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# WHS softball heads to State Title Game

# By Matt Pascarella

Windham High's varsity softball team has been playing together since they were in Little League. In addition to a strong season, it makes these last few games together much more special. Windham earned the spot to play one more time as they won the Class A regional title against top-ranked Cheverus 1-0 at Saint Joseph's College on Tuesday, June 17. This was second-place Windham's second regional title win in the program's recent history and is headed to the Class A State championship for the second time in the last three years.

Until now, Cheverus has been a challenge for Windham during the 2025 season; the Lady Eagles had lost twice to the Stags before the start of playoffs. Windham also found themselves in a similar situation last year in the regional playoff game up against the first-place team, but that time Windham lost.

"When we ended last year's regional final game, it didn't feel like we got beat by the other team, it felt like we got beat by ourselves," said Windham varsity softball coach Darcey Gardiner. "Since that moment there has been a hunger inside these girl's bellies to be right back here (at the regional



Windham High School's softball team won the Class A regional title at Saint Joseph's College on Tuesday, June 17. (Back L to R) assistant varsity softball coach Laney Worthington, head coach Darcey Gardiner, Chloe Delewski, Yani Kostopoulos, Kennedy Kimball, Chloe Edwards, Oakley McLeod, Kiley Card, Kyla Harvie, Nola Bryant, Jezabelle Pinto, Stella Jarvais, assistant coaches Chris Merrill, Jaydn Kimball and Tammie Arsenault; (Front L to R) Evelyn Robinson, left, Evelyn Anderson, Kaylee Napolitano, Abhilasha Jain, Addison Caiazzo, Sarah Smyth, Lacie Higgins and Lydia Marden. Windham (17-2) will take on Edward Little (13-6) in the Class A State Championship at Saint Joseph's College at 4 p.m. on Saturday, June 21. PHOTO BY MATT PASCARELLA

championship). And it's not like they wanted to be back here facing any old team; they wanted to be back here facing the best. To see them step up to that challenge, that's the confidence that we're looking for when you talk about teenage girls and sports, that's that kind of steady confidence that we try to build with them all year long throughout practice."

This Windham team has been together, playing in tough championships – and winning them – since playing together in Little League. This group knows each other, knows what it takes to win a state championship and is up to the task of a state championship win. Gardiner said that while the game is fun, the girls treat it as a job and come out and to do it to the best of their ability no matter the stakes.

Starting pitcher and senior Kennedy Kimball had pitched very little against the Stags this season and pitched this entire game.

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# Windham Town Budget passes during Town Meeting

# By Ed Pierce

In what turned out as a marathon 4 ½-hour town meeting, Windham's \$8.9 million budget was eventually passed through a series of unexpected developments and twists that anyone in attendance just couldn't make up.

With more than 130 Windham residents on hand for the Annual Town Meeting at Windham Town Hall on Saturday, June 14, concerned voters questioned nearly each of the 30 town warrant articles, wanting explanations for increases in spending and sharing their opinions about budgeting proposals put forward by the Town Council.

Having elected former State Rep. Gary Plummer of Windham as Town Meeting Moderator, the first six out of the 30 warrant articles were approved following discussions and clarifications by Town Manager Barry Tibbetts. 24, 25, 26, and 27, those dealt specifically with creating and funding a new public skating rink and playground in North Windham at a cost of \$3 million and renovations to Gambo Park with new soccer field, recreational trails and improved parking at an expense of \$3 million.

Article 22, a proposal to construct a new North Windham Public Safety Building behind Hannaford Supermarket off Route 302, involved a lengthy discussion and many questions raised by voters about acquiring the site property, housing a Cumberland County Sheriff's Patrol Office in the building, and the need is to replace the current North Windham Fire Station on Route 302, a structure built in 1960. Tibbetts said approving the article would add 5 cents to the fore the f



permarket off Route 302, involved a lengthy Members of the Windham Town Meeting at Windham Town had changed his vote then made a motion to amend

By this time, and after four hours, at least half of residents attending had left the meeting. A series of actions then happened that reversed the earlier vote on Article 8. A voter who had voted no previously then formally made a motion to change his vote, and then a second voter who had voted no to Article 8 previously made a motion to change their vote too and seconded the motion on the floor to reopen the article.

**aff gather ham Town d Nadeau**, **da Morrell**, **xfield, Bill** D PIERCE Voted no previously. That meant the original proposed \$8.9 budget was back on the table.

But voters rejected Article 7 asking for approval of a municipal budget of \$39.9 million, and that meant votes were required for each of the next 11 articles. Among those, only Article 8, asking for an increase of 11.39 percent and \$8.9 million funding general government operations for fiscal year 2025-2026 was defeated by voters as determined by the moderator. Article 8 included funding for Windham Town Hall offices and services and some contractual expenses, such as benefits for town police officers.

All the other warrant articles were approved by voters, except for Articles

"This substation building meets the needs of today and for the future," Tibbetts said. Voters approved Article 22 agreeing to its \$10 million cost through a combination of \$4 million in Tax Increment Financing, using \$2.4 million from the town's General Fund, using

302, involved a lengthy discussion and many questions raised by voters about acquiring the site property house

> impact fees of \$1.1 million and obtaining a general obligation bond of \$2.5 million.

After the 30 articles had been discussed and voted upon, Tibbetts then reviewed what the implications of the rejection of Article 8 would mean, including the difficulty of rescheduling and legally posting another town meeting, shutting down Windham Town Hall on July 1, potentially laying off employees and not having necessary revenue to meet contractual bills and defaulting on town obligations. Before a discussion on that, a voter from the audience moved to adjourn

the meeting and PRSRT STD it was quick-U.S. POSTAGE ly seconded. A PAID show of hands TIME4PUBLISHING to adjourn was too close for the www.TheWindhamEagle.com moderator to Local -> see BUDGET **Postal Customer** Page 10



I recently saw a post on a popular social media platform mentioning that American soldiers who fought in Europe during World War II were misguided and it wasn't all that bad, in fact it was merely a tool concocted to help lift Americans out of the poverty of the Great Depression.

The person posting that nonsense has no idea what he is talking about and is certainly a good reason for me to stay off social media. My father, who would have turned 100 this year if he was still alive, would have refuted that post and would shake his head at some of the misinformation and untruths which pop up often on social media these days.

Yes, my father and his family did experience abject poverty in the Great Depression. He was the youngest of nine children and over the years, he related to me what it was like to be poor and how it shaped his life growing up.

While other students at Fairport High School outside of Rochester, New York were playing sports or participating in other after-school activities, my father worked two jobs. On Saturday mornings he received a penny for every bowling pin he placed upright on a lane as a pinspotter at a bowling alley. When classes in school finished on weekdays, he then went to his job at a company that made tin cans for businesses and paid him just 13 cents an hour.

There wasn't money for anyone in the family to go to the movies, buy new clothes, or purchase groceries regularly. No one in his



#### **JUNE 20**

1397 – The Union of Kalmar unites Denmark, Sweden, and Norway under the rule of one monarch.

1782 – The U.S. Congress approves the Great Seal of the U.S.

1793 – Eli Whitney applies for a cotton gin patent, initiating the mass-production concept.

1840 – Inventor Samuel Morse receives a patent for the telegraph.

1863 – West Virginia becomes the 35th state to join the United States.

1941 – The U.S. Army Air Forces is established, replacing the Army Air Corps. It was abolished with the creation of the United States Air Force in 1947.

1983 – The U.S. Supreme Court rules that employers must treat male and female workers equally in providing health benefits for their spouses.

1997 – The tobacco industry agrees to a massive settlement in exchange for major relief from mounting lawsuits and legal bills. family owned a car, and he walked six miles into town for school and then back home again every single day.

My father had thought about attending college after high school but wondered how he could ever pay for it. On the same day that he graduated from Fairport High School, his draft notice arrived in the mail and those plans were put on hold. He trained as an infantryman at Camp Fannin in Texas and soon thereafter he departed the U.S. on a troop ship bound for Libya in North Africa.

He told me that although he considered his family to be poor, he witnessed seeing real extreme poverty in Libya as families would raid the soldiers' trash dump and convert discarded burlap bags into clothing worn by their children. In Morocco, he saw residents scrounging for potato peelings from the Army dump to make a meal.

Leaving North Africa, my father was part of the U.S. contingent of troops landing at Anzio Beach, Italy in January 1944. In one of the bloodiest battles of the war, with Nazi troops holding the high ground overlooking the landing beach. He watched many of his friends die as Germans rained down machine gun fire and launched deadly mortars upon Americans on the beach.

A few months later, as my father's unit was advancing on the town of Cisterna in Italy, he was shot in the back by a sniper while trying to repair a broken communications line. He survived his wounds and was discharged from his military service in 1946. He enrolled at Manhattan College in New York City and used the GI Bill to study mechanical engineering, finishing his degree after transferring to the Rochester Institute of Technology and working a series of part-time jobs in addition to his college studies to pay for his textbooks.

I constantly would ask my father to tell me about his wartime experiences. We would watch a television show called "Combat" in the 1960s and he told me that program came close to what it was like to serve on the front lines during the war. He eventually shared a few stories with me when I was in high school and they were gruesome and disturbing.

He told me about being part of an exploratory mission in Italy after surviving the landing at Anzio Beach and stopping to rest briefly under a tree with several other soldiers. They heard rifle shots and suddenly, two soldiers that were sitting next to my father keeled over dead having been shot in the head. On another occasion, my father said he witnessed the remnants of a German unit in Italy who were burned alive in a bunker torched by an American flamethrower.

More than 30 years later, I enlisted in the U.S. Air Force and saw the results of World War II in Europe for myself. There was still extensive damage to some buildings and infrastructure in Germany and cemeteries were filled with soldiers killed in the war.

In the Frankfurt, Germany town square, I saw a memorial dedicated to Jewish residents who were rounded up in that city and taken to concentration camps or sent for extermination in German gas chambers. I spoke with German and Dutch families

who lost loved ones in the war and never recovered afterward.

To say that World War II wasn't all that bad and was nothing more than a tool to lift Americans out of Great Depression era poverty is ludicrous and a propagation of misinformation.

As Phineas T. Barnum is known for saying, "There's a sucker born every minute." < ~ *Ed Pierce* 



# What teacher had the greatest impact upon your life?

"Mr. Norman Richardson, music teacher at Westbrook, he taught us how to earn respect." – Tommy Matthews

"Mr. Herman, he was my fifth-grade teacher, he was wonderful, and Mr Timmons, he stopped me from dropping out of high school." – Jocelyn Quimby

"John Turner at Windham High School." – Richard Newton

"My track coach who was also my English teacher." – Stehen Signor

"My mother was a teacher. Mary Alice Wetter." – Julie Mallett

"The two I remember most are Mr. Myles O'Donnell and Mr. Greg Curtis at Windham High." – Lollie Gomez Nunez

"Bill Wescott." – Dean Smalley

"My Driver's Ed teacher, Harvey Heel. I still hear him (in my head) when I've driving. Was a local legend in my hometown area of Maine!" – Hannah Bannon

"Carl McGee GNG Jr High. Political Science (Special English back then)." – Debbie Rand Hall

"Mrs. McGlaughlin (I'm not sure of spelling). She was a science teacher at Windham High School. She was one of the best teachers. We were dissecting frogs and she took extra time to go more in depth with me because she knew I was interested in learning more. She stayed longer to teach me beyond what the curriculum said was needed. She was so thoughtful of students and meeting them where they were at. She really taught with compassion." Alicia DC Pieper

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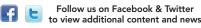
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"My third-grade teacher Mrs. Wahl was amazing, and I've never forgotten her." – Mia Potenzio-Ransey

> "The one I married." – Louise V. Snider

"My seventh-grade science teacher Miss Littleton. She later died in a plane crash." – Deirdre Schulte



# **Outstanding WHS juniors receive college book awards**

#### By Ed Pierce **STAFF WRITER**

Before the 2024-2025 school year ended at Windham High School, an assembly held last week at the school paid tribute to outstanding members of the junior class for their emphasis on academic excellence and community involvement.

According to Phil Rossetti, Windham High School assistant principal, the University Book Awards are presented annually at the conclusion of each school year to some of the top students in the junior class. Rossetti said that each year universities and colleges in America partner with secondary schools such as Windham High School to recognize exceptional high school juniors.

Each University Book Award focuses on a specific area of academic achievement and excellence, such as service to the community, music and the arts, distinction for academics and community advocacy. Recipients are presented with a book from the university or college sponsoring the award and are intended to foster the recipient's continued willingness to grow and learn.

"The awards honor distinguished juniors at Windham High, giving them a chance to gain a wider look at

the world they live in, and to connect outstanding students with schools of higher learning," Rossetti said. "University Book Awards are given annually to top-achieving students in the junior class. Each college or university establishes rigorous criteria and seeks feedback from high school faculty and administration to identify the worthy recipient of each award."

Here are this year's Windham High School 2025 University Book Award recipients:

Colby Prescott, Rochester Institute of Technology Computing Award and the Harvard University Book Prize. The RIT Computing Award is a distinction that recognizes a student with high academic achievement who is involved in school activities and the community and demonstrates interest and ability in computing. The Harvard University Book Prize is awarded to a student for excellence in scholarship and high character, combined with achievement in other fields.

Delia Romkus, St. Michael's University Book Award and the Smith College Book Award. The St. Michael's University Book Award recognizes a National Honor Society member who shows a sustained and sincere commitment to community service, issues of peace and justice, and concern for others. Smith College's Book Award program recognizes an outstanding Junior in a participating school's community who exemplifies the academic achievement, leadership qualities, and civic engagement that characterize the thousands of women who have graduated from Smith College.

Megan Keary, University of Rochester George Eastman Young Leaders Award. This award is presented to a student with strong leadership experience at school and in the community, high grades and challenging courses, and extensive involvement in extracurricular activities.

Ewan O'Shea, Rochester Institute of Technology Science and Math Award. This honor is awarded to a student with high academic achievement who is involved in the school and community and demonstrates success and interest in the STEM (Science, Engineering, Technology and Math) field.

Sydney Broadbent, Clarkson University Achievement Award. This award recognizes a student with an interest in Engineering, Business, Science, or Liberal Arts who demonstrates outstanding leadership qualities and is a positive contributor to the school and community.

Erica Lin, Rochester Institute of Technology Art & Design Award. This honor is presented to a student who demonstrates outstanding achievements in art, design, and creativity through creative and innovative thinking in areas such as art, crafts, design, film, animation, or photography.

Ava Kennedy, University of Southern Maine Book Award. This award is presented to a student who has demonstrated great determination and persistence in the accomplishment of goals in academics, leadership, community and/or extracurricular activities.

Nolan McPhail, The St. Michael's University Book Award. This award recognizes a National Honor Society member who shows a sustained and sincere commitment to community service, issues of peace and justice, and concern for others.

Addison Shanholtz, Renssalaer Medal. This honor is awarded by Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute to a student who has excelled in advanced math and science courses, demonstrates potential for success in a challenging academic setting, and exhibits significant involvement in extracurricular activities.

Ellise Gallop, University of Rochester Frederick Douglass Award. This distinction recognizes a junior who demonstrates an outstanding commit-→ see AWARDS Page 5



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# Expert gardener to give pollinator presentation at library

By Kira Pilot

Have you ever wondered how to attract more bees and butterflies to your garden? Nancy Donovan will be giving a presentation detailing how residents can support local pollinators at the Windham Public Library from 3 to 4:30 p.m. on Monday, June 23.

Donovan is a Cumberland County Master Gardener Volunteer and has many years of experience observing

# Linda G. Winship, 74



Linda G. Winship, 74, of Windham, went home to be with her Lord and Savior with her family surrounding her on June 13th.

Linda was born on January 19th, 1951, in Littleton, NH, to the late Robert and Eleanor Young. She graduated from Gorham High School in 1969. After graduation, she attended beauty school and worked with Paul Cyr. In 1970, she married the love of her life, Ronald H. Winship, Sr. For just shy of 55 years, the couple shared a loving life on their farm. In 2000, they opened Windy Hill Farm and

have been farming ever since. Linda was a mom to many. She was always busy and worked hard. Linda was a member of the Tree of Life Assembly of God Church.

In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by her brother William.

She is survived by her loving husband Ronald H. Winship, Sr., of Windham; her son Ronald H. Winship, Jr., of Windham; her daughter Rhonda L. (Winship) Fenderson and her husband Tom of Gorham; her sisters Joyce and Diane Young of Gorham, and Roberta Morrill of Windham; and many nieces, nephews, and cousins. She also leaves behind her beloved Shih Tzus, Charlie, Annie, and Suzy, and four grand dogs.

The family wishes to thank Molly, R-5 of Maine Health, and Lisa from Southern Maine Hospice for the top care Mom received.

Visiting hours will be held on Friday, June 20th, from 1-2 PM. The funeral will follow at 2 PM at the Tree of Life Church, 1051 Roosevelt Trail, Windham, with Pastor Joel McPherson officiating. A private burial will be held on Monday, June 23rd.

Those who wish to make a donation in Linda's name may do so to Southern Maine Hospice, 390 US RT 1, Scarborough.

To leave condolences to the family, please visit www.dolbyblaissegee.com

and encouraging pollinators in her own backyard.

"It's funny how things come around" says Donovan, recalling her childhood. "I remember my mother having a garden and I would laugh so hard when she'd go out and count the flowers on her tomato plants. As an adult, I had to have tomato plants." She credits Maine's pollinators – bees, butterflies, flies, wasps, birds, and even bats –for the success of her tomatoes and wants the community to be mindful of the crucial role pollination plays in our food production systems country-wide.

According to the USDA, threefourths of the world's flowering plants and about 35 percent of the world's food crops depend on animal pollinators to reproduce. The added revenue to crop production from pollinators is valued at \$18 billion.

"The food we eat is available because of the actions of pollinators. And pollinators – of every type – are on the decline." Donovan notes habitat loss and environmental contaminants as factors in this decline as she coveys the importance of supporting the creatures that make farming possible.

"If we don't pay attention to our bees, we're going to be up a creek without a paddle," she said. Donovan said she hopes to impart this message during her presentation and outline tangible ways to help reverse the decline in one's own backyard.

As a Master Gardener, Donovan received roughly 65 hours of intenstive training. Part of her mission is to educate and mentor gardeners as much as she was mentored by the University of Maine Extension educators and horticultural experts who facilitate the training that is required to become a Master Gardener.

Says Donovan of her time in the program, "There's that saying 'you learn from your mistakes, and I don't want to learn from my mistakes. I want to learn from other people's mistakes. Why not take your lessons from the best of the best in the state of Maine?"

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ment to understanding and addressing difficult social issues. The recipient shows strong leadership and dedication to community action.

Grace Hansen, University of Rochester Bausch + Lomb Honorary Science Award. This honor pays tribute to a junior who demonstrates high achievement and rigor in science and math classes and makes positive contributions to their school and within the larger community.

Ashley Cloutier, Clarkson University Leadership Achievement Award. This distinction is presented to a student with an interest in Engineering, Business, Science, or Liberal Arts who demonstrates outstanding leadership qualities and is a positive contributor to the school and community.

Liliana Abbott, Rochester Institute of Technology Humanities Award. This award is presented to a student with high academic achievement who is involved in the school and the community and demonstrates an interest in humanities and social science.

Emma Fox, Russell Sage College Student Sage Award and Salem State University Book Award. The Russell Sage College Student Sage Award recognizes a student who makes school an exciting, creative, and engaging place of learning, possesses powerful communication skills, is actively involved in the community, and inspires others to develop and grow. The Salem State University Book Award is presented to a junior who excels in academics, and demonstrates commitment to their community through work, volunteerism, family/peer commitment, and/or civic engagement.

Jadyn Kunath, Rochester Institute of Technology Business and Leadership Award. This honor is presented to a student with high academic achievement who is involved in the school and community and demonstrates innovation, leadership, and success in business-related classes.

Nealie Morey, Brandeis University Book Award. The Brandeis University Book Award is presented to a junior who has demonstrated a commitment to the pursuit of academic excellence as well as a healthy respect for intellectual inquiry.

Karly Day, Russell Sage College Student Sage Award. This honor recognizes a student who makes school an exciting, creative, and engaging place of learning, possesses powerful communication skills, is actively involved in the community, and inspires others to develop and grow.

Padrick McGuire, Elmira College Key Award. This award is presented to a high school junior who has maintained a 3.0 GPA in high school and demonstrates outstanding school and community leadership. The award includes a renewable yearly scholarship.

Nola Bryant, Endicott College Junior Book Award. This distinction honors a student who exhibits strong leadership skills inside and outside the classroom.

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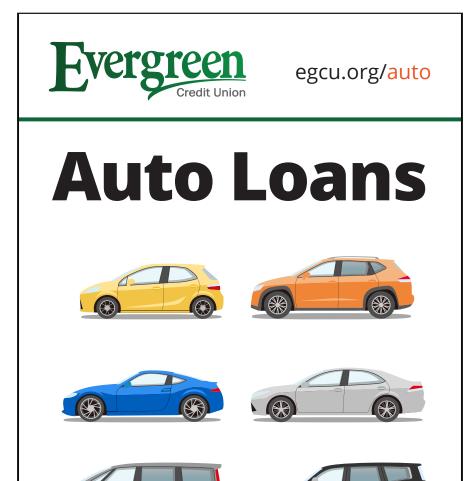




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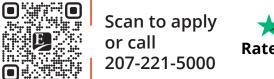
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"I was definitely nervous because I hadn't seen them," said Kimball. "My mindset was to go at a lot of the hitters and let them get themselves out almost. Like hit ground balls and pop-flies because I trusted my defense behind me. It was really to try to not walk a lot of people and really go at them - make them be able to hit." It's meaningful for WHS seniors to

end the season on a high note.

"As a senior, I can't be more grateful," said Windham's Chloe Edwards, who scored Windham's run. "We knew going into this it wasn't going to be an easy game, now that we're here

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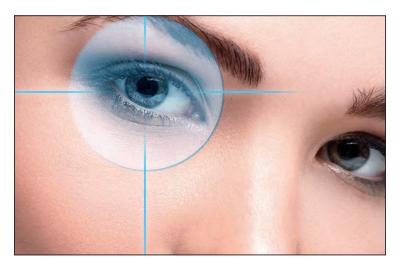
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# What's going on in there?



and (I'm wearing this medal), I can't wait for the next one. Being here again and with this group of girls ... and the fact that we're here again on that same motivation I have no doubt that we'll succeed at what we did here today. We knew coming into this it wasn't going to be an easy game, but from last year we had so much adrenaline and drive, and we came for the win. We got off that bus excited and there was no stopping us once we started going."

Kimball said she's glad they've made it to this point in their senior year; since a lot of them have been playing since Little League for so long - it's a really cool experience for the seniors and she's really glad this is how they get to end their last year.

Windham has worked so hard for so long, and players say they are ready for the State Championship Game. They've had a phenomenal season and are ready to make this season special, like it was in 2023, when they won their first State Championship ever. They've got the skills and team chemistry to do so.

"They know each other better than they know themselves," said Gardiner. "The comradery, they respect each other, how they play off each other's strengths and weaknesses, again they've been doing this since Little League and I'm here to kind of help steer the ship. This team has been so equipped for this state championship since they were in fifth and sixth grade."

Edwards said they've got to go into Saturday ready to have fun, stay loose and be themselves.

Windham (17-2) will take on Edward Little (13-6) in the Class A State Championship at Saint Joseph's College at 4 p.m. on Saturday, June 21. <







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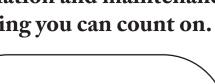
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#### Editor,

This is my perspective from the Windham Town Meeting on June 14. At this time, I do not know what the outcome of Article 8 is; we had to leave before the final vote, and it has not been published anywhere I can find.

My wife and I attended the Town Meeting in Windham Town Hall and left four hours later, disillusioned. Article 8, which would fund Windham's "General Government" for \$8.9 million (11.39 percent more than last year), was defeated by most voters on the first vote. After all other Articles were voted on, someone on the council decided that now was the time to explain the consequences of the defeat of Article 8; for example, the Council would have to convene, come up with another budget, and call another town meeting to vote on Article 8 again. They were apparently (and understandably) reluctant to do that.

The Town Council was likely surprised by and didn't have a plan for the defeat of Article 8. It seems unfair that the council could then loophole a

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Essentially, all people who voted to reject Article 8, and left the meeting prior to its reopening, have been disenfranchised; their voices were unfairly silenced. This is the not the kind of political shenanigans we expect in the United States, let alone Maine.

Town Council, even if you do not like the results of a vote, accept the outcome, come up with a new plan and move on. You should not be permitted a do over.

~ Douglas Kennedy, Windham

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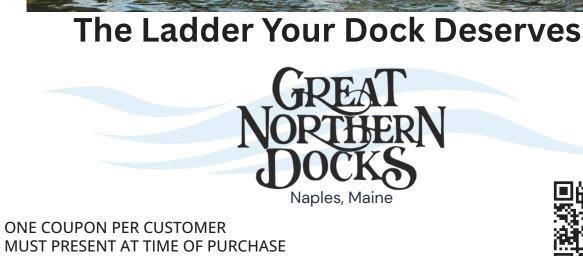
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#### BUDGET Cont. from page 1

call, and so votes were counted by the town clerk. The vote to adjourn was voted down.

Following a discussion about amending the budget, a vote to amend the \$8.9 million was voted down and then Article 8 as originally proposed was then passed by those in attendance.

At each step voters didn't have to do what they did or vote the way they did. And those who left the meeting didn't have to leave and could have changed the voting.

Windham resident J.P. Belanger attended the Annual Town Meeting and said it was both an eye-opener and a civics lesson.

"Watching the process unfold gave me a deeper appreciation for how our local government works – and how

much our participation matters. I left the meeting feeling cautiously optimistic. The approved budget reflects rising costs but also shows our community's commitment to progress," he said. "I was especially encouraged to see long-overdue projects like the North Windham Fire Station moving forward – a crucial investment in public safety. At the same time, I was disappointed by the reconsideration of Article 8 during what became a historic 4 1/2-hour meeting. By the time the article was brought back for a vote, many residents had already left. It raised important concerns about transparency and fairness. When community members make the effort to show up and vote, they deserve confidence that those decisions won't be reversed once attendance thins out. I also share the concerns voiced by others about the rising tax burden. Even modest increases





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can strain household budgets - especially for seniors living on fixed incomes. With inflation continuing to drive up the cost of essentials like food, fuel, and healthcare, many older residents are feeling the squeeze more than ever. It's important that we keep their needs in mind as we plan for the future. Perhaps most of all, I wish more residents had been present. These meetings shape the future of our town, and broader participation would help ensure more voices are heard. I look forward to attending more of them myself - because being informed and involved is the best way to strengthen the community."

Over the days following the town meeting, many angry residents expressed disappointment over the budget passing and claiming they felt "duped" and "disenfranchised" that the Article 8 budget was brought back up for another vote after many who had voted no had left the meeting.

Windham Town Councilor Bill Reiner said he understands the concerns raised.

"I believe it was the 4th item vote of the meeting that was; "Adoption of the rules of procedure as outlined in MMA Moderators Manual." Those were the rules accepted by a show of hands vote, and the rules followed. All 27 pages of it, it's not simple but very black and white."

Reiner said this was the best turnout for a town meeting in four years he' served on the council.

"Yes, it's my personal opinion that it's a terrible time to have an election, but it is stipulated in the town charter that it be the second Saturday of June. Our hands are tied until a change is made," he said. "Regarding the Town meeting versus a Referendum vote; each has its advantages and drawbacks. Most clearly that numbers matter greatly in a town meeting forum or any election that has a low turnout. A Referendum vote and a larger turnout is more representative of the population, but no discussions or explanation would be available for voters and referendum language can be tricky.

According to Reiner, he understands that people had valid reasons to leave before the end of the meeting.

"But the town meeting is a live meeting and continues until adjourned," he said. "People have asked can any item be brought back to the floor and the answer is yes, but only if motioned and seconded by two individuals that had cast a prevailing vote. This is done usually to reconsider or reopen discussion. I can honestly state that there was no plan in place to proceed as was done to reconsider any failed articles. I say this by a simple fact. The two failed capital projects were supported by both staff, and I believe four other councilors and others in attendance yet failed to pass. The town easily could have suggested that both capital project articles be brought back up for reconsideration by two individuals on the prevailing side but did not. If the 'town' orchestrated Article 8 because 'it was to their advantage' as individuals left early, it easily could have done the same with Gambo and the Skate Park articles." <



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#### POLLINATORS Cont. from page 4

Sally Bannen, the Technical Services Librarian at the Windham Public Library who has organized the upcoming presentation, plans on showcasing a newly purchased Observing Pollinators Kit, made available through a grant from the National Library of Medicine. The kit, which includes guides, a clipboard, a stopwatch, binoculars, and other items, will be available for checkout after the talk.

Using the items in the kit, one observes pollinators on a given plant for a specified amount of time and then logs their observations online where scientists can make use of the data. Avid bird watchers may be familiar with this type of citizen science, i.e. science that requires public participation and collaboration to expand our current knowledge of the world around us.

Bannen said that the Pollinator Presentation will include content applicable to anyone, even those new to gardening. Prior experience is not necessary, agrees Donovan and says that helping pollinators is in everyone's best interests. After all, "Who doesn't like a flower?"

The talk is appropriately timed as this year's National Pollinator Week will take place June 16 to June 22.

For further details about the presentation, please contact Sally Bannen at 207-892-1908, ext 7. <







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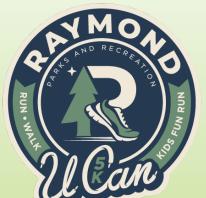
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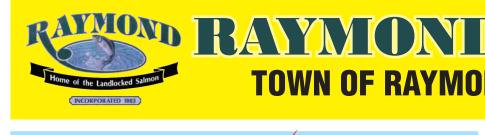
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The municipal election results are available on the Town website: https://www.raymondmaine.org/content/june-10th-election-results Congratulations to all our newly elected officials!

# **PUBLIC WORKS NOTICE REOUEST FOR PAVING BID PROPOSALS**

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Summer paving projects slated for this year are Viola Ave. & Pine Lane, Tower Road, and Martin Heights including Lloyd's Lane. There will also be work done this season at the intersection of Ledge Hill Road and North Raymond Road.

To make it safer, this intersection will become a 4-way stop.

There are no definitive dates yet for these projects, all planned work is scheduled to be completed by October 30, 2025.

As a reminder, SLOW DOWN when road crews are working. They work hard to keep our roads safe so do you part in keeping them safe!



Submit photos with captions or a short explanation of your summer fun in Raymond or even your favorite summer beverage or food recipe and you could be featured in the July or August Roadrunner edition. Email to: melissa.mcconkey@raymondmaine.org



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# D ROADRUNNER ND – JUNE 2025 NEWSLETTER



KRT Property Appraisal has ramped up their staff for Raymond. The Data Collectors are out in full force attempting to capture and correct any information that doesn't match the current Property Tax Record Card. There are no assessments given during this phase of the project. The representative is there to measure and make sure the information the Town has on file is accurate.

#### COMMON QUESTIONS:

#### 1.) I want to make an appointment, why do they just show up?

During this phase, KRT staff are trying to capture as much information as possible, as efficiently as possible. There are nearly 4,000 properties to inspect during this project and the first push is to hit as many homes as possible which is done by working of the tax maps and going street to street.

#### 2.) Do I have to let KRT Appraisal staff into my home?

The short answer is...no. It is entirely up to the property owner who they wish to let into their home. The Town is requesting your full cooperation with this project to make it as accurate and fair as possible. KRT staff act as an agent for the Town of Raymond and are professionally trained to inspect property and note aspects of a properties construction and condition to be used later in the reval process.

#### 3.) What happens if I refuse to let them in?

To ensure an accurate assessment of your property, it is to your advantage to allow the assessment personnel inside. Without this step of the process, KRT and the Town will be forced to estimate the unseen components of the property. By denying access for an inspection, you may jeopardize your ability to appeal your assessment later.

#### 4.) What happens if I am not home?

KRT staff will walk around the property to capture outside measurements of houses, garages, decks, sheds, etc. In the Spring of 2026 residents will be mailed a letter with the proposed new assessment. At that time, KRT will request property owners to contact them if there are questions on the new assessment. An "Informal Hearing" meeting will be scheduled to discuss your valuation prior to the finalization of assessments.



#### PLEASE NOTE: Town Offices will be CLOSED on Friday July 4<sup>th</sup> in observance of the holiday!

HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY! Be safe and responsible!



# **NEWS & EVENTS**

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# NEWS FROM:

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This time of year, the office is very busy with appointments, inspections, and trying to get permits

# CONGRATULATIONS to the NEW Director of Raymond Code Enforcement Department – Jason Williamson!

It is with great enthusiasm that I announce Jason Williamson will be stepping into the role of Director of Code Enforcement for the Town of Raymond. Jason has worked diligently to earn all the necessary certifications to become a Maine Licensed Plumbing Inspector and Code Enforcement Officer.



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Janet Staples, Administrative Assistant Phone: (207) 655-4742 ext. 161 Email: janet.staples@raymondmaine.org Chris Hanson has served as Director since March 2024, following the resignation of the previous Director of Code Enforcement. I am sincerely grateful for Chris's dedication to the department, as well as his commitment to mentoring Jason through the certification and training process while continuing to manage the department's daily operations.

Chris Hanson shared his thoughts on Jason's achievement: "Jason has worked diligently to achieve this goal. I congratulate him for his effort, commitment and dedication. For that I am grateful and very happy. I'm proud to announce that as of June 10, 2025, Jason will be the Department Head for Code Enforcement and Planning."

Chris will now return to his original role as Assistant Code Enforcement Officer.

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Joseph Crocker, Raymond Town Manager



# Windham boy's lacrosse falls in playoff quarterfinals

#### By Matt Pascarella STAFF WRITER

Fourth-ranked Windham boys' lacrosse came into their Class A quarterfinal with fifthranked Cape Elizabeth ready to get the win at Windham on Friday, June 13. Unfortunately, Cape took control early and kept a commanding lead for most of the game. Windham stuck with it, but Cape Elizabeth defense was intense. The Eagles lost 14-3 after 48 minutes.

"I think our team's a great team," said Windham freshman Liam Reinbold, who scored a goal for Windham in the second half. "We came into this, we had a lot of practice, and we were all positive, it just didn't go our way. I think we planned for the right things, just unfortunate turns; Cape is a solid team. We knew it was going to be hard ... we got to work harder in the offseason, and we're going to beat them next (time). They came out of the gate strong, but offensively we looked great; we got our opportunities. It's just how it fell. I love these boys, we came together, and we had some tough games, it was a great season. We're going to come back stronger and stronger and hopefully win it all."

Despite Windham's intensity on the field, Cape Elizabeth jumped to an early lead and scored six times in the first quarter.

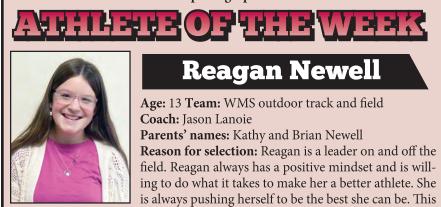


(Clockwise from top left) Windham junior Garrett Winslow watches as his shot heads right toward the net and in the goal against Cape Elizabeth at Windham High School on Friday, June 13 in the Class A boys' lacrosse quarterfinal playoff game. Junior Ethan Nguyen rushes past defenders. Freshman Liam Reinbold surveys the field. Senior Cole Heanssler maneuvers around his opponent. PHOTOS BY MATT PASCARELLA

In the second quarter Windham junior Garrett Winslow scored. He scored again before the end of the first half.

Windham continued to take shots

CORRECTION: An incorrect photograph was submitted for the Youth Athlete of the Week profiled in the June 13 edition of The Windham Eagle. Please see below for the correct photograph and information.



'We came into this game, we pre-

at goal, but not much got by.

pared for it all week," said Winslow. "We knew what we needed to do, who we needed to guard, who we needed to lock off. We did what we needed to do; we just weren't necessarily awake at the beginning of the game. It started off super slow and then we got a couple man-ups, which helped us out, got some momentum from that and then it really started to unravel when we all started to put our heads down. Not necessarily giving up, but we already played this team once and it went the same way. In a sense we were all trying to still comeback - we've come back in plenty of games this year. We kept putting each other up, we weren't arguing; it was a team game for sure. Some things didn't go our way. We were doing anything we can to get a shot off."

In the second half, Windham sophomore goalie Zachary Gagne had several nice stops.

Windham defense was able to slow down Cape Elizabeth's offense a bit and they scored less in the second half than the first.

In the fourth quarter, Reinbold scored.

"The mindset going in was, do the things we need to do," said Windham boys' lacrosse coach Peter Small. "Focus on our things; we know what we think they're going to try to do, we just have to then play it as best we can. At the end of the first quarter, they were still of that mindset 'just one goal at a time' ... and even at halftime they recognized the mountain has gotten bigger, but you can't think about the mountain you have to take it one at a time and Windham is very good at that. I think Windham elevated their character over the season; they took what we did last year and built on it and worked together as a team. The seniors will be dearly missed - they helped lead this foundation of who we are. We're going to carry that tradition on for them."

Windham senior Levi Hayman said this season meant so much to him because of the team's chemistry.

According to Windham senior Cole Heanssler, this season was all about how well Windham worked together and drove to be the best they could possibly be. The team this year has definitely been the most connected group that he's been a part of during his lacrosse career; the team was great at putting in the work, and it showed during the season. <



season she achieved a school record in the 200-meter dash. She is someone that the younger athletes will look up to. She has become a leader and is one of those athletes that coaches love because she is a thrower and a runner. Reagan is always positive and is willing to do the hard workouts if it's going to make her a better athlete.



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"We had timely hits when we had

runners in scoring position," said Kim-

ball. "We had good at-bats and were

able to get more people on base than

we had before, which was good. We did

well in the field, we made all our plays

In preparation for the state championship, Kimball said they need to make

sure the team stays healthy and to

brush up on any mistakes the coaches

might have noticed during this game.

"If we keep communicating, that helps

settle our nerves. We say in the dugout

'stay within ourselves.' Going into that

seventh inning we said, 'it's a 0-0 ball-

game, let's keep playing like it's a 0-0

ballgame.' It goes back to us having

composure with baserunners on. We

can give a little without breaking and

that's exactly what we did today. It's

very hard to break this team." <

"As much as you say there's not nerves, there always is," said Gardiner.

in the infield and that was nice."

# WHS softball wins Class A Regional Championship

#### By Matt Pascarella STAFF WRITER

Second-ranked Windham varsity softball made program history again when it won its second regional title in recent years, ousting top-ranked Cheverus at Saint Joseph's College on Tuesday, June 17. Cheverus had beaten Windham twice in the regular season, but Windham came in ready to go and sent the Stags packing 1-0 as the Lady Eagles advanced to the Class A State Championship.

"It felt like we deserved it; it was a team win; we came here as a team and that's how we executed it was together," said Windham senior Chloe Edwards, who scored Windham's winning run. "I saw that the ball was in the air, I had a good lead on it, and I had to go. It went past her, and I went."

Windham defense only allowed four Cheverus hits. Windham senior pitcher Kennedy Kimball struck out eight and only walked two; she threw 69 strikes out of 98 pitches.

Cheverus loaded up the bases in the first inning, with one out; strong pitching by Kimball, plus stellar Windham defense left those bases loaded as they ended the inning.

Windham was able to get the bats going in the second inning when junior Nola Bryant doubled to left center field.

The game was scoreless until the top of the third inning. Windham loaded up the bases when Edwards walked, junior Addison Caiazzo singled and senior Stella Jarvais singled. A hit from Kimball to center was a fly-out, and Edwards didn't tag up to score. She corrected the mistake on a passed ball and crossed home plate for the only run of the game.

"It definitely helped us that we've



Senior Chloe Edwards slides into home plate to score Windham's winning run in the Class A Regional Championship against Cheverus at Saint Joseph's College on Tuesday, June 17. PHOTO BY MATT PASCARELLA

seen (Cheverus pitcher) Addison (DeRoche) for two games, that was a bonus for us," said Windham varsity head coach Darcey Gardiner. "They stayed together and constantly played together and that's why in moments like the first inning (Cheverus) bases loaded, seventh inning runner on – we talk about give and not break, that's the composure that we want our girls to have, and it was awesome to see them show up with it and act like we've been here before."

While Cheverus shut down Windham in a few innings, Windham returned the favor and never let them cross the plate.

In the bottom of the seventh inning, a walk put a Cheverus runner on first base with one out. Kimball struck out one and then a ground out ended the game.



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★ Girls' Lacrosse: Girls' Lacrosse: The second-ranked Windham girls' lacrosse team shut down seventh-ranked Yarmouth, 16-10, at Windham High School on Friday, June 13. Yarmouth tied the game, 4-4, in the second quarter and then, 5-5, at the half, but Windham showed they wanted this more; WHS junior Abby Trainor scored in a little over a minute of the second half. Then, senior Grace Joly found the back of the net twice, followed by Trainor and junior Neve Ledbetter. After three quarters, Windham led, but Yarmouth wasn't far behind. Junior Olivia McPherson scored in the fourth quarter. Then Joly and Trainor scored. Ledbetter scored again, as did McPherson. Windham's defense held back Yarmouth until the last buzzer. Windham played sixth-place Falmouth on Wednesday, June 18

at Kennebunk in the semifinals – details to follow.







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## AWARDS Cont. from page 5

Carter Mathieu, University of Southern Maine Book Award. This award is given to a student who has demonstrated great determination and persistence in the accomplishment of goals in academics, leadership, community and/or extracurricular activities.

Viktoria Richardson, Rochester Institute of Technology Women in STEM Award. This is presented to a female student with high academic achievement who is involved in the school and community and is pursuing a degree in STEM.

Lauren Neal, St. Anselm College

Book Award. This distinction is presented to a student that demonstrates academic success and exceptional leadership qualities in civic engagement.

Finn Jorgensen, University of Rochester Xerox Award for Innovation. This award recognizes a junior who has a strong interest in innovation and a high level of achievement.

Samuel Hutchison, Bowdoin College Book Award. This distinction recognizes a junior who demonstrates extraordinary service to the common good, a commitment to the study of the environment and lives life with compassion and integrity.

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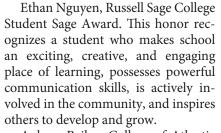
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Aubrey Bailey, College of Atlantic Book Award. This award is presented to an adventurous junior who is invested in creating positive change in the world and is engaged in their learning and their community.

Corey Brackett, Elmira College Key Award. This award is presented to a high school junior who has maintained a 3.0 GPA in high school and demonstrates outstanding school and community leadership. The award includes a renewable yearly scholarship.

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Madison Donnelly, Suffolk university Book Award. This award is presented to a student who shows dedication to learning in the classroom as well as to their school community through extracurricular involvement and volunteer positions.

Gwendolyn Howard, Simmons University Book Award. This award is presented annually to a female high school junior who exemplifies the qualities of a Simmons University student, including leadership, community service, caring for family, passion for all social justice, climate change, and acts of kindness; and embody one or more of the school's core values.

Aries Nielsen, Maine College of Art and Design Book Award. This honor recognizes a student for outstanding visual artwork. <

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# Selling a home: How to manage the stress

By Carrie Colby SPECIAL TO THE WINDHAM EAGLE



Selling a home is one of life's biggest transitions. It can be exciting but also overwhelmuncertain. ing, and emotionally draining. Whether you're relocat-

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ing due to a major life change or chasing a new opportunity, the process involves far more than paperwork. It's a deeply personal journey. Letting go of a place filled with memories isn't easy. Managing stress during the home-selling process doesn't have to be overwhelming. A few key strategies can help keep your emotions in check and your focus on what matters most.

Set a Flexible Timeline: Start by mapping out your ideal timelinefrom when you plan to list your home to your target closing date. Keep in mind, though, that some aspects of the process will be beyond your control. A flexible mindset helps reduce frustration when things don't go exactly as planned.

Create a To-Do Checklist: Selling a home involves dozens of moving parts. A checklist will keep you organized and on track. Include everything from home repairs and deep cleaning to hiring a real estate agent and staging the property.

Hire a Trustworthy Real Estate Agent: Your agent should know your local market inside and out, have a strong track record, and communicate effectively. A skilled agent will guide you through pricing, negotiations, showings, and paperworkfreeing you up to focus on your own move and emotional well-being. Talk to your agent about current trends in your area. Understanding whether you're in a buyer's or seller's market helps you set realistic expectations and price your home competitively from the start.

**Prepare Your Home for Success:** A well-prepared home not only attracts more buyers - it can lead to a quicker sale, which means less stress. Remove personal items and excess belongings to create a neutral, inviting space. Consider scheduling a free donation pickup for unwanted items. Fresh paint, modern fixtures, and minor repairs can boost your home's appeal without breaking the bank.

Stay Flexible and Open-Minded Things won't always go as planned - and that's okay. Showings might be rescheduled, offers may fall through,

or closing might take longer than expected. The more adaptable you are, the less overwhelmed you'll feel.

Keep Your Emotions in Check

Selling a home is emotional, especially if you've lived there for years. But remember, it's a business transaction. Try to approach decisions like pricing and negotiations - with a clear, rational mindset. Remind yourself why you're selling and what you're looking forward to next.

Gain Financial Clarity: Money worries are a common source of stress. Get clear on your financial situation early in the process. Consult a financial advisor if needed to understand how selling your home fits into your larger financial picture.

**Communicate Openly with Your** Family: If you're selling a family home, keep the lines of communication open. A move can stir up anxiety or sadness - especially for kids or longtime residents. Talk through the reasons for selling and invite them to help with packing, organizing, and decisions about the new home.

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Keep the Big Picture in Mind: It's easy to get caught up in the dayto-day stress of selling a home. But remember, this is a temporary season. Soon, you'll be on your way to the next chapter - whether that's a new city, a bigger home, or a fresh start. Selling a home is never just about real estate - it's about change, growth, and new beginnings. With the right mindset, support system, and planning, you can move through the process with more confidence and less stress.

This article was brought to you by Carrie Colby, a Broker with Allied Real Estate, 909 Roosevelt Trail in Windham. She is licensed in Maine and Florida. For your buying, selling, and renting needs reach out to her at at 207-232-5497. <



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**Chicken Bacon Pasta** 

Serves 8

This creamy Chicken Bacon Pasta is a quick and comforting weeknight dinner loaded with tender chicken, crispy bacon, and a rich Parmesan garlic sauce. Pair this dish with a crisp green salad or roasted veggies to cut through the richness, and you've got a full, satisfying meal that comes together fast. Happy cooking!

#### **INGREDIENTS**

16 ounces of penne pasta or other short pasta 12 strips bacon, chopped 2 tablespoons of olive oil 4 cups of boneless, skinless chicken breasts, cubed

kosher salt to taste black pepper to taste 4 cloves fresh garlic, minced 1 cup of chicken broth 2 cups of heavy cream 1 cup of fresh Parmesan cheese, grated

#### **INSTRUCTIONS**

Bring a large pot of salted water to a boil and cook the pasta according to instructions on the package until al dente. Drain and set aside. While the pasta is cooking, heat a large skillet over medium heat and cook the chopped bacon until crispy. Remove the cooked bacon to a paper towel lined plate. Reserve 2 tablespoons of bacon fat in the pan.

To the bacon fat, add the olive oil and the cubed chicken. Season with salt and pepper and cook until browned, about 6 to 8 minutes. Remove the chicken from the pan and set aside. Add the fresh garlic to the same pan. Cook for 1 minute until the garlic starts to become golden in color and fragrant. Deglaze the pan with chicken stock, using a wooden spoon to get all the browned bits off the bottom of the pan - these are tiny flavor bombs! Once the liquid is simmering, add the heavy cream. Cook for 3 to 4 minutes until the sauce thickens a little bit. Return the chicken to the pan and add the pasta. Toss with the sauce, then add the cheese and bacon pieces.

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- 20. 21. Consume
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Condon says that each Maine Power Wash Pros employee is dedicated to setting and exceeding expectations.

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Maine Power Wash Pros was formed when owners Mike Morin and Brian Condon found that a need for this type of business existed in Maine and they set out to become the best company providing this type of service locally. They continuously take classes and attend seminars to be sure they are up to date with the latest skills so they can offer the best results for their customers.

"We put in a lot of time and energy before every wash." Condon said. "We stand behind our work and don't just take our word for it. Look at the hundreds of testimonials from our customers we've posted on our website from the last 10 years. We have thousands of customers that come back year in and year out and our customer list is approaching 7,000."

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