the work of the legendary guitarist and songwriter with **Sugar Mountain**. This New Jersey quintet brings the big hits and deep cuts from Young's catalog to the stage. They stop by the Flying Monkey (39 Main St., Plymouth, 536-2551, flyingmonkeynh.com) on Friday, April 26, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets range from \$25 to \$45, plus fees.

NITE MUSIC THIS WEEK

Seabrook
Red's: Francoix Simard, 8 p.m.

Luna Bistro: Matt Fuller, 4 p.m.

Merrimack
Homestead: Justin Jordan, 5:30 p.m.

Seabrook
Red's: Kaliloop, 7 p.m.

Nashua
Spyglass Brewing: Interstate Racket, 5:30 p.m.

Sunday, April 28
Bedford
1750 Taphouse: Chad LaMarsh, 5 p.m.
Copper Door: Lilly Innella, 11 a.m.

Monday, April 29
Dover
Cara Irish Pub: open mic, 8 p.m.

Portsmouth
The Goat: Isaiah Bennett, 9 p.m.
Press Room: Soggy Po' Boys, 9 p.m.

Brookline
Alamo: Chris Powers

Gilford
Patrick's Pub: open mic, 6 p.m.

Rochester
Porter's: karaoke, 6:30 p.m.

Contoocook
Cider Co.: Scott King, noon

Hudson
The Bar: karaoke with Phil, 8 p.m.

Seabrook
Backyard Burgers: music bingo with Jennifer Mitchell, 7 p.m.
Red's: Chad Verbeck, 7 p.m.

Epping
Telly's: Rob & Jody, 5 p.m.

Jaffrey
Park Theatre: open mic, 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 1
Concord

Goffstown
Village Trestle: Bob & Amberly, 3:30 p.m.

Londonderry
Stumble Inn: Lisa Guyer, 7 p.m.

Hermanos: live music, 6:30 p.m.
Tandy's: karaoke, 8 p.m.
Uno Pizzeria: Danny McCarthy, 6 p.m.

Hampton
Smuttynose: Ralph Allen, 4:30 p.m.

Manchester
Fratello's: Phil Jacques, 5:30 p.m.
The Goat: Musical Bingo Nation, 7 p.m.
Salona: music bingo with Jennifer Mitchell, 6 p.m.

Derry
Fody's: karaoke, 7 p.m.

Hudson
Lynn's 102: Triple Play, 4 p.m.

Merrimack
Homestead: Jode Frawlee, 5:30 p.m.

Epping
Telly's: Dave Clark, 7 p.m.

Laconia
Fratello's: Kyle Dumais, 6 p.m.

Nashua
Fody's: karaoke night, 9:30 p.m.

Hampton
Wally's: Mike Francis, 7 p.m.

Londonderry
Stumble Inn: Redemption, 2 p.m.

Portsmouth
The Goat: Musical Bingo Nation, 7 p.m.; Alex Anthony, 9 p.m.

Kingston
Saddle Up Saloon: Musical Bingo Nation, 7 p.m.

Manchester
Bonfire: free line dancing, 6 p.m.
Derryfield: Chad LaMarsh, 5 p.m.
The Goat: Paul Wolstencroft, 9 p.m.
Strange Brew: One Big Soul Jam, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, April 30
Concord

Manchester
Fratello's: Justin Jordan, 5:30 p.m.

Milford
Riley's Place: blues jam, 1 p.m.

Barley House: Irish session, 6 p.m.
Tandy's: open mic, 8 p.m.

Stark Brewing: Cox karaoke, 8 p.m.
Strange Brew: open mic w/ Will Bemiss, 8 p.m.

Northfield
Boonedoxz Pub: open mic, 4 p.m.

Hampton
Wally's: music bingo, 7 p.m.

Merrimack
Homestead: Clint Lapointe, 5:30 p.m.

Portsmouth
The Goat: Rob Pagnano, 9 p.m.
Napoletana: Max Sullivan, 8 p.m.

Manchester
Fratello's: Jeff Mrozek, 5:30 p.m.
KC's Rib Shack: Paul & Nate open mic, 7 p.m.
Stark Brewing: Jodee Frawlee, 6:30 p.m.
Strange Brew: David Rousseau, 8 p.m.

Milford
Riley's: Acoustic Wednesday, 7 p.m.
Stonecutters Pub: open mic, 8 p.m.

Salem
Copper Door: Rob Dumais, 11 a.m.

HEY HEY MAMAS



If all your love belongs to Led Zeppelin, you'll want to check out **Zepparella**. These living loving maids bring a whole lotta lovin' to the songs of the mighty Zep. Ramble on to Jimmy's (135 Congress St., Portsmouth, 888-603-JAZZ, jimmysoncongress.com) on Thursday, April 25, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets range from \$10 to \$60, plus fees.



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Events

- **21+ trivia night** Thursday, April 25, 7:30 p.m. at Chunky's in Manchester (707 Huse Road in Manchester; chunkys.com).
- **'90s trivia night** Friday, April 26, 7 p.m. at 603 Brewery (42 Main St., Londonderry, 603brewery.com).
- **The Office trivia night** Tuesday, April 30, 5:30 p.m. at Northwoods Brewing (1334 First NH Turnpike, Northwood, 942-6400, northwoodsbrewing-company.com).

Weekly

- **Thursday** trivia at Reed's North (2 E. Main St. in Warner, 456-2143, reednorth.com) from

6:30 to 8 p.m.

- **Thursday** trivia at Station 101 (193 Union Sq., Milford, 249-5416) at 6:30 p.m.
- **Thursday** music trivia at Day of the Dead Taqueria (454 Charles Bancroft Hwy. in Litchfield, 377-7664) at 6:30 p.m.
- **Thursday** trivia with Geeks Who Drink at the Barley House (132 N. Main St., Concord, thebarleyhouse.com) at 7 p.m.
- **Thursday** trivia with Game Time Trivia at Hart's Turkey Farm (223 Daniel Webster Hwy., Meredith, 279-6212, hartsturkeyfarm.com) from 7 to 9:30 p.m.
- **Thursday** Opinionation by Sporele trivia at Uno Pizzeria & Grill (15 Fort Eddy Road in Concord; 226-8667) at 7 p.m.
- **Thursday** trivia at Hop Knot (1000 Elm St., Manchester, 232-3731, hopknotnh.com) at 7 p.m.
- **Thursday** trivia at Liquid Therapy (14 Court St., Nashua, 402-9391) at 7:30 p.m.
- **Thursday** trivia at Game Changer Sports Bar (4 Orchard View Dr., Londonderry; 216-1396, gamechangersportsbar.com) from 8 to 10 p.m.
- **Thursday** trivia at Strange Brew (88 Market St., Manchester, 666-4292) at 8 p.m.
- **First Thursday of every month** trivia at Fody's (9 Clinton St., Nashua; fodystavern.com) at 8 p.m.
- **First and third Thursday of every month** trivia at To Share Brewing (720 Union St., Manchester, tosharebrewing.com) at

6:30 p.m.

- **Friday** trivia at Biergarten Anheuser-Busch (221 Daniel Webster Hwy., Merrimack) from 6 to 8 p.m.
- **Sunday** trivia at Mountain Base Brewery (553 Mast Road, No. 111, Goffstown, 315-8382) at 4 p.m.
- **Monday** Pub Quiz at Shaskeen (909 Elm St., Manchester, 625-0246, shaskeenirishpub.com) at 7:30 p.m.
- **Tuesday** trivia at Able Ebenezer Brewing (31 Columbia Circle, Merrimack, 844-223-2253) at 6 p.m.
- **Tuesday** trivia at Second Brook Bar & Grill (1100 Hooksett Road, Hooksett, secondbrook.com) at 7 p.m.
- **Tuesday** trivia at Fody's (187 Rockingham Road, Derry, 404-

- 6946, fodystavern.com) at 7 p.m.
- **Tuesday** trivia at Lynn's 102 Tavern (76 Derry Road, Hudson, 943-7832, lynns102.com), at 7 p.m.
- **Tuesday Geeks Who Drink** trivia at Peddler's Daughter (48 Main St., Nashua, 821-7535, thepeddlersdaughter.com), from 8:30 to 10:30 p.m.
- **Wednesday** Brews & Qs trivia, 21+, at Feathered Friend (231 S. Main St., Concord, 715-2347, featheredfriendbrewing.com) at 6 p.m.
- **Wednesday** trivia at Lithermans (126 Hall St., Concord, lithermans.beer) at 6 p.m.
- **Wednesday** trivia at Spyglass Brewing Co. (306 Innovative Way, Nashua, 546-2965, spyglassbrewing.com) at 6 p.m.
- **Wednesday** trivia at Topwater Brewing (748 Calef Hwy., Barrington, 664-5444) at 6 p.m.
- **Wednesday** trivia at Popovers (11 Brickyard Sq., Epping, 734-4724, popoversonthesquare.com) from 6:30 to 8 p.m.
- **Wednesday** trivia at Don Ramon (6 Whitney St., Merrimack, 420-8468) from 7 to 9 p.m.
- **Wednesday Kings Trivia** at KC's Rib Shack (837 Second St., Manchester, 627-7427, ribshack.net), sponsored by Mi Campo, in Manchester 7 to 9 p.m..
- **Wednesday** trivia at City Hall Pub (8 Hanover St.; Manchester, 232-3751, snhgh.com) at 7 p.m.
- **Wednesday World Tavern Trivia** at Fody's Tavern (9 Clinton St. in Nashua, fodystavern.com, 577-9015) at 8 p.m.

Concerts

- **HAAS** Thursday, April 25, 7 p.m., Word Barn in Exeter, thewordbarn.com
- **Dueling Pianos** Thursday, April 25, 7:15 p.m., LaBelle Amherst, labellewinery.com
- **Garnet Rogers** Thursday, April 25, 7:30 p.m., Flying Goose in New London, flyinggoose.com
- **10,000 Maniacs** Thursday, April 25, 7:30 p.m., Rex in Manchester, rextheatre.org
- **Zepparella** (Led Zeppelin tribute) Thursday, April 25, 7:30 p.m., Jimmy's in Portsmouth, jimmysoncongress.com
- **Christian Sands Quartet** Friday, April 26, 7:30 p.m., Jimmy's in Portsmouth, jimmysoncongress.com
- **LNTRNS** Friday, April 26, 7:30 p.m., Angel City in Manchester, angelcitymusicall.com
- **Once an Outlaw** Friday, April 26, 7:30 p.m., Colonial in Laconia, coloniallaconia.com
- **Sugar Mountain** (Neil Young tribute) Friday, April 26, 7:30 p.m., Flying Monkey in Plymouth, flyingmonkeynh.com
- **Uli Jon Roth** Friday, April 26, 8 p.m., Tupelo in Derry, tupelomusicall.com
- **Michael Glabicki/Dirk Miller** Friday, April 26, 8 p.m., 3S Artspace in Portsmouth, 3sarts.org
- **Sam Robbins** Friday, April 26, 8 p.m., Music Hall Lounge in Portsmouth, themusicall.org
- **Sinatra: The Main Event** Saturday, April 27, 6 p.m., Tupelo in Derry, tupelomusicall.com
- **Phil Jakes** Saturday, April 27, 7 p.m., Luna Bistro in Salem
- **The Scott Spradling Band** Saturday, April 27, 7:30 p.m., Franklin Elks Lodge
- **Ronnie Earl & the Broadcasters** Saturday, April 27, 7:30 p.m., Jimmy's in Portsmouth, jimmysoncongress.com
- **British Guitar Blowout** Saturday, April 27, 7:30 p.m., Flying Monkey in Plymouth, flyingmonkeynh.com
- **Chris Pinnella: The Sinatra Experience** Saturday, April 27, 8 p.m., Tupelo in Derry, tupelomusicall.com
- **Neon Wave** Saturday, April 27, 8 p.m., Bank of NH Stage in Concord, ccanh.com
- **Dave Matthews Tribute Band** Saturday, April 27, 8 p.m., Rochester Opera House, rochesteroperahouse.com
- **Floydian Trip** (Pink Floyd tribute) Saturday, April 27, 8 p.m., Lakeport Opera in Laconia, lakeportopera.com
- **Heather Maloney** Saturday, April 27, 8 p.m., Music Hall Lounge in Portsmouth, themusicall.org
- **Led Zeppelin 2** Saturday, April 27, 8 p.m., Colonial in Laconia, coloniallaconia.com
- **Slaughter Beach, Dog** Saturday, April 27, 8 p.m., 3S Artspace in Portsmouth, 3sarts.org
- **Club D'Elf** Saturday, April 27, 9 p.m., Press Room in Portsmouth, pressroomnh.com
- **Legends of Rock** Saturday, April 27, 9 p.m., Angel City in



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- erahouse.com
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- **Legends of Rock** Saturday, April 27, 9 p.m., Angel City in

- Manchester, angelcitymusicall.com
- **Guitar Center Student Showcase** Sunday, April 28, 3 p.m., The Strand in Dover, thestrand-dover.com
- **Mama's Broke** Sunday, April 28, 6 p.m., Press Room in Portsmouth, pressroomnh.com
- **Sing Along Piano Bar** Sunday, April 28, 6 p.m., Bank of NH Stage in Concord, ccanh.com
- **British Guitar Blowout** Sunday, April 28, 7 p.m., Nashua Center for the Arts, nashuacenterforthearts.com
- **Gabe Stillman Band** Sunday, April 28, 7:30 p.m., Jimmy's in Portsmouth, jimmysoncongress.com
- **New Legacy Swing Band** Monday, April 29, 7 p.m., Jimmy's in Portsmouth, jimmysoncongress.com
- **A Night of Jazz** Tuesday, April 30, 6:30 p.m., Rex in Manchester, rextheatre.org
- **Ann Hampton Calloway** Wednesday, May 1, 7:30 p.m., Jimmy's in Portsmouth, jimmysoncongress.com
- **Barnstar!** Thursday, May 2, 7 p.m., Word Barn in Exeter, thewordbarn.com
- **In Flames/Gatekeeper/**

- Crashing Down** Thursday, May 2, 7 p.m., Casino Ballroom
- **Stacey Kent** Thursday, May 2 and Friday, May 3, 7:30 p.m., Jimmy's in Portsmouth, jimmysoncongress.com
- **Marshall Tucker Band** Thursday, May 2, 7:30 p.m., Music Hall in Portsmouth, themusicall.org
- **NH Fiddle Ensemble** Friday, May 3, 6:30 p.m., Rochester Opera House, rochesteroperahouse.com
- **Wheatus** Friday, May 3, 7 p.m., Jewel in Manchester, jewelmusicvenue.com
- **Chase Bryant** Friday, May 3, 7 p.m., Sullivan Arena at Saint Anselm College in Manchester, tickets.anselm.edu
- **Caroline Spence** Friday, May 3, 7 p.m., Word Barn in Exeter, thewordbarn.com
- **Susan Werner** Friday, May 3, 7:30 p.m., Rex in Manchester, rextheatre.org
- **1964 The Tribute** Friday, May 3, 7:30 p.m., Flying Monkey in Plymouth, flyingmonkeynh.com
- **Jeffrey Gaines** Friday, May 3, 7:30 p.m., Bank of NH Stage in Concord, ccanh.com
- **The Driver Era** Friday, May 3, 8 p.m., Casino Ballroom in

- Hampton, casinoballroom.com
- **Larger Than Life** (boy band tribute) Friday, May 3, 8 p.m., LaBelle Derry, labellewinery.com
- **Zach Nugent's Dead Set** Friday, May 3, 8 p.m., Nashua Center for the Arts, nashuacenterforthearts.com
- **Southside Johnny & the Asbury Jukes** Friday, May 3, 8 p.m., Tupelo in Derry, tupelomusicall.com
- **Mallett Brothers Band/Jamie McLean Band** Friday, May 3, 9 p.m., Press Room in Portsmouth, pressroomnh.com
- **Pemgiewasset Choral Society** Saturday, May 4, 6:30 p.m., Colonial in Laconia, coloniallaconia.com
- **Joey Canzano** Saturday, May 4, 7 p.m., Luna Bistro in Salem
- **Dana Fuchs** Saturday, May 4, 7:30 p.m., Jimmy's in Portsmouth, jimmysoncongress.com
- **Souled Out Show Band** Saturday, May 4, 7:30 p.m., Flying Monkey in Plymouth, flyingmonkeynh.com
- **Panorama/Fleetwood Heart** Saturday, May 4, 7:30 p.m., Bank of NH Stage in Concord, ccanh.com

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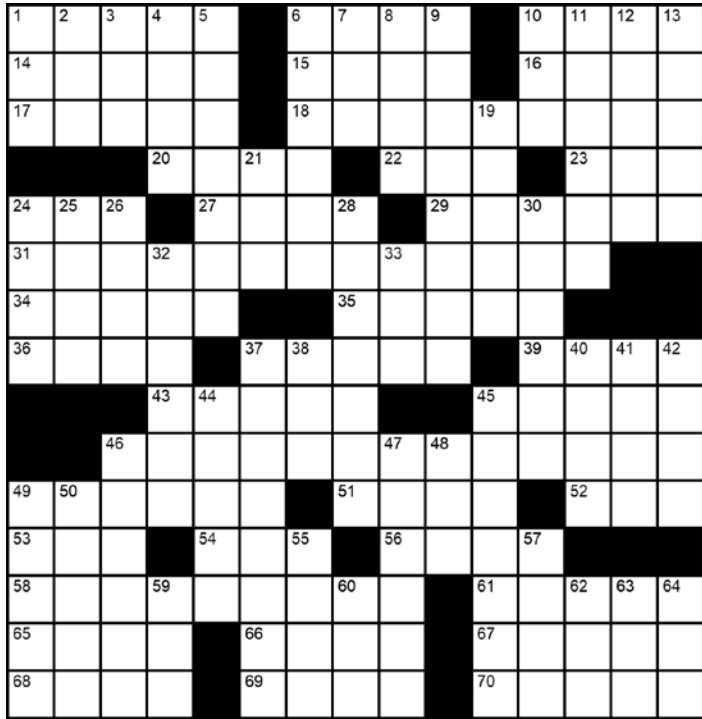
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- 65. "Garfield" dog
- 66. Hideaway
- 67. Giant tourist attraction
- 68. Sweet endings?
- 69. Ready and willing go-with
- 70. Come in

Down

- 1. Best Buy stock
- 2. "I drank root beer too quickly" noise
- 3. Notable period
- 4. Sour-ish
- 5. "Our Gang" member
- 6. "... the Lord ___ away"
- 7. Prefix before raptor
- 8. Gold source
- 9. They're squeezed at some weddings
- 10. ___ Schwarz (toy store)
- 11. Perfect place
- 12. "Understood?"
- 13. Erase from memory, jokingly
- 19. Causes of ruin
- 21. Planter's container
- 24. "___ first you don't succeed ..."
- 25. Simba's mate
- 26. Construction toy brand with an apostrophe and no silent letters
- 28. Sparkly bits
- 30. Appear unexpectedly
- 32. Lime and rust, for example
- 33. Baseball call
- 37. Mathematical curve
- 38. Kimono closer

- 40. Colorful computer
- 41. Bollywood garment
- 42. "Put Your Head on My Shoulder" crooner Paul
- 44. Couldn't stand
- 45. Menu option paired with "Continue"
- 46. Singer Eilish
- 47. "And ___ off!"
- 48. Sty sitter
- 49. "Gesundheit" prompter
- 50. Orchestra section
- 55. Say too much
- 57. Pizzeria fixture
- 59. Guitar innovator Paul
- 60. ___ Uzi Vert
- 62. Mo. with 31 days
- 63. Addition to coffee, sometimes
- 64. ___ es Salaam, Tanzania

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Across

- 1. Greek letter after eta
- 6. Mummy's locale
- 10. Blowfish delicacy that may be dangerous to eat
- 14. Blowing up online
- 15. Athletic footwear brand
- 16. "... like ___ of bricks"
- 17. Neck warmer
- 18. Incomplete musical about royal footwear?
- 20. Recording material
- 22. Anti-pollution gp.
- 23. Chess or key lime, e.g.
- 24. Tattoos
- 27. A bunch
- 29. Instigate
- 31. Incomplete musical about someone who's into Verdi and Wagner?
- 34. Amazon assistant
- 35. Cheesy dip
- 36. Ride from the airport, maybe
- 37. Sulky expressions
- 39. Tower-ing city?
- 43. Abu ___
- 45. Gary who had a hit with "Cars"

- 46. Incomplete play about Yogi or Boo-Boo?
- 49. Aretha Franklin's longtime label
- 51. Broadway play or musical
- 52. Org. based in Langley
- 53. Animation sheet
- 54. Retreating tide
- 56. Toaster-based brand
- 58. Incomplete musical about Chucky or Annabelle?



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7+		2÷	

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	4	10×		5-
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Find and Circle...

- Seven words with OO in the middle □□□□□□
- Jeff ___ □□□□
- Four pieces of furniture □□□□
- Three four-letter units of time □□□
- Hawaiian hello/goodbye □

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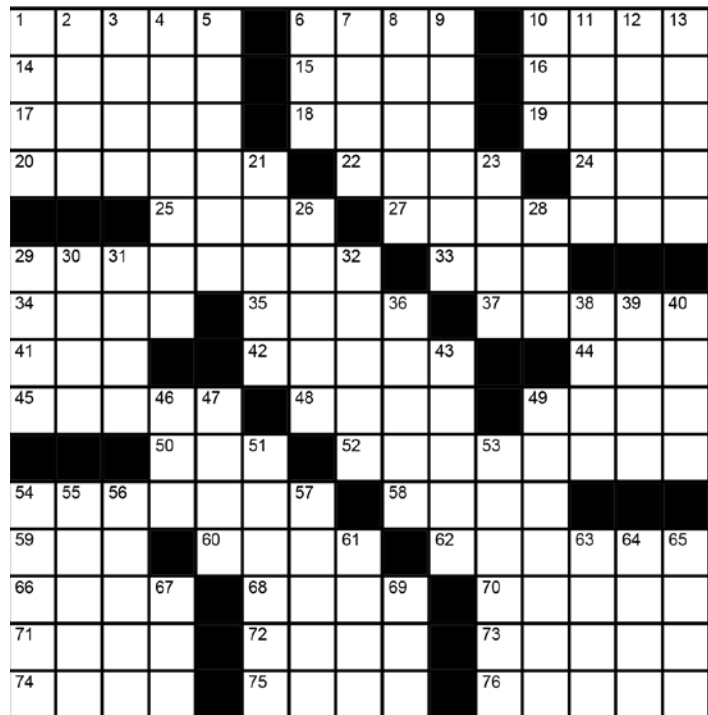
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Jonesin' answer from pg 39 of 4/18

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Nena or Nona



Across

- 1. Hit songwriter's golden or this kind of touch
- 6. Singer Delp of Boston
- 10. 80s 'Puttin' On The Ritz' guy
- 14. NJ hardcore punk/rappers ___ Concrete
- 15. Musical Instrument Digital Interface (abbr)
- 16. 'How I Could Just Kill ___', Charlotte Sometimes
- 17. Judds will '___ Little Love' to

fans

- 18. Snow Patrol '___ Found The Right Words To Say'
- 19. Cake song for ten cents
- 20. Gene Chandler 'Duke ___'
- 22. "Gimme, gimme, gimme the honky ___ blues"
- 24. Actor DiCaprio in 'She Likes Me For Me' song (abbr)
- 25. Rock and roll equal in the biz
- 27. Pearl Jam '___ Love And Trust'
- 29. '04 Wilco album '___ Born'

- 33. Slipknot feels evil inside on 'The Devil ___'
- 34. Rebel Without A Cause actor in 'Cadillac Ranch'
- 35. "___ a little silhouette of a man, Scaramouche"
- 37. Fitzgerald and Guru
- 41. Form 1040 org. rich stars pay lots to
- 42. Joe Diffie '___ Size Heartache'
- 44. John Mayer 'Your Body ___ Wonderland'
- 45. Rush '___ Of Hands'
- 48. With Warren G, 'Regulate' rapper Dogg
- 49. Tex-Mex guy Doug
- 50. Beatles 'Polythene' girl
- 52. 'Only Tongue Can Tell' Trash Can ___
- 54. Cartoon "singer" Homer of '90 blues album
- 58. Joe Cocker "You are so beautiful ___"
- 59. Eagles 'One Day ___ Time'
- 60. Dream Theater subgenre (abbr)
- 62. Limp Bizkit '00 hit
- 66. Hank Williams "I can't help it ___ still in love with you"
- 68. 'Boys For Pele' girl Amos
- 70. Huge stars
- 71. Matrix actress & singer Gaye
- 72. Live Grateful Dead album 'Without ___'
- 73. Better Than Ezra is from ___ Rouge, LA
- 74. Marc Bolan glam band
- 75. '00 Sadist album named after interlocking plastic construction toys
- 76. Kind of big venue

Down

- 1. 3 Doors Down screams 'Let ___' in jail
- 2. The 1975 will 'Love ___ We Made It' to the finish line
- 3. Levon Helm set a 'White' one free to fly away
- 4. Pat Benatar 'Sex As ___'
- 5. Drums w/curled metal wire
- 6. Not ASCAP
- 7. '93 Phish album
- 8. J Lo song for Spanish goodbye
- 9. Delphonics asks '___ (Blow Your Mind This Time)'
- 10. 90s Seattle grunge underdogs
- 11. Face To Face 'A Miss Is As Good As ___'
- 12. 'Word Up!' R&Bsters
- 13. James Blunt '___ The Brightest Stars'
- 21. Rod Stewart '___ Be Me'
- 23. Jazz singer Candye ___
- 26. What comeback career had done, from dead
- 28. Half of 'Voices Carry' band w/Tuesday
- 29. Sarah McLachlan "We are born innocent" song
- 30. Janick of Iron Maiden

- 31. Kind of Weezer 'Pipe'
- 32. Weeknd "You don't wanna have ___ friends no more"
- 36. Weird Al's 'Beat It' parody
- 38. Taking Back Sunday '___ (It Takes One To Know One)'
- 39. "Brimful of ___ on the 45"
- 40. '06 Killers album '___ Town'
- 43. Bob Dylan song of 'Yankee Power'
- 46. Naughty By Nature "You down with ___, ya you know me"
- 47. 'The Headless Children' rockers
- 49. Incubus 'Make Yourself' song for a star
- 51. Dropkick Murphys "You turned your best friends into ___ enemies"
- 53. CA music store chain for a single-cell creature
- 54. 80s metalers Armored ___
- 55. Faith Hill 'What's In ___ Me'
- 56. Arizona 'Inside Of You' band, named after easternmost state
- 57. John Mayer 'Love Song For ___'
- 61. 'The Breakup Song (They Don't Write 'Em) ___ Kihn Band
- 63. 'World Clique' Deee-___
- 64. Marvin Gaye 'Let's Get ___'
- 65. '99 Red Balloons' band
- 67. Shock rockers take it to Nth degree or this
- 69. 'Who Am ___ Say' Bigwig

R&R answer

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NITE SUDOKU

Fill in the grid so that every row, every column, and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 through 9. See last week's puzzle answers on pg 41

King Classic Sudoku

Puzzle A

		5	8	6	2	4		
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King Classic Sudoku

Puzzle B

				8				
		1	2					7
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King Classic Sudoku

Puzzle C

		4	8			6		7
		2	5	1			4	3
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	6			8		7		9
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6			3		8	1		

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Animals Going Rogue

• Butte, Montana, residents — no strangers to big animals — got a surprise on the morning of April 16 when they spotted an elephant strolling down Harrison Avenue, NBC Montana reported. “Pretty exciting,” said Josh Hannifin, co-manager of the Civic Center Town Pump. “Man, they move fast when they just walk.” The Jordan World Circus was in town, and surveillance cameras caught Viola escaping from her pen after being startled by a car backfiring during her bath time. Handlers were able to catch Viola with no trouble after about 20 minutes. *NBC Montana, April 16*

• Suburban residents in Cape Town, South Africa, had a close encounter with a hippopotamus in the wee hours of April 14, Independent Online reported. The hippo broke through a fence at the Rondevlei Nature Reserve after getting into a scuffle with a dominant male there. Resident Ashraff Schwartz said that when police cornered the animal, it ran into his yard. “My 74-year-old mom watched ... as the hippo came straight for our door. It then turned around and ran up the road, but before then, it broke my wall as it jumped over it.” While no one was hurt in the incident, hippos “are responsible for more

human fatalities in Africa than any other large animal,” the Cape of Good Hope SPCA Wildlife Department noted. *Independent Online, April 15*

Suspicious Confirmed

NASA revealed on April 17 that the object that crashed through the roof of a home in Naples, Florida, was indeed space trash — specifically, garbage jettisoned from the International Space Station in March 2021. United Press International reported that on March 8, a 1.6-pound, 4-inch-long cylindrical object came through Alejandro Otero’s roof. NASA said the object was what remained of a 5,800-pound pallet of depleted nickel hydride batteries. “The hardware was expected to fully burn up during entry into the Earth’s atmosphere,” NASA said. “However, a piece of hardware survived reentry.” *UPI, April 17*

It’s a Mystery

• A 19th-century fortress in Antwerp, Belgium, undergoing archaeological excavation turned up a mysterious finding: a British train car from around 1930. United Press International reported on April 16 that the wooden London North Eastern Railway car was originally used for

“removals” — moving property from one residence to another. “It’s a mystery as to how the carriage came to be in Antwerp,” said consultant archaeologist Femke Martens. “Unfortunately there’s very little left of the relic as it disintegrated while being excavated.” *UPI, April 16*

• Jessica Daley, a toll worker along the Garden State Parkway in New Jersey, called in sick to work on April 12 because she had “a gut feeling that something was going to happen. Like something terrible was going to happen,” she said. She felt the premonition was about a car accident, NBC New York reported. Sure enough, about four hours later, a garbage collector’s truck slammed into a tollbooth — the one Daley is usually in, she said. The toll collector and truck driver both suffered serious injuries. “I dropped to my knees and just started crying,” she said. “I was praying for everybody involved.” She was back at work the next day. *NBC New York, April 17*

Haute Couture

It wasn’t an April Fools’ joke: Independent Online reported on April 1 that fashion house Balenciaga has introduced a clear plastic bracelet that resembles a roll of packing tape, to the tune of about

\$3,000. The “Gaffer Bangle” includes an inside label that reads “Balenciaga Adhesive — Made in France.” The company reportedly unveiled the bracelet at Paris Fashion Week, and reviews are sticky: One Reddit commenter noted, “When will people learn Balenciaga’s schtick is to generally make a fool of its consumers?” Another said, “Rich people want to feel poor so bad.” *Independent Online, April 1*

Mistaken Identity

A man with the Facebook name Grampian Stormtrooper was on his way to a DeeCon on April 6 at the University of Dundee in Scotland when the train suddenly stopped shortly after leaving Aberdeen station, Fox News reported. A guard approached Grampian, who was in full stormtrooper gear, and asked about his blaster. “Apparently someone reported it to the police,” Grampian posted on Facebook. “Met by two firearms officers.” Grampian was removed from the train, asked to return home and get a bag for the blaster and instructed not to wear his stormtrooper armor on the train. “Crazy world we live in,” he noted. *Fox News, April 10*

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