

It's National 4-H Alumni Month

By Kathleen Jablonski, Extension Educator, 4-H Youth Development

Out there in our communities there are some folks who pledged their heads to clearer thinking, their hearts to greater loyalty, their hands to larger service, and their health to better living, for their club, their community, their country and their world.

They're our 4-H alumni. September has been declared "4-H Alumni Month" by the National 4-H Council.

I'd like to tell you about a few of these folks. They are hidden gems, sparkling with talent, the backbone of community serving organizations and all around good folk.

You'll find them in all walks of life: storekeepers, teachers, carpenters, nurses, woodworkers, newspaper editors, farmers, salesmen, seamstresses, to name a few.

Take one of my friends, for instance. When we were introduced it was through our husbands and another organization we work with to serve youth. One day she asked what I did for a living. She told me she was a 4-H sheep project alum. A few days later she called and asked if there was a "deserving 4-H'er who needed sheep shearing equipment." A week or so later, the still working equipment in pristine condition was passed on to our sheep club for the members to use.

There's the anonymous donor who funded supplies for a week long special project group because she "wanted to give back to an organization that taught me how to work with people." Then she volunteered her time as well to work with a 4-H'er one on one.

Then there was the question put to me one day "Do you have any kids keeping bees?" A few phone calls, an e-mail introduction, and an "old" beekeeper passed on his equipment to a family with three new beekeepers. The "new" beekeeper sisters said "We have so much honey..."

One year, a local carpenter volunteered to work with the members of a 4-H club to design and build horse show jumps to take to the fair. Yep, you guessed it. He is an alumna. The club continues to use the jumps in lessons and events.

There is a family with three adult sisters who are actively involved leaders with a longstanding 4-H club. Often times throughout the year, everyone in their family has to schedule family time around 4-H time because they're all so busy helping current 4-H'ers finish projects for county events. As 4-H alumni who went into three different career areas, they all attribute their 4-H experiences with giving them the skills they needed to succeed. They remain involved with planning and advisory committees to see to it that current 4-H'ers are availed the same opportunities they had in their youth in our county, in our state and in our region.

One gentleman voluntarily maintains the milking equipment at the fair. He showed dairy cattle as a youth, taught at an out-of-state university and has helped numerous dairy judging teams throughout the years. He is also a key player, no pun intended, in our annual fundraising golf tournament because he believes in the skills and leadership development he learned as a 4-H'er and wants to see those skills in our youth of today.

There's the engineer that became a screened leader so he could work with the 4-H'ers in his children's club on science activities. They meet on a regular basis and do hands on science that relates to real life engineering situations. "4-H taught me responsibility. If I can just teach a little bit of that to these kids..."

Then there is the North Haverhill Fair. Did you know the fair originated as a way for 4-H members to showcase their projects? The current Fair Association continues to honor that tradition, making it one of the best places for 4-H'ers to showcase their talents in livestock shows and general 4-H project work. 4-H'ers can do demonstrations or action exhibits or a style show, show off their livestock and other projects. Almost all of the current Board members were 4-H members, or are currently 4-H leaders, helping out with various 4-H programs during the year or are the parents (or grandparents) of a cur-

rent 4-H'er.

There are so many more stories. My heart grows every time I hear a story, see a smile, read a note from these folks who received so much from the 4-H program that they continue to give back to it today. They believe in the power of youth and that all youth need to learn life skills, after all, 4-H helped to make them who they are today. They are adults who exemplify the life skills we hope all 4-H'ers learn: independence, mastery, generosity, and belonging. They are who they are, in part, to the community of caring called 4-H that was a part of their formative years. They are our alum-

ni and I thank them for continuing to "Make the Best Better."

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SKILLED WORKERS ARE NH'S ASSET – That's one assessment expressed by NH Commissioner of the Department of Resources and Economic Development George Bald when he joined us this week at the Lisbon Railroad Station for a roundtable discussion. Mr. Bald talked about DRED services and areas of work and fielded questions about resources available for Lisbon businesses. Mr. Bald says it is the availability of skilled workers in New Hampshire that frequently is the NH advantage when it comes to attracting businesses to relocate here or expand their businesses in the state.

FLEA MARKET/YARD SALE – Cleaning out your garage, attic or barn? Bring your fleas and treasures to the Lisbon Main Street Yard Sale next Saturday, Sept. 17, 9 am to 2 pm, in the New England Wire parking lot on No. Main Street. Just \$10 per space to set up (let us know if you need more spaces), and there's no charge for the fun you'll have! If you need a registration form, call the LMS office at 838-2200. Baked goods – the best from Lisbon Main Street cooks – will be on sale, too.

FALL FESTIVAL OF THE ARTS – We're excited about the Arts Festival this year! There will be lots of great things happening, Saturday, September 24th on Main Street in

Lisbon, 10 am - 3 pm., including live entertainment, Scarecrow Contest at the regular Lisbon Farmers' Market, artisans & craftsmen exhibits, activities for kids, fall foods, People's Art Show and Quilt Show. If you'd like to put your art work into the art show, entries will be received from noon to 7 PM at the White Church on Thursday, Sept 22nd. Categories include photography, acrylic/oil/watercolor paintings, pastels, drawing/illustration, 3-d, and mixed media with student and adult divisions. Ribbons will be awarded based on popular vote.

More on the festival - Organizers are also looking for quilts for the Lisbon Village Quilt Show. We will also be taking in quilts for this very popular exhibit on Friday, Sept 23rd at the White Church from 10 am - 4 pm. Made by you, made for you, family heirlooms, old, antique or new, hand or machine made...we'd love to see your favorite quilts or vintage clothing. Ribbons will be awarded for the public's favorites. Family or personal pieces need to be handmade. This year's show will honor Bath artist Shirley Slattery. The quilts will be displayed at the White Church on South Mai Street during the Arts Festival. Quilts will be received at the church Friday, September 23, from 9 am to 3 pm, and can be retrieved immediately after the show. Pick ups can be arranged. Peoples' Choice ribbons will be awarded in 2 categories, Vintage and Contemporary. Share your family fabric history with everyone! For more information or to register contact Janet Moriarty 838-6797 or jdmoriarty@roadrunner.com. The Arts Festival is a function of the Ammonoosuc Region Arts Council.

SCARECROWS – Part of the fun of the Arts Festival is the "art" of making a scarecrow! We're looking for clothing to dress the wonderful creatures! If you have clothes you don't need that would make a great looking scarecrow, please drop them off at L&L's Laundry on South Main Street (next to the Art Gallery). Lori Robbins will wash them for us and have them all ready to go for the contest. Contestants may bring their own clothing, too. We're also looking for contestants! Last year we had a terrific time! Prizes will be awarded for the Funniest, Most Beautiful, Most Original and the Scariest! Contestants may take their scarecrows home, or leave them to decorate downtown Lisbon for the foliage season.



Weird Dreams

My dreams scare me sometimes. It's not that they are frightening in a Freddy Krueger horror movie kind of way; it's just that they make no sense, at least not to me.

Last week, I dreamt of being chased down the street where I lived as a kid by a 1968 VW bus with peace symbols and flowers painted on its exterior. Instead of wheels, the bus had 1000 centipede legs and, where the grill and headlights belonged, was the face of my third grade teacher, Mrs. Wilson. I haven't thought about my third grade teacher, or her support hose covered kankles, since I was in fourth grade, about a hundred years ago. So why is her face chasing me while I sleep? And, why could that many-legged VW bus move so quickly while my legs were performing as if I was knee deep in quick sand?

I made the mistake of posing that very question to my buddy, Thurm Seigars, whose tofu loving, transcendental mediating wife, Moonbeam, is a self-proclaimed expert dream analyst.

Thurm couldn't wait to deliver my diagnosis: "Moonbeam says you have some unresolved issue with your third grade teacher, which makes you invite conflict and fear into your life. You are running from peace."

"Well, tell Moonbeam she's full of horse pucky!" I said. "I ate three black bean burritos and a side of jalapeño poppers that night. That's the explanation for my crazy dream."

Why do scary, weird dreams recur while more pleasant dreams disappear, for good, as soon as I wake from them? Like when my dream involves two bikini clad Patriots cheerleaders, me, and a hot tub full of warm Mazola oil, I can't fall back to sleep fast enough to see how it turns out. The centipede legged, Mrs. Wilson-faced peace bus, however, is chasing me as soon as I fall asleep again. Life just isn't fair.

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2011 M/S Mount Washington Fall Event Schedule

WEIRS BEACH, NH – Come celebrate New Hampshire's fall foliage season aboard the M/S Mount Washington. Located on Lake Winnepesaukee, the largest fresh-body of water in the state, the historic ship will host a handful of events and cruises throughout the season. Lake Winnepesaukee is surrounded by three mountain ranges and provides the perfect place to enjoy the foliage season with friends and family.

There will be a Sunday Champagne Brunch Cruise with accompanying live jazz entertainment. The relaxing tour compliments the beauty of the area and provides a great Sunday activity for couples and families alike. The price of the cruise for adults (12+) is \$43 with the option for a cruise-only price of \$27. Children ride for \$22/\$13. Children 4 years old and younger ride free. There is also a family option (2 adults+2 Children) for a price of \$112/\$68. Cruises will depart from Weirs Beach every Sunday at 10AM & 12:30PM and Alton Bay at 11:15AM. <http://www.cruisenh.com/brunch.php>

Following the Sunday Champagne Brunch Cruise will be the Sunday Fall Foliage Dinner cruise. Beginning September 11 and running through October 16, each Sunday passengers have the chance to enjoy the afternoon amidst the fall foliage before a dinner by sunset. The dinner will be a delicious buffet that caters to any appetite. The rate of this cruise is set at \$45 for adults and \$23 for children. There is a family rate (2 adults+2 children) of \$113. <http://www.cruisenh.com/FallFoliageDinnerCruises.php>

The M/S Mount Washington invites passengers aboard on Friday, September 9 for an authentic taste of New Hampshire. The 2011 New Hampshire Growers' Dinner series will be hosted on the state's largest seasonal restaurant. For this special cruise, the Mount and the New Hampshire Farm to Restaurant Connection partner together to offer a unique dinner of genuine

local fare and vistas.

This dinner cruise is from 7 to 10PM. The cruise boards at Weirs Beach at 6:15 p.m. The cost is \$51 for adults and \$41 for children, including the cruise, gourmet dinner and entertainment. Growers' Dinner events are coordinated by the New Hampshire Farm to Restaurant Connection, a program linking New Hampshire farms with New Hampshire restaurants. <http://www.cruisenh.com/NHGrowersDinner.php>

Passengers are invited to put on their costumes and board the M/S Mount Washington for the Halloween Masquerade Ball. Passengers have the chance to make their fantasy a reality by transforming themselves into whomever they'd like. The cruise features entertainment and prizes for best costumes. The more creative the better! Passengers can party together for an evening of frightful fun, sinfully delicious cuisine, soulful song and goulish dancing. This is the last cruise of the season to enjoy a moonlit view on the majestic Lake Winnepesaukee.

The M/S Mount Washington's 2011 Halloween Masquerade Ball will take place on Saturday, October 22. Cruise leaves from Weirs Beach at 7 p.m. Tickets for the Halloween Ball are \$49 (Adults, 21+). Ticket price includes dinner and live entertainment. <http://www.cruisenh.com/HalloweenParty.php>

The M/S Mount Washington gives New Hampshire residents and visitors the opportunity to experience nightlife in the Granite State by offering Friday and Saturday dinner dance and theme cruises. Dinner dance cruises range from \$43 to \$51. There is a \$5 discount per person with groups of 20 or more. The main theme for Saturday night cruises is Rock 'n' Roll Saturday Night.

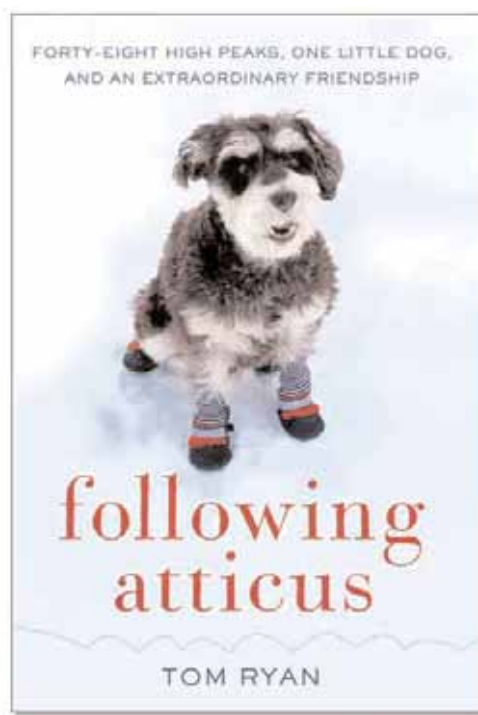
These cruises feature live bands on 2 dance floors with a mixture of music for all age groups. For further information about each night's theme visit [\[dayEveningThemeCruises.php\]\(#\)](http://www.cruisenh.com/Fri-</p>
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Show your sports pride aboard the M/S Mount Washington this fall. Come dressed in your favorite sports team's gear. Whether it is a college team, high school team, or professional team. Passengers can enjoy the colorful variety of New Hampshire's foliage during one of the most popular seasons in the state.

Saturday, October 8 the special sport-themed cruise will depart from Weirs Beach at 6PM for a three hour cruise. Win prizes by being the most dedicated and best-dressed sports fan as well as for answering sports trivia questions. Last years prizes included BBQ grills, coolers, shirts, cruise tickets and much more. Also appearing on-board will be New England Picture, a company that specializes in signed

memorabilia. They will be on board showcasing some of Boston's most prized signatures, selling art work and even holding a raffle for some cool stuff. Last year's raffle prize was a signed helmet from Tedy Bruschi. The Coors Light girls will also be on-board. Tickets are \$49. There will be live entertainment for dancing provided by the popular band Annie & The Orphans. A buffet dinner is included in the fee. <http://www.cruisenh.com/SportsPride.php>

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LINCOLN

Pat Gilbert has returned to his home in Bath, N. H., to resume work in the Leatherboard Mill. Pat Reardon is replacing him in the Blowpits.

Ray Liberty, former spare digester cook and helper, is now working in Portland, Me.

John Swift is now working in Boston and Forrest Johnson is taking over his job as helper in the Bleach Plant.

Cy Stewart should have been a diplomat after the way he straightened out the entanglement of who was going to work where, when the mill went on four days a week.

The boys on Fulton's shift all wish Maurice LaBrecque good luck on his new job in the Finishing Room.

Louis Legassie, former spare acid maker and helper, is now working on Dennis Fulton's shift in the Wet Room.

Experience is the best teacher so once was said, but certainly Pat Reardon doesn't show the experience he got cutting down trees in the C. C. C. While on a recent trip to Elbow Pond, he explained by the following statement, "Look out boys, I don't know where the tree is going to fall, but it's my last trip around."

Perley Connery spent one of his two weeks' vacation at Old Orchard Beach, Me. The other he spent home recuperating from the trip.

Swanee McAfee reported rather a hard 4th of July at Concord, N. H. How come they let you come back, Glen?

Francis Merchant and Neil Parks, a couple of Fowler's boys, have returned to their homes in Hardwick, Vt." waiting for their call to go into the Army.

We all wish Wes Fowler would explain the name, "Turkey," which he has recently acquired.

Charles McGee and family have recently moved into the house vacated by Henry McClure and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Cloutier and sons spent a few days as guests of their

daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Bretou of Berlin.

Miss Elizabeth Subbins of Portland, Me., was the very recent visitor of her aunt, Mrs. Emma Legassie.

Mrs. Anna Dion has as her guest her nephew and his friend from Saugus, Mass.

The girls of the Manufacturing Office were dinner guests of Marian Walsh of the Boston Office at her home on August 6th.

Mina Kelley and Marian Walsh enjoyed the week of August 10th at Falmouth, Mass.

Juliet Lessard spent the week of August 7th at Nash Stream in Groveton, with Mattie Schoff, fishing and being generally lazy.

Esther McMorran has taken over the job of selling tickets at Charkarohen Theater while Judy Lessard is on vacation.

On August 4th, the girls from the Manufacturing Office repaired to Govoni's for another spaghetti feed. Reports indicate that the repast was up to the usual good standards, or as the spaghetti connoisseurs say, "It was swell."

Madeline Poirier of the Time Office went to New York the week of August 10th with Peggy Woods to see her brother, Albert, who is stationed in Flushing, N. Y.

Gertrude MacDonald, formerly of the Main Office, is now working in the Stockhouse, taking inventory.

Blanche Haley took her vacation during the first week in August, and at that time spent a few days in Boston.

Ruth Tracy enjoyed her vacation during the last two weeks of July.

Ralph Gahagan is now working in the ship yards at Bath, Me.

Bob Audley, Charlie Doherty, Bob McCaffrey, Ken Towle, Neil McInnis, John McInnis, Fred Boyle, and Walter Gahagan spent the weekend of August 8th at Camp 7. Charlie Doherty was the only one to have any appreciable

luck in catching some fish.

Omar Blanchard has left his position with the Parker Young Co., and will move to Brunswick, Me.

Harry Tavanna also has left Lincoln for Providence, R. I., where he is driving truck for the Hood Rubber Company.

Henry McClure has moved to Cold Springs and the house which he has vacated is now occupied by Red McGee.

Mr. and Mrs. William Henderson and Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Blanchard spent the week of August 16th in Providence, R. I.

Mrs. Herbart Calkins and children are spending a month with her mother, Mrs. Charles LaBrecque.

Miss Burnedette Fournier of Ashland, N. H., spent two weeks with her aunts, Bertha and Georgia Fournier.

We are glad to see Jesse Kelley back on the job again, and we hope he gains rapidly.

Red Sheehey and family are occupying the house recently vacated by James Boyle who is working in a defense plant in New York.

The new truck road on the back side of the river from Camp 4 site to Camp 8 has recently been completed. This road has a gravel base and in places is wide enough to accommodate two trucks, thus



Frequently Seen Around Town



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eliminating the possibilities of trucks getting stuck in the mud during the wet seasons of the year.

Miss Jessie Walsh has given up her position in the Lincoln Garage and has found employment in a defense factory in Rhode Island where her sister, Mina, and Louise Temple are located. Mrs. Maurice Clark has assumed her duties.

On Sunday, August 9th, news came over the radio that the 26th Division had landed somewhere in England. Captains Harry Kendall and Thomas O'Brien are with this Division, and it is hoped that good luck goes with them.

Malcolm Downing, ace mechanic at the Lincoln Garage, has also given up his position and plans to enter some defense factory in the near future.

Private George Lane is now a cook at Fort Devens.

Working in cooperation with the rubber and gasoline rationing, a committee has been formed in the Parker Young Co. to figure shorter routes for the trucks, consolidation of loads and hauls, and ways and means of decreasing the use of the trucks. The Parker Young Co. Store trucks have already decreased their mileage by 25 percent.

Bob Audley has given up his position in the Main Office, and is now driving a truck for Doherty and Brown Oil Distributors.

The Community Band has been subjected to a few changes in membership: Miss Marian Adams is now playing the bass drum which Sherwin Kendall formerly used, and Sherwin is now tottering under the weight of the bass horn. Laura Crump is playing the snare drums.

At a recent flower show held at the North Woodstock Baptist Church, Mrs. Sherman Adams claims that her marigolds won first prize. To give credit where it is due, and to keep up Rachel's reputation as a horticulturalist, we might add that the marigolds were the only flowers on display.

Bertha Audley enjoyed the week of

August 10 on vacation from her duties in the Ladies' Department of the Parker Young Co. Store. Bill Parent had his vacation from August 3rd to 17th, and Bob Roy, the weeks of August 10 and 17th. "Lightning" Raymond Couture has been gaining experience at the Soda Fountain during the vacation season.

Tom Lynch and family spent one week at Mrs. Lynch's home in Lancaster and another week at Hampton Beach.

Ken Towle and family began their vacation on August 11, going to Bennington, Vt.

Mr. and Mrs. George Carey were recent visitors of Mrs. Mary McCaffrey.

Dr. and Mrs. A. W. Handy spent their two weeks' vacation partly at home and partly in the camps and on the trails in the White Mountains.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Perry are the proud parents of a baby girl born on August 12.

At 3 A. M. on August 6th, Mrs. Bradley Cooper was aroused by the urgent ringing of the telephone, and on answering it discovered that it was her husband calling from somewhere in Hawaii. He gave homesickness as an excuse for calling.

Harvey Bennett has given up his job in the Machine Shop and has accepted a position as Machinist in the Portsmouth Navy Yard.

On Friday, July 31st, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Addison celebrated their 16th Wedding Anniversary. Refreshments were reported as excellent by the numerous guests.

Roger Jean, Joe Brouillett, Pat Chaisson, Robert O'Haire and E. Wells are some of the boys who have left for defense work and other jobs. Roger Jean, after spending a few days in the Ship Yards of Portland, returned to Lincoln ready for papermaking again.

Peter Chenard had the misfortune to lose two fingers on his left hand when he slipped and his hand was caught

between two pulleys.

Dennis Kallum and family, Mrs. Kallum's sister and Pat Reardon spent a week end at Camp 7 recently. Dennis reports very poor fishing.

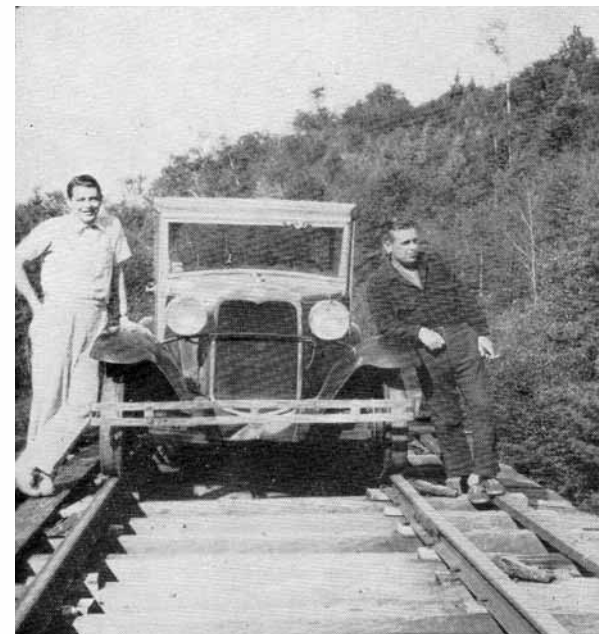
The "Jim" Welchs are moving into their new home on Pollard Road.

Louis Ouillet motored to Canada recently to get his family who have been visiting relatives there.

The Henry McCarthys recently entertained her sister, Mary Davock and friend, F. Sullivan of Watertown.

Jean Bisson and family recently took Mrs. Bellerose to the Plymouth Hospital to visit Ben who is slowly improving. He expects to remain at the hospital for nearly two months yet.

Wilfred Curtis is building a new camp at Elbow Pond, and many of his friends have already made known their desire to borrow the key when it is finished.



**Dr. Handy and Fred Boyle
at 17 Trestle**

"John, John!" Whisped a Congressman's wife. "Wake up! I'm sure there are robbers in the house."

"Robbers in the house?" he muttered, sleepily. "Absolutely preposterous. There may be robbers in the Senate, Mary, but not in the house! Absurd!"



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