Out of hibernation

Seasonal venues and programs reopen as summertime nears
Lifeguard applicants sought for the summer at pools across Concord.
Author talk

Journalist, husband, father, friend, and hiker Keith Gentili visits Gibson’s Bookstore, on 45 South Main Street in Concord on May 9 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Gentili will share his book on hiking as the everyday man, a recreational hiker who has climbed New England’s 100 highest summits, discovering new things about himself, his life, and his relationships along the way, with “White Mountains State: A Four-Year Journey Hiking and Summiting New Hampshire’s 48 Highest Peaks.”

The book, at its core, is about relationships and not simple hiking. It is about the relationships between a group of people who, over time, commit to a larger goal than their own self-interest. It is also about each individual’s relationship with the goal, which in this case is the mountains and climbing all 48 of them.

It is also about family and a hiker’s relationship with their family, and how that support and love is necessary to complete the goal.

A soldier’s mother tells her story

Speaking as Betsey Phelps, the mother of a Union soldier from Amherst, New Hampshire who died heroically at the Battle of Gettysburg, Sharon Wood offers an informative and sensitive reflection on that sacrifice from a mother’s perspective.

Wood blends the Phelps boy’s story with those of other men who left their New Hampshire homes to fight for the Union cause and of the families who supported them on the home front. The presentation takes place on May 11 from 2 to 3:30 p.m. at the Concord Library Auditorium at 45 Green St.

Please register online to attend this event.

Storytelling on Film: A Screening of Lost Boundaries

Based on the true story of Dr. Albert Johnston, a Black man and his family who passed as white in early-20th-century Keene—until they didn’t—Lost Boundaries illustrates New Hampshire’s complicated history of racial passing, which may have gone unheard if not for Louise de Rochemont, two-time Academy Award-winning producer and New Hampshire resident. Learn the story of how this 1949 ground-breaking film, winner of a Cannes Film Festival Award and the first mainstream Hollywood film to deal with the issue of racial passing, came to be made and how this African American family dealt with the humiliation of discrimination and segregation. Presenter Lawrence Benaquist, Ph.D., is Professor Emeritus, Keene State College (KSC) and founder of the film studies program at the college, a filmmaker, and a film historian. The event will be held on May 10 at 5:30 p.m. at Red River Theatres, 11 S. Main St., in Concord.

Stamp collectors

The Merrimack County Stamp Collectors monthly meeting will be held on May 9 at 1 p.m. at the Bow Mills United Methodist Church, 505 South St., Bow. We invite all who are interested in stamp collecting to attend, share their interest, buy, sell and trade. Meet other collectors and learn more about their hobby and enjoy the fellowship of others with varied interests in Philatelic resources and issues. Gain new insight and knowledge, sharing news articles and stories about stamp collecting. Learn of the latest cutting edge information on stamp collecting. For more information, call Dan Day at 603-228-1154.

Cat expo

The Seacoast Cat Club’s annual show will be held at the Everett Arena on May 6 and 7. Ongoing throughout both Saturday and Sunday will be the judging of CFA registered cats by ten of the association’s judges. On Saturday at noon, there will be a fun Cats in Costume Contest. Only cats entered in the show will be competing. This ring is fun for all, especially if the owners dress to complement their cat’s costume. On Sunday young children are encouraged to bring their own Stuffed Animals for that contest. These stuffed animals will be presented by their owners and owners will be rewarded for sharing. This will be held approximately 11:30 a.m. Following this contest there will be a free ice cream social. A Breed Presentation, scheduled for 12:30 p.m. on Sunday, will be an open forum where our visitors will be encouraged to ask questions and learn about the personalities of the breeds presented. One of our spectators’ favorite places to visit is the “Pet Me Cats” area. These cats are available to be petted and enjoyed by spectators. Throughout the weekend there will be vendors available for those who love to shop.

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May 13 marks opening day at Canterbury Shaker Village with several special events scheduled to take place in addition to indoor guided tours.

At 10 a.m., Opening Day at the Village begins with Canterbury Shaker Village XC 5K, the third race in the Capital Area Race Series, sponsored by Northeast Delta Dental. Featuring miles of groomed trails on nearly 700 acres, the Village hosts cross-country races throughout the year.

At 11 a.m., visitors can learn more about the village’s new exhibition, “For Shakers, By Shakers: Canterbury Shaker Furniture from the Collection,” at a free Walk & Talk with Education Manager Kyle Sandler. The result of meticulous research over a period of many months, the exhibition explores the breadth of Canterbury Shaker furniture through craftsmanship, color, design, materials, and purpose.

From 1 to 3 p.m. in the Carriage House, visitors will have the opportunity to meet Curator of Collections Shirley Wajda, who will discuss recent discoveries in the Village’s collection. Some of her discoveries are discussed in the Village’s online blog, The Blinn Report, available at shakers.org.

“We are thrilled to welcome visitors from across New Hampshire and the world for a season full of surprises at Canterbury Shaker Village,” said Executive Director Leslie Nolan. “Explore our trails or go shopping in the Village Store—make a day of it here.”

In May and June, indoor guided tours take place at 11 a.m., 1 p.m. and 3 p.m., Tuesday through Sunday. In addition to indoor guided tours, the Village interprets Shaker life through exhibits, restored historic structures, gardens, and educational programs.

Canterbury Shaker Village is located at 288 Shaker Road, Canterbury, just south of Laconia and north of Concord. To learn more, or purchase tickets online, visit shakers.org.

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The Community Players of Concord wrap their 95th season with a world-premiere comedy written and directed by Wallace J. Pineault, “Not a Word.”

Pineault, who joined ‘The Players’ in 1975, has directed numerous plays and musicals for the group and over 50 plays at New England College, where he taught directing, acting and dramatic theory. His sabbaticals in Hollywood working for a golden age casting director inspired this delightful and hilarious look back at the last years of silent movies over 100 years ago.

A memorable cast takes on Hollywood in the 1920s
“Not a Word” takes place in a boarding house on a dusty side street off Hollywood Boulevard in the year 1920, when innocent Miriam Van Hiberhauser arrives and unpacks her dreams of becoming the next Mary Pickford on the silver screen. Overwhelmed by a new world of dreamers and eccentrics, including a fortune-telling makeup artist, an ambitious young writer, a lecherous retired colonel and more – Miriam becomes swept up in a fly-by-night movie production fueled by ego as much as talent.

Director Otto Detmuller’s tantrums do nothing to calm his vision-impaired cameraman and clueless script girl, while Italian actor Lorenzo Primadoni fumes impatiently for his close-up. Their silent epic reaches comic pandemonium when Mrs. Callahan’s boarding house becomes the location for their climactic scene. Following a disastrous premiere and a mysterious telegram from a film studio that puts everyone on edge, their all-or-nothing gamble on-screen success writes a surprising twist (and a surprise ending!) in the final reel.

The Community Players production of “Not a Word” features nine actors, some veteran Players and some who’ve joined just this season: Seth Bunke, Cindy Dickinson, Kaj Hache, Erik Hodges, Valerie Kehr, Hannah McCauley, Anne Orio, Nathan Osburn and Dana Sackos. Producers Allwyne Fine, Elizabeth Lent, Colleen Schwarz, Douglas Schwarz and Mary Walker have secured a design team of Steven Meier, Suzanne Potoma and Wallace J. Pineault for lighting, costumes and set. The stage manager is Donna Julian assisted by Corinne Stanley.

The 95th season presenting sponsor is Merrimack County Savings Bank – show sponsor is NHTrust Financial Advisors.

Three’s a crowd! Miriam Van Hiberhauser (Hannah McCauley) silent movie actress meets aspiring script-writer Bertie Bushkov (Nathan Osburn) on the stairway as jealous Colonel Burnhart looks on in “NOT A WORD”
It is 1930 in Devon, England. Phyllida Bright is the housekeeper at Mallowan Hall, the country residence of Agatha Christie and her husband Max Mallowan. Phyllida is the housekeeper, but she is also a friend of Agatha’s. They have chats about the household, and about mysteries. Phyllida is very competent and can be charming. But make no mistake - she runs a tight ship. Max and Agatha throw a house party and the unthinkable happens – Phyllida finds a guest murdered in the library! Wishing to keep Agatha’s name out of the newspapers, Phyllida steps in to try and solve the murder. The local constabulary needs all the help that she can give.

I really like Phyllida’s character - she is resourceful and smart. She’s a former army nurse who can take care of herself, and she’s practical, curious and sympathetic. When there’s another murder at the hall, Phyllida knows that she must act quickly before the killer strikes again. She’s a great fan of Agatha Christie’s Belgian detective, and asks herself, “What would Poirot do?”

Visit Concord Public Library at www.concordpubliclibrary.net

Robbin Bailey

Share what’s happening in your community.

Email snapshots to communitynews@cmonitor.com.
Splash pad advances at White Park

Here’s a look at what was included in the city newsletter sent out on Friday.

Meetings

City meetings are held in person in Council Chambers at 37 Green Street (unless otherwise specified on the City’s calendar). Upcoming meetings include:
- City Council: May 8, 7 p.m.
- Visit hconcordnh.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx for City Council and Planning Board agendas, which are posted prior to the meetings. View the City calendar for more meetings and events.

White Park

The Public Properties Division continues to work with South Shore Gunite Pools on the new splash pad at White Park. Crews have been working hard last week installing the splash and spray features. The beloved mushroom raindrop from the old pool has been refurbished and installed back on the White Park splash pad.

Paving work

The City’s Neighborhood Street Paving Program continues with GMI Asphalt LLC as the City’s paving contractor for this year.
- Shaw Street, Steeple View, and Summer Street were claimed and base paved last week. Covers have been raised on Lilac Street, Bonney Street, Hardy Avenue, Barnett Drive, Brodeur Street, and Winter Street and will be raised next week on Shaw Street, Steeple View, and Summer Street in preparation for finish paving sometime in May. Work continues next week with sidewalk work on Summer Street and reclamations and base paving for Chandler Street, Swett Street, and Webster Place up to the Boscawen town line.
- This is a tentative schedule and is subject to change. Work is weather permitting. Streets may be reduced to one lane or closed to through traffic. Parking will be limited on these streets 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 www.concordnh.gov/pavingplan.

Hydrant Flushing

For the next several weeks, crews will go to different areas of the city to flush hydrants as part of repair and maintenance.

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quired routine maintenance of the City’s water distribution system. This annual practice flushes out any naturally occurring sediment from the pipes in the system, and helps to maintain Concord’s water quality, check water pressure of the area, and ensure proper operation of distribution system components. Depending upon the location, flushing will typically start between 4:30 and 6:30 a.m. and continue through 3 p.m. each weekday.

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 also advised to avoid doing laundry during their scheduled flushing times.

Visit www.concordnh.gov/springoperations to view flushing schedules and more information.

Spring Leaf Collection

The City’s Spring Leaf Collection started on April 24.

Concord residents with curbside trash collection can participate by placing leaves at the curb in biodegradable yard waste bags or rigid containers labeled for leaves. Leaves cannot be raked loosely to the curb or contained within plastic bags.

Leaf collection will occur on a resident’s trash day and must be out by 7 a.m. Unacceptable materials will not be collected, including branches, brush, or plastic bags.

Collection will continue through June 3. The last collection week will be delayed by one day, with no trash or leaf collection on May 29, for the Memorial Day holiday.

Residents can also bring leaves to Gelinas Excavation & Earth Materials Recycling. Drop-off is free with proof of residency for loads smaller than a non-commercial pick-up truck. Brush, branches, and limbs can be dropped off separately for a nominal fee. Residents are required to empty contents at the facility to confirm that loads are 100% free of any unacceptable materials. Bags are not required for drop-off. Any containers used for transporting leaves to the recycling center must return with the resident.

Gelinas Excavation & Earth Materials Recycling Center is located at 10 Intervale Road, off Fort Eddy Road, and is open Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday hours will be available from 8 a.m. to noon between April 22 and June 3, except on May 27 when the facility will be closed for Memorial Day weekend. Hours are weather dependent and are subject to change. Call the recycling center to confirm available drop-off times at (603) 545-4835.

Find more information about the City’s spring leaf collection at www.concordnh.gov/leafcollection.
Lifeguards Wanted

Concord Parks & Recreation is still looking for more lifeguards for the community pools. Please apply online at www.concordnh.gov and click on the "Employment" button. Lifeguard classes are available through our partnership with Swim NH. Applicants who are hired, pass their certification classes, and work four or more days a week will be reimbursed the cost of the class at the end of the summer.

Soccer Mini Pitch at Keach Park

The City of Concord’s first soccer mini pitch is coming soon to Keach Park. Construction will occur over the next few weeks and will be finished by early summer. This project was funded through the City’s FY 23 Capital budget.

Over the past several years there has been a national initiative to build soccer mini pitches around the country. When Parks and Recreation Director David Gill heard about them, he identified Keach Park as the right location for this addition. “This neighborhood, and the entire community love soccer and adding a lighted soccer mini pitch here will allow soccer to be played almost year-round with no impact to grass fields or any increased maintenance costs,” he said.

Ward Nine City Councilor and Mayor Pro Tem Candace White Bouchard has long advocated for her neighborhood. She said, “I was proud to help advocate for the park to be fully renovated in 2004 to include new athletic fields with irrigation, a new parking lot, park access and other improvements. I am very proud that the City’s investment in this neighborhood continues to this day.”

Like many of Concord’s larger parks, Keach Park features several athletic fields, a playground, parking lot, outdoor pool, lighted basketball court and a walking trail around the park. The park is used by the local residents, local youth and adult leagues, and is the main location for the department’s spring and fall outdoor youth soccer leagues. It is also used daily for the department’s numerous summer camps.

For more information on soccer mini pitches, you can view this U.S. Soccer Foundation video and the U.S. Soccer Foundation Photo Gallery with examples of installations in other places.

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There was a time when the innocence of youth provided a colorful array of adventures. The mind could wander, the imagination your constant companion. There were adventures and opportunities that might not otherwise exist, there was love, companionship and friendship to spare. As I sat upon the open fields of my youth, I could be anything and anyone, all I needed was a dream.

Summer would arrive just in time for this adventurous child over 50 years ago. No shirt, no shoes and no concern, I would wander the open fields of White Park, spend hours swimming in the aqua-colored pool and pick blueberries for fresh muffins. I did not know the pain of sorrow or disappointment. If you had a nickel, you would buy a cold drink at the corner store, if you didn’t have a nickel, it really didn’t matter.

I came of age during a period when there were no social media influencers. Kids knew little of social class; it didn’t matter if you wore designer clothes or shirts with holes. We accepted and embraced over a casual game of kick the can, flashlight tag, kickball or baseball. There were simple games of football without helmets and we rode our bikes faster and farther than we cared to tell our parents. Rarely did we hear about crime, or stealing or even worse.

As we aged, we sought our own employment in the form of paper routes, mowing lawns, shoveling driveways. If we belonged to an organization such as Boy Scouts, we sold greeting cards and candles to our parents and neighbors so
that we could pay for our summer camp. We knew the value of a dollar because we earned every cent on our own, and we held respect and appreciation deep in our hearts.

We honored our dead on Memorial Day and understood the meaning of the Fourth of July, feeling pride as we gazed towards the sky over Memorial Field. The dog days of summer were revered and complaints were never filed during those warm months on the calendar of my youth.

As the summers of my youth continued and Labor Day signaled another school year was to begin, we were excited to return to the scent of books, pencils and paper. We heartily compared our new school schedules and looked forward to meeting our new teachers. Sometimes we were really pleased and other times we were not, perhaps we shared a class with a friend, if not we simply made new friends. We walked to school for the next nine months regardless of the weather and appreciated the hot lunch we had in the school cafeteria.

When we graduated from high school some left Concord destined for college, some prepared themselves for boot camp while others simply worked and continued in the steps of their fathers and grandfathers.

Regardless of the road we chose to journey in life, we all shared the same destination. Over the years I came to realize that my parents had a wealth of common sense, they loved me, I loved my siblings too. I remember my earliest pets and my very best friends. Each day is a lesson, we need to have compassion, consideration and good manners. We need to say please and thank you while we hold the door for the person behind us. It is important to help those that are down when we are up and smile when we feel sad.

As this summer progresses and children embark on their wonderful adventures, take the time to be a child with them. Watch a movie together, read a book, use every color in the box of Crayola crayons, walk in the rain and eat ice cream. We only have a limited number of days on this earth, remember the past and embrace the future.
Ongoing

- A Garden Story Photography Exhibit: McLane Center, 84 Silk Farm Road, Concord.
- Angie Follensbee-Hall Exhibit: Concord Chamber of Commerce, Concord.

May 4

- Carved in Granite: A Brief Overview of New Hampshire History: 6 p.m. - 7 p.m. Join Professor R. Stuart Wallace for a five-night lecture series that traces New Hampshire’s history from the colonial era to the present. Free for members, $50 for nonmembers. New Hampshire Historical Society, 30 Park Street, Concord. 603-228-6688. info@nhhistory.org.
- Horror author Cassandra Khaw, “The Salt Grows Heavy”: 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Free. Gibson’s Bookstore, 45 S. Main St., Concord. 603-224-0562. gibsonsevents@gmail.com.
- STEAM for Littles: 10 a.m. - 11 a.m. Concord Public Library, 45 Green Street, Concord.
- Tenille Arts & Justin Cohn: 7 p.m. Bank of New Hampshire Stage, 16 S Main St, Concord.

May 5

- Beginning Birding in Concord: 7:30 a.m. - 9 a.m. $66. This class is held through Concord Parks and Recreation. Horseshoe Pond Place, 26 Commercial St., Concord. livingwaternature@gmail.com.
- Concord Community Blood Drive: 12 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. Concord Red Cross Office, 2 Maitland Street, Concord, 1-800-RED CROSS. megan.nantel@redcross.org.
- Concord Mom Prom: 7 p.m. - 11:59 p.m. 18 and over ladies only event. Grappone Conference Center, 70 Constitution Ave, Concord. heartsforkindness@gmail.com.
- “Not A Word”: 7:30 p.m. - 9:45 p.m. A new comedy about silent movie era. communityplayersofconcord.org. $18 - $20. Concord City Auditorium, 2 Prince St, Concord. 603-540-1117.

May 6

- “Not A Word”: 7:30 p.m. - 9:45 p.m. A new comedy about silent movie era. communityplayersofconcord.org. $18 - $20. Concord City Auditorium, 2 Prince St, Concord. 603-540-1117.
- Raffi: 12:30 p.m. $35 - $55. Capitol Center for the Arts, 44 S. Main St., Concord. (603) 225-1111.
- “She Kills Monsters”: 12 a.m. $22 Adult, $19 Student, Senior, Member, $16 Senior Member. Hatbox Theatre, 270 Loudon Road, Concord. 603-715-2315. kevin@hatboxnh.com.

May 7

- “Not a Word”: 2 p.m. - 4:15 p.m. A new comedy about silent movie era. communityplayersofconcord.org. $18 - $20. Concord City Auditorium, 2 Prince St, Concord. 603-540-1117.
- Paws for Compassion Brunch: 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. $65/person. Grappone Conference Center, 70 Constitution Ave, Concord. 603-856-8756. bnmchick@pmspca.org.
- “She Kills Monsters”: 12 a.m. $22 Adult, $19 Student, Senior, Member, $16 Senior Member. Hatbox Theatre, 270 Loudon Rd, Concord. 603-715-2315. kevin@hatboxnh.com.
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- **Drop In Pickleball**: 5 p.m. - 8 p.m. Green Street Community Center, 39 Green St, Concord.
- **Let’s Cook: Salsas and Guacamole**: 6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Free. Heights Branch Library, 14 Canterbury Rd, Concord. jsalley@concordnh.gov.
- **Peace and Justice Conversations: Iranian Nonviolence Project**: 7 p.m. - 8 p.m. Free. General Admission. Online via Zoom. (603) 228-0559. doreen@nhpeaceaction.org.

May 9
- **Low-Impact Kung Fu and Tai Chi**: 12 p.m. - 1 p.m. $20 drop-in price. Multi-class bundles available for less. Zenith Martial Arts, 40 Thorne Dakota St., Concord. 603-513-9993. zenithmartialarts@gmail.com.
- **Organized Chaos**: 4 p.m. Free. Concord Public Library, 45 Green St., Concord. jsalley@concordnh.gov.
- **Tech Tuesdays**: 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. Stop by on Tuesdays to learn about eBooks, downloadable library databases, and get answers to other questions you may have. Free. Concord Public Library, 45 Green St., Concord. jsalley@concordnh.gov.
- **True Crime Book Club**: 6 p.m. Free. Concord Public Library, 45 Green St., Concord. jsalley@concordnh.gov.

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- **Family Drop in Basketball**: 4 p.m. - 6 p.m. City Wide Community Center. Gymnasium, 14 Canterbury Rd, Concord.
- **Lost Boundaries**: 5:30 p.m. - 8 p.m. Free. Red River Theatres, 11 S. Main St, Concord. (603) 224-4600.
- **Preschool Storytime**: 9:30 a.m. Free. Concord Public Library, 45 Green St., Concord. jsalley@concordnh.gov.
- **BEMER Appointments**: 11:45 a.m. - 1 p.m. The effects of one BEMER session can last up to 12 hours. Regular use can improve relaxation & physical fitness. $10. GoodLife Programs & Activities, 254 N State St, Unit L, Concord. kgagnon@goodlifenh.org.
- **Concord Community Blood Drive**: 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. Free. IBEW Local 490 Union Hall, 48 Airport Road, Concord. 1-800-RED CROSS, megan.nantel@red-cross.org.
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- **Grease**: 7 p.m. - 9 p.m. Online $15, $12 at the door. Concord High School, 170 Warren St., Concord. cklose@concordnhschools.net.

May 11
- **A Soldier’s Mother Tells Her Story**: 2 p.m. Free. Concord Public Library, 45 Green St., Concord. jsalley@concordnh.gov.
- **Anxious Nation**: Free. Red River Theatres, 11 S. Main St., Concord. (603) 224-4600.

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May 4, 2003: On a clear day that is sunny and perfect for hiking, hundreds gather at the foot of Cannon Mountain to remember; to mourn and to see with their own eyes that the Old Man of the Mountain is really gone. “It’s hard to believe people can have such an emotional attachment to a piece of rock,” says Dan Burbank, who came to the Notch from Moultonboro with his son, Chris. “But it almost brings tears to your eyes.”

May 4, 2000: In a 250–100 vote, the New Hampshire House reaffirms its opposition to expanded gambling, which proponents have urged as a revenue source for public education. “We’re convinced this is the end of slots for tots in New Hampshire,” says Republican Rep. Bob Clegg of Hudson.

May 4, 1848: Robert Hall is crushed to death in the water wheel gearing of the match shop of Jeremiah Fowler in Penacook.

May 4, 1791: The New Hampshire Medical Society is formed at a meeting in Lamson’s Tavern in Exeter. Dr. Josiah Bartlett, physician, congressman, governor and signer of the Declaration of Independence, is named the society’s first president.

May 4, 1944: The governor and Executive Council give 35-year-old Horace Jenot of Franklin a full pardon from his six-month sentence in the county house of correction on the condition that he enlist in the Army. Jenot, a father of four, was convicted in February of drunkenness.


May 5, 1989: In the midst of recession, leaders of the state workers’ union reject two proposed 5 percent pay raises. Their reason: a cap on health care spending.

May 5, 1944: An epidemic of German measles in Concord has driven the absentee list at city schools above 100.

May 5, 1919: New Hampshire House Speaker Charles Tobey informs a federal agent in Concord that he has received a letter from one Sidney Downing of Lincoln protesting the state’s new anti-sedition law. Although the agent’s investigation will disprove Downing is a contrary man who always takes the opposite side in political debates, a report filed with the federal government designates Downing a “Bolshevik sympathizer.”

May 6, 2002: The cities of Concord, Laconia and Somersworth are chosen to become New Hampshire Main Street Communities, and will have the support of the national program to help organize, promote, design and economically restructure their downtowns. Concord’s goals include bringing more housing downtown, redeveloping the Sears block and keeping stores open later. The Laconia group wants to provide better access to the Winnipesaukee River, fill vacant factory buildings and reverse the effects of the 1970s “urban renewal,” which closed off parts of downtown to through-traffic.

May 6, 2001: In a ceremony at Plymouth State College, Warner poet Maxine Kumin receives the Robert Frost Contemporary American Award. The honor is presented every two years by the alumni association to recognize northern New Englanders’ individuality, hard work, humanitarianism and devotion to the country north of Boston.

May 6, 2000: Concord Skatepark officially opens behind Everett Arena, and about 100 skaters immediately begin sliding, ramping and jumping to their hearts’ content. “A lot of kids go here, so I can learn all the moves,” says Josh Meekins, a middle schooler who plans many returns. “I never could do that before.”

May 6, 1848: Colonel Dudley “Dud” Palmer, a leader of Concord’s temperance movement, puts forth a resolution requiring the town’s selectmen to enforce the laws against the sale of intoxicating drinks.
passes unanimously.

**May 6, 1799:** Blazing Star Lodge No. 11, Free and Accepted Masons, is “consecrated in ample form” at Union Hall in Ben Gale’s inn. It is the first of innumerable fraternal organizations in Concord.

**May 6, 1933:** Concord’s trolley system, begun in 1881, shuts down.

**May 7, 2002:** In a closely watched case about sexual harassment laws, and about the powers of the agency charged with enforcing them, the New Hampshire Supreme Court rules that prison officials sufficiently protected a corrections officer who was groped by a colleague, even though they did not fire the man who admitted he grabbed her breasts.

**May 7, 1973:** Maxine Kumin of Warner wins the Pulitzer Prize for poetry for *Up Country.* “I’m just absolutely knocked out,” she says. “I can’t believe it.” Kumin says the book “took the pulse of the times a little bit. People are turning away from urban things.”

**May 8, 2001:** More than 150 firefighters from 32 departments are called on to put out an Allenstown fire that destroys one home and its barns while scorching 10 acres of dry ground. “We need rain badly,” says Hooksett Fire Chief Michael Howard. “Until we get some, this state is a tinderbox.”

**May 8, 1996:** Concord’s South Congregational Church votes to officially welcome lesbians and gays. The measure passes, 123-26, at the congregation’s 159th annual meeting.

**May 9, 1944:** The woman who played the title role in “Cover Girl,” is living on Court Street in Concord. She is Susann Foster, a blonde who stands 5-foot-8 in high heels.

Voting will be open until May 31 for Round 1. Come back in June to vote again for the finalists!
Meet the CASL Class of 2023

Thirty-four students from eighth area schools graduated from Capital Area Student Leadership (CASL) in March 2023. CASL is an immersive program that encourages students to learn more about their community, and their own unique skills and strengths as leaders. Presented by the Greater Concord Chamber of Commerce, and generously underwritten by Northeast Delta Dental, CASL has been in existence for more than 25 years, graduated over 700 leaders, and is the only regional student leadership program in the state. Enrolled students learn about Concord’s history and inner-workings, gain hands-on experience in public speaking and other leadership skills, and meet professionals from a variety of industries. The Chamber is proud to introduce you to the CASL Class of 2023. This is the third selection of students.

Jonathan Gancarz
Bow High School
What is one word that describes you? Grit
What is something you want to learn more about? Developing a unique leadership style.
If you could spend the day with one person, who would it be and why? Chris Sununu. I would pick his brain for leadership advice and seek guidance on how I can become a competitive applicant to West Point, my dream school.

Lexi Insana
Bow High School
What is one word that describes you? Entrepreneuric
What is something you want to learn more about? How I can help the community be more environmentally friendly.
If you could spend the day with one person, who would it be and why? My best friend because we could do fun things all day and I could let go of all my stress.

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Lila Doherty
Concord High School
What is one word that describes you? Observant
What is something you want to learn more about? I want to learn more about how we can help our planet, including the environment, animals, and the people within our world.
If you could spend the day with one person, who would it be and why? Timothee Chalamet to discuss books and hang out in a café. He is my favorite actor and seems like a cool guy.
Lily Reeves
Pembroke Academy
What is one word that describes you? Ambitious
What is something you want to learn more about? I have learned so much about business and community from CASL, but I still would love to learn more!
If you could spend the day with one person, who would it be and why? Taylor Swift because I’ve always loved her music.

Mackenzie Szczepanik
Bow High School
What is one word that describes you? Adventurous
What is something you want to learn more about? I would like to learn more about how I can positively impact my community using the skills I have learned from CASL.
If you could spend the day with one person, who would it be and why? Gandhi. I want to learn more about his mindset and how he got that level of peace so I can use it in my life to be more peaceful and kind to everyone around me!

Michael Pantano
Hopkinton Middle High School
What is one word that describes you? Determination
What is something you want to learn more about? Physics and real world applications of math.
If you could spend the day with one person, who would it be and why? Albert Einstein. He is pretty smart and has cool hair which is also a plus. Maybe he could teach me a thing or two.

Nick Pagauisan
Bishop Brady High School
What is one word that describes you? Planner
What is something you want to learn more about? The inner workings of local government.
If you could spend the day with one person, who would it be and why? Taylor Swift because I love her music and would love to know more about the songwriting process!

Noah Aframe
Hopkinton Middle High School
What is one word that describes you? Enthusiastic
What is something you want to learn more about? Business and leadership.
If you could spend the day with one person, who would it be and why? My brother, Max. Max is my best friend and whenever I’m with him he makes me be the best person I can. Max, you’re awesome!

Sadie McCallum
John Stark Regional High School
What is one word that describes you? Passionate
What is something you want to learn more about? How to understand various perspectives and present mine in the most approachable way.
If you could spend the day with one person, who would it be and why? Denise Jacobson, a disabled advocate in California. She’s over seventy years old, and I think she would have some amazing advice about growing up to become an independent disabled woman and a headstrong advocate, as she’s done both of these things incredibly well.
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