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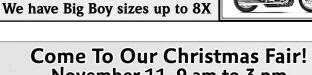
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book of the week

By SHANE PHILLIPS
For the Concord Monitor

'The Weirdstone of Brisingamen' by Alan Garner

"The Weirdstone of Brisingamen," by Alan Garner, is the perfect introduction to fantasy for a young reader. It's chock-full of magic, dastardly villains, and nods to Celtic and Nordic folklore that's bound to captivate any reader. Garner, who wrote the novel in his late twenties, used his childhood home of Cheshire and its surrounding folktales as inspiration for his literary debut. With this in mind, "Weirdstone" feels more grounded in reality than a story that would be considered more high fantasy. Garner's first novel has a cozy, familiar quality to it, and evoked similar feelings to the first time I read "Harry Potter" or "The Hobbit."

The story follows the adventures of Susan and Colin, two children who are staying with family friends in the English countryside. As it often happens, they explore the environs of their

summer home and stumble upon a hidden, mystical

cave and the great wizard, Cadellin Silverbrow. The children soon become embroiled in an age-old battle of good versus evil. one featuring goblins, a shapeshifter, and a mysterious missing gemstone.

Older readers may find the main characters, Susan and Colin, to be a bit flat in their characterization. At times they're just cardboard cutouts with simple dia-

logue, but I think this may make it easier for a younger

audience to imagine themselves in the characters' shoes. Despite this, the story itself is interesting, and features a few scenes with genuinely scary stakes. This is a great read to introduce children to fantasy novels, or for

adults looking for a quick, cozy read.

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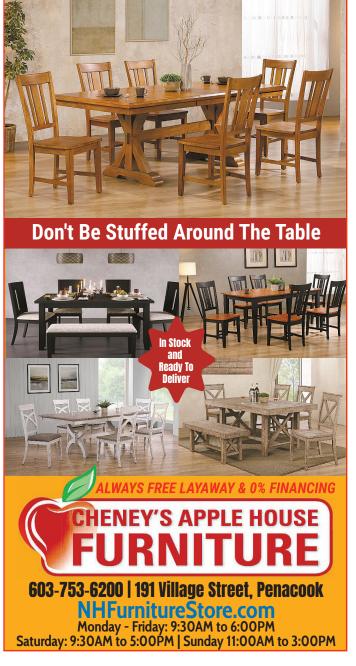






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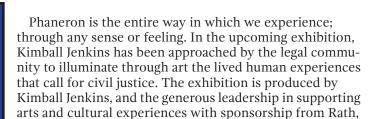


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Phaneron exhibit



The exhibition highlights the great work of George C. Longfish, who has just finished an incredible painting of James Thorpe, one of America and Sac and Fox Nation's greatest Olympians. Not only will this painting be onsite, but the galleries at Kimball Jenkins will host several other Longfish works which have been exhibited at institutions such as the Smithsonian in Washington DC, and the Hood Museum at Dartmouth. George Longfish has been integral in establishing Native art history and practice at UC Davis and across the nation.

To complement the visual arts, Phaneron, will feature an audio installation by the West High School Ethics Team. These young adults wrestled with a myriad of challenging moral scenarios, facing other high school teams who often came from schools and environments that are typically better resourced. A store on the second floor of the Jill C. Willson Gallery will feature the work of Casey Fitzgerald.

The reception will be on Friday, Nov. 10, from 6 to 8 p.m., and will feature live music from the band, Scrimmy The Dirthag. Receptions are free community events and celebrate the exhibition and artists involved.









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members, seniors, and students; and \$19 for senior reserved by calling 603-715-2315 or purchased online at hatboxnh.com.

"Lungs" is a bracing twoperson comedic drama about a couple deciding whether or not to have a child in the age of climate collapse.

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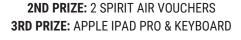
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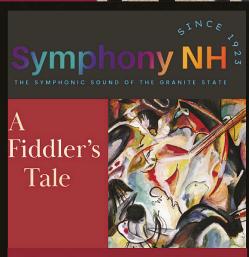




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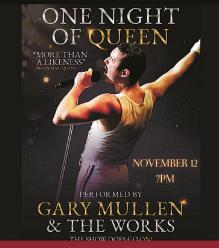






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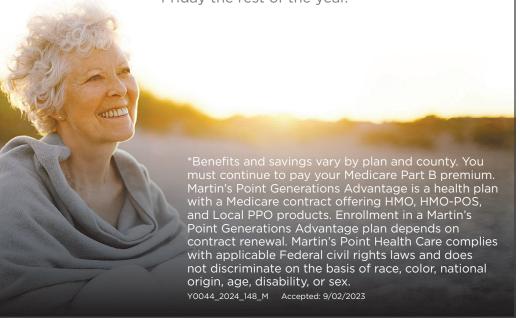
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"Bernie's Mitten Maker: A Memoir," with Vermont author Jen Ellis

The mitten that launched a hundred memes! Vermont author and fiber artist Jen Ellis visits Gibson's Bookstore at 45 South Main Street in Concord on Thursday, November 9, from 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. to talk about the mittens (yes, THOSE mittens that Bernie wore) that she made, and what lead her there, with Bernie's Mitten Maker: A Memoir. Bernie's Mitten Maker is a raw and honest account of the joy, stress, and shock of sudden internet fame. Told with captivating storytelling, this memoir explores the many

roads that led to the Bernie Sanders mitten meme sensation that followed the 2021 presidential inauguration. Jen Ellis's debut publication reads like an intimate conversation with an old friend. Vermont teacher, mother, and crafter, Ellis weaves the stories of her life together with humor and thoughtful insight. She shares her struggles with childhood trauma, infertility, and homophobia and shows us how crafting can build community and generosity can bring joy.

Mike Dickerman presents: "4000-Footers of the White Mountains"

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New Hampshire on Skis

Take Scandinavian and Austrian immigrants, the Dartmouth Outing Club, the Cannon Mountain Tramway, the muscular

Christian, amateur tinkerers, and Professor E. John B. Allen. Cover it with snow and shake, and you have all the makings of a unique New Hampshire history! Join Professor Allen at Canterbury Town Hall on 9 Center Road in Canterbury on Thursday, November 9, at 6 p.m. and learn about early skiing in the state, the importance of jumping, the mechanization of skiing, and how New England and New Hampshire fit into the big picture of America's ski culture. For more information, contact the Elkins Public Library

The Hidden History of Lake Winnipesaukee

Thought you knew all there was to know about the "Big Lake"? Think again! Lake Winnipesaukee's history goes well beyond the boating and other recreational-related activities we think of today! Join Glenn Knoblock on Tuesday,

November 14, at 6 p.m. at the Gilford Public Library on 31 Potter Hill Road in Gilford as he reveals the many facets of this history, including the real story about "America's Oldest Summer Resort" in Wolfeboro, the religious sect on Gilford's Governors Island who thought the world was ending, Massachusetts' early efforts to claim New Hampshire territory as their own, the site of the country's first college sports rivalry in Center Harbor, the African American community that once existed in Gilmanton, and the only airport of its kind in the entire country in Alton. Whether you live in the area, are a visitor from elsewhere in the Granite State. or are a summer resident or tourist, these fascinating and enlightening bits of history will change forever how you view New Hampshire's "Big Lake." For more information, contact: Patty Myers, at 603-524-6042.

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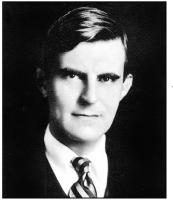
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calendar

Nov. 9

- Bernie's Mitten Maker: A Memoir, with Vermont author Jen Ellis: 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. "Bernie's Mitten Maker: A Memoir" Gibson's Bookstore, 45 S. Main St., Concord. 603-224-0562. gibsonsevents@ gmail.com.
- GoodLife Senior Holiday Giving Tree: 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. The GoodLife Senior Giving Tree will be at GoodLife, all are welcome to choose a tag from the tree with a senior's holiday wish on it. Free. GoodLife Programs & Activities, 254 N State St, Unit L, Concord. kgagnon@ goodlifenh.org.
- Kid Crafternoon: Hurricane Jars: 3:30 p.m. **Hurricane Jars: Let's hurry along Hurricane season with this weather-inspired craft! Kid Crafternoon is recommended for children ages 7-10. Free. Concord Public Library, 45 Green St., Concord. jsalemy@concordnh.gov.
- Monarch Migration: How Radio-tagging Informs Conservation with Diane De Luca: 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Concord. (603) 224-9909.
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Nov. 10

- Cast & Crew Movie **Screening of The Holdovers:** 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. Red River Theatres, 11 S Main St, Concord. Matt@ LiveFreeOrDieFilms.com.
- Lungs: 7:30 p.m. 9:15 p.m. Adult: \$22, Student/Senior/Member: \$19, Senior Member: \$16. Hatbox Theatre, 270 Loudon Rd, Concord. glocke@hatboxnh.com.
- US Marine Corps Flag Raising above NH State House: 8 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. Free. New Hampshire State House, 107 North Main Street Concord, Concord. michael.martioski.mm@ gmail.com.

Nov. 11

- Cast & Crew Movie **Screening of The Holdovers:** 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. Red River Theatres, . 11 S Main St, Concord. Matt@ LiveFreeOrDieFilms.com.
- High School Voter Registra-

tion Conference: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Free. General Admission. Concord City Wide Community Center, 14 Canterbury Rd, Concord. (603) 715-8197. doreen@ opendemocracy.me.

- Lungs: 7:30 p.m. 9:15 p.m. Adult: \$22, Student/Senior/Member: \$19, Senior Member: \$16. Hatbox Theatre, 270 Loudon Rd, Concord. glocke@hatboxnh.com.
- Storytime Stations at the Heights: 9:30 a.m. Enjoy books, crafts, activities, and felt board/manipulatives at your own pace with our self-guided stations. (Recommended for ages 0-9) Free. Heights Branch Library, 14 Canterbury Rd, Concord. jsalemy@concordnh.gov.
- **■** United Church of Penacook Christmas Fair 2023: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. The United Church of Penacook, Community Dr and Canal St in Penacook, will hold a Christmas Craft Fair and Bake Sale on Nov 11. United Church of Penacook, 30 Canal Street And Community Drive, Penacook. 603-753-4072. ChristmasFair@ ucpnh.org.

Nov. 12

■ Wynton Marsalis's A Fiddlers Tale (Matinee) - Symphony New Hampshire: 3 p.m. Bank of New Hampshire Stage, 16 S Main St, Concord. snh@symphonynh.org.



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- Pleasant Street Toastmasters: 12 p.m. 1 p.m. Toastmasters Int. has helped millions become more confident, a learning-by-doing program created to help you become a better speaker and leader. Free. email: president-4093097@ toastmastersclubs.org, Concord. (603)271-9222.
- United Healthcare Medicare Plans: 2 p.m. 3 p.m. Medicare Open Enrollment is coming! Learn about the Medicare Advantage plans that United Healthcare has to offer in 2024! Free. GoodLife Programs & Activities, 254 N State St, Unit L, Concord. kgagnon@ goodlifenh.org.

Nov. 14

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- Mike Dickerman presents:

- 4000-Footers of the White Mountains (3rd edition): 6:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m. "4000-Footers of the White Mountains: A Guide and History (3rd edition)" Gibson's Bookstore, 45 S. Main St., Concord. 603-224-0562. gibsonsevents@gmail.com.
- Organized Chaos: 4 p.m. Free. Concord Public Library, 45 Green St., Concord. jsalemy@ concordnh.gov.
- Tai Chi and Chi Kung Ongoing: 1 p.m. 1:45 p.m. This ancient Tai Chi short form is a slow, meditation in motion workout. \$50. \$50. GoodLife Programs & Activities, 254 N State St, Unit L, Concord. kgagnon@goodlifenh.org.
- Taoist Yoga for Balance & Aging Gracefully: 12 p.m. 12:45 p.m. This program teaches Chinese Yoga exercises for balance and musculoskeletal health. \$50. GoodLife Programs & Activites, 254 N State St, Unit L, Concord. kgagnon@goodlifenh.org.
- Traditional Storyteller Anne Jennison: 6 p.m. Free. Concord Public Library, 45 Green St., Concord. jsalemy@concordnh.gov.

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- Community Action Program Lunch: 12 p.m. 1 p.m. Come join us for lunch! Suggested donation of \$2. Under 60 years old cost is \$6. GoodLife Programs & Activities, 254 N State St, Unit L, Concord. kgagnon@ goodlifenh.org.
- Poetry Society of New Hampshire: Carla Schwartz: 4:30 p.m. 6 p.m. Poetry reading and open mic Gibson's Bookstore, 45 S. Main St., Concord. 603-224-0562. gibsonsevents@gmail.com.
- Preschool Storytime: 9:30 a.m. Free. Concord Public Library, 45 Green St., Concord. jsalemy@concordnh.gov.
- Virtual Workshop: Identifying and Caring for Photographs: 7 p.m. 9 p.m. This webinar is an introduction to the best practices for cataloging, care and handling, and preservation and storage of photographic materials.\$50.00 for members of the NHHS or the AHSNH. New Hampshire Historical Society, 30 Park Street, Concord. (603) 228-6688. zbinette@nhhistory.org.
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Nov. 9, 1869: Josiah L. Pike, slayer of an old couple in Hampton Falls, is hanged - the first person executed in New Hampshire since colonial times. In the days leading up to his death, ministers' wives and daughters brought him flowers, sang to him and held his hands. An observer describes Pike's final days as "a surge of sentimental gush that scandalized the state and aroused the stinging sarcasm of Mark Twain." Afterward, there is a change in prison management, and "murderers have not since been allowed ovations there."

Nov. 10, 1777: Loudon townspeople vote to build a meeting house "the same bigness as the Epsom house."

Nov. 10, 1995: The refurbished Capitol Center for the Arts reopens on South Main Street. The opening

show features folkies John Sebastian, Jonathan Edwards, Janis Ian and New Hampshire's own Tom Rush.

Nov. 11, 2000: For the first time in school history, the Concord High girls' cross country team wins the New England Championships.

Nov. 11, 1769: Gov. John Wentworth marries Frances Deering Atkinson. Eventually, two New Hampshire towns will be named in her honor: Deering and Francestown.

Nov. 11, 1965: The Douglas N. Everett Arena opens in Concord.

Nov. 11, 1918: The Armistice ends the World War. Most New Hampshire draftees have served in the Yankee Division, trained at Fort Devens, Mass. New Hampshire battle deaths in the war totaled 697.

Nov. 12, 1885: Ten women in their late teens and early 20s form the Flower Mission, whose purpose is to deliver flowers at Concord hospitals and homes for the aged. The mission survives to this day.

Nov. 13, 2003: Gov. Craig

Benson says that the Old Man of the Mountain will not be rebuilt, agreeing with the recommendation of the task force charged with creating a tribute to the Old Man. The final memorial plan includes roadside viewfinders, an expanded museum at the base of the mountain and walking trails along Profile Lake.

Nov. 14, 2001: DCYF, the state agency in charge of abused and neglected children doesn't do enough to get and keep foster families, visit children in their temporary homes, monitor case workers or track state spending on foster care, according to a recent legislative audit, the Monitor reports.

Nov. 15, 2003: A comprehensive federal energy bill released today presents a major obstacles to New Hampshire's attempt to sue the oil industry over drinking water pollution. The 1,700-page bill protects manufacturers of the gasoline additive MtBE from paying cleanup costs by declaring that it is not a "defective product" - one of the major strategies in New Hampshire's argument.



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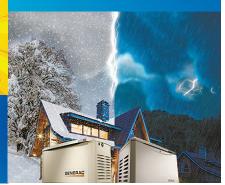
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Ross Mingarelli is Concord's candleman

Concord Young Professionals Network (CYPN) introduces you to the "Young Professional of the Month," Ross Mingarelli. Each month, the CYPN Steering Committee recommends a young professional in the community it thinks readers would enjoy getting to know better.

Ross Mingarelli

What's your name? Ross Mingarelli, but people call me candleman!

How old are you? 38. Where do you live? Warner.

Where do you currently work? I own Candletree Soy Candles, Ram Axe Throwing, and Mingarelli Tree Service.

Tell us a little bit about yourself. I'm not a typically candle-maker, I pour my heart into making candles. Every Candletree candle is hand-stirred, which creates my unique marbling effect. Each candle is a piece of art!

What's your favorite part of your work day? I love building relationships with people. Every morning before I open the store, I walk down Main Street and say hi to people.

What is something you



Ross Mingarelli

would like to see added or brought to Concord? More small spaces available for new businesses (not chain stores), so they have a better chance of opening

Where did you go to school? Kearsarge District, Class of '04!

Favorite place to be? CandleTree Soy Candles. My

passion is to grow my business and I love what I do.

What's another place you love in Concord? Bank of NH Stage.

What's your favorite restaurant in Concord? Cheers, The Post, Dos Amigos.

How did you find out about CYPN and how has it benefitted your business or you personally? CYPN has helped me meet new people who have the same drive to succeed, and learn about their businesses.

What has been your favorite CYPN event so far? Networking at the Bank of NH Stage.

Who is your greatest role model? People who have grown their businesses from the ground up.

Join CYPN on Tuesday, Dec. 12 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. for Holiday Business

If you could visit any country, where would you go? Italy.

Who would you really like to meet? Adam Sandler.

Tell us a few interesting facts about yourself. I really enjoy helping people as much as possible, involving my business into the community by donating candles for fundraisers, and decorating for holiday and events like Halloween Howl and Midnight Merriment. I try to make Main Street come alive. On Saturdays in the summer my bubble machine is running, and every dog knows where to stop and get a treat! My dog

cookie dispenser is outside my store every day I'm open. I feel that I'm not just a business, I'm a business that gets involved in the community and gives back.

What is one of your life goals? For each home to have a CandleTree candle!

Join CYPN on Tuesday, p.m. for Holiday Business *After Hours with the Greater* Concord Chamber of Commerce! This event takes place at the Grappone Conference Center, which will be sparkling with holiday decor-ready to welcome you to one of Concord's favorite seasonal parties. Our host, The Duprey Companies, will present a spread of festive treats for you to enjoy while networking with business leaders and young professionals. The best part? We're waiving our registration fee so that you can support the Capital Region Food Program's 50th annual Holiday Project with a gift! Sign up for all CYPN events at concordnhchamber.com.



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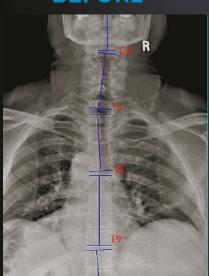
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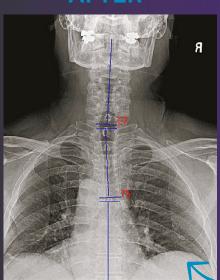




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