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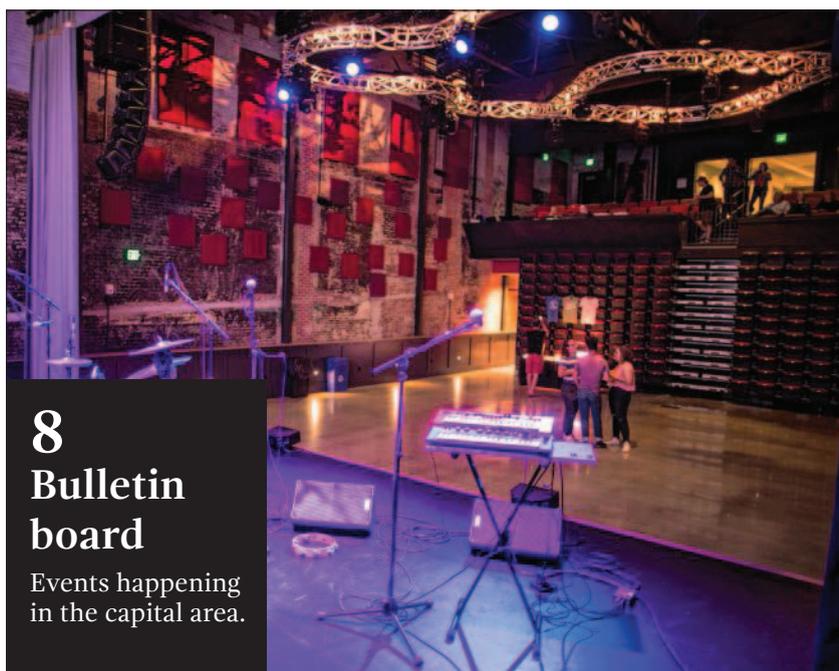
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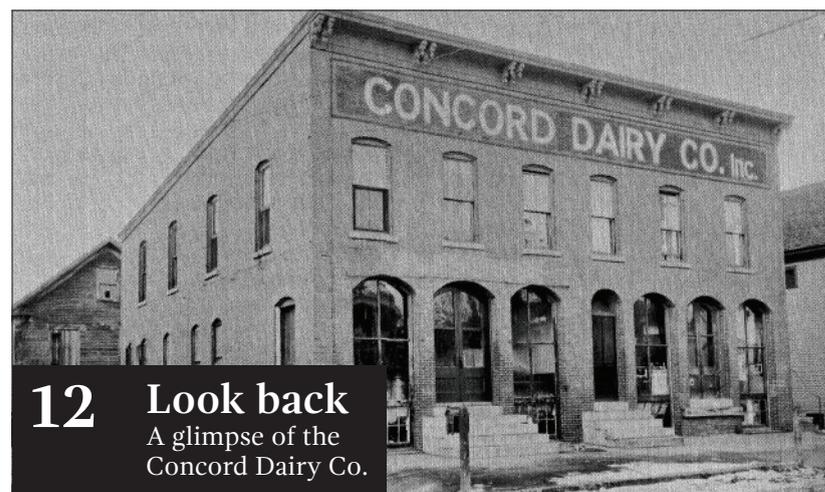
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## books of the week

### Blind Search

By Paula Munier  
(340 pages, mystery, 2019)

Mercy Carr was an MP in Afghanistan and her dog, Elvis, was also there, trained to search for guns and bombs. Now both have left the military and live in rural Vermont.

Mercy has a cabin and they are trying to live a quiet life, enjoying the beauty of Vermont in October. But Mercy and Elvis find a lost nine-year-old boy named Henry in the woods. They also find a woman, shot in the chest with an arrow, and Henry may have witnessed her murder. But Henry is autistic and can't talk about it. Mercy, Elvis and Game Warden Troy Warner and his dog, Susie Bear, search for clues. The dogs comfort Henry and help him when he gets upset. Henry is a math genius and often recites prime numbers to calm himself. Mercy must dig into the past lives of a group

of old and rich friends who are connected to the murdered young woman. They may have the key to the murder. In Vermont, October is time for leaf-peepers, but it is also hunting season. There are poachers and other dangerous people in the woods, and a huge black bear that might be wounded. An early blizzard roars in, making roads impassable.

Henry disappears again. Can Mercy and Elvis find him before it is too late? This is the sequel to *A Borrowing of Bones*, but you can read it on its own. *Blind Search* was inspired by a true search-and-rescue case of an autistic boy who was lost in Vermont. Mercy is smart and determined, and Elvis is a talented at searching. There's humor, a touch of romance, and lots of action in this fast-paced mystery.

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### The Secret Lives of Church Ladies

By Deesha Philyaw  
(179 pages, fiction, 2020)

This book is spectacular; I devoured it in one sitting and was immediately



hungry for more. It consists of several short stories, each featuring a Black girl or woman grappling

with something of an existential crisis. As the characters struggle with finding a sense of self, they also must navigate their relationships with others. These relationships may be romantic or sexual, familial or collegial, soul mates or ships passing in the night — and they unfold to varying degrees of messiness. What they have in common is that each character's experience is intertwined with, and often in conflict with a Church —

whether that's a set of philosophies or a physical congregation. Each Church carries its own set of social mores, threats of perdition, and opportunities for redemption. The tension between the Church's expectations and the women's innermost desires creates a riveting and poignant push-and-pull within each character's heart.

Author Deesha Philyaw did an outstanding job creating characters that feel fully-developed and emotionally raw, even in just a

few pages. I was immediately attached to these women with their flaws and vulnerabilities, their lust and yearning, their obligations and indiscretions, their striving to be and to become. It is no wonder that this book was a finalist for the 2020 National Book Awards for fiction. I cannot recommend it highly enough.

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**Faith Miller Lakowicz**

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PROPERTIES

# Arena pivots to summer programs

The city manager's office sent out the City Manager's Newsletter last Friday. The full newsletter can be found by going to [concordnh.gov](http://concordnh.gov) and clicking the "Newsletter" button. Here are some highlights:

## Everett Arena

The Douglas N. Everett Arena has ended its ice season and has returned to concrete flooring for upcoming spring and summer events. Some shows are lined up to take place at the arena over the next few months and roller skating will be returning on June 8. Visit [concordnh.gov/arenaevents](http://concordnh.gov/arenaevents) for event information and to view upcoming events. All shows and events

will have a limited capacity. Masks or facial coverings are required at all times while inside the arena and outside if social distancing of 6 feet is not possible. An approved floor plan will be used to promote social distancing. The building will remain locked until 15 minutes before scheduled events. The riverside doors (on the left of the building) will be used as the new main entrance with the first set of doors and also as the exit with the second set of doors. All staff, promoters, vendors, and attendees shall attest to a COVID-19 screening. All activities at the Everett Arena follow COVID-19 guidelines in accordance with the CDC,

State of New Hampshire, and City of Concord. The Everett Arena has been exceeding all guidelines for cleaning and sanitization. Safety measures are in place for improved air quality with MERV 13 filtration and increased outdoor air ventilation. Sneeze guards are in place at the front desk / admission area and at the Pro Shop. Hand sanitizing stations are available throughout the facility. Find full COVID-19 guidelines and more information at [concordnh.gov/arena](http://concordnh.gov/arena).

## Parks and Rec News

**PARKS FULLY OPENED:** The Parks and Recreation Department has opened all athletic fields, tennis, and basketball courts this week. All regular spring sports are scheduled to return to play while following COVID guidelines. For more information on the City's parks, please visit [concordpark-sandrec.com](http://concordpark-sandrec.com).

**SCOOP THE POOP:** The department would like to re-



MONITOR FILE  
Beaver Meadow Head Golf Professional Phil Davis (left) retrieves a golf ball from the hole on May 11, 2020.

mind all dog owners to please scoop the poop and take your doggie bag home with you. Dog waste is like human waste and carries lots of bacteria and germs that can make people sick, plus it's the law to remove your dog's waste in city parks, trails and open spaces.

## Beaver Meadow

Beaver Meadow Golf Course opened all 18 holes on April 1, and yesterday the course was opened up to

golf carts. Come check out the new fleet of 60 EZGO golf carts! The driving range is open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; \$10 for a large bucket, \$4 for a small bucket. And indoor golf simulators are still available for rent and are open from 8 a.m.-7 p.m.

## Hydrant flushing

Concord General Services' water crew started flushing hydrants throughout the city on Monday. For the next several weeks, three crews will be going out to different areas of the city to flush hydrants as part of required routine maintenance. Concord water customers may experience low water pressure or discolored water when hydrant flushing occurs in their area. If discoloration occurs, customers are advised to run their tap water on cold until the water runs clear. Customers are advised to avoid doing laundry during flushing times. Depending on the flushing location, flushing may start anywhere between 4:30 a.m. and 6:30 a.m. and continue through 3 p.m. each week day. This annual practice removes any sediment from pipes in the water distribution system and helps to sustain Concord's water quality and check water pressure of the

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area. Find out when flushing will occur in different areas of the city by viewing flushing schedules on the City's website at [concordnh.gov/springoperations](http://concordnh.gov/springoperations).

## ADRC members needed

The City of Concord Planning Board is looking for two new volunteer members for the Architectural Design Review Committee (ADRC). The ADRC is responsible for providing the Planning Board with professional and technical review and recommendations on sign applications, building permits within performance districts, and major site and subdivision plans. Recommendations are based on the Architectural Design Guidelines as adopted by the Planning Board. Meetings are held at 8:30 a.m. on the first Tuesday of every month. Interested applicants must be Concord residents with a background in architecture, design, site/building lighting, landscape architecture, or another related field. Eligible applicants should forward a letter of interest and professional resume to Heather Shank, City Planner, at [hshank@concordnh.gov](mailto:hshank@concordnh.gov).

## Dog licences

Reminder from the City Clerk's Office, the deadline to license your dog in accordance with State of New Hampshire RSA 466:1 is approaching. Dog licenses should be renewed by April 30. Residents may renew their dog licenses in person in the Clerk's Office, by mail or through the city's online bill pay module on the City's website. Licenses may only be issued if we have current rabies information on file. Feel free to e-mail the Clerk's Office at [city-clerk@concordnh.gov](mailto:city-clerk@concordnh.gov) or call them at 225-8500 if you are unsure as to whether or not we have current rabies information on file. Fees: non-spayed or non-neutered (\$10), spayed or neutered (\$7.50), dogs



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Starting on Sunday, April 18, GMI Asphalt will also be starting overnight work on Main Street from Centre Street to Storrs Street, and on Loudon Road from Main Street to Fort Eddy Road.

under eight months old (\$7.50), five or more dogs of same owner (\$20), first dog for owner over 65-plus (\$2). Owners who license a dog after May 31 are subject to additional fees. If you are no longer required to license a dog with the City of Concord, because you relocated outside of Concord or Penacook or you no longer have your pet, please give us a call at 225-8500 or email us at [cityclerk@concordnh.gov](mailto:cityclerk@concordnh.gov) and we will update our records. The City Clerk's Office is located at 41 Green Street, Concord, NH. Office hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, with extended hours until 6 p.m. on Thursdays.

## Street paving

The City's Neighborhood Street Paving Program started last week. GMI Asphalt is the contractor for paving this year. Pavement reclamation and base pave-

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ment were completed last week for Penacook Street, Bishopsgate Road, Perkins Street, Martin Street, Knoll Street, and Wyman Street. Curb re-set and new installation has also been completed on all of these streets this week. Sidewalk work, raising of manholes and catch basin, driveway tie-ins, and loam and seed will continue for the next couple of weeks in preparation for final pavement overlay for these streets later in April and May.

Work is weather permitting. Streets will be closed to through traffic and parking will be prohibited between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m. Residents will have road access to

their homes. Find more information and a tentative schedule of streets approved for paving at [concordnh.gov/pavingplan](http://concordnh.gov/pavingplan).

Starting on Sunday, April 18, GMI Asphalt will also be starting overnight work on Main Street from Centre Street to Storrs Street, and on Loudon Road from Main Street to Fort Eddy Road. They will be cold planing and overlaying these sections with the work occurring overnight from Sunday night to Thursday night from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. in order to not affect daytime traffic. Streets will be open to traffic through the work zone.

Also, Continental Paving

will be cold planing and overlaying the full-length of Hall Street and Old Turnpike Road from Manchester Street to Spring Hill Avenue for the next couple of weeks starting next week. This process includes asphalt milling to remove the surface of the pavement and reshape the road and maintain curb reveal, raising manhole and catch basin covers, and then placing a 1" final overlay of pavement. Work is weather permitting and traffic will be reduced to one lane of alternating traffic through the work zone during the project. Parking will be prohibited between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m.

## Leaf collection begins April 26

Spring Leaf Collection begins on Monday, April 26. Concord residents with curbside trash collection can participate by placing leaves at the curb by 7 a.m. on their scheduled trash day. All leaves must be in biodegradable yard waste bags and/or rigid containers labeled for leaves.

Leaves raked loosely to the curb are only collected during the City's Fall Leaf Collection. In the spring, leaves must be bagged or contained for easy pick-up with trash collection. Unacceptable materials will not be collected, including branches, brush, and the use of plastic bags.

Leaf collection will continue for six weeks in coordination with trash collection through Saturday, June 5. The last week of collection will be delayed by one day with no trash or leaf collection on Monday, May 31 due to the Memorial Day holiday.

Residents can also bring leaves to Gelinas Excavation & Earth Materials Recycling Center at 10 Intervale Road

(off of Fort Eddy Road) once they open for the season on April 12. Drop-off is free with proof of residency if the load is smaller than a non-commercial pick-up truck. Residents will be required to empty contents at the facility to confirm that loads are 100% free of any unacceptable materials. Any container used to transport leaves to must be taken back with the resident; bags are not required for drop-off. Hours for Gelinas Excavation & Earth Materials Recycling Center are Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., with additional hours from 8 a.m. to Noon on Saturdays during leaf collection. Saturday hours will occur from April 24 through June 5, with the exception of Memorial Day weekend when the facility will be closed on May 29. Hours are weather dependent and are subject to change. It is advised to call the recycling center to confirm available drop-off times at 545-4835. Find more information about spring leaf collection at [concordnh.gov/leafcollection](http://concordnh.gov/leafcollection).



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# calendar

## April 15

■ **Afro-Rithims: An Online Collaborative Game:** 4 p.m. - 6 p.m. This online card game is designed to draw out unexpected possibilities, encourage radical reimagining, and collaboratively produce visions of diverse futures. Free. Online. 225-3192. Julianne@Kimball-jenkins.com.

■ **Free Yourself from Debt webinar** 4 p.m. - 5 p.m. Stop letting your debt run your life, take a stand! In conjunction with using your budget, we are going to show you the two top ways to pay down debt. Do you prefer the Debt Snowball or the Debt Avalanche method? Not sure what the difference is? In this webinar, we will discuss those differences. marketing@nhfcu.org.

■ **STEAM - Virtual Seed Bombs:** 3:30 p.m. Join us for this fun gardening project to beautify bare spots in your backyard. Please register at concordpubliclibrary.net/registration. Concord Public Library, 45 Green St., Concord. jsalemy@concordnh.gov.

■ **Zoom: Fitness & Core:** 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. This workout focuses on core strength, flexibility, and a total body conditioning. Designed to make or maintain your healthy, physical physique. \$25. GoodLife Programs & Activities. kgagnon@goodlifenh.org.

■ **Zoom: Keene State College presents Indian Cuisine:** 11 a.m. - 12 p.m. Explore the nutritional benefits and cultural significance of traditional Indian cuisine from both Northern and Southern regions. Free. GoodLife Programs & Activities. kgagnon@goodlifenh.org.

## April 16

■ **Dave Ramsey's Total Money Makeover Pt. 1 webinar:** 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. John R. Young, NHFCU's CEO, will facilitate a group discussion on Dave Ramsey's book, "Money Makeover." The group will meet for three consecutive weeks to discuss Dave Ramsey's principles for a true Money Makeover. marketing@nhfcu.org.

## April 19

■ **Zoom: Cardio for Heart Health:** 9 a.m. - 10 a.m. Guaranteed to get your heart rate up and break a sweat! Our goal is to improve cardiovascular fitness. \$25. GoodLife Programs & Activities. kgagnon@goodlifenh.org.

## April 20

■ **Frontline Manager Microcredential Certificate:** 9 a.m. - 11 a.m. Being a frontline manager is hard. Meeting organizational demands in an efficient and effective way can be challenging,

frustrating and seemingly never-ending. In order to succeed, the frontline manager must not only have the technical skills to do the job, but the people skills needed to cultivate and maintain a culture where employees are recognized as the organization's most important asset. \$825. NHTI, 31 College Drive. amollica@ccsnh.edu.

■ **Universal Class Presentation:** 2 p.m. Over 500 classes available online with your library card. Learn how at this class. Register at concordpubliclibrary.net/registration. Concord Public Library. jsalemy@concordnh.gov.

## April 21

■ **Communicating Mindfully:** 5 p.m. - 7 p.m. This 8-part series introduces participants to the basics of Communicating Mindfully. \$495. Required text included: "Communicating Mindfully," by Dan Huston. NHTI Business Training Center Online, 31 College Drive. amollica@ccsnh.edu.

■ **Concord Community Music School Faculty Concert:** 7:30 p.m. - 9 p.m. Free. Concord TV, Concord. walkershowinfo@

gmail.com.

■ **Horseshoe Pond Toastmasters Club:** 12 p.m. - 1 p.m. Need to improve your communication or leadership skills? Visit a Horseshoe Pond Toastmasters club meeting to find out what Toastmasters can do for you. Held virtually. 223-1287. jkasper@nedelta.com.

■ **Virtual Depression and Bipolar Support Group:** 7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Meeting via Zoom online. 224-2664. dbsaconcord@comcast.net.

■ **Virtual Storytime:** 9:30 a.m. Join us online for songs, finger plays and stories. Registration is required at concordpubliclibrary.net/registration. Concord Public Library. jsalemy@concordnh.gov.

■ **Zoom: Springtime Holiday Trivia:** 1 p.m. - 2 p.m. Trivia from all the spring holidays! We always have a great time and a prize for the winner. Free. GoodLife Programs & Activities. kgagnon@goodlifenh.org.

## April 22

■ **Funding Home Projects webinar:** 6 p.m. - 7 p.m. Spring is in the air; temperatures are warming, and flowers are blooming! But... what else comes with spring? Perhaps home repairs, maintenance, and clean-up? Maybe that is repairing winter damage to your home's exterior, spring cleaning your home's interior, or sprucing up your yard to enjoy during the warmer months. Whatever your projects may be this spring, join us for this one-hour webinar. marketing@nhfcu.org.

■ **Zoom: The History of the Eagle Coffee House:** 3 p.m. - 4 p.m. The Eagle Coffee House opened on North Main Street in Concord in 1827, it was the center of social, political, business and travel activity in town. Free. GoodLife Programs & Activities. kgagnon@goodlifenh.org.

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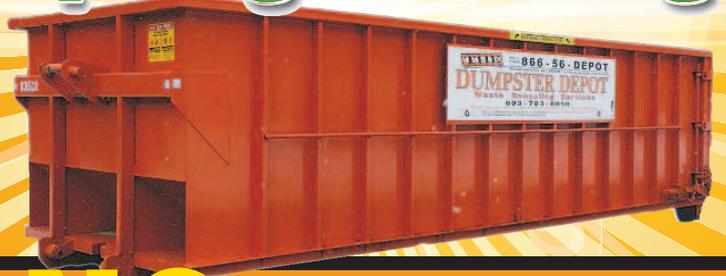
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# Virtual programs to tune in to

## Online performances

The Capitol Center for the Arts and Bank of N.H. Stage both remain closed but continue to offer virtual programming. Upcoming shows and concerts, which can be found at [ccanh.com](http://ccanh.com), include:

■ **The Sorcerer's Apprentice:** Multiple dates, times.

This enchanting new British musical explores the extraordinary world of a sorcerer and his rebellious daughter, as she discovers the explosive possibilities of her newfound magical powers. Against the backdrop of the Northern Lights, a small town has been pushed to the brink of collapse in a bid for progress

and prosperity. To rescue Midgard from certain destruction, father and daughter must heal their relationship and work together. This gripping family-friendly story sees brooms coming to life and love blossoming anew. This production was filmed at Southwark Playhouse, London in February 2021. \$25

■ **Cox and Box:** April 15 at 8 p.m.; April 16 at 8 p.m. and April 18 at 2 p.m. New York Gilbert & Sullivan Players announces a premiere cinematic experience of Sir Arthur Sullivan and F.C. Burnand's comic operetta, *Cox and Box*. This all-new original film is shot, fully staged, at South Orange Performing Arts Center. Join Mr. Cox and Mr. Box as they dig in their heels when they discover

the mischievous scheme of their landlord, Sgt. Bouncer. Victorian formality is thrown to the wind in this entertaining and beautifully shot musical film. \$23.75

■ **The Blueprint Project:** April 16, 7 p.m. The Blueprint Project is a collection of stories inspired by Martin Luther King Jr.'s "What is Your Life Blueprint?" The speech was given to high school students in 1967. In it, he highlights the importance of having a blueprint that asserts and celebrates one's dignity and worth, one's "somebody-ness." He encourages people to maximize their potential — to strive to be the best of what they are — by working hard, by having self love, by fighting for justice. \$25 plus fees

■ **The Decemberists:** April

18 and 25 at 8 p.m. Live show from Portland, Oregon. Each show will be available to view on-demand for two weeks following the stream. \$25 and up, VIP packages available

■ **A New Stage:** April 15 – 18. Get a front-row seat to experience world-class artistry from the comfort of your home, with three incredible performances in a range of styles from ballet to hip-hop to tap. \$20

■ **Ani di Franco Revolutionary Love Live:** April 18 at 8 p.m. Celebrate the release of Ani's 22nd studio album 'Revolutionary Love' with a full concert from Ani, Terence Higgins, and special guest Ivan Neville. Come hang virtually in Ani's home, Big Blue, as the band reminisces about touring and performs energetic live versions from the

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new album along with classics from the Little Folksinger canon. Captured lovingly with seven cameras, *Revolutionary Love Live* documents Ani's vision for this album live while it's hot off the presses. \$20 and up

■ **David Cook: The Ocean Way Studios Livestream:** April 18, May 2 and May 16 at 8 p.m. David Cook presents his first full-band shows in over a year from Ocean Way Studios in Nashville, TN. David is pleased to bring songs never performed to this series, as well as many fan favorites and new arrangements during this three show series. \$20 single show, \$50 three-show pass, VIP packages available

■ **Kinky Boots:** April 14-21, multiple times. With songs by Grammy- and Tony-winning pop icon Cyndi Lauper, direction and choreography by Jerry Mitchell (*Legally Blonde, Hairspray*), and book by Broadway legend Harvey Fierstein (*La Cage Aux Folles*), this dazzling, fabulously sassy and uplifting award-winning musical celebrates a joyous story of Brit grit to high-heeled hit as it takes you from the factory floor of Northampton to the

glamorous catwalks of Milan. \$15

■ **Met: La Boheme:** April 21 – 26, multiple dates, times. *La Bohème*, the passionate, timeless, and indelible story of love among young artists in Paris, can stake its claim as the world's most popular opera. In this live transmission from 2018, Franco Zeffirelli's classic production stars soprano Sonya Yoncheva as the fragile Mimi and tenor Michael Fabiano as the poet Rodolfo. Marco Armiliato conducts. With English subtitles (on-screen). \$15

### Poet event

Portsmouth poet Samantha DeFlicht joins Gibson's Bookstore virtually on April 15 at 7 p.m. to present her new book of verse, *Confluence*. The confluence in the title of this debut collection from Samantha DeFlicht describes the meeting

of three rivers, the Monongahela and Allegheny which come together at Pittsburgh to form the Ohio River. The three sections of her book are named for these rivers, and there are many poems of place here, the author's home turf, its backroads and bridges, state lines, amusement parks, a town called Zelienople, even Pittsburgh itself, depicted most provocatively as a city of "accidental lesbians." But as a gas station attendant says when she answers where she is from, "Nobody lives in Pittsburgh," an observation that shifts the register from the physical to the psyche, and to a different sort of confluence, the way in which we are all products of everything that has come before and come together to form our lives. Registration is required at [eventbrite.com/e/149760901889](http://eventbrite.com/e/149760901889).

### Author event

Gibson's Bookstore presents author Sara Dykman on April 21 at 7 p.m. as she virtually presents her story of her 9-month, 10,000-mile journey, traveling by bicycle alongside thousands of monarch butterflies on their annual migration across the continent, in *Bicycling with Butterflies: My 10,201-Mile Journey Following the Monarch Migration*. Outdoor educator and field researcher Sara Dykman made history when she became the first person to bicycle along-side monarch butterflies on their storied annual migration—a round-trip adventure that included three countries and more than 10,000 miles. Equally remarkable, she did it solo, on a bike cobbled together from used parts. Her panniers were recycled buckets. In *Bicycling with Butterflies*, Dykman re-

counts her incredible journey and the dramatic ups and downs of the nearly nine-month odyssey. We're beside her as she navigates unmapped roads in foreign countries, checks roadside milkweed for monarch eggs, and shares her passion with eager schoolchildren, skeptical bar patrons, and unimpressed border officials. We also meet some of the ardent monarch stewards who supported her efforts, from citizen scientists and researchers to farmers and high-rise city dwellers. With both humor and humility, Dykman offers a compelling story, confirming the urgency of saving the threatened monarch migration — and the other threatened systems of nature that affect the survival of us all. Registration required at [eventbrite.com/e/148278177019](http://eventbrite.com/e/148278177019).

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## history

**April 15, 1861:** Three days after the Confederate attack on Fort Sumter, the first call for troops reaches Concord by telegraph from Washington, D.C., at 8 a.m. Friends rush across to the Phenix Hotel to awaken Edward E. Sturtevant, a popular police officer and former printer. Sturtevant rushes to the State House and, fulfilling his fondest wish, becomes New Hampshire's first Civil War volunteer.

**April 15, 1928:** Augusta Pillsbury of Manchester makes history, becoming the first legislator in the nation to have a baby while in office.

**April 15, 1992:** Franklin Mayor Brenda Elias announces plans to run for the U.S. Senate. "So many of the problems of the state of New Hampshire originate at the federal level," she says. Elias plans to bring her brand of fiscal austerity to

D.C. She will lose in the Democratic primary to John Rauh.

**April 15, 1725:** Captain John Lovewell, who three months earlier collected 1,000 pounds for the scalps of 10 Indians he caught sleeping at Province Lake, leads an excursion of 46 men on a hunt for more. They will meet and fight a band of Pequawkets under Chief Paugus. The Indians will kill Lovewell, and only 11 members of his party will make it back to their base in Nashua.

**April 15, 1987:** Pete du Pont, the governor of Delaware, brings his presidential campaign to Keene. With no local organization, he spends the day by himself looking for voters to chat with. "Missing, however, was any attempt to make real connection with someone who might carry on his campaign locally in his absence. . . . Du Pont was

observing some of New Hampshire's primary rituals but without comprehending their purpose," writes Dayton Duncan in a campaign history.

**April 15, 1865:** At 2 a.m., the telegraph at the Eagle Hotel brings news that President Lincoln has been shot. At 7:22 a.m., Lincoln dies in Washington. Word spreads quickly in Concord, and crowds gather in the streets. At 9 p.m. many drift to former president Franklin Pierce's mansard-roofed home on Main Street near Thorndike Street. A lantern illuminating his face, Pierce expresses his "profound sorrow and regret," telling the crowd: "My best wishes to you all and for what we ought to hold most dear - our country - our whole country."

**April 16, 1865:** Capt. Edwin Bedee of the 12th New Hampshire Regiment is arrested on suspicion of

absconding with the papers President Lincoln had with him when he was shot at Ford's Theater two nights before. Mary Lincoln gave Bedee the papers for safe-keeping after Bedee, who had attended the play, helped a surgeon locate the president's mortal wound. After two days, Bedee, of Meredith, will be exonerated when it is learned that, after helping to carry Lincoln across the street to his deathbed, he gave the papers to Secretary of War Edwin M. Stanton.

**April 16, 1965:** After a major organizing and fundraising effort by, among others, Dudley Orr, Russell Martin, Malcolm McLane and figure-skating Police Chief Walter Carlson, construction begins on the ice hockey rink that will become the Everett Arena.

**April 16, 1967:** The governor and Executive Council approve the state's

acquisition of 224.5 acres of marshland off Hoit Road in East Concord for a fish and wildlife preserve.

**April 16, 1623:** David Thomson, who has sailed with a small group aboard the Jonathan from Plymouth, England, lands at Odiorne's Point in Rye. He will establish the first permanent white settlement within New Hampshire's boundaries.

**April 17, 2003:** Attorneys called their last witness against the Rev. George Robichaud, who is on trial in Belknap County Superior Court for two sexual assault charges, rape and attempted rape. Robichaud is the first priest to be tried on sexual assault charges since the clergy abuse scandal broke in New Hampshire last year.

**April 17, 2002:** Three New England Patriots and team owner Bob Kraft attend a rally at the state house in Concord to celebrate the team's Super Bowl win. Players David Patten, Antowain Smith and Richard Seymour sign footballs for fans. "We were red, white and blue," Kraft said. "We were the Patriots. We were underdogs. But most of all, we were winners."

**April 17, 2002:** Concord sets a temperature record for the second day in a row. Yesterday it was 88 degrees. Today it's 94!

**April 17, 2001:** The Laconia School Board votes, 6-1, to eliminate the cartoonish depiction of an American Indian painted on the wall of the high school gym. Also out is the practice of someone dressing up in Indian garb and cheering at school sporting events. For now, the board demurs on the question of changing the school nickname from Sachems.

**April 17, 1882:** President

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Chester Arthur appoints William E. Chandler, a prominent Republican politician, lawyer and journalist from Concord, secretary of the navy.

**April 17, 2000:** State prison inmates are paying particular attention to the crisis at the New Hampshire Supreme Court. One inmate says he has spoken to at least 20 others who are closely monitoring news of the court's supposed wrongdoing, hopeful that an examination of court practices will help set them free.

**April 17, 1885:** Thomas Samon, who killed a woman in Laconia, stuffed her body in a trunk and wheeled it away, is the first man executed at the new state prison. A prison historian describes Samon as a dull man who spoke with a nasal tone and had one blue eye and one brown eye.

**April 17, 1971:** Two months after his trip to the moon, it is Alan Shepard Day in New Hampshire. The astronaut, originally from Derry, shares in a \$5-a-plate lunch of ham in pineapple sauce at the Concord Country Club. He has no plans to enter politics. "I'm a pilot and an engineer, and I think I'll stick to what I know about," he says. Of the moon, he says: "It's desolate, it's quiet, it's stark. . . . There are no birch trees up there."

**April 17, 1989:** New Hampshire House Speaker Doug Scamman says he will leave the Legislature after 11 terms and run for Bob Smith's seat in Congress. He will be beaten in a GOP primary by Jackson innkeeper Bill Zeliff.

**April 17, 1968:** Speaking in Manchester, Dr. Timothy Leary, the country's No. 1 proponent of LSD, steers clear of the subject on the advice of his lawyers. He is under indictment on drug charges. Instead Leary talks about the generation gap,

criticizing DeGaulle, Mao, J. Edgar Hoover and William Loeb as "old men lumbering into a new age with old concepts."

**April 17, 1992:** In Moscow, Senators Bob Smith of New Hampshire and John Kerry of Massachusetts say they've received information from the Russian government that American deserters and possibly POWS were brought to the Soviet Union after the Vietnam War but have no evidence that any stayed in the country.

**April 17, 1945:** Endorsing Concord Mayor Charles McKee's request, the ministers' council agrees that all church bells will toll at the hour of victory in Europe. The council's president, the aptly named Rev. Ernest Shepherd, makes the announcement.

**April 18, 2003:** After almost two months of negotiation Ken Epworth agrees to sell the Rolfe Barn to the Penacook Historical Society. The deal means that the city will drop its bid to seize the barn through eminent domain.

**April 18, 2001:** The New Hampshire House votes, 235-148, against a 2.5 percent sales tax proposed by Gov. Jeanne Shaheen as a method of paying for public education.

**April 18, 1993:** In a Holocaust remembrance at Temple Beth Jacob, a Torah recently acquired from Czechoslovakia is displayed. The Nazi regime once tagged the Torah for a museum it planned in Prague for artifacts of "the extinct Jewish people." The rabbi tells his audience that, contrary to Nazi plans, the Torah is now the symbol of the power of the Jewish people to persevere.

**April 18, 1861:** During a week of cries for non-partisanship and a rush to volunteer for military service, the

Independent Democrat of Concord reports: "Concord is full of the war spirit."

**April 18, 1989:** For the first time, the New Hampshire Senate passes legislation to rid the state of three 19th century anti-abortion laws. The bill will be vetoed by Gov. Judd Gregg. Eight years later, it will be signed by Gov. Jeanne Shaheen.

**April 19, 2003:** Concord's Dewey School will close in 2004-05, the *Monitor* reports. The students who attend the school's kindergarten and first-grade classes will go to Kimball School, a few blocks away.

**April 19, 1976:** New England's biggest April heat wave of the 20th century reaches its crescendo, and the temperature in Concord hits 95 degrees. It's the third day in a row with a temperature of 90 or above and the fourth day in a row above 80.

**April 19, 1861:** Luther Ladd of Alexandria dies, the

first New Hampshire man killed in the Civil War.

**April 19, 1774:** Barnstead town meeting voters agree to spend \$100 to repair roads and 6 shillings for each of the selectmen.

**April 19, 1886:** "That certain harbinger of spring, the straw hat, has appeared," the *Evening Monitor* reports.

**April 19, 1865:** On the day of President Lincoln's funeral in Washington, Civil War veterans, in a procession with a band, march to services at Concord churches.

**April 20, 1965:** Concord Police Chief Walter Carlson reports that the city's population is up by 219 adults and 20 minors over 1964. The report also reveals there are 62 more dogs in the city this year than last.

**April 20, 1945:** Rumford Press officials announce that the company will double the size of its Con-

cord operation. The building addition will cost \$500,000.

**April 20, 1861:** Former president Franklin Pierce, a Democrat and opponent of the Lincoln administration, speaks at the Eagle Hotel on the Confederate attack on Fort Sumter. If civil war comes, Pierce declares, all people of the North must stand together. He closes with these words: "I would not live in a state the right and honor of which I was not prepared to defend at all hazards and at all extremities."

**April 20, 1775:** Concord's Rev. Timothy Walker says to a neighbor: "We must fight, John, we must fight. There is no longer any alternative." Captain Andrew McClary, meanwhile, leads 34 men on the 70-mile march to Cambridge, Mass., to oppose the British. By the end of the month, more than 2,000 New Hampshire Minutemen will be fighting under Col. John Stark.

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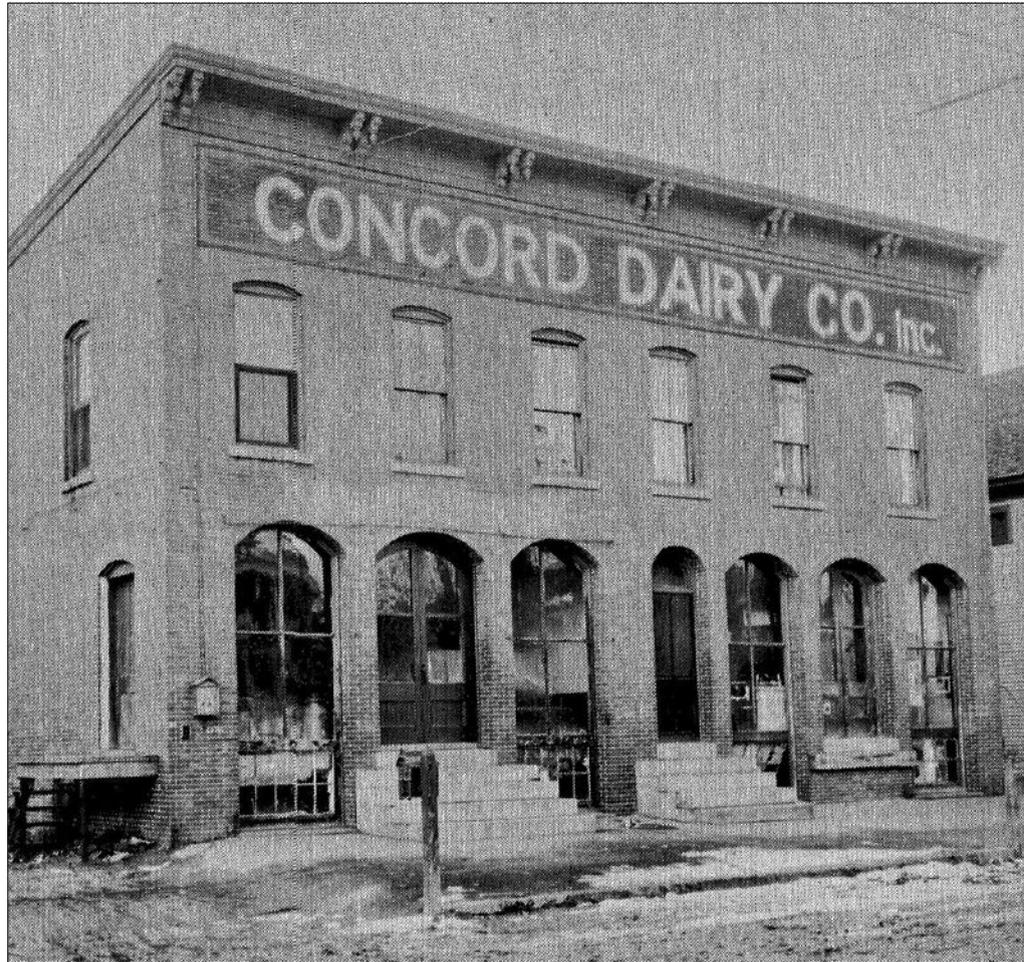
# Concord Dairy Company

By **JAMES W. SPAIN**  
For the Insider

This photograph portrays the original Concord Dairy Company that became a co-op in 1921. The first Concord Dairy was located at 84 Washington Street in Concord, near the present-day University of New Hampshire Law School. Concord Dairy was located on the site of the current UNH Law School parking lot where the building pictured was located.

The Concord Dairy purchased the 84 Washington Street property, then known as the "Gale-Brown" property, in 1921 and renovated it into a dairy plant. Milk delivery was still completed by horse and wagon with the rear of the 84 Washington Street property featuring a small stable sheltering five to six horses.

The first auto truck was not purchased by Concord Dairy until 1925 when the plant was again renovated and a new pasteurizer was installed.



—Concord Public Library

The Concord Dairy building pictured in 1921 was located on Washington Street in Concord, New Hampshire. Today the building location is a paved parking lot for UNH Law students.

## poetry

### Moments

Perhaps we were brought here,  
this special time and place  
my friend,

to look back at the moments,  
enjoy this day until the end.

Life has been amazing,  
each day another chapter  
in my book,

It has lasted for many years,  
enjoying every day that it took.

Years do pass slowly,  
each day passes too fast,

look back over the years,  
from the first ones to the last.

Love is not complicated,  
moments together we did spend,

we walked the earth in unison,  
differences we did amend.

It was our time,  
some things are just meant to be,

moments are to be remembered,  
to share with others, you see.

As this generation leads to the next,  
some stories have to end,

perhaps we were brought here,  
a special time and place  
my friend.

*James W. Spain*

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## Employment Opportunity

**City of Franklin**

### Planning & Zoning Director/ Special Projects Coordinator

The City of Franklin (pop. 8,600) seeks a dynamic, resourceful, and experienced Planning & Zoning Director and Special Projects Coordinator. The current incumbent is retiring after 17 years of service to the City. This is a full-time, department head position, working under the City Manager, responsible for supervising, directing, and managing all administrative and technical aspects of the City's Planning & Zoning department. The Director performs multiple tasks including: reviews all applications to the Planning and Zoning Boards, as well as the Heritage Commission, and works with owners, applicants, and consultants during the hearing process; drafts memos and decisions for all projects; enforcement of the Zoning Ordinance; seeks and administers grants under the state and federal Brownfields program; and coordinates the GIS mapping services for the City to name a few responsibilities. The Director is also a key member of the City's economic development team. A complete job description can be found on the City's website at

[www.franklinnh.org/city-manager/pages/employmentboardcommittee-opportunities](http://www.franklinnh.org/city-manager/pages/employmentboardcommittee-opportunities)

Successful candidates will possess in-depth knowledge of the principles and practices of land use planning, downtown revitalization, and a range of environmental and conservation issues. Bachelor's degree from an accredited four-year college or university with a degree in a planning related field is strongly desired; however, a combination of education and experience that demonstrates the ability to succeed in this position will be considered. The City of Franklin offers a competitive benefit package. Salary range \$81,182 to \$106,517 DOQ/E. Please direct a cover letter, resume, and at least five references to Judie Milner, City Manager, 316 Central Street, Franklin, New Hampshire 03235. Position will remain open until filled.

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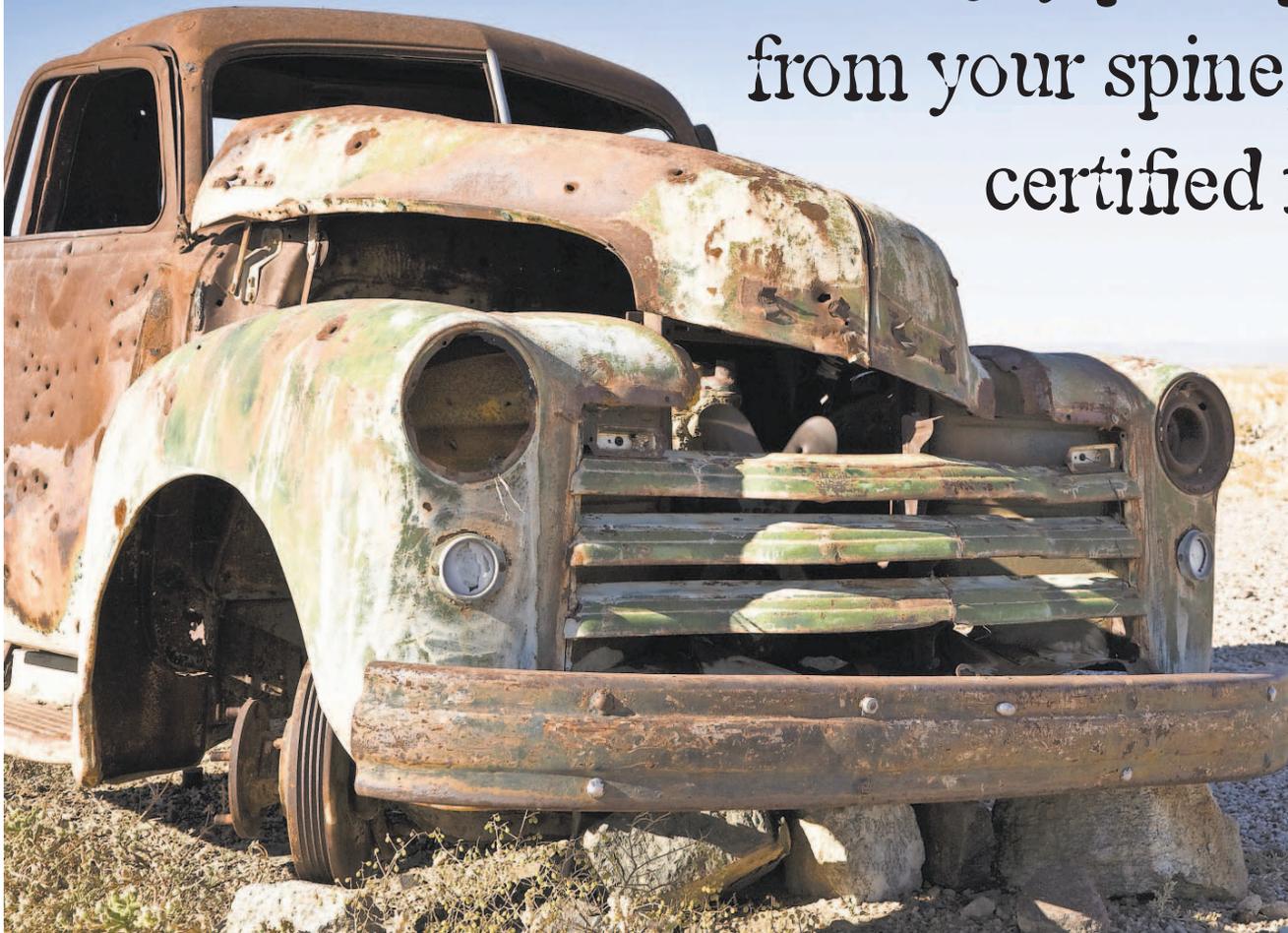
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