

# THE TAMWORTH CIVIC NEWS

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## ARTS COUNCIL OF TAMWORTH'S 250<sup>TH</sup> MOSAIC MURAL PROJECT

In honor of Tamworth's 250th anniversary, Arts Council of Tamworth — with support from The Tamworth Foundation and many funders, sponsors, and donors — hired the irrepressible mural artist David Fichter to lead townspeople through the design and creation of a mosaic mural celebrating things we love about Tamworth, past and present. First, individuals and organizations were invited to submit ideas, drawings, and photographs. The response was enormous. We received hundreds of ideas and photographs, and drawings from every student at Brett and a rare few adults.

David sifted through this mountain of things that delight us, and in back and forth conversation with us created designs for two gorgeous mosaics — circles within diamonds on top of rectangles — totaling ninety square feet, larger than planned in response to the enormous quantity of materials he received.

David spent the last two weeks of March with us building the mosaics in the Brett School art room, possible because of our long partnership with that wonderful school and art teacher Melanie McBrian's generosity and willingness to open her classroom to the entire community. Every student at Brett worked on them multiple times, and scores of area residents. Everyone learned the word "shard," and we lost count of how many band-aids we went through. Volunteers were our bread and butter—people came day after day to work with and alongside students, and showed up when needed with saw horses, ladders, staging,

and dental equipment. One volunteer came every day *and* brought David sandwiches! Some reported dreaming of mosaics at night. We hosted five well-attended community sessions — on Saturday morning, mid-build, ninety people came through, and fifty to sixty worked on the mosaic.



People ages 3–93 worked side-by-side — sometimes several generations of a family worked together. Relatives and descendants of people portrayed in the mosaic helped to build their relations. One current and two past Cook librarians built the library. When the community sessions were over, addicted mosaic-builders kept on showing up during school, after school, and late into the evening. Because of these extraordinary volunteers, and because the weather

was unusually clement, we were even able to mount the first of the mosaics on the outside of the Brett School.

David returned in mid-April to mount the second mosaic and grout the first. Again tireless volunteers worked long days until dusk drove us in, taping small sections of mosaic to fill with many colors of grout. The first mosaic was finished! Before this issue is printed, David will come back and we will grout the second — all those portraits with gorgeous Ordination Rock and its monument in the center. Watching this communal process in which hundreds of people have made creative decisions has been moving. The end result does not look the way any one of us would have chosen — it looks like all of us.



—Juno Lamb

**February 11th**

Meeting started with a 23-minute non-public session. ♦ At the request of the board, Bob Durfee of Dubois and King came to discuss the town using their civil engineering services in the future. ♦ Road Agent Richard Roberts reported he and his crew have been able to stay on top of the few storms. The highway department is continuing brush cutting, grinding stumps, and taking down trees. He also mentioned a member of this crew will be able to help at the transfer station while they are shorthanded. ♦ Acting Police Chief Penny Colby presented two quotes to add electronics and lighting to the new police vehicle and a quote for lettering. ♦ Fire Chief Richard Colcord reported that he and Mrs. Colcord are okay after the auto accident. The Tahoe should be back in service in two weeks. The board gave Colcord permission to use the PD Crown Vic until the Tahoe is repaired. ♦ Town Administrator Cassandra Pearce asked if the board wished to begin taxing recreational vehicles as allowed by RSA 72:7-d. Per the town assessor, the amount of work it creates is not worth the little tax revenue. The board does not want to impose the recreational vehicle tax. ♦ Pearce received an inquiry to sell the town-owned property on Washington Hill Road. Board agreed that the property and other town-owned land should be put out for bid. ♦ Pearce asked the board to pick a date to all attend the 2016 Local Officials workshop. No date was chosen. ♦ At 6PM there was a public hearing to review the final version of the warrant articles for the upcoming election and town meeting.

**February 25th**

Pearce performed the ceremony to swear in Police Chief Penny Colby. ♦ Colby presented information comparing the cost of three full-time officers to two full-time officers and two part-time officers, also reviewing the pros and cons to employing part-time officers. The board reviewed the advertisement for a full-time police officer. This position will be advertised in the *Conway Daily Sun* and *Salmon Press* Saturday, Tuesday, and Saturday. It will also be posted on NHMA and Police Standards and Training websites. Colby mentioned a possible price increase if the town waits until an officer is hired before purchasing the new police vehicle. She also mentioned she would like to order the new police cruiser in gray and use the new town seal in black and white. ♦ Coey Littlefield asked for an explanation of the \$20,000 increase in the police salary line in 2016 budget. Pearce explained the increase was due to benefit payouts. ♦ The board met with the EDC, police, and fire chiefs to discuss closing part of Main Street during the 250th Celebration Street Fair in August. It was brought to the EDC's attention that both the Barnstormers and Remick Museum have events that day. No decisions were made. EDC and the chiefs will meet again. ♦ Peggy Poirier asked the board why there was no public recognition for former chief Poirier after sixteen years of service or former officer Littlefield. The Poirier family has received overwhelming support for Dan. Pearce told Poirier, that not to ruin the surprise, they could not comment further. ♦ Chairman Steve Gray asked if the planning board could access the town computer's C: drive for storage, so as not to have all files stored in people's homes. Dan Poirier was appointed as an alternate to the planning board. ♦ Terry

Leavitt from the *Conway Daily Sun* asked a few questions for the newspaper article regarding promoting Colby to chief and the swearing-in ceremony. ♦ At 6:10PM board entered a one-hour, twelve-minute non-public session prior to adjournment.

**March 10th**

Elected Selectman John Roberts as chairman, held a five-minute non-public meeting. The board discussed and decided which boards/committees each would be a representative for. ♦ R. Roberts presented a quote from All States Asphalt to sand seal parts of Bryant Mill Road, Gilman Valley Road, Whittier Road, and Cleveland/Brown Hill Roads. ♦ Parks and Recreation Director Parker Roberts reported that the basketball season has concluded. The 5/6-grade girls won their division in the Carroll County tournament. ♦ The 250th committee has ordered additional commemorative license plates. ♦ Peggy Poirier asked the board in light of the recent situation what made the board feel it was okay to have Chief Colby present the plaque to her husband. In no way was this appropriate. Dan should have been acknowledged for his sixteen years of service not humiliated. Coey Littlefield also expressed her disappointment and fury with the behavior of the board. Pearce told Poirier that it is standard for the incoming chief to recognize the outgoing chief. ♦ After leaving the room for a moment, Poirier returned to the meeting to ask Gray to explain the board's decision. Gray said he was saddened by the way it worked out. His desire was to make sure the chief was shown gratitude and respect. The board's decision was made in good faith. It was important to the board that former Chief Poirier get the respect and admiration that he deserved.

**March 24th**

Meeting started at 3:35 with a 22-minute non-public session. ♦ Police Chief Colby reported that the 2012 Tahoe repair work to either rebuild or replace the engine will be done under warranty. The posting for the police sergeant position is due back by April 8th. ♦ John Wheeler came before the board to share his feelings regarding the open town administrator position [Ed. note: Cassandra Pearce unexpectedly left her position in mid-March]. He feels it is a good time to review job descriptions and procedures. Wheeler said that the administration and finance duties should be separated. He stated the board should be open to the public's concerns. His hope is that the board gets help with the hiring process, and to see if more space is needed in the selectmen's office. He and many members of the public feel that no action to renovate the selectmen's office should be taken this year. Wheeler also shared concerns about all the non-public meetings that have been held recently. Wheeler asked the board to put all non-public minutes on the website. After some discussion, board voted unanimously to do so. ♦ Nancy Cavalieri came to offer her services in the office until the town administrator position is filled. Her background is accounting and she is available on a part-time basis. ♦ The board discussed changing their meeting time to a 6PM public work session to take care of administrative issues and move directly into the regular selectmen's meeting beginning at 7PM. This will happen when the office is fully staffed. ♦ The locks and combinations will be changed at the town offices on Friday, March 25th.

## TAMWORTH 250<sup>TH</sup> CELEBRATIONS UPDATE

Looking around town, you may have noticed a few additions — like the celebration banner on the town office building — as well as recognition of our 250th year on our town welcome signs. The 250th Anniversary Committee has been busy working with many local people and organizations to arrange and publicize events.

Together we came up with great ideas for many commemorative items to celebrate the big anniversary. The 250th Anniversary cookbook will be available in late May, for the special commemorative price of \$2.50. The license plates and ornaments are still available. Coffee mugs will go on sale soon, and any proceeds help fund next year's 8th grade class trip. A 250th celebration quilt will be raffled off this summer, with the winner announced on August 1st. Proceeds will go to the Tamworth Scholarship Committee. Raffle tickets will be available at major town events and other outlets.

Many local groups are brainstorming ways to co-sponsor history-flavored events during the 250th summer. First is the Intertribal Powwow at the Tamworth Camping Area, May

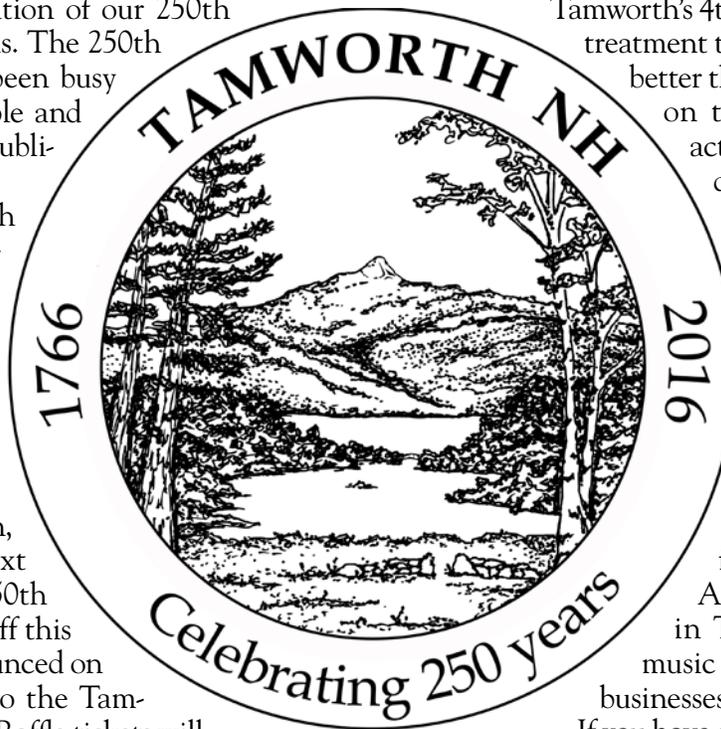
20–23rd. A special invitation has gone out to the schools and the public is welcome.

Tamworth's 4th-of-July festivities will get special treatment this year to make them bigger and better than ever. Work has already begun on this year's parade, Family Day activities, and an exciting fireworks display. We're looking for more ideas and volunteers for the 4th, so feel free to contact us. During *Tamworth 250th Days*, from July 29th–August 1st, many events for all ages will take place all over town; please stay tuned as we work on the details.

The Tamworth Economic Development Commission plans to celebrate by holding a fun-filled street fair on Saturday, August 6th. All along Main Street in Tamworth village there will be music and food, and lots of our local businesses will be represented.

If you have any ideas to help celebrate the 4th of July, or want to contribute to any other 250th event, or need more information, please email us at [Tamworth250th-celebration@gmail.com](mailto:Tamworth250th-celebration@gmail.com).

—*The 250th Committee*



## TAMWORTH AS WE SEE IT, PERSPECTIVES ON OUR TOWN AT 250 YEARS

Amy Berrier writes in the introduction to the Tamworth 250th book, "The invitation went out to everyone in town, as well as those beyond with an affection for this place. 'Write what you know and love about Tamworth.'" Potential writers met at the Cook Library on September 29, 2015 and were asked, "What do you love about this town? What would you share, in words, with our audience of readers today and those who will pick up this book fifty years from now with a curiosity for what life was like 'way back when . . .'?"

This book offers thirty-five essays from writers ranging in age from teens to 90s. Some were born here, others moved here recently, retired here, or married into the town. Topics include hunting, fishing, skiing, memories of grandparents and milk runs, voting, building roads, the Women of Tamworth calendar, church, school, and the Other Store over the past decades. Photos abound: people playing, working,

dancing, growing and selling food, dog sled racing, grading a road, attending Town Meeting. . . .

The 140-page book was edited by Amy Berrier and arranged by Marletta Maduskuie with help from assistant editors, ad sellers, mapmakers, and a graphic designer. The paper-covered book has a color cover and is the same shape and size as Tamworth's 1966 commemorative book. It includes thirty-five essays, more than ninety photos and illustrations, a map, a reprise of "Why I Love Tamworth," and twenty-plus pages of advertisements.

"Tamworth celebrations are often potluck affairs," Amy says. Come celebrate this potluck of essays and photos at a dessert potluck with the editors, writers, and photographers on Tuesday, May 17, at 7PM at the Cook Memorial Library. Bring a dessert; coffee and lemonade will be provided. Books will be for sale for \$2.50 each.

The Tamworth Selectmen meetings are now being videotaped. If you can't attend the meetings you can now view them online. Go to [governmentoversite.com](http://governmentoversite.com) under the selectmen tab to view the meetings.

Access to documents recorded with the Carroll County Registry of Deeds is now available on the internet at [www.nhdeeds.com](http://www.nhdeeds.com).

## LETTERS

Somewhere  
the smoky remains  
Of your written words  
Swirl  
In a tornado  
Over burning desert sands  
Or fall  
To be frozen  
In glacial ice  
But remain  
In my memory  
Two blushing heartbeats.  
    I was there  
    You were there  
    We were there  
The memories  
Stamped in time  
That fire does not erase.  
How wonderful  
The memories  
We share.

—Walter S. Staples

*“Country Boy”, Peter E. Randall Publisher, 2004.*

Walter Staples (1913–2004) loved farming and the outdoors. He studied and raised poultry, managed acres of blueberries, fished for salmon in Canada, wrote books and poems. He and his wife raised their family in Tamworth; many descendants live here today.

### TAMWORTH RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Call Director Parker Roberts for program info, 323-7582

#### ONGOING ACTIVITIES

**Tai Chi**, Town House, Monday, 6–7:30PM; Tuesday, 9:30–11AM.  
Call Parker to find out which class is appropriate for you, as one is introductory and one is for more experienced students.

**Step Aerobics**, Town House, Wednesdays & Fridays, 8–9AM.

**Living Strong**, Town House, Tuesdays & Thursdays, 8–9AM.

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## THE MUG CLUB CAFÉ

Chocorua Community Church has opened a new community café called, “The Mug Club.” The café is a cozy room in the annex of the church designed for community members to connect and enjoy the company of neighbors. The café serves free coffee and tea, and often features local baked goods, breads, jam, honey, and maple products.

The café has a few small tables, a couch, and two comfy chairs, and provides complimentary WiFi and an assortment of board games, card games and magazines. There is also a big-screen TV to catch the latest news. Café visitors are encouraged to bring a mug and stow it away for safe keeping until the next visit.

The café is also host to special programs on occasion as part of the new Coffee & Creativity series. Special guests will share their talents with café guests every month and topics will include art, history, music, stories, and more. If you have a talent, unique story, or skill to share, we’d love to hear your ideas and welcome you to the café.

The café room is also available for public and private groups of all types, along with three other rooms in the building. The sanctuary holds 150 people, the upper level function room holds fifty, the café holds twenty-five and the private meeting room holds twelve. There is also a brand new sound system, Wi-Fi, big screen TV and a small kitchen to use. Come take a tour and find out more.

The Mug Club is open weekdays from 9:00–11:30AM and the church office is open 9:00AM–1:00PM. There is plenty of parking in back of the building (and a separate entrance) if the front lot is full. For more information about the café, church programs or public use of the building, please contact Program Director, Erica Boynton at 603-323-7186 or *program-director@chocoruachurch.org*.



In October, Tamworth Distilling will release a special batch of their first aged spirits — 1766 Rye Whisky to celebrate Tamworth’s 250th. Only 250 custom-made bottles are being produced. But in June we are the beneficiaries of the Lyceum’s donation partnership program. You can deliciously support the *Civic News* by purchasing any prepared drink like coffee, latte, Italian Soda — any non-alcoholic drink that isn’t in a bottle in the cold case — and the TCN will get ten cents for each drink purchased all month.

## TAMWORTH COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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- Sundays**  
Featured musician at 12:30PM; song circle & jam session at 1:30PM. Tamworth Lyceum in the Village.  
Dinner Bell. 5PM at St. Andrew's Church.
- Tuesdays & Fridays**  
Community Food Center at St. Andrew's Church, open 10AM–noon. Call 960-4067.
- Tuesdays every other week**  
Fiber Arts group meets. 9:30AM at Remick Museum. Free. Call 323-7591 for dates & details.
- First three Tuesdays of the month.**  
Storytime for young children. Cook Memorial Library, 10:30–11:30AM.
- Tuesdays**  
Tech Tuesday, 1–2PM at CML. Other times available by appointment, 323-8510.
- Wednesdays**  
Play group for children newborn–4 and their caregivers. 10–11AM at the Tamworth Townhouse.
- Thursdays through June 8th**  
The Farmers' Table lunch at The Community School. By donation; reservations appreciated. Noon. 323-7000.
- Saturdays beginning May 14th**  
Tamworth Farmer's Market. Unitarian Church parking lot, 9AM–1PM.
- Wednesdays, May 4th, 11th, & 18th**  
TCC bird walks with Ned Beecher. Meet at 7AM at Town House parking lot. 387-7869.
- Saturday, May 7th**  
Valley Pride Day trash pick-up. Registration at Brett School parking lot from 8:30–10.  
Friends' of Cook Memorial Library monthly Book Sale, 10AM–noon, in the Annex (downstairs) at CML.
- Saturdays, May 7th & June 4th**  
Bean Supper at South Tamworth Union Hall. Two settings: 5:00 & 5:45PM. \$8/adult \$4/child.
- Sunday, May 8th**  
Tamworth Firemen's Club Mother's Day Breakfast, 7–10:30AM at Runnels Hall. \$6 for adults, \$3 under 12, under 3 Free. Proceeds will help buy equipment.
- Monday, May 9th & Tuesday May 10th**  
Kindergarten registration. If your child will be five years old by September 30th and is a resident of Tamworth, you need to call Kathi Brown at 323-7271.
- Wednesday, May 11th**  
*Steep Hikes*, a talk by Kristin Bailey, trail supervisor for the US Forest Service's Saco District, 7PM, CML.
- Saturday, May 14th**  
Community School spring fair, 9AM–2PM. Seedlings, plants, lunch, games, & multi-family yard sale.  
Economic Development Commission New Career Day 11AM–1PM at the Town House.
- Tuesday, May 17th**  
Publication Party and Dessert Potluck for the Tamworth 250th book: "Tamworth As We See It: Perspectives on Our Town at 250 Years," 7PM, CML.
- Wednesday, May 18th**  
Verónica Robles Dance Performance & Workshop, 6:30–8:30PM. No experience necessary. Free, Runnels Hall, Chocorua, info: [artstamworth.org](http://artstamworth.org).
- Friday, May 20th**  
Verónica Robles y su Mariachi live in concert. Choose your own ticket price. 7:30PM, The Barnstormers Theatre, Tickets, info: [artstamworth.org](http://artstamworth.org).
- Friday, May 20th through Monday, May 23rd**  
Honoring of the Elders Native American Pow Wow, at Tamworth Camping Area. Open to public Fri.–Sun. 10AM–5PM & Mon. 10AM–4PM. Contact Heather at 603-617-5852 or [honoringoftheelders@gmail.com](mailto:honoringoftheelders@gmail.com).
- Saturday, May 21st**  
*Let's Go Fishing* at Remick Museum, for ages 8 & up, free, info at [remickmuseum.org](http://remickmuseum.org)
- Wednesday, May 25th**  
Brown Bag Book Group discusses "Perfection to a Fault: A Small Murder in Ossipee, NH," noon, CML.  
Ham Radio Demo with White Mountain Amateur Radio Club, 7PM, Cook Library.
- Saturday May 28th**  
Frost Heaves 7:30PM at The Barnstormers. Tickets at the Box Office or at [www.BarnstormersTheatre.org](http://www.BarnstormersTheatre.org).
- Wednesday, June 1st**  
"Liberty Rocks: 800 years of Magna Carta told by a Stone Mason," 7PM, CML.
- Saturday June 4th**  
CML Plant Sale 9AM–1PM. Call 323-9717 for more info.
- Wednesday, June 8th**  
Groundwater talk with Jeff Martz, 7PM, CML. Cosponsored by Tamworth Conservation Commission.
- Sunday June 12th**  
The Barnstormers Golf Tournament at Ridgewood Country Club, Moultonborough. \$75 per player. FMI [www.BarnstormersTheatre.org](http://www.BarnstormersTheatre.org) or 323 2933.
- Wednesday, June 22nd**  
Brown Bag Book Group discusses "Our Souls at Night" by Kent Haruf, noon, CML.
- Thursday, June 23rd,**  
The Barnstormers Theatre opens its 85th season. Tickets at Box Office or [barnstormerstheatre.org](http://barnstormerstheatre.org).
- Saturday, June 27th**  
Contra Dance. Tamworth Town House, 7:30–10:30PM. Sponsored by the Tamworth Outing Club.
- Wednesday, June 29th**  
"Helen Albee and the Abnakee Rug Industry," a talk by Cynthia Melendy, 7PM, CML. Cosponsored by Tamworth History Center.

The corner of Main Street and Great Hill Road may have seemed quiet all winter, but renovation has been progressing inside the Hall-Dyer House, future home of the Tamworth History Center. While this work is only Phase 1 of three planned renovation phases, this summer we will open several ground-floor rooms, part-time, to help celebrate the Town's 250th.

In the old house we've uncovered wide-board paneling, unusual framing, split-board lath, and evidence of mysterious earlier staircases. The c.1830 building has its own stories to tell. We look forward to sharing them.

But this won't be a traditional house museum, with period rooms, like the Historical Society's previous building on Greg's Way. The main focus will be the many stories that have made Tamworth unique, from 1766 onwards. You can help us design a media-rich, interactive center, with changing offerings. Visitors of all ages will be able to discover 'the Tamworth story' through selected artifacts from THC's collection, but also via audio recollections, big-screen videos, and more, created in part by townspeople. Explore town and area history online



using the NH State Historical Society website, *NewEnglandAncestors.org*, and links. Or travel Tamworth via Google Earth, and other modalities as yet unknown.

This spring, thanks to a grant from The Tamworth Foundation, working with professionals from the NH Preservation Alliance and Full Circle Consulting, the History Center will develop a strategic plan. With strong organizational, outreach and fund-raising initiatives, we'll bring alive our big vision.

You can expect our usual monthly programs in 2016 — with the spotlight on Tamworth, and on collaboration. So far, with other groups, we've helped present programs on Chinook, Cemeteries, and Family Stories. Yet-to-come: Schools, Campgrounds, Native American history, more. Your suggestions?

Now that the grass is well-established on the Village Green, it will be available for use by interested groups and for 250th celebrations. We look forward to welcoming you to the Tamworth History Center at the Hall-Dyer House this summer.

—Kate Thompson, Chair, THC

**COUNTY-WIDE SERVICES JUST A CLICK AWAY**

Looking to tap into the wide array of municipal and community resources around Tamworth and Carroll County? Don't know where to start? These useful tips were recently posted on the Tamworth Exchange by Doug Wyman of the Sandwich Police Department:

**CALL 2-1-1**

2-1-1 is an easy-to-remember telephone number that connects callers in New Hampshire, at no cost, to information about critical health and human services available in their communities. The 2-1-1 initiative was established jointly by

United Way, Public Service of NH, and the State of NH to serve as a readily accessible lifeline to all NH residents when they need to know where to turn for assistance.

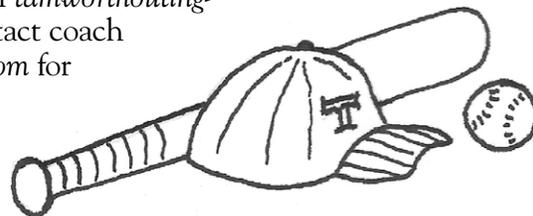
**GO TO** *CarrollCountyResources.weebly.com*

This helpful website is a great starting point for those seeking municipal, community, and social information and services in Carroll County.

The easy-to-use site provides interactive links, phone numbers, hours of operation, etc. for resources throughout the county.

**IN THE SPRING . . . THOUGHTS TURN TO BASEBALL**

Babe Ruth baseball is coming in June. Sponsored by the Tamworth Outing Club, Tamworth's team has joined the Mount Washington Valley Babe Ruth program. Watch *tamworthoutingclub.org* for the game schedule, and contact coach Jim Hidden at *jimmy@teamhidden.com* for more information.

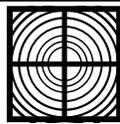




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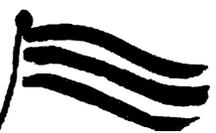


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## LEARNING TO FALL SET TO MUSIC

Philip Simmons of Sandwich published *Learning to Fall: The Blessings of an Imperfect Life* in 2000. If you read it, you may remember his grace and charm as he meditated on life's joys and threats (sledding by moonlight, tigers, strawberries, mountains) and the neurological disease that ended his life two years later. The Yeoman's Fund for the Arts has commissioned music based on Phil's book. *Requiem: Learning to Fall*, has music by Jonathan Santore of Plymouth, and text by Peggy Johnson of Tamworth. It will premiere May 21st & 22nd in Manchester, with the Manchester Choral Society and orchestra directed by Dan Perkins. For the Sunday, May 22nd, afternoon concert, the Yeomen are subsidizing group rates and a bus. FMI contact [yeomansfund@gmail.com](mailto:yeomansfund@gmail.com).

## HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

Household hazardous waste collections this year will be on July 30th and August 6th. Most Tamworth residents go to the Ossipee or Moultonborough locations, which are scheduled in August at the Highway Garages; but there are six other participating towns. Do NOT take materials to the Tamworth Transfer Station, which is not equipped to handle hazardous materials. For more information, including what to bring, go to [www.lakesrpc.org/serviceshhw.asp](http://www.lakesrpc.org/serviceshhw.asp) or contact Sue Stowbridge, Town Coordinator at 323-7620 or [sue.stowbridge@gmail.com](mailto:sue.stowbridge@gmail.com).

## HIKIN' HERONS CELEBRATE THE 250<sup>TH</sup>!

To commemorate Tamworth's 250th anniversary, the Tamworth Conservation Commission (TCC) is issuing a special edition of the Hikin' Heron challenge. Hikin' Herons are an intrepid group of hikers who have hiked six Tamworth trails maintained by the TCC and have been recognized with receipt of an official Hikin' Herons patch. The Hikin' Herons seeks to encourage people to discover, use, and enjoy Tamworth's trail network, and establish a personal relationship with the natural environment of our area.

This year, in honor of Tamworth's 250th anniversary, TCC has set the ambitious goal of adding thirty-eight new Hikin' Herons to its existing roster of sixty-six. If that many new hikers travel the trails this year, they will collectively have hiked 250 miles. A special edition of the Hikin' Herons patch has been made to mark the 250th anniversary. Hikers who already have a Hikin' Heron's patch can do all the trails a second time and earn the special 250th patch as well. All applicants who have hiked Tamworth's fair trails will be recognized, including dogs.

To get your Hikin' Herons patch, get one of the forms that can be found on the Commission's web site, [www.tamworthconservationcommission.org](http://www.tamworthconservationcommission.org), hike the trails, and mail the form to the Commission. Information on the trails, as well as maps, can be found on the Commission's web site or in the boxes at trailheads.

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## A NEW CAREER DAY

On May 14th, the Tamworth Economic Development Commission holds *A New Career Day*. This is an opportunity to hear from many diverse businesses that offer training to individuals who may be unemployed, underemployed or wishing to follow a new career path.

Memorial Hospital, Seadog Restaurant and Brewing Company, Windy Ridge Corp., Vito Marcello's Restaurant, Robert Frost Charter School, The Farmstand, The Chocorua Preserve, Coco Vito Interior Design, TopKayaker, and several others will be there. Starting at 11:00AM on Saturday, May 14th at the Tamworth Townhouse, representatives of the businesses will discuss the training positions they are willing to provide to selected applicants. There will be application forms available to fill out and opportunities to meet and speak with the employers. Applicants will make appointments to later visit the companies that are of most interest for a more indepth interview. This is not a job fair! No prior experience is required! You can take this first step to begin a career as a restaurant manager, interior designer, school administrator, bartender, hospital worker, agricultural specialist, or one of the other interesting positions available.

The program will end at 1:00PM. Lunch will be provided. For more information, call Pat Farley at 401-524-6655 or email [farleygroup@msn.com](mailto:farleygroup@msn.com).