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## Wreaths Across Hollis *The Gift That Honors*

By Liz Barbour

**Wreaths Across Hollis** returns on Sunday, December 7, at 1 p.m. at Memorial Park and the Church Cemetery. Everyone is welcome to experience an unforgettable ceremony and to help lay wreaths. The ceremony begins in Memorial Park, and is followed by the playing of the national anthem and Taps. Participants are then invited to walk among the rows of headstones, pausing at each grave to place a wreath and say the name of the fallen aloud, recognizing that a name spoken is a life acknowledged. One wreath, one name, one quiet promise that we will not forget. The impact of the wreath laying is felt each year by those who participate. One participant reflected, "It wasn't just about the wreath. It was about seeing neighbors and veterans stand together in the cold and honor someone who once stood for us."

**Inspired by the** national Wreaths Across America movement which started in Maine, Hollis resident Al Fulchino, owner of Fulchino Vineyard, brought the tradition to Hollis in 2023. "Wreaths Across Hollis is more than placing wreaths," says Fulchino. "It's about recognizing that these heroes walked the same roads we walk today."

**Fulchino has organized** local groups to join the effort to create this community event. Each year, the program includes the participation of the local VFW Post 11373 and the Hollis Brookline High School Homefront Club. The Hollis Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) partnered with Beverly Hill of the Hollis Department of Public Works (DPW) to map the locations of veteran headstones across all six town cemeteries with records of service from the Revolutionary War and the French and Indian War to



Mark Andrews, Photo By Bob Heyer

modern-day conflicts. The DAR continues its work with their ongoing headstone-cleaning project. As one DAR member shared, "We clean the stones so the names can be read. Wreaths Across Hollis ensures those names are spoken."

**Donations totaling \$2,700** are needed to cover the cost of wreaths and bows, ensuring every identified veteran receives a tribute. Fulchino also hopes to find a new coordinator for next year's ceremony and welcomes a community member or team to step forward to carry on the tradition. To donate or participate visit: [www.fulchinovineyard.com](http://www.fulchinovineyard.com) or Facebook: Wreaths Across Hollis. For more information about Wreaths Across America visit: [www.wreathscrossamerica.org](http://www.wreathscrossamerica.org).

## A Christmas Lifeline *The Gift of News from Home*

*This story was first published on PositivelyHollis.com in December 2023.*

**During World War II**, a group of Hollis locals created the "Hollis Lifeline," a monthly newsletter that helped bridge the distance for soldiers. The mimeographed copies of each issue provided a tether to the Hollis community. We hope you enjoy the following excerpts from The Hollis Lifeline, Vol. II, No. 6, December 1943.

**Hi Fellows,**

A belated Merry Christmas to all you boys and girls in the service. We know it wasn't quite the way you would have wanted it to be, but we hope it was as merry as possible. From all reports, you had plenty of the best to eat with all the fixings. Perhaps some of you were even fortunate enough to have been invited into private homes for the holiday. Our next wish is for a happy and victorious New Year, and we are confident that it will be victorious. Our confidence comes from the knowledge that you and millions like you are fighting for something you believe in. We at home will try our best to keep that alive until you return. Elmer Neary, our Editor, has been confined to St. Joseph Hospital in Nashua recovering from recent operations. He will be back next month to take over this department to my satisfaction and yours. In the meantime, we all hope for his recovery with the aid of a few pretty nurses. —Harold Hills, writer and mimeograph operator for The Hollis Lifeline

**News** - Hardy Parish Hall was filled with parents and children on Christmas Eve for the annual holiday party. The tree held presents for every child through the fourth grade and they all waited eagerly and impatiently till they heard their names called by Jack Rice, impersonating Santa. Yes, as usual, they made it from their seats to Santa in "nothing flat."

**The highlight** of the evening was the love scene played by little Stewie McCormack and Betty Jane Twichell. Later in the same evening, the young people sang carols at many homes in town and then went to Mary Worcester's home for refreshments. By the way, we hope Mrs. Brocklebank enjoyed Pistol Packin' Mama!

**Parents and friends** filled the Town Hall to capacity Friday night, December 10, to see a very fine Christmas program presented by the pupils of the grades and high school. Prof. John Priske directed the program with the assistance of the teachers. Several selections were played by Paul Chapel of Nashua, guest violinist, accompanied by Mrs. Edna Thompsom of Nashua. The Rhythm Band from the primary grades accompanied by their teacher, Mrs. Madeline Bennett, gave two selections: "Christmas in the Air" and "Jingle Bells."

The operetta included narrator, Audrey Lund; John Went-  
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**Wreaths Across Hollis Schedule**

Saturday, December 6, 9 a.m.  
Bow-tying at Fulchino Vineyard

Sunday, December 7, 1 p.m.  
Wreath-laying ceremony at Memorial Park

December 2024 Ceremony

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## Letter from the Editor

Dear Reader:

Our theme for this issue is gifts—not the items we wrap, but the moments we share, the time we give, and the care we extend to neighbors in need. These are the gifts that last long after the holiday season ends.

We have some wonderful opportunities coming up to create unique memories as gifts. On December 7, we'll gather for Wreaths Across Hollis, a moving, hands-on ceremony where children and adults honor Hollis veterans, including our Revolutionary War soldiers. On December 13, we can stroll luminaria-lit sidewalks and enjoy a magical evening of town celebrations. From the lighted tractor parade to the Town Band concert, visits with Santa, and sipping wine inside a snow globe, there is so much to experience right here in our community.

As the year closes, many of us plan another kind of gift: our charitable giving. The PH Post

is proud to donate to Beaver Brook's project to build a new education center. We invite you to consider supporting this cause and the other organizations featured in our pages who count on donations to help fund the important work they do.

Wreaths Across Hollis, the DAR, Troop 12, the Hollis Woman's Club, the Town Band, and Holiday Card Challenge are just a few of them. Finally, The PH Post wants to say a heartfelt thanks to our community contributors and our advertisers. Your support is a gift that lets us share stories about the people, organizations, happenings, and businesses that make Hollis so special.

From the entire team at The PH Post, we wish you a Merry Christmas and a season of peace and joy.

Warmly,  
Liz Barbour  
Publisher/Editor

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## Holiday Card Challenge *The Gift of Gratitude*

By Liz Barbour

In this issue, we share the story of the Hollis Lifeline, a World War II newsletter that connected Hollis soldiers to the folks at home. That spirit of maintaining a link to home didn't end when the war did: In this era, Hollis resident Dr. Laura Landerman-Garber has revived the tradition of compassion through her Holiday Card Challenge.

Starting in 2003, Laura's project began as a family tradition of sending holiday cards to service members, veterans, and military families. Now, 22 years later, this present-day lifeline is a year-round effort powered by thousands of volunteers who write cards, and hundreds more who proofread, sort, and bundle them. Her network has grown from a booth at Hollis events to home card parties, business challenge partnerships, has traveled to the desks of Governor Kelly Ayotte and former President Joe Biden, and spreads across all 50 states.

To date, Laura has assured delivery of



Holiday Card, Courtesy Laura Landerman-Garber

more than 1.5 million cards. The mission has outgrown her dining room and moved to "Card Central," a workshed built on her property by local volunteers and VFW members. The handwritten cards that Laura and supporters from across the country provide are a true lifeline from home to our military service members.

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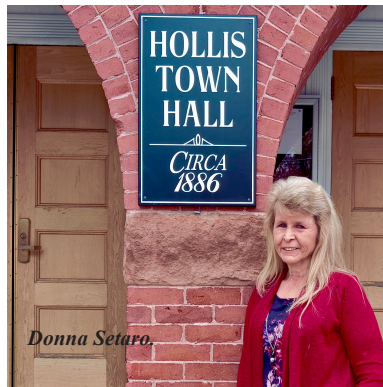
# Hollis Community Spotlight Shines on Town Hall's Donna Setaro

By Liz Barbour

Walk into Hollis Town Hall with a building question and you will likely hear Donna Setaro say, "Let's figure this out." As Land Use Coordinator, she turns stacks of forms into clear steps and keeps applications moving from her desk to committee hearing.

Donna joined Town Hall 15 years ago after a career in scheduling and corporate collections. In her role, she accepts and reviews building permits and applications and forwards them on to the building inspector. Donna is the secretary for both the Zoning Board of Adjustment and the Historic District Commission. Both boards are application intensive and there is a lot to coordinate. "If applicants give us all of the information up front, everything moves so much faster. I'm happy to advise them on how to pull that all together," Donna said.

Donna also coordinates project inspections with the building inspector. Many applicants hope for next-day permits or inspections, and she accommodates them when she can. Her colleague Jackie Hill told me, "She always has an answer. She has her process down



to a science and knows how to wrangle the contractors when she needs to get an application completed and submitted on time," she says with a smile.

Helping residents and contractors navigate the permitting process and offering practical solutions is her favorite part of the job. Sometimes, she can suggest a tweak to the application that is as simple as shifting a shed or garage a few feet to avoid extra approvals. Not everyone takes her advice, but those who do usually can save time with the process.

Donna's work depends on close coordination across a small Town Hall

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# Caring for Monuments *The Gift of Preservation*

By Dawn Cutler, Hollis DAR



The Anna Keyes Powers Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution finished its fall fundraising efforts at Hollis Old Home Days in September, highlighting an ambitious preservation project: cleaning the headstones of all 193 Revolutionary War patriots buried across Hollis's six cemeteries. At their OHD booth, members displayed before-and-after photos and the specialized tools used in their work. The Church Cemetery, located in the town center and including 111 patriot headstones, was the primary focus this summer. The goal is to complete that cemetery in time for the nation's 250th anniversary in 2026.

Because the stones are fragile, members follow a careful process. They use a special cleaner recommended for historic monuments, and gently remove lichen, moss, and mold using natural-fiber brushes and simple wooden tools, such as paint stirrers, chopsticks, and straw brooms, in order to protect delicate engravings. With plenty of water, patience, and elbow grease, volunteers have cleaned nearly 60 headstones since

the project began.

"We work to reveal their names because no one is truly gone as long as their name is spoken. It is the least we can do," said DAR member Kimber Harmon.

Gifts of funding will help purchase headstone-safe cleaners and gentle tools, allowing the work to continue. To volunteer or donate supplies for the headstone project, contact the Anna Keyes Powers Chapter at: [annakeyespowers@nhsodar.org](mailto:annakeyespowers@nhsodar.org). If you would like to see the restored stones and honor our patriots, plan to attend the Wreaths Across Hollis ceremony at the Congregational Church Cemetery on Sunday, December 7, at 1pm.



Headstone of Mr. James Jewet, Church Cemetery

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## Holiday Keepsakes: Gifts That Support Our Library

By Staff

Looking for a local gift this holiday season? The Friends of the Hollis Social Library are selling two special keepsakes that celebrate Hollis and support our library.

First, this year's limited-edition holiday ornament was designed by the Friends and created by the organization's secretary, Nicole Dieffenbacher. Each ornament is \$10 and available while supplies last. Place your order through the Friends' website. A small number of the ornaments will also be available at the library.

The Friends are also selling a holiday mug for \$16, featuring a Hollis photo by local photographer, the late Bob Heyer. Proceeds will benefit both the library and Brigham and Women's Hospital, the institution that gave Robert nine more treasured years with his wife, JoAnne.

The ornament and mug are perfect gifts for teachers, neighbors, and anyone who loves our beautiful town, and its purchase supports the good work of the Friends of the Hollis Social Library. Visit [www.hollislibraryfriends.org](http://www.hollislibraryfriends.org) to place your order.



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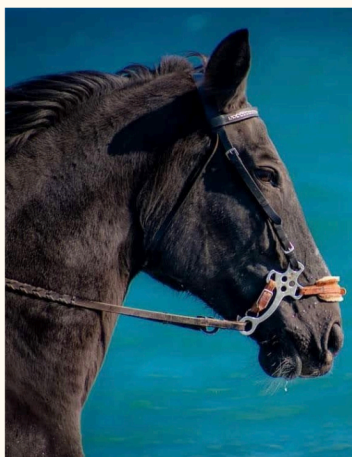
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## Pawsitively Hollis Pets

"Winnie wasn't supposed to be a horse we would get attached to. We imported her from Germany in 2001 purely as a resale project, which she was. But life can be funny sometimes. 8 years ago, the woman who bought her from us fell on some hard times and made some bad choices, and Winnie was part of a group of horses seized by the ASPCA and sent to auction. I found out about her situation, but by the time I called the auction house, she was long gone. Fast forward a year later, when, while scrolling through Facebook, an advertisement popped up for a horse for sale in NY that looked a lot like Winnie. I jumped on the phone with the seller and sure enough we realized it was her. Not long after we were on our way to Long Island to pick her up.

### Winnie



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# Transforming Beaver Brook for the Future *The Gift That Grows*

By Debbie Johnson, Development Director, Beaver Brook Association

As the year ends, many may start thinking about organizations and causes that have made a difference in our lives, and how we might give back. It's a time of reflection and generosity, a moment to make sure our giving aligns with what matters most to us, and a timely opportunity to remember that charitable contributions, including tax-exempt gifts, can also provide year-end tax benefits.

It's during this season of gratitude that I am reminded of what a generous community we have. Beaver Brook has been able to flourish for more than 60 years because of people like you who care passionately about nature, education, and preserving this special place. Did you know that we are powered by individual generosity? People often don't realize just how much we rely on personal gifts, but they make up 73% of our operating revenue each year. Quite simply, Beaver Brook would not be here without the support of the community it serves. This generosity is what allows us to offer so much. There are ways you can give back, whether through a traditional donation or options like gifts from Donor-Advised Funds, IRAs, or appreciated stock.

Each year, more than 10,000 people enjoy the 2,200 acres of protected land and 35 miles of trails. Families explore the forests and fields, students discover the wonders of nature through hands-on science programs, and townsfolk find peace and inspiration in the beauty of the outdoors. Behind every trail map, every classroom activity, and every conserved acre is the support of



Beaver Brook's New Education Center

people who care deeply about this place. Year-end gifts help keep our trails open and safe, sustain our educational programs, and ensure we can continue protecting everything that makes Beaver Brook so special. Whether you visit daily, a few times a year, or simply love knowing this space exists in your community, your support truly makes a difference.

### Giving from your Donor-Advised Fund (DAF):

If you have a Donor-Advised Fund, you can recommend a grant to Beaver Brook at any time. Many supporters find that using their DAF at year-end is a simple and efficient way to make a meaningful gift. Your contribution maximizes the charitable funds you've already set aside. If you choose to give through your DAF, please let us know so we can personally thank you and ensure your gift supports the area of our

mission that matters most to you.

### Giving from your IRA:

For those age 70½ and older, a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) from your IRA can be a powerful way to give. This type of gift allows you to donate directly to Beaver Brook (up to \$100,000 annually) without counting the distribution as taxable income. For many people, it can also satisfy all or part of their required minimum distribution. It's a tax-wise way to support a cause you care about while helping preserve the natural beauty and educational resources of Beaver Brook.

### Giving a gift of appreciated stock:

Donating stock that has increased in value can also be an excellent giving option. By transferring the stock directly to Beaver Brook, you can avoid capital gains taxes and receive a charitable deduction for the full market value. This type of gift often allows donors to make a bigger impact than they could with cash alone and helps to sustain Beaver Brook's mission well into the future.

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## A Visit with Santa

### *Gingerbread Houses and Homemade Cookies: The Gift of Tradition*

By Susan Benz, Hollis Woman's Club, President

**On Saturday, December 13**, the Lawrence Barn will once again fill with children's laughter and the scent of gingerbread and freshly baked cookies. As part of the Hollis Holiday Luminaria Stroll celebration, the Hollis Woman's Club (HWC) will transform the barn into a holiday marketplace. From gingerbread house displays to Santa's warm welcome, every detail inside the Lawrence Barn is created by HWC members and volunteers who believe in the power of community service. They remind us that the holidays aren't just about what we receive, but about the joy we create when we give.

**The Gingerbread Contest:** As visitors enter the barn, they will first encounter the amazing display of creative homemade gingerbread houses. Bakers of all ages are invited to submit an entry. There is no limit on creative inspiration, so enjoy the challenge. Past entries range from whimsical cottages to intricate snowy villages. Many thanks to the Hollis Recreation Department for organizing this delicious event. For contest information, visit [www.hollisluminaria.org](http://www.hollisluminaria.org).

**A Visit with Santa:** The lighted tractor parade heads to Monument Square at 4:30 pm and finishes at the Lawrence Barn. Families are invited to step in line at the barn to meet Santa and Mrs. Claus, who will greet children from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Santa will be seated by the Christmas tree and a cheerful elf will be handing out candy canes. Parents are welcome to capture holiday memories with a photo or two. There is no cost to visit Santa, but donations are always welcome.

**Homemade Cookie Sale:** Each year, 25 club members bake and decorate hundreds of cookies. Beautifully decorated cookie boxes are filled to the brim with treats, featuring cookie favorites like sugar, chocolate chip, gingerbread, thumbprints, and holiday spritz. Behind the scenes, members assemble cookie boxes for sale, along with individually wrapped cookies available for sale while families wait to see Santa. To pre-order a box of cookies, go to Facebook: The Hollis Woman's Club or send an email to: [HollisSanta@gmail.com](mailto:HollisSanta@gmail.com).

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*Cong. Church Open to warm visitors 3:30 pm*  
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*Tree-Lighting Ceremony, Monument Square 4-4:30 pm*  
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## Troop 12 Christmas Tree Pick-Up

### *The Gift of Service*

**Dragging a dry** Christmas tree to the curb in January isn't exactly festive, but Hollis Boy Scout Troop 12 has turned it into a great community service. Each year, on the three Saturdays following Christmas, the troop offers Christmas tree pick-up and disposal to Hollis residents as a fundraiser that supports their active Scouting program. This season, tree pick-ups will take place on Saturday, 12/27, Saturday, 1/3, and Saturday, 1/10. Residents interested in scheduling a pick-up can email [hollistroop12@gmail.com](mailto:hollistroop12@gmail.com) or visit <https://hollis-troop-12.square.site/christmas-tree-pickup>.

**The suggested donation** is \$20 per tree. Scouts ask that the tree be left near the street with the donation attached, but they're happy to come up to the house if needed. "We try to make it easy for families after the holidays," said Troop Committee Chair Pat Quaine. Once collected, the trees are usually transported to the Hollis Stump Dump for disposal. Over the years, some local residents with



By Staff

goats have requested trees for feed and enrichment, and the Scouts are always happy to oblige.

**Troop 12 includes** scouts from 6th grade through high school and is known for maintaining a very active outdoor program. Funds from the tree pick-up help provide equipment, gear, and financial support for trips and activities. The Scouts spend time hiking, camping in all seasons, canoeing, bicycling, skiing, fishing, whitewater rafting, and attending summer camp. This past Columbus Day weekend, members completed a three-day backpacking trek in the White Mountains. Every other year, the troop plans a major adventure trip lasting eight to 10 days. Past destinations have included the Colorado and Canadian Rocky Mountains, Utah, Wyoming, Alaska, and even Hawaii.

## Hollis Holiday Concert: *The Gift of Music*

By Staff

**The Hollis Brookline High School** auditorium will once again fill with the joyful sounds of the season as the annual Holiday Concert brings together the Hollis Town Band and community chorus on Saturday, December 13, at 7:00 pm. Cost of admission is simple: Guests are asked to bring a non-perishable food donation (no glass containers, please!). These gifts will help fill holiday food baskets for local families in need.

**During intermission**, guests can enjoy a dessert sale, with proceeds supporting the Food & Fuel Ministry of the Congregational Church of Hollis. This volunteer team assembles and delivers food baskets to households identified through local school nurses and area organizations such as Nashua Community College, Marguerite's Place, and The Front Door Agency.

**Each year, between 50 and 60** baskets are assembled and distributed, each filled with food collected by the Hollis Brookline Scouts through their annual Scouting for Food drive, and by concert goers. Perishable items that round out each box are purchased

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**Admission:**  
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by the ministry using proceeds from fundraisers including the dessert sale during the concert intermission, as well as the Chari-Tea event held on November 2, the Chili Supper on the evening of the Luminaria Stroll, and direct holiday donations. Brookdale Fruit Farm lends space for short-term storage/sorting, and the church's Food & Fuel Ministry coordinates logistics. Behind the scenes, dozens of volunteers make the effort possible. It's a true Hollis tradition, an evening where the gift of music meets the gift of giving.

# Sip, Shop, and Celebrate

## 14th Annual Fulchino Vineyard Christmas Festival

By Staff

The holiday magic returns to Fulchino Vineyard as it hosts its 14th Annual Christmas Festival, offering a wonderful reason to sip wine while shopping. Visits with Santa and Mrs. Claus and more than two dozen Hollis and area vendors selling handcrafted gifts and homemade specialty food items are part of the weekend celebration. Admission is \$15 per adult and includes a complimentary wine tasting, a wine glass to keep, and samples of cheeses, charcuterie items, and more. Warm igloos and outdoor seating by the fire invite visitors to enjoy a sip of wine or a cup of hot chocolate with friends. Fulchino's menu items and wine are also available for purchase.

Fulchino Vineyard is a working vineyard with a multi-generational history of wine making and a wonderful place to celebrate life's events. Year-round, it offers daily wine tastings and opens its doors to gatherings that spotlight a delicious, seasonally inspired menu, regional talent, and a variety of classes. Owners Al and Susan Fulchino along with their welcoming staff invite you to celebrate the joy of the season at the 14th Annual Fulchino Vineyard Christmas Festival. Visit [fulchinovineyard.com](http://fulchinovineyard.com) for information.

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**Friday, December 12, 4-7 pm**  
**Saturday/Sunday, December 13/14, 11 am-7 pm**

**Santa and Mrs. Claus Schedule**  
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 Saturday 12-2 pm and 3-6 pm  
 Sunday 1-3 pm and 3:30-6 pm

**Where:** Fulchino Vineyard, 187 Pine Hill Road, Hollis.

**Tickets:** Tickets are available at the event and online at [fulchinovineyard.com](http://fulchinovineyard.com). Event updates on Facebook: Fulchino Vineyard.



## Elinjays Cake Poppery

### Sweet Success from Hometown Roots

By Elizabeth Getter

Step into Elinjays Cake Poppery, where creativity and sweetness collide! Hollis resident Lisa Getter and Brookline's Jeana Jordan, co-founders of Elinjays Cake Poppery, turned a small local fundraiser into a sweet success story fueled by determination, heart, and a love of baking. What began as a simple effort to support their daughters' high school volleyball team at Hollis Old Home Days has grown into a thriving business, bringing joy to dessert lovers both locally as well as across the country—all while



Lisa Getter and Jeana Jordan

giving back to the communities that helped them prosper.

The journey began when Lisa decided to make cake pops for the fundraiser, despite some initial skepticism from Jeana. To everyone's delight, the pops were an instant hit, inspiring the pair to turn their hobby into a heartfelt venture. The name Elinjays blends their initials—"L" for Lisa and "J" for Jeana—reflecting the partnership and friendship at the heart of the business. "We wanted a name that represented both of us," Lisa explained. "It's a reflection of the collaboration, creativity, and passion that brought this business to life."

From that first batch, Elinjays has grown from a humble kitchen project into a nationally recognized dessert brand. Today, they ship cake pops across the U.S., providing them for everything from small custom orders to large-scale corporate events, weddings, and fundraisers. Each pop is handcrafted from a proprietary recipe, combining delicious flavors with imaginative designs. Fan favorites include lemon, strawberry, and birthday cake, alongside seasonal flavors like pumpkin spice and peppermint mocha. Every bite is designed to inspire and leave a lasting impression. With the holiday season approaching, Elinjays is spreading cheer with festive-

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## Lara's Theme Jewelry

### A Hidden Gem in Hollis

By Staff

For 25 years, Lara's Theme Jewelry has been one of Hollis's hidden gems. The shop can be found in a cottage next to owner Lara Stawasz's yellow colonial house at 16 Proctor Hill Road. Lara and her husband Chris, have called Hollis home for 27 years, drawn to the town's beauty and tight-knit community. When they began searching for a home, Lara was looking for a property on a main road with a separate building where she could open a jewelry shop. That dream became reality in 2000 when Lara's Theme Jewelry officially opened its doors. With years of jewelry repair experience, Lara transitioned into serious design work in 2006.

Lara's design work is known for blending classic and modern elements, often mixing silver and gold for pieces that are elegant, versatile, and easy to layer. "Every year for Christmas, my husband takes me shopping there and I get to pick whatever I like. I receive lots of compliments on the jewelry and the scarves. You can't go wrong and Lara is very friendly," commented one happy customer. "It feels great to support local small businesses."

Designing custom jewelry for a birthday, wedding, or other special milestone is one of Lara's favorite parts of the job. Her inventory includes sterling silver, 14k gold-filled, gemstone, mixed-metal, and fashion jewelry. Her shop also features accessories and scarves, some handmade by Hollis artists.

Open Saturdays from 10 am to 4 pm, Lara's Theme Jewelry offers a unique shopping experience right here in Hollis. Follow Lara on Facebook: Lara's Theme Jewelry for new arrivals and gift inspiration, or visit her website: [www.larastheme.com](http://www.larastheme.com).

Lara Stawasz, Lara's Theme Jewelry



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## A New Chapter at HBHS: Meet Principal Hess

By Sam Petrella

**Hollis-Brookline High School (HBHS)** has a new face at the top this year: Principal Jacob Hess. Mr. Hess is passionate about building relationships, supporting students and teachers, and building a school culture around kindness and gratitude. Mr. Hess has been in education for 17 years. He first taught in New York before moving to White Mountains Regional High School in Whitefield. He taught English for 10 years and then served as an assistant principal. When the principal left, Hess stepped into the position, an experience that kindled his passion for school leadership. Now, as he starts his first year at HBHS, Mr. Hess says his early impressions of the school have been very positive. "The kids here have been wonderful, very respectful," he said. "The staff is smart and works diligently, and the community has been very welcoming."

**Building stronger connections** among students, teachers, and families is high on Mr. Hess's list of priorities this year. "We've established goals around developing more opportunities for kids and adults to connect in the building," he said. He also hopes to improve communication, helping the school to "tell our story about what we do really well here."

**Mr. Hess describes** his leadership style as supportive and people-oriented. "I enjoy developing relationships with people," he said. "I see my job as helping others achieve their goals, being a resource to students and teachers."

**He makes a point** to visit classrooms every day, greet students in the hallway, and sees even cafeteria duty as a



HBHS Principal Jacob Hess

chance to bond. "As much as lunch duty sounds like a pain," he joked, "It's a great way to meet kids."

**When it comes** to defining student success, Mr. Hess believes it looks different for every individual. "If a student wants to go to a four-year college and have a 4.0 GPA, that's great," he said. "But if another student wants to be a welder and go right into a good career after high school, then that's success, too."

**He wishes to** give students the tools and independence to establish their own goals and find methods appropriate for them, be it through academics, the arts, or experiential education.

Mr. Hess is also looking forward to continuing and improving programs like Advisory and CavBlock, which give students time to get help or explore new interests. Advisory is a program that connects students with an

adult in the building; it helps with schedules, goals, or problems. CavBlock is a 45-minute flex time students can use for extra help, make-up work, clubs, or trying something new. "I think there's a ton of value in a great Advisory program," he said. "And I'd love to see CavBlock evolve to include not just academic help, but also fun, creative opportunities like a teacher offering to teach something new they're passionate about."

**While the transition** from a smaller school with 340 students to a larger one with 750 has been an adjustment, Mr. Hess embraces the challenge. "It's about being intentional with your interactions," he said. "Once you start to recognize faces and build relationships, it stops feeling overwhelming."

**If there's a single lasting lesson** Mr. Hess hopes to leave behind, it's the importance of kindness and gratitude. "If it rubs off on kids that they're thankful for their teachers, or appreciative of people who help them, that's huge to me," he said. "Even in tough situations, I try to assume positive intent because at the end of the day, we're all working towards the same thing: kids succeeding."

**In his time** outside of school, Mr. Hess enjoys cooking, baking, and DIY projects. He is a big sports fan, especially of the Dallas Cowboys, Minnesota Twins, and Syracuse Orange, and loves spending time with his family.

**Looking ahead,** he hopes students will remember him as a principal who was visible and approachable. "I

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## Before hitting the trails, let's talk coverage.



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## Hollis Primary School Expansion: Where to Find the FAQs

By Anne Wake-DePasquale, HPS Enrollment Committee

At the March 2026 Hollis School District Annual Meeting, a bond will be presented to the Town of Hollis for the renovation and expansion of the Hollis Primary School. This project is designed to address constraints on the school due to enrollment increases and relieve traffic congestion on Route 122 at peak times of pickup and drop-off.

If this is the first you have heard of this project, you may be wondering: How did we get here? Is the enrollment increase really that bad? Is this truly necessary? How much will it cost?

These questions are thoroughly addressed on the Hollis Enrollment Committee website, found via the QR code in this article.

Nearly two years of work are meticulously documented in meeting agendas and minutes, but you can also read a summary of this content in the posted article, "The HPS Expansion Project: A Brief History," and explore the FAQ page. These resources offer comprehensive coverage of the project and how it would benefit Hollis's school children and all town

residents.

The most updated architectural building and civil site plan designs, as well as cost estimates, are also posted to the Enrollment Committee website.

Before the vote, another information session will be hosted in January at the Hollis Primary School. At this open forum, school leaders will provide tours of the school, discuss the history of the project, highlight problems the expansion aims to solve, and explain costs associated with the bond. In February, the Hollis School Board will present the bond in a public hearing to the Hollis Budget Committee. Please check the Hollis Enrollment Committee website for the dates of these events as they become available.



For more information, scan the QR above

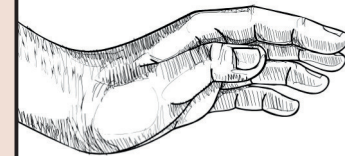
## Hollis Obituaries

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**Julianne Hope "Juli" Belanger** (1965 - October 19, 2025) lived a life defined by love, devotion to her family, and kindness to her patients. She grew up in Hollis, New Hampshire, surrounded by the love of her parents, James and Sandra Belanger, and her siblings, Dr. James Belanger, Jennifer Belanger, and Jayne Belanger.

Juli built a beautiful family in Pennsylvania with her husband, Harold Michael Yocca. Together, they raised six children and welcomed six grandchildren. After graduating from Hollis Area High School and St. Joseph School of Nursing in Nashua, Juli began a long career in the nursing and caregiving field. Her gentle touch and compassionate spirit left a mark on those she cared for and those she worked beside. Co-workers remember her as someone with a heart of gold: "Juli was a bright light in the world...she always carried a smile and cared about everyone," said a friend and former colleague. Juli's obituary can be found at [www.hollisbrooklinenews.org](http://www.hollisbrooklinenews.org).



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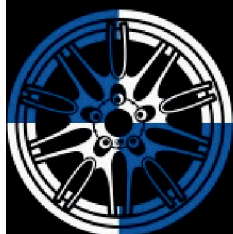
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# Thinking About Beekeeping? Winter Is the Time to Begin

By Liz Barbour

**Honeybees play** a major role in sustaining our local agriculture. According to the University of New Hampshire Cooperative Extension, over 75% of all flowering plants rely on animal-assisted pollination to reproduce. In a farm-rich town like Hollis, home to acres of orchards, berry bushes, pumpkin patches, and vegetable fields, the presence of healthy beehives supports our harvests. So, what can we do to help? Start a hive!

**If you have** ever thought you'd like to have your own beehive, winter is the time to learn what it takes to get started. That was the first advice I got when I spoke to some Hollis beekeepers about the topic. They also agreed that we need as many beekeepers as we can get, and beginners should find a mentor, take some classes, and connect with local clubs.

**I met Diane** and Mike Mattock at the Beaver Brook Fall Festival. They were there with their mini observation hive and answered many of my questions while friendly honeybees drifted around us. We continued our conversation at their home where they have kept bees for 15 years. For them, beekeeping is a learning experience they love sharing. "We are always happy to help beginners," Mike said. As we talked, I learned that a frame is a removable wooden rectangle that holds the bees' wax comb; a box (hive body) is the wooden hive section that holds the frames, and a standard box holds 10 frames.

**Most beginners choose** between two setups. One is a



bee package, which is a screened box containing about 3 pounds of loose bees plus a caged queen the colony has not yet accepted. You shake the bees into your empty 10-frame box, hang the queen cage so they can gradually release and accept her, and let them build comb on the empty frames. The challenge with this set-up is queen acceptance. If the bees reject her, you will need to replace the queen and try again. The other option is a nuc (nucleus colony), which arrives as a 5-frame mini hive already working, with bees, brood, food, and a laying queen the bees have already accepted. A nuc costs more but gives beginners a head start on day one.

**This all sounded** a little intimidating, so I asked if I could start with one hive. "I always suggest new beekeepers start small, with a 5-frame nuc rather than a package." Diane prefers to stack a second 5-frame box as the colony grows. "When the 10-frame boxes are full

of honey, they can weigh about 80 pounds. A 5-frame setup is much lighter to lift. And, because it's smaller, it's easier to see inside and keep track of the queen."

**Next, I called** John Duffresne, owner of J & B Apiaries. I've been buying John's honey for years, so I was eager to talk with him. John recommends that beginners take beekeeping classes. "Beekeeping sounds simple, but it's not. There's always something new happening in the hive and sometimes, when you lose a hive, you can't always explain what went wrong." Even seasoned beekeepers face tough losses. Last year, more than 65% of the hives across New England were lost, John lost 40% of his own hives. Cold weather, parasitic mites, and mysterious stressors can devastate colonies quickly, which is why he also suggests starting with two hives. "If one hive dies, you'll still have another colony." John told me most beekeepers should not expect to extract honey from their hives in the first year. Once a hive is established, starting in the second year, John says you can expect three honey extractions during the warmer months. And finally, John gives a warning to all beekeepers, "Don't buy used equipment, as it can carry disease."

**For Jim Recks,** beekeeping is a family story. Jim began in 2015 under the mentorship of his father-in-law Mike, who kept bees for 40 years. "The fascination took over," he told me. "It's so relaxing and amazing to watch." Mike guided Jim through every scenario. "There

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## A Unique Spa and Studio Experience *The Gift of Clay*

Looking for a special gift for someone who deserves a restorative experience? Meet Wendy McKenzie, owner of The Voice of Clay in Brookline, NH. Wendy offers a one-of-a-kind combination of studio spa treatments, pottery classes, and natural clay products. At her studio, she blends ancient clay practices with modern relaxation to create a calm space to slow down, breathe, and reconnect. Wendy brings a creative heritage to her work. She grew up at Pickity Place, the little red antique cottage in Mason, NH, known for its gardens and herb-inspired menus. Her parents owned the restaurant, and that upbringing informs her work today as a teacher, author, and wellness guide.

*How is a "personalized clay treatment" different from a standard facial or body treatment?* "I begin with a brief consultation to assess any physical, emotional, or energetic concerns. Based on this assessment, I work with my clients to determine the most effective method of application,

which may include a clay pack, an edible clay protocol, a clay foot bath, hands-on clay manipulation, or a combination of these applications. These sessions involve the application or use of clay and provide education about how different types of clay work, empowering the client to continue their healing journey at home."

*Do you offer products if someone wants to get started with clay at home?* "We launched a new product line this year called Clā, a calcium bentonite clay that is edible, great for facials, packs, and baths. Calcium bentonite Clay is naturally rich in minerals and known for

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Wendy McKenzie

## Recipe For Mineral Bath Salts *The Gift of Calm*

By Rivka Schwartz



Rivka Schwartz

**Mineral bath salts** are easy to make, wonderfully relaxing, and mimic a hot spring or spa. Made with natural clay, sea salts, Epsom salt, and baking soda, they create a soothing soak and wrap up beautifully as a gift to share.

**Mix (store in a jar):** Combine 1 cup bentonite or rhassoul clay, 2 cups sea salt (try pink, Celtic grey, or Dead Sea), 1 cup plain Epsom salts, and 1/3 cup aluminum-free baking soda.

**Optional add-ins:** Add ~18 drops essential oil such as ginger (circulation), cypress (muscles), or lavender (relaxation). For added herbal support, tuck about 1/4 cup of herbs—such as soothing chamomile, calming lavender,

invigorating peppermint, or skin-soothing calendula—into a tea bag or tied nylon.

**How to use:** For a bath, add 1-2 cups of the mixture to warm water and soak for 20-30 minutes. For a foot or hand soak, use 1/2 to 1 cup in a basin and soak 20-30 minutes.

**Water temps:** For gentle lift and reduced fatigue, use 98-100°F. For stress relief, aim for 98-102°F. For tight joints or sore muscles, 104-107°F may help—only if comfortable and safe for your body.

**About the contributor:** Rivka Schwartz is a Hollis-based wellness coach and herbal educator. She teaches at Beaver Brook Association, leads local plant walks, studied herbal medicine in New England, and is Mayo Clinic certified. Find Rivka at her website [www.healthandhearthis.com](http://www.healthandhearthis.com) or email at [rivkaschwartzwellness@gmail.com](mailto:rivkaschwartzwellness@gmail.com).



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**Hollis Community Spotlight**..... *Continued from page 4*  
 where everyone pitches in. Town Assessor Connie Cain credits Donna with helping the Town Hall move from paper files to an electronic record-keeping system. “It was a major change and Donna was key to making it work.”

**Her coworkers say** Donna brings both discipline and fun to the office. Outside the office, Donna and her husband collect and restore hot-rod vehicles. The lineup includes a 1937 Ford five-window coupe, a 1970 Mach 1 Mustang, a 1956 Ford F-100 pickup, a 1994 Mustang, and she is currently negotiating for a 1942 Army truck Rat Rod. Donna is a hands-on mechanic, diving into engines and electrical systems. While talking about her cars, she totally surprised me: “I once mud-raced and drove stock cars. The first time, I raced a 1979 Ford F-250 and finished second.” Who knew?! Donna also loves the outdoors, a passion she shared with her late father. “We hunted deer and fished together, and I still do today. I was the son he never had,” she says with a laugh.

**Donna’s role is** one residents may not think about until they need it, but her work involves nearly every building project in town. She offers simple advice: Check the town website for the town ordinances, documentation, procedures, and forms. They are all online. And, if you’re unsure, just stop in Donna will help you find the straightest path from idea to approval. “Donna is modest,” says Connie, “but she knows exactly what you need.”



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**A New Chapter at HBHS**.....*Continued from page 10*  
 want kids to say, 'My principal was always in the halls saying hi,' “ he said. "I never want to be the principal who's always in his office. I want to be out there, connecting with kids."

**As he settles** into position, it's clear that Mr. Hess is already making his mark not just as an administrator, but as someone who genuinely cares about the people who make Hollis Brookline High School so special.

*Sam Perella is a sophomore at Hollis-Brookline High School and an aspiring journalist. In addition to writing, Sam plays on the school’s soccer and lacrosse teams and referees at youth lacrosse games.*

**Elinjays Cake Poppery**.....*Continued from page 9*  
 -themed cake pops, perfect for gifting, parties, or adding a sweet touch to any celebration.

**For Lisa and Jeana**, success isn’t measured solely by sales. Lifelong volunteers and community advocates, they remain deeply committed to giving back. Elinjays proudly supports Habitat for Humanity and The Front Door Agency, contributing time and treats to fundraise and uplift families in need. Their community spirit extends through the Elinjays Fundraising Program, helping schools, teams, and local organizations raise money in a fun and delicious way. Groups can partner to sell custom cake pop assortments, turning community spirit into sweet success.

**“Our business was** built on community,” says Jeana. “From that first fundraiser to every order we fill, our towns have supported us—and we’re passionate about returning that kindness wherever we can.” Whether crafting custom desserts, supporting charitable initiatives, or helping local teams reach their goals, Elinjays continues to embody the spirit of small-town heart and national ambition.

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**Healthy Hollis: The Gift of Clay**..... *Continued from page 13*  
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 **Did You Know?** 

Putting an orange in the toe of a Christmas stocking is a tradition that dates back centuries. It's said to represent the gold Saint Nicholas secretly gave to those in need, while also symbolizing generosity and the simple luxury of receiving rare fruit in winter. It's a reminder that even small gifts can carry great meaning.

**A Christmas Lifeline**..... *Continued from page 1*

-worth; Robert Hanson; Mrs. Wentworth, Mary Worcester; the Wentworth children, Betty Cudworth, Charles Brown, Naida Glover, Peter Roberts, Conrad Zona; Santa Claus, Bradford Duncan; Mrs. Santa, Carole Spaulding; Angels, Phyllis Simonds, Irene Lavoie, Carol Saunders; Joseph of Nazareth, Ralf Lund: Mary, Pauline Buckley; the Innkeeper, Douglas Petry: Three kings, Wendall Brown, Robert Nartoff, Richard Smith; Shepherds, Charles Woods, Wayne Wood, Donald Reed. After the close of the operetta, the audience joined the school in singing carols after which the curtain was raised on a very beautiful tableau of the First Christmas Night.

**Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Weston** entertained about 35 of the high school pupils who are members of Dr. Weston’s Sunday School Class at a party in Hardy Parish Hall, on Wednesday evening, December 22. A delicious rabbit pie dinner was served at seven and dancing and entertainment were enjoyed until eleven-thirty. Taking part in the entertainment were Andrew Weston, Almira Walker, Dorothy Small, Harold Hills, Peter Brown, Richard Smith, and Audrey Lund. During the evening, Dr. and Mrs. Weston were presented with a poinsettia plant by Miss Emily Dudley on behalf of the class. Four Junior High School pupils, Alberta Cave, Carroll Spaulding, and Mr. and Mrs. William Worcester assisted Dr. and Mrs. Weston in the kitchen. Rev. and Mrs. Walter Priest Brockway chaperoned the party.

*To read more issues of “The Hollis Lifeline” or learn more about the history of Hollis, visit the Hollis Historical Society’s Wheeler House located at 20 Main St. Open Mondays and Wednesdays 1-4 pm.*

**Thinking about Beekeeping?**..... *Continued from page 12*

are a thousand different things that can happen in a hive,” Jim said. “You’ve got to visit your bees regularly and watch them fly. You must be an active beekeeper.”

**In January of 2025**, Mike passed away, leaving Jim to “fly solo” for the first time. Jim has done well, but despite all he’s learned from his father-in-law, he lost about 50% of his hives this summer to mites. It’s a common problem for beekeepers, but they can be treated with regular monitoring and carefully timed applications of pesticides; another reason to learn from experienced beekeepers. A valuable resource for beekeepers is the New Hampshire Beekeepers Association (NHBA), which lists clubs, classes, and mentors across the state. Many local chapters host winter workshops and “bee schools” for beginners starting in January.

**If you’re ready** to dive in, local suppliers close to home make it easy to get started: Hillside Beekeeping Supplies in Merrimack, The Colony – New England Beekeeping Supplies in Tyngsborough, Mass., and Pepperell Beekeeping Supply Company in Pepperell. A longer list of suppliers and clubs can be found on the NHBA website, [www.nhbeekeepers.org](http://www.nhbeekeepers.org).

**Puzzle This!**



I called my dog from the opposite bank of Beaver Brook. The dog crossed over without getting wet, and without using a bridge, a boat, or a raft. How is that possible?



Answer: It was winter and Beaver Brook was frozen, so the dog walked across the ice.

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# COOK'S CORNER



## CRANBERRY-RASPBERRY SAUCE

By Liz Barbour

This is a family favorite! I make this raspberry sauce in big batches and freeze it for year-round use. I use frozen raspberries because they're reliably sweet and economical. For dessert, serve the sauce over pound cake or ice cream. For breakfast, spoon it onto oatmeal, yogurt, or cottage cheese. For a savory twist, add chopped fresh rosemary; it pairs well with chicken, pork, and roasted vegetables. Once you try it, I think you'll love it too.

### INGREDIENTS (MAKES ABOUT 3 CUPS)

- 1 (12 oz) package fresh cranberries
- ½ cup sugar
- 1 cup water
- 1 (12 oz) package frozen raspberries



### METHOD:

- Simmer cranberries, sugar, and water for 10 minutes. Cool to room temperature, stir in frozen raspberries, and refrigerate.
- Savory option: Add 1 tsp chopped fresh rosemary and ½ tsp salt while simmering.



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## Landscape Design *The Gift of a Winter Garden*

By Holly Park, Scout Hill Farm



Holly Park

When the leaves fall and the last blooms fade, most people turn away from the garden and forget its wonders. But if you keep looking, winter reveals its true bones and graceful structure. With a little planning, your landscape can stay beautiful all year long. Follow the suggestions below and less than half your plants will disappear in winter. If this inspires you to start fresh, join me in a class this winter at Scout Hill Farm. Classes are perfect for garden planning and gift giving.

**Start with structure:** Dedicate about 30% of your garden to plants chosen purely for winter interest. Look for bark with color and texture—red or yellow twig dogwoods, paperbark maple, birch—and less-common evergreens like boxwood, juniper, Japanese holly, and pieris. These give shape and depth when everything else fades.

**Add texture and movement:** Next, include around 20% of plants that keep their seedheads: echinacea, penstemon, sea holly, grasses, black-eyed Susan, dill, fennel, and panicle hydrangea. They feed birds, catch snow, and add a sculptural look. Leave them standing until early spring before pruning back.

**Layer in early bloomers:** Reserve about 10% for plants that shine in late winter and early spring—hellebores, witch hazel, azalea, heather, crocus, and snowdrops—to dazzle you well before spring truly returns.

**Don't forget the ground cover:** Lamb's ear, hardy geranium, sweet william, heuchera, and liriope keep a soft, colorful base all year long.

**If you're ready** to plan a four-season landscape or give a gardener a class they will love, join me this winter at Scout Hill Farm. Follow me on Facebook (Scout Hill Farm), Instagram (@scouthillfarm), or at scouthillfarm.com.

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