

Area meetings Oct. 30 and Nov. 1

North Country Council launches public dialogue about Region's future

North Country Council is undertaking an ambitious three-year project to develop a comprehensive plan for the North Country, based in meeting current and future goals and needs of the people who live here. The North Country Council is responsible for planning for the growth and development of its 43-member community region in Coös, Grafton and Carroll Counties. The Council has historically had an official role in helping to plan how funds in specific federal programs, such as transportation or economic development, have been spent in the region. Unlike these past planning efforts, the new North Country Plan will begin with the development of an overarching vision for the region, and priorities will be derived from that vision. "In developing these priorities it will be necessary to take a comprehensive look at all the pieces needed to achieve residents' vision for the future and how they fit together," explained Tara Bamford, the Council's lead planner who has been charged with coordinating the project. This is expected to include such topics as the housing needs of an aging population, natural resource management, energy, the need for access to affordable healthy foods, and daycare for young working families.

This regional planning initiative is being funded by a Sustainable Communities Initiative Grant for which New Hampshire's regional planning commissions applied together. This statewide collaboration has been named "A Granite State Future." The grant is administered by HUD on behalf of a partnership of federal agencies who have agreed that funds are used most efficiently and effectively when planning is done in a comprehensive way and when priorities are identified at the regional level. North Country Council Executive Director Michael King noted "This is the first time North Country Council has had the funding needed to look at the future of the region in a truly comprehensive way." North Country Council President Beno LaMontagne, at N.H.

Happy Hiker-----
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to the trailhead, I went a short distance down the Cabin Trail to get a view of the place that I had visited less than an hour ago. The view is somewhat restricted by trees, but I thought it was worth spending the 20-minutes round-trip.

To sum it up, despite the long drive to the Wonalancet area, this hike was definitely worth it! I loved the views, and loved walking the trails, which have so much history, some of which occurred only a few centuries ago, whereas some occurred many thousands of years ago!

(You may contact the author by e-mail at randonneur8@yahoo.com, or visit his Blog at <http://1happyhiker.blogspot.com/>)

Department of Resources and Economic Development's Business Resource Center in Bethlehem, sees this more comprehensive approach to regional planning as a boost to the region's ongoing economic devel-

opment efforts. "This funding is finally giving us the opportunity to ensure that plans for transportation and other infrastructure improvements support the job growth we so desperately need in the North Country."



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"This process will require a much higher level of public engagement than we've seen in the past. We need to hear from

those who have not typically Dialogue -----
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Chem-Free Auction & Food Sale

To Benefit Colebrook Academy Class of 2013
Sunday, September 30 at Colebrook Gym
Preview 11 a.m., Auction 1 p.m.
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COLLECTIBLES - Autographed Photo/Puck of Boston Bruins' Shawn Thornton

Local Attractions - Santa's Village-Admission for 2, Manchester Monarchs-2 Silver Level Passes 2012-2013 Season, Clark's Trading Post-2 Passes, Whale's Tale-Admission for 2, Omni Mount Washington Hotel & Resort-2 Canopy Tour Passes, Cranmore Mountain Resort-2 Adult Lift Tickets, Story Land-Admission for 2, NH Motor Speedway-4 Tickets to July 2013 Nascar Race

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Big Al's

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Music for the event will be provided by DJ John Jaworowski.

Come and show off your hot rod and get a look at all the others.

For more information about the event, one may call 922-3505.

Booster fund-raiser

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Lancaster. For every test drive taken, Ford Motor Company will donate \$20 to the WMRHS Booster Club, up to \$6,000.

Last year the event raised \$2,100, and the expectation is to exceed that figure this year.

So if you've wanted to try out one of Ford's new models, stop up at the high school on Saturday and take a test drive.

There is no charge, and for each test drive, the Booster Club will benefit.

Launch Box

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you do not have to understand tax law, but you do need to have someone on your team who does," states Joyce Presby, Entrepreneurial Resource Consultant for White Mountains Community College. "Having a CPA who can navigate the Tax Code is well worth having on your team."

Donald Crane, CPA, is a forward-looking advisor to businesses. With 31 years of experience and a master's degree in financial planning, Crane can help clients achieve financial success and peace of mind.

Maybe you have been thinking about becoming an LLC, or a corporation. Financially or tax wise, it might make a difference. This is your opportunity to get your questions answered. If you are just starting in business or if you have been in business for many years, this information is vital to the well-being of your business future.

Registration is free but required and seating is limited for the Launch Box Party and seminars, so register early. For more information and registration for the Launch Box Party or any of the seminars, please call Joyce Presby at 603-717-5457.

Dialogue

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been at the table for planning discussions, such as the region's youth and those who are struggling to make ends meet," emphasized Ms. Bamford. To begin the process, the Council has scheduled a series of six public meetings to be held in various locations around the region this fall. Two sessions are planned for Coös County—Colebrook Town Office Courtroom on October 30 and Berlin City Hall Auditorium on November 1. Both meetings will begin at 7 p.m. Additional locations and dates may be found at www.nccouncil.org or by calling the Council at (603) 444-6303.

Lesperance obit

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Lebanon, Me.; his brothers and sisters, Darlene M. Howarth and her partner Neal Allen, Jr. of Bloomfield, Vt., George Lesperance and wife Crystal of Columbia, Jamie Lesperance and wife Lana of North Stratford, and Dianne LaRose of North Carolina; his half-brothers, Bryant Wheeler of Bloomfield, Vt., and Ernest Wheeler of Hyde Park, Vt.; his stepbrothers, Mike Staples of Las Vegas, Nev., and Devin Laskey of Berwick, Me.; his stepsisters, Tracy Bolduc and husband Todd of North Carolina, and Tracy Laskey of Rochester, NH; his partner, Kim Carter of Columbia and her granddaughter, Chloe Taylor; as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

A half-brother, Eddie

Wheeler, predeceased him. Memorial calling hours were on Friday, Sept. 28, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Jenkins & Newman Funeral Home in Colebrook. A graveside service will be held on Sat., Sept. 29, at 10 a.m. at the Stewartstown Hollow Cemetery with Pastor Cindy Grassi officiating. Expressions of sympathy in Billy's memory may be made to the Jenkins & Newman Funeral Home, 103 Main Street, Colebrook, NH 03576, to help the family with final expenses. Condolences may be offered to the family on-line by going to www.jenkinsnewman.com. Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Jenkins & Newman Funeral Home, Colebrook, NH.

Lumberjack Competition and Festival is set for September 30

On September 30, Northern Forest Heritage Park (the Park) will host the 13th Annual Lumberjack Competition & Festival. The Park is located at 942 Main Street in Berlin. There are 66 Lumberjacks & Lumberjills registered for the show and all are eager to compete for \$3,640 in prize money. They will travel from many states across the USA and Canada. The events men and women will compete in include: Axe Throw, Bow Saw, Underhand Chop, Standing Block Chop, Open Class Chainsaw, Jack & Jill Crosscut, Two Person Crosscut and Two Person Log Rolling (Peavey).

There is a prize for overall winner for both men and women. The number of events

for women has increased significantly! There's a lot of excitement about this year's competition and that's evident in the number of registered competitors! It promises to be an exceptional show! Special thanks to our consultant, Janice Gingras, whose efforts to help organize this show are sincerely appreciated!

Many of the spectators in the audience like to flex their muscles and show their competitive skills! The Log Throw for men and boys along with the Fry Pan Toss for women & girls are very popular activities at the Lumberjack Show. Men and women compete for cash prizes

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