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Spotlight on Woodbound Inn: Long History, New Traditions, Big Future

riginally from Corpus Christi, Texas, Rudy Rosalez started his career in culinary arts working at a country club in high school and eventually became executive sous chef. Later in life, he moved to San Antonio where he worked for the San Antonio Country Club, Hard Rock Café and The Melting Pot. In 2008, he moved to Florida where he worked as a General Manager for PF Chang Restaurants. In 2013, with a dream and \$5,000 to his name, Rosalez moved up to New Hampshire to take over operations of the Woodbound Inn.

The Woodbound, built in the early 1800s, originally served as a farmhouse. The property eventually became an inn, and was family-owned and operated for many years. During the Inn's early years, the atmosphere was that of a continuous house party, where guests chose from a host of activities. In fact, so many guests returned at the same time each year that they created longterm friendships.

In 2008, a group of investors purchased the Woodbound and undertook an extensive renovation to the main inn, remodeling the rooms, the lobby, restaurant and bar.

In 2013, the Woodbound once again became family owned and operated. Rudy Rosalez's desire was to bring back the warm, family atmosphere that the Woodbound Inn provided to past generations of guests while modernizing the inn and restaurant for the next generation. Since he acquired management of the business and property, Rosalez set to work to make it a showcase of his efforts and vision. He created a fusion of





that appeal not only to weekend travelers but also to the local community and couples seeking the perfect destination for their dream wedding weekend.

venues and experiences

Since he took over, Rosalez and his team's improvements have been significant and meaningful. Starting with redecorating the cabins, upgrading everything from furnishings and beds to amenities and small touches. He remodeled the Grove Restaurant to create a comfortable and casually elegant environment which appeals to parties celebrating a special

occasion with a gourmet meal and nice bottle of wine as well as groups of friends seeking a spot to grab a burger and signature cocktail to relax and catch up.

The extensive wooded grounds of the Woodbound and waterfront property--complete with private beach and the breathtaking view of Mount Monadnock--make the Woodbound an ideal location for weddings, group retreats and family reunions. Groups can arrive for a stay and never have to leave the property. With three meals a day offered, a great pub, outdoor dining, live entertainment and manicured grounds for walking, swimming and sunbathing, an inventory of kayaks and canoes for rental, there are plenty of ways for guests to relax and enjoy the experience. There are plenty of picturesque backdrops for photos and multiple venues for functions from rustic nights around a roaring fire to formal dances and dining.

Last year, the Woodbound made significant upgrades to the property, adding the very popular

From the President



am very proud to be a member of the Jaffrey Chamber of Commerce. Our members have

been so supportive through the COVID crisis and they continue that support. Our Virtual Annual Meeting was successful - thanks to our members! The support for our Food for Thought Luncheon Series has been wonderful. Our Business Leaders Forum has been well received. The Newsletter Committee has developed guidelines so our newsletter will arrive in your mailboxes in a more timely manner. The Pride Award Committee will start meeting very soon. Our Fundraising Committee has been busy! The Ron Despres Memorial Golf Classic will be held Monday, July

11 at Shattuck Golf Club. The rain date is July 18. There will be a few changes this year for an even better tournament! The Poker Run, a very successful event in the past, will be held again this year. It will take place on Sunday, August 21. The committee, chaired by Max Mitchell, is working on the details. Stay tuned! The Membership Committee is busy at work creating a packet for new members, and the Education Committee is making contacts in the J-R District gathering ideas on ways we can work together.

Lots of anniversaries to celebrate this year, including the Chamber's 40th. In this edition you will read about Franklin Pierce University celebrating its 60th and Tieger Realty marking 50 years in business here in Jaffrey and, thanks to the revitalization project, The Park Theatre is marking its 100th anniversary!

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Spring will be here soon. Stay healthy and happy!

Cyndy Burgess Jaffrey Chamber of Commerce President

Remember When...

A Look Back from a Past President Phil Cournoyer

A s we celebrate 40 years since inception, we are asking our Past Presidents, Board Members and Business and Non-Profit Members to send us your "Remember When" memories of the chamber and the impact it had on you, your business or our community.

This edition we hear from Phil Cournoyer, President 1999.

My best memory about my Chamber Presidency occurred working up to my taking the office. Ted Shea was president, and I was currently treasurer, a position I had held for some time. In order for me to take over the presidency, someone had to take on my role as treasurer. Ted figured that to move out of the current chair, he had to take on the role of treasurer.

We started by installing QuickBooks on his home computer, and I would train Ted on the fine art of Chamber bookkeeping. We would spend several afternoons working on 'debits' and 'credits,' 'receivables' and 'payables'. With the backdrop of Gilmore Pond, it was a joy working with Ted Shea, an unforgettable experience.



Tieger Realty Commemorates 50 Years Serving the Community

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Tieger Realty Co., Inc. was begun by Marc Tieger and his late wife Judy on March 28, 1972, in the center hall of their home in West Rindge. They had a desk and a few chairs, bookshelves, a telephone and a brand-new Sanyo answering machine that costs \$250. Before opening the office, Tieger had worked for Herman Schierioth of HKS Associates in Keene and his "Aunt" Blanche St. Peter in Rindge.

These people were as opposite as two people can be but Tieger learned not only real estate but life lessons from each of them. He grew up in the business as his father was a realtor and an attorney in New Jersey. As a boy he grew up going to open houses on Sunday afternoons, putting up signs, and absorbing the ins and outs of the business by osmosis.

As the business outgrew the house, and with the three children, Donald Cramb, Julie Pillsbury and Sandra Rathburn going to school and participating in after school activities in Jaffrey, they moved.

Some may remember Ed and June King, who ran The Park Theater, he as a projectionist

and she did everything else. Ed had a TV business in the corner office of The Duncan Block, now owned by Rick and Cathy Furze. It was quite a large space and Tieger asked if he could share it with him. He remembers worrying if he could afford the rent; his share was \$75.00 a month plus ½ of the electric bill. They had a great relationship and the business continued to thrive.

Before Tieger went into real estate, he had worked at the West Rindge Basket Shop and delivered fuel for Marshall Danforth. The latter helped him become familiar with not only the roads and streets but also the people. That knowledge has served him well, and many of the relationships still endure. He worked for Mrs. Red (Peard) at

Red's Hot Pizza and was slowly but surely becoming a "Townie." He bought Ephrem Bernard's building, and Greg Lawn, Savron Graphics, moved in as a tenant. They had some great times playing ping-pong in the conference room, which is an indication of how often the room was used for its intended purpose. Some of the players were Bob Allen, Roger Whitcomb and Bernie Hampsey.

Tieger then went on to acquire his first associate, Don Cooney, a great guy who some may remember. The building was sold to Greg and Selma Lawn, and Tieger Realty stayed on as their tenant. However, Savron needed to expand and Tieger moved again to East Main Street, now Turnpike Road; the lovely home of Wilfred and Arline Roy. They lived in the apartment attached to their home which became his office. Their generosity of spirit helped him buy the building for which he remains grateful. We've been here since 1972. Most know that Judy Tieger passed away in 2008. He remarried "my Sharon" (Donaway) in 2014, and she has become a part of the business also.

Tieger says, "I am fortunate to have many mentors, loyal sales associates and support staff over the years. I am so blessed to live my life in this Town with its wonderful people, and I thank not only Jaffrey, but the other towns in our special corner of the state, for your friendship and support over these past 50 years."

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Pierce@60: Celebrating Our **Past - Looking To The Future**

In October 2021, Franklin Pierce University kicked off its yearlong celebration as it prepares to celebrate its 60th anniversary this November. This celebration, Pierce@60, invites the entire Franklin Pierce community, as well as the greater Monadnock Region, to reflect on the University's past as it looks to its future. Franklin Pierce will be hosting a series of events that highlight new beginnings, partnerships, and the achievements of its students. The University invites members of the public to join them at these upcoming Signature Events, including our annual Academic Showcase (April 19), the Marlin Fitzwater Center for Communication 20th Annual Fitzwater Honors Ceremony (April 29), and more. There are also sponsorship opportunities for local businesses to partner with us as we look ahead to the next 60 years. Learn more at www.franklinpierce.edu/ pierce60.

A Strong Foundation

Since 1962, Franklin Pierce

University has empowered

thousands of undergraduate and graduate students to achieve academic excellence and lead meaningful, successful lives. Drawing from our strong foundation in liberal education, we offer majors and programs that develop essential, professional skills; promote close connections between students, faculty members, and staff; and position our students to realize their potential through highly personalized, financially accessible academic offerings. We continue to explore new models and programs that build on our legacy of excellence and help students increase their knowledge, direct their passions, and graduate as qualified, engaged leaders.

Expanding Our Reach

Franklin Pierce encompasses a far-reaching geographic and virtual network. Regardless of whether programs are delivered online or from our campus in Rindge, New Hampshire; our academic centers in Manchester, and Lebanon, New Hampshire and Goodyear, Arizona, we meet students where they are, enabling them to succeed academically and prepare for rewarding careers across a breadth of fields.

While our geographic footprint is expansive, our physical locations and academic programs share a common focus: cultivating students' success and helping them achieve their goals within

a highly personalized learning environment. Whether they are residential undergraduates, online learners, or participants in a full-time, on-ground allied health graduate program, Franklin Pierce students acquire the skills required for success in tomorrow's workforce while cultivating the depth of knowledge embodied within a traditional liberal education.

To ensure our viability as a dynamic, relevant institution, we are increasing our visibility in the New England region through partnerships with corporate leaders and policymakers; deepening our Arizona-based programs to strengthen our presence in that promising market; exploring credentialing programs and other offerings that enhance students' opportunities; bolstering our reputation as a destination school for health programs; and developing our innovative Pathways to provide students with a clear direction to professional success.

A Bold Vision for a 21st-Century Education

To remain successful within a highly competitive 21st-century marketplace, Franklin Pierce must continue to deliver an education that is both rigorous and relevant. We will achieve this goal by making strategic investments in our campus, centers, and cornerstone undergraduate

programs; by continuing to develop and promote graduate and professional programs that align with the needs of prospective students and employers; and by strengthening our relationships with partners, alumni, and donors.

Park Theatre Celebrates 100th Anniversary

On May 1, 1922, Romolo Vanni opened his moving pictures theatre on Main Street of Jaffrey, NH. The first film was "The Old Nest," a dramatic silent film accom-



panied by an upright piano. The legacy began that evening. Hundreds of people lined up around the block to see these fantastic new silent moving image films, day-after-day.

It's a legacy that was re-born last August 5th when the brand- new, re-imagined, state-of-the-art Park Theatre performance center opened its doors. The theatre's 100th anniversary of its founding will be celebrated with multiple events from Friday, April 29 through Sunday, May 1. Live concerts will spotlight the weekend along with a special program on Sunday night that features a screening of the #1 motion picture of 1922, "Grandma's Boy," a comedy starring Harold Lloyd.

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Acclaimed silent film accompanist Jeff Rapsis will provide the live musical score for the film. Stay tuned for details about tickets and other special celebrations that weekend.



Big Movies Are Coming To The Park Theatre

"The Batman" begins Friday, April 1

"Fantastic Beasts: The Secrets of Dumbledore" begins Friday, April 15

"ELVIS" with Austin Butler & Tom Hanks begins Friday, June 24

Community Volunteer Transportation Company -Get a Ride or Give a Ride

Right down the road, someone

needs a ride to somewhere essential. CVTC's vetted volunteer drivers continue to give rides to people who need a ride to doctor's



and social service appointments, grocery shopping, and the pharmacy. Drivers wear facemasks, sanitize the cars between trips, and request riders sit in the back seat.

If you or someone you know needs a ride, call CVTC. You can keep your appointments, stay independent, and live at home in peace.

Here is what one rider recently said, "Just want to thank you for all your efforts towards making a stressful situation into a comfortable escapade. Both drivers were expedient in all regards and provided much appreciated diversion and calm in addition to transportation."

Drivers are all volunteers and use their own vehicles. They receive an optional reimbursement of \$.585 per mile on the trips they provide. CVTC provides transportation for non-emergency medical appointments, social services, grocery shopping, banking, and/ or visits to the pharmacy.

Trips needing a driver are listed on our website and each driver can use his/her computer to determine which trips would fit in with their plans. For those drivers who do not use a computer, our staff will help select trips that match time availability and complete a monthly mileage log.

Volunteers contribute to the health, wellness, dignity and independence for all we serve. It's easy and most rewarding.



Call CVTC 603-821-0569 or email volunteerdriverprogram@ cvtc-nh.org.

To learn more, visit CVTC on facebook at Community Volunteer Transportation Company, or go to www.cvtc-nh.org. The office is located at 375 Jaffrey Rd., Suite 3, Peterborough, NH.

River Center's Margaret Nelson Receives New Hampshire Impact Award

The River Center is announcing that Executive Director Margaret Nelson is the 2022 recipient of the New Hampshire Impact Award from the NH Center for Nonprofits. She is being honored for excellence in nonprofit leadership and innovative initiatives that have increased and improved services for individuals and families in our community.

There will be a commemorative celebration congratulating Nelson on this honor. She will be

presented with the award at an in-person celebration in Concord on April 20.

GFA Credit Union College Scholarships Available to Local High School Graduates

GFA Credit Union has three scholarships available to applicants from local high schools who are attending an undergraduate college degree program during the 2022-2023 academic year.

David Jacques Memorial Scholarship awards \$500 to a student who is or whose parents or guardians are members of GFA. Applicants must write an essay articulating the value of doing business with a credit union. Applications can be found online at www.gfafcu.com or contacting marketing@gfafcu. com. Deadline is April 22, 2022.

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Better Values, Better Banking Credit Union Scholarship awards six \$1,500 scholarships to students of GFA Federal Credit Union members who have been accepted into an undergraduate program. Applications can be found online. Deadline is April 8, 2022.

Bar Harbor Bank & Trust Accepting Applications for 2022 Career & Technical Education Scholarships

Bar Harbor Bank & Trust is currently accepting applications from high school seniors for the Bank's Career & Technical Education Scholarship.

The \$1,000 scholarship is awarded to income-eligible students who attended a technical career program as part of their high school curriculum and are planning to attend college or a technical school after graduation. Students must reside in counties in Maine, New Hampshire, and Vermont where the Bank has a branch location. Applicants selected to receive a 2022 scholarship will be eligible to apply for an additional \$1,000 scholarship to be used for their second year of college or technical school.

The Bank established the Career & Technical Education Scholarship in 2018 and has awarded 60 scholarships to date.

Interested students can visit www.barharbor.bank/scholarships for more information about eligibility and to download the application. The deadline to apply for a 2022 Career & Technical Education Scholarship is May 1, 2022.

MCH Announces New Appointees to 2022 Board of Trustees

Monadnock Community Hospital (MCH) announces the appointment of new Board Officers and Trustees. Board of Trustee Officers include: James M. Callahan, Esq. (Chair), Paul Faber (Vice Chair), Thomas Bates, CPA (Treasurer) and Patricia Shuster (Clerk/Secretary). New Board members include: Cassandra Clark, Paula Hunter and Iris Waitt.

Cassandra Clark, a resident of Peterborough, is a graduate of Bentley University with a BS in Accountancy and holds an MBA from Southern NH University. Her career started as a CPA with Ernst & Young LLP in Boston, MA and Manchester, NH. She has spent the past 25 years in several industries from small business services, high technology start-up, manufacturing and more recently in outdoor sports goods distribution.

Paula M. Hunter, a resident of Francestown, is the Executive Director of the Mojaloop Foundation - a charitable nonprofit organization focused on extending financial inclusion to unbanked and underserved populations in developing countries. She leads the foundation's long-range planning and direction, grant oversight, strategic partnerships and evangelism for the organization and its mission.

Iris Waitt, a resident of Greenfield, is a Senior HVAC Designer with the consulting engineering firm Design Day Mechanicals Inc. As an HVAC designer, she is driven to improve energy efficiency for clients in a practical, creative and cost-effective manner. Iris attended Boston University for her B.A. in Psychology and after college spent a few years working as a case worker for a 25-bed substance abuse recovery house in Worcester.

Additional MCH Board members include: Robert Boyd, Peter M. Cerroni, DMD, Jeffrey R. Crocker, Esq., Carolyn D. Garretson, Gregory Kriebel, MD, Leslie Lewis, Eric Lasky, MD, Cynthia K. McGuire, FACHE President & CEO, Joseph Pepe, MD, Granite One Health CEO, Lucas Shippee, DO., Alex J. Walker, Esq.

Marino To Manage Hubbardston Branch of GFA Federal Credit Union

GFA Federal Credit Union's Hubbardston Branch is led by Dawn Marino. Dawn plays a key role in the



day-to-day operations of the Hubbardston Branch and GFA's involvement in the community. GFA is proud to have her utilize over 35 years of financial experience and previous leadership to coach her team and engage with their members and the community as a familiar face they can trust.

"Dawn brings personality and vast retail banking experience to our Hubbardston Branch. Her commitment to our continued success in her hometown makes her a tremendous community advocate for GFA and the Hubbardston market," said Kevin DeNorscia, VP of Member Engagement.

New Logo and Website Make for a Cuddlier Monadnock Humane Society

After nearly 2 years of planning and development, Monadnock Humane Society is pleased to announce the launch of a new website and a logo redesign - both of which will better represent the organization's mission and promise - to strengthen the animal-human bond by





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promoting and providing for the well-being of animals. The website and logo redesign were created by a dedicated and skilled team of MHS staff and volunteers working in tandem with a Boston-based, integrated marketing agency, 829 Studios.

MHS recognized several years ago that the website needed to be more contemporary, to better represent the MHS mission and relationship with the community, and to include enhanced navigation and functionality. This became even more apparent during the pandemic. People had to adapt to and become more comfortable with the online experience, and now have come to depend on it. Kathy Collinsworth, MHS Executive Director said that, "We knew our existing site had become outdated both in design and functionality. We offer so many programs and services to the community, and the new site needed to do a better job connecting these services with the people who need them. We're thrilled to offer this new site with many more features and capabilities - including an improved user-experience across all platforms and handheld devices."

Jacques Du Preez, MHS Director of Development and Marketing, said that he is "so pleased to offer a more enjoyable online experience of MHS. The new site allows us to use more images, making the site more visually welcoming. This new site is a more accurate reflection of who we are as an organization." He added that, "We invite everyone in the community to visit and explore the site and send us your feedback. We truly want to know how you feel about it and if you have any ideas. Your input is very valuable to us because we want this site to make your online experience with MHS a positive one."

While building a new website in itself was a significant initiative, the process of designing a new logo proved to be equally significant. The previous MHS logo, showing a horse, dog, and cat silhouette, had been in existence for decades and had been adapted from a hand-crafted sign that hung at the original shelter in West Swanzey. While the logo was loved by many in the community, it needed to be refreshed.

Earlier in its history, MHS assisted with the rescue of farm animals in neglect cases. As this began to change in more recent years and farm animals were served by other organizations in the state, the logo no longer accurately represented the mission of MHS. Not only did the horse silhouette in the logo create confusion around the animal population that is served, it did not include representation of the large percentage of small animals that are cared for at MHS. The new logo includes a cat, dog and rabbit to more accurately show the types of pets that MHS helps today. The design team also decided to keep the original color palette of maroon, turquoise and orange, enhanced by the use of more vibrant tones, to maintain a connection to the history of the organization as well as to continue to coordinate with the colors of the MHS facility.

"We are so excited to have a logo that better reflects who we are, and also has a warm and inviting feeling," said Collinsworth. "This is vitally important as we build the future of the organization so that it will be here for generations to come." She added that, "MHS will soon be celebrating its 150-year anniversary. The timing of our rebranding initiative and launching of the new logo and website couldn't be better!"

The site and logo launched simultaneously on Wednesday, February 16, 2022. To visit the new MHS website, please go to www.monadnockhumanesociety.org. If you would like to provide feedback, please send it to mhs-email@humanecommunity.org.

Stephanie Thompson Training (and Fundraising) for the Pan-Mass Challenge 2022

The Pan-Mass Challenge is an organization that raises funds for cancer research and treatment. They are excited to announce that this year they are able to return to the full twoday ride from Sturbridge, MA to Provincetown, MA on Aug. 6 and 7.

Stephanie Thompson, board member of the Jaffrey Chamber of Commerce and attorney at Upton and Hatfield in Peterborough, has participated in the bicycle race for the past three years and is training now to do it again.

"The first year I did this, I did not expect how emotional the event would be – there are people lined up along the side of the road with signs, water, and snacks, cheering you on as you ride. Some of these people are cancer survivors, some are there in memory of lost loved ones, and some are just there to give you a high-five as you ride by! These people are lined up along almost all of the 190+ miles of this race – it is simply incredible!"

She is looking forward to completing the challenge but needs the community's help.

This year, her fundraising goal is \$6,000. Many in the community have been supportive for the past three years and hope that you consider contributing again.

Every cent of the \$6,000 she raises goes directly to the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute. This is one of the largest fundraising events in the world and contributes significantly to the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute and the Jimmy Fund. In 2021 alone, the PMC raised a recordbreaking \$64 million, bringing its 42-year contribution to Dana-Farber to \$831 million.

To see Stephanie Thompson's profile for this race, please go to: http://pmc.org/ST0150.

The link to donate is: https:// donate.pmc.org/ST0150. You can also reach out to Stephanie with any questions or if you know anyone who may want to donate or participate. All levels of riders are welcome.



Coming Events

Career Day at Conant High School and Jaffrey-Rindge Middle School April 13

The schools are very excited to be putting together this year's Career Day event on Wednesday, April 13. The goal is to open their doors to the community and show learners the wide range of career possibilities that exist right in their own backyard. As they refine this program to support both career and college readiness, this is a vital step in preparing learners to be successful no matter where their future goals may lie.

They are asking for help from as many community members, businesses and institutions as possible for support. You are invited to send representatives from your organization to join in Career Day.

Details are as follows: Wednesday, April 13 at CHS & JRMS, 3 Conant Way from 7:45 -11:00 am Conant High School; 11:45am-2:00 pm Jaffrey-Rindge Middle School. You can present

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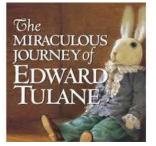
Format: approximately 30-minute sessions, each with roughly 15+ learners. All sessions will be supported by at least one CHS or JRMS staff member. They ask you to talk or present on your industry, the nature of your work, what skills are needed for someone looking to enter the field, and your journey that led you to this career. This would be followed by Q&A from the learners.

They believe you can help bridge the gap between learners and our communities. If you have any questions, please reach out to Mrs. Dayna Jackson, our Extended Learning Coordinator, at dm.jackson@sau47.org.



Paint & Sip Art Party at the Jaffrey Woman's Club April 14

Discover your inner artist! Paint a serene moonlit night, either winter or spring-themed with local artist Trading Faces. April 14, 6:30 pm at the Cutler Memorial Building, 33 Main St. Refreshments and all painting supplies provided for just \$37. Tickets are available for purchase in advance at https://www. jaffreywomansclub.org/events/ paint-sip-art-party. Come on out for a fun night with friends! A portion of each ticket sold will go towards supporting the Club's charitable programs.



Project Shakespeare Presents One Play in One Week -The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane April 30

Project Shakespeare will present The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane from the book by Kate DiCamillo and adapted by Dwayne Hartford as part of their One Play In One Week program.

Students ages 7 to 17 rehearse and perform in one week during their school spring break. Project Shakespeare's Founder and Director Deborah Shakespeare Thurber will direct the play.

The performances will be on Saturday, April 30 and Sunday, May 1 at 2 pm on the lawn of the Jaffrey Civic Center, 40 Main Street, Jaffrey. Please bring a blanket or lawn chair and dress for weather conditions.



Coming Events

In the event of rain, the performance will be canceled. Reservations are requested and can be made by emailing projectshakespeare@gmail.com. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students 12 & under and are available at the box office ½ hour prior to performance. This production is perfect for the entire family!

Edward Tulane is an expensive toy rabbit made of china. He is loved by a little girl named Abilene, but Edward doesn't care. He is vain and self-centered. He has no interest in anyone other than himself. On an ocean voyage, Edward is accidentally thrown overboard and sinks to the bottom of the sea. So begins his journey over which he has no control, for he is a toy rabbit. He can neither move nor speak.

As years pass by, Edward meets many different people in many different situations: an older grieving couple who find comfort in Edward's presence, a hobo and his dog who introduce Edward to a whole community of homeless wanderers, a farmer in need of a scarecrow, a sad little boy and his very ill sister, and finally a doll mender and an old doll who teach Edward an invaluable lesson. Through his miraculous journey, Edward learns what it is to love, what it is to lose that love and how to find courage to love again.

The ensemble cast includes Brayden Boice, Harper Galligan, Madeline Latini, Amalia Oreamuno, Helen Martynuska, Harold Thomas McCarthy, Benjamin Michaud, Max Michaud, Robbie Short, Aurora Sousa, Adah Vitello, Indigo Wolf and Juniper Zimmer.

Former PS student Abigail Hampson returns to stage manage the production.

Project Shakespeare is a nonprofit theatre education company and all donations are tax-deductible. For more information, visit projectshakespeare. org.

Jaffrey Woman's Club 'Spring in Bloom' Gala at The Park Theatre May 21

The Jaffrey Woman's Club is holding a 'Spring in Bloom' Gala Fundraiser and Silent Auction at The Park Theatre on Saturday, May 21 at 7:00 pm. A DJ and dancing, appetizers and desserts, beer and wine and more! It is sure to be a spectacular and fun night for all. Semi-formal attire is suggested. \$70 per person includes food, beverages and two alcoholic drinks. Cash bar available. Tickets are available for purchase in advance at https://www.jaffreywomansclub. org/events/spring-in-bloomgala. Proceeds from this event will benefit the Club's educational scholarships, healthy teeth program, and charitable endeavors.

Leadership Seminar for Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership of New Hampshire (HOBY NH) June 17-19

HOBY is a nonprofit dedicated to inspiring and developing our global community of youth and volunteers to a life dedicated to leadership, service and innovation. Each year, they host a 3-day seminar for high school sophomores from across the state to learn what it means to be a leader and how they can become catalysts for positive change in their home, school, and community.

HOBY NH's 2022 seminar will be held from June 17-19 at St. Anselm College. They supply each youth with a myriad of things from T-shirts and printed materials to school buses and housing. They are asking for donations toward these costs to be able to best serve their ambassadors.

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outdoor deck with a bar and stage for live music on the weekends. The grounds were improved with extensive landscaping, including the addition of colorful and fragrant flower and herb gardens. The Main Inn and Playbarn were painted to recreate the original architectural style of the house.

The Woodbound family continues to evolve and grow. In 2020, they acquired the Rindge Hometown Diner and offer breakfast and lunch for both locals and visitors alike in a traditional retro-décor train car diner.

What's next for the Woodbound franchise? The very popular Phoenix Smokehouse, formerly at home in a tent behind the diner, will now be located down the road at its own site. The Smokehouse will continue to offer the mouthwatering Texas barbecue they are famous for with dine-in, take-out and drive-through service available. Back at the Woodbound, there are exciting plans to further extend the services and ameni-



ties for dining and wedding guests including the addition of fresh vegetables and flowers grown right on the property and continued upgrades to the guest rooms and banquet facilities. There will also be a gift shop opening, which will feature locally made sundries, beer and wine.

For more information about what's going on at the Woodbound and Hometown Diner including menus, news and events, visit woodbound.com and rindgehometowndiner. com and be sure to like them on Facebook.







Food for Thought Luncheon Series April 20 - May 18 - June 15 <u>Town-Wide Yard Sale</u> June 25 - 26 Jaffrey Chamber Ron Despres Memorial <u>Golf Classic</u> Monday, July 11 Shattuck Golf Club <u>Poker Run</u> Sunday, August 21 PRESORTED STD US POSTAGE PAID PERMIT 12 JAFFREY, NH 03452

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