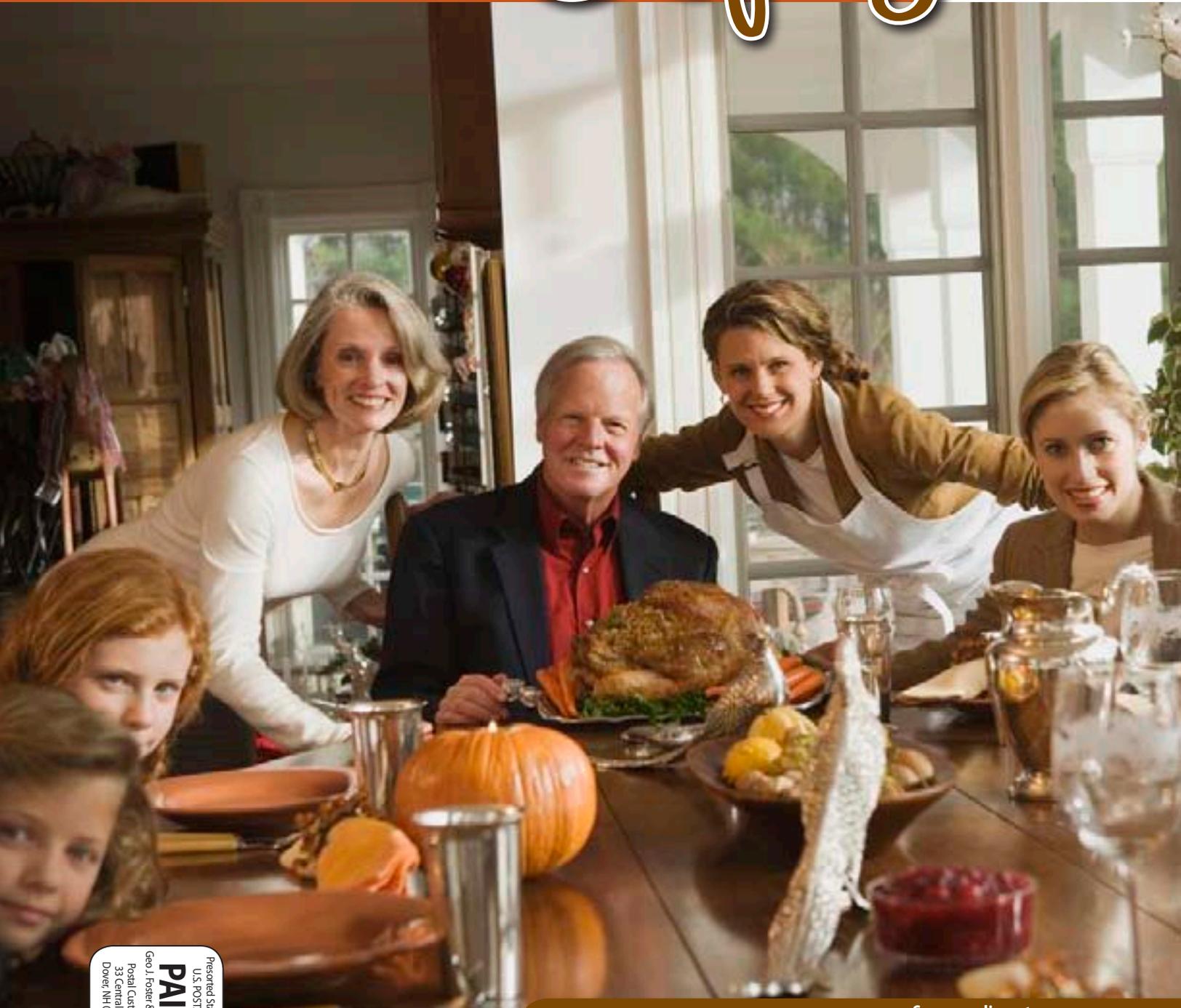


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Partners celebrate completion of Phillips Preserve Easement

On Wednesday, October 23rd, the Town of New London and the Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust celebrated the successful completion of the 71-acre Stephen Phillips Preserve Conservation Easement in New London.

The property is owned by the

town of New London, managed by the New London Conservation Commission and Ausbon Sargent holds the conservation easement.

The Phillips Preserve is open to the public for low impact recreation, offering significant trails on the property.

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Shop exceptional handcrafts. Decorative & functional works in clay represent four potters, each with their own distinct style. Fiber artists will present weaving, fiber sculpture, upscale table linens, home accessories, folk art, original women's clothing and accessories. Glass craftsmen include artisans who create stained, dichroic, blown & lampworked glass.

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Two-dimensional works in embossing, mixed media, wood engraving, photography on paper, tile, canvas, and glass, printmaking, letterpress printing, watercolors, acrylics & calligraphy and are just part of this year's extensive selection.

Thursday & Friday, R.P. Hale will demonstrate letterpress printing &

wood engraving using an antique iron hand press. Using only black paper and scissors, Carolyn Guest will cut silhouettes of both children & adults in her booth while you wait. She'll even cut a pet portrait if you bring a photo of your pet with his nose facing to the right.

In 2013, we are proud to have two outstanding culinary artists. Chef Johnny Kelley has won the prestigious Fiery Food Challenge - his award winning pickles, jams, jellies, salsa and savory rubs have made Jack's the best specialty food in the State a'Maine. No foolin'. Also, fairgoers will love the irresistible breads, pastries, scones, cookies, and other confections by pastry chef Alison Ladman. Yummmm.

Long known as home to the Uni-

versity of NH, Durham comes alive with holiday cheer on the weekend of December 5-7th, 2013. Fine handcrafts, sparkling lights, cozy church fairs, and a gardener's dream will fnj you with the spirit of the season.

Experience small town hospitality at its best. Stay at an immaculately maintained hotel and dine at one of Durham's unique eateries. Come to Evergreen Fair Thursday, December 5th 10am-8pm, Friday, December 6th, 10am-4pm, and Saturday, December 7th, 10am-4pm.

Listen to live music, and meet the instrument makers. Watch master craftsmen at work. As always, there is no admission charge. Shop, relax, shop more. As many times as you like.



Senator Ayotte held a special ceremony in her Manchester office to present Weare resident Wilfred Corey with overdue medals for his military service during World War II. Mr. Corey's friends and family members were on hand to recognize his service in the U.S. Navy.



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Daring pairings: making a match of food and wine

Whether you're a trained chef or simply enjoy cooking at home, there's always a certain amount of trepidation at the thought of having guests for dinner. Do you go out on a culinary limb and serve something impressively daring, or do you play it safe with a tried and true menu? If you decide to take a chance, how daring are you? And, if your menu is an adventure for the taste buds, what wine do you pair with it?

Recently, malbec received praise for being a versatile wine and a great choice for food pairing. In fact, when surveyed, more than half of culinary professionals agreed that malbec pairs with many types of foods. Whether you're serving something wildly daring, such as five-spice crusted short ribs with miso black garlic jus, or something mildly daring, like rigatoni with spicy salami and tomato sauce, you can't go wrong pairing it with malbec.

Alamos Malbec, America's most preferred malbec, is grown in the foothills of the Andes Mountains in Argentina. The result is grapes that combine bold layers of flavor and excellent natural acidity for a wine that pairs beautifully with just about any meal.

"Our unique growing conditions of intense sunlight and cool evening temperatures produce malbec grapes with



incredible flavor making the wine highly versatile for pairing with food," says Alamos Winemaker Felipe Stahlschmidt.

Entertain with confidence by leaning on malbec's versatility. Consider pushing the culinary envelope, and pair malbec with daring cuisine, such as this recipe for Manchego and Chorizo-Stuffed Piquillo Peppers. Your guests will be impressed (and your reputation in the kitchen preserved). For more daring pairings, visit www.tastingtable.com/alamos.

Manchego and Chorizo Stuffed Piquillo Peppers

Pair with Alamos Malbec
Prep time: 30 minutes

Cook time: 25 minutes

Ingredients:

- 1/2 pound smoked firm Spanish chorizo, chopped
- 3/4 cup chopped onion
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1/2 cup seeded, chopped tomato
- 1/3 cup Alamos Malbec
- 1/4 cup chopped yellow bell pepper
- 1/2 teaspoon smoked paprika
- 1/2 teaspoon chili powder
- 1/2 cup shredded Manchego cheese, plus extra for topping
- 12 canned or jarred piquillo peppers, well drained (may substitute roasted red bell peppers if piquillo peppers are unavailable)

Directions:

Preheat oven to 450 F. Cook chorizo, onion and garlic in a large skillet over medium heat for 10 minutes or until onion is soft, stirring frequently. Stir in tomato, malbec, yellow bell pepper and seasonings and cook for 10 minutes more or until all excess liquid has cooked off. Stir in cheese. Fill piquillo peppers with equal amounts of filling and place stuffed peppers in a shallow baking dish. Sprinkle with additional cheese, if desired, and cook in preheated oven for 5 minutes or until peppers are hot and cheese is melted.

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Historical Society acquires Franklin Pierce Presidential tokens

The New Hampshire Historical Society has acquired four medals and tokens documenting Franklin Pierce's 1852 campaign and presidency. The September 2013 purchase was made possible with underwriting support from Q. David Bowers, a numismatist and Chairman Emeritus of Stack's Bowers Galleries of New York and member of the Society's Board of Trustees.

Franklin Pierce (1804-1869) was the 14th president of the United States, and the only president from New Hampshire. The New Hampshire Historical Society is the de facto presidential library for Franklin Pierce, and an important repository for Pierce-related objects.

The Pierce-related objects held by the Society comprise a diverse collection of 107 portraits and items related to Franklin Pierce's life and career. Many were donated by his family members. Prior to this acquisition the Society held only one token from Pierce's 1852 presidential campaign, and two Indian presentation medals minted during his term in office. During the mid-19th century mass produced tokens, coins, and



medals began to be made by political parties and supporters promoting presidential candidates. They reflect a long tradition that continues to the present day in American politics.

The campaign medals were purchased at auction from the John J. Ford Jr. Collection. Ford was a collector and dealer born in 1924 in Hollywood, California.

Ford's impact on numismatics began in the 1950s when he published catalogs with detailed descriptions of coins and their grades. Drawing upon his own deep knowledge, wide travels, and connections in commercial and private numismatics from the 1940s until the turn of the 21st century, the late John J. Ford Jr. pursued tokens and counter stamps. Ford had unique access to treasures in many other cabinets as they became available, including those of Wayte Raymond and F.C.C. Boyd. Many of the objects from these estates have not been available in the marketplace for nearly a century.

"These pieces build the Society's collection of presidential campaign medals: because of their history, uniqueness, and relationship to a famous 19th-century national political figure from New Hampshire, they were a strong addition to the Society's collections," according to Wesley Balla, director of collections and exhibitions. Digital images of the medals will eventually be created and made accessible online through the Society's museum catalog.

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A hero: Henniker man given France's highest honor

Friends, family and neighbors gathered in the Executive Council Chambers of the State House on Thursday to witness Donald McCloskey, 88, of Henniker receive an honor that was long overdue.

NH Governor Maggie Hassan was joined by Fabien Fieschi, Consul General of France who presented McClosky, a US Navy veteran of WWII, with the French Legion of Honor in recognition of his valiant service on D-Day. Established by Emperor Napoleon Bonaparte in 1802, the Legion of Honor is France's oldest and highest Military Honor.

On June 6, 1944 McClosky was more than a witness to history, he participated in it. During the Normandy invasion McClosky piloted a Higgins Boat, transferring troops and supplies to Omaha Beach and returning wounded soldiers to a converted hospital ship, all while under heavy fire from the dug-in German defenders.

After the German surrender, he was transferred to the Pacific Theater where, from his boat, he witnessed General Douglas MacArthur accept the Japanese surrender aboard the USS Missouri.



Governor Maggie Hassan (r) joined French Consul General Fabien Fieschi (l) in honoring Donald McClosky (c) as a Knight of the French Legion of Honor.

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Successful financial future starts with asking the right questions

For most people, turning things over to someone else shouldn't mean tuning out completely - especially when it comes to something as important as your financial future. When it comes to money and investing, most people feel more confident keeping one hand on the wheel to help ensure their best interests are being served. But how do you know if you're doing that now or not? Here are three questions every person who invests should ask to determine how involved they are with their investments and if they're getting the level of engagement they want from their current investment professional:

1. Does my broker encourage me to be actively involved in my investment strategy?

Ninety-seven percent of Americans who are highly engaged in various activities in their lives say they want to be involved in the decisions that their broker is making, according to a Schwab study of engaged Americans conducted in May 2013. Does your broker make this easy for you to do? Sitting down and having a conversation with your broker to discuss the level of involvement you want is the



first step. You should determine how and when you'd like to be contacted so your broker can keep you up-to-date on major developments in your financial situation. Make sure you feel empowered to ask questions and your broker's answers make sense, you are comfortable giving feedback, and your broker encourages you to check in as frequently as you want - on your terms.

2. What are my broker's recommendations based on?

Do you ask for the rationale behind the recommendations your broker is making for your money? Not only do you deserve an explanation, but you need to understand how your broker's recommendations are suitable for your unique goals, risk tolerance, time horizon and ongoing

changes in your personal and financial situation - as opposed to being the same cookie cutter ideas everyone else receives. It's also a good idea to make sure you understand how your broker is compensated for the advice you receive and the products being recommended.

3. Do I understand the progress I am making toward my goals?

Schwab's study of engaged Americans from May 2013 found that 56 percent of those surveyed have a customized financial plan, which is an important first step to taking ownership over your financial future. But do you understand the progress you are making in that plan? It's important to have simple and transparent benchmarks and measures, so make sure your broker offers the tools you both need to track progress against your goals.

If you weren't able to answer these questions on your own, it may be time to ask your broker. Communication is key to any good working relationship and your broker is no exception. It's worth the time and effort to make sure you are on a path toward a successful financial future.

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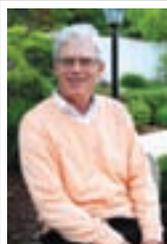
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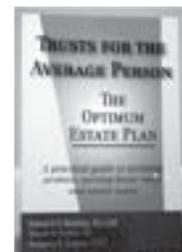
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Lancaster, New Hampshire – Visitors to northern New Hampshire looking for the best off-the-beaten path hidden gems can turn to New Hampshire Grand’s newest itinerary. The itinerary includes a variety of unexpected treasures in outdoor activities, shops, restaurants, and inns in Whitefield, Lancaster, Twin Mountain, Jefferson, North Stratford, Berlin, Gorham, Colebrook, Pittsburg, Milan, Errol, and Shelburne. “Northern New Hampshire abounds with cool places to visit that are not widely known, whether it’s the best place to stop for homemade raspberry pie or the best trout fishing spot, and everything in between,” said Pam Sullivan, marketing coordinator for New Hampshire Grand, the official visitor information source for northern New Hampshire.

“Each of these little-known treasures is a special part of the North Country, and New Hampshire Grand’s newest itinerary helps visitors discover them and enrich their trip.”

The itinerary, which focuses on specialty lodging properties and the hidden gems surrounding each, features the following:

WHITE-FIELD, LANCASTER and JEFFERSON:

The historic Lion and the Rose Bed and Breakfast, located in downtown Whitefield, is a charming 1895 Queen Anne Victorian lovingly restored



Moose Muck Coffee House in Colebrook



Milan Hill State Park in Milan

by innkeepers Roger and Chris Croteau. Each of its eight rooms is decorated according to such themes as the Egyptian Room and the Far East to the Lion’s Den and the Key West.

Some of the hidden gems down the road from The Lion and the Rose are:

- ▶ Grandma’s Kitchen in Whitefield, a traditional American diner with such daily specials as “all you can eat” Thursday night fish fry, or the BLT that the New York Times gave a thumbs-up.

- ▶ The Moonbeam Café, a year-round favorite in Lancaster, where all of the meals are prepared by scratch, made with the freshest ingredients and served with homemade jams and jellies.

- ▶ At Fuller’s Sugarhouse select award-winning maple syrup and other maple products to take home from your trip.

- ▶ Simon the Tanner, an outdoor clothing store in Lancaster for the entire family, and Drummond’s Mountain Shop in Twin Mountain, will prepare visitors for a hike at any one of the area’s wildlife refuges, or a day of skiing on the slopes and cross country trails.

- ▶ Mud Pond in Jefferson is an easy 6 mile hike that is handicap accessible and ideal for family groups. The packed trail transitions to a raised boardwalk that ends at a viewing platform.

- ▶ The Fire Tower on Mt. Prospect at Weeks State Park in Lancaster affords one of the best panoramic views of the

Presidential Range of the White Mountains, the Green Mountains of Vermont, the Kilkenny Range, the Percy Peaks, and the upper Connecticut River Valley.

NORTH STRATFORD and COLEBROOK:

With comfortable accommodations, a relaxed atmosphere, scenic mountain views and access to year-round recreational activities, Trailside Lodge offers a stay in the main lodge or one of the cabins. Lodge owner Sharon White can point out to visitors the best snowmobile and ATV trails, as well as fishing spots, hiking and biking trails, and put-ins on the Connecticut River for your canoe or kayak.

Some of the hidden gems in the vicinity of Trailside Lodge are:

- ▶ Moose Muck Coffee House in Colebrook, where all the food is freshly made. Owner Carol Sandhammer-Pires relies on a local Colebrook farmer for her fresh vegetables, and only serves New Hampshire-roasted coffee.

- ▶ Fiddleheads, A Great North Woods Shoppe, features inspired gifts created by local, regional, and national artisans.

- ▶ North Country ATV Club in Stratford offers more than 120 miles of trails that crisscross 30,000 acres. These trails take visitors through wide sweeps of underdeveloped land that encompasses mountains, bog and pastures and connects with the 1,000+ mile Ride the Wilds interconnected trails system.



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Philbrook Farm Inn in Shelburne

► In the summer, visitors can explore the Northern Forest Canoe Trail and get out onto the Connecticut River and spy osprey, moose, bear, or other wildlife along the way.

PITTSBURG:

Visitors can stay a night or two at The Path Less Travelled, the lodging business of Keith and Jean Landry tucked away in the wilds of rural Pittsburg. Each of their rustic cabins, the Loon-ey Bin, Moose-y on Inn, and Fish Tales, is equipped with modern amenities and conveniences. With easy access to the ATV and snowmobile trails, The Path Less Travelled is a great place for an outdoorsman of any season.

Some of the undiscovered gems in the Pittsburg area include:

► The Buck Rub in Pittsburg offers some of the best burgers and pizza, fried chicken and steak tips in the region. Visitors can enjoy watching their favorite sporting event or taking in a game of pool before or after they dine.

► Join the Great North Woods Riders ATV Club for a ride along their approximately 100 miles of trails, with terrain changing from graveled roads to woody trails.

► Trophy Stretch in Pittsburg is the two-and-a-half mile stretch of the Connecticut River from First Connecticut Lake to Lake Francis and offers excellent trout and salmon fishing. Anglers can also fish for the twice-a-year landlocked salmon

in May and late September/early October in First Connecticut Lake and just below First Lake dam.

MILAN and BERLIN:

► The Mahoosuc Inn in Milan makes room for visitors traveling with their four-legged companions, offering groomed walking trails on the property, as well as its own Nordic ski area, equestrian stables, and beautiful gardens. The inn features six guest rooms, each named for a peak in the Mahoosuc Range, and offers shuttle service for all of the area's outdoor activities including skiing, hiking and river rafting.

Some of the hidden gems in the vicinity of The Mahoosuc Inn are:

► Northland Restaurant and Dairy Bar in Berlin to enjoy a burger and fries or a lobster roll, and top it off with homemade raspberry pie and ice cream.

► L.L. Cote Sports Center in Errol offers outfitting for every outdoor enthusiast in its 50,000 square feet of space. Visitors can stock up on all their gear for hunting, fishing, snowmobiling, and more.

► Summertime river rafting on the Androscoggin River with Northwoods Rafting, ELC Rafting, and Raft NH.

► Milan Hill State Park is a nice spot for hiking, and wildlife viewing with scenic mountain views of ranges in New Hampshire, Maine, Vermont, and Canada from the fire tower. Visitors can also camp in one of the park's four yurts.

SHELBURNE and GORHAM:

► Philbrook Farm Inn, an inn on the National Register of Historic Places in Shelburne, is run by the 5th generation of the Philbrook family. Rustic and historic, this 1861 farmhouse and its cottages offer visitors a chance to take a step back in time. Though visitors may not want to leave the peace and tranquility of the 1,000-acre property, the bed and breakfast is situated in very close proximity to Mt. Washington and the Appalachian Trail. Some of the hidden gems in the area of the Philbrook Farm Inn are:

► The White Mountain Café and Bookstore in Gorham is an ideal spot for a hot cup of tea, a warm bowl of soup, and a book to read.

► Gateway Gallery and Gifts is the location to discover White Mountain memorabilia and work by North Country artists to take home as a souvenir.

► With its daily menu offering one-of-a-kind paninis, homemade soups, Italian dinners and biscotti and chocolate truffles, Saladino's Italian Market & Restaurant in Gorham offers a taste of Italy in the north country. Sit down or take-out meals are worth the stop.

"For the visitor who enjoys exploring and discovering new things, New Hampshire's Grand North is an oasis with specialty bed & breakfasts, gourmet dining, and unparalleled outdoor adventures and mountain vistas in any season," added Sullivan.



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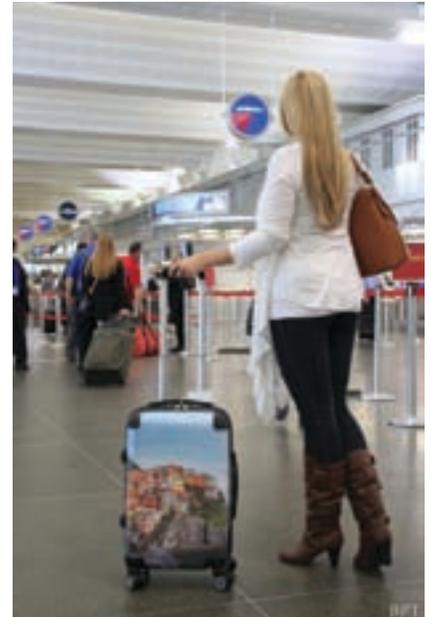
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Tips for healthier air travel

Ask people who fly frequently, and they will tell you that it takes a mental and physical toll on them.

Psychologically, air travel can make you feel like a nameless face in a herd of sameness. The combination of spending hours in airport lines, dragging around luggage to avoid bag fees and being wedged into tiny seats drive people to near madness. The confluence of monotony and feeling unappreciated has made air travel a lethargic chore instead of, at the very least, a necessary means to an end.



The possible physical effects of air travel are even more troubling. Dry cabin air and altitude changes can compromise a passenger's immune system. Long stretches of inactiv-

ity can also contribute to circulatory conditions such as Deep Vein Thrombosis (DVT), which some have contentiously called Economy Class Syndrome.

The good news is that there are common sense ways to keep your mind and body healthy while traveling.

Hydrate to energize - Dehydration can lower energy, and also affect your mood and the ability to think clearly, according to a study conducted at the University of Connecticut. Pack a refillable bottle in your carry-on and be sure to fill it once through security. When in the air, ask for water or juice instead of soda or alcohol, which can increase dehydration. Hydration can boost energy levels once you arrive at your destination.

Assert your personality - Find a way to bring along something that reminds you of home. This keeps you grounded and can spark conversations that make air travel more enjoyable. A new and unique way to do this is with a MyFlyBag. This personalized luggage features a photo or image of your choice - your family, a pet, a favorite vacation spot - turning an otherwise boring piece of luggage into a personal billboard.

Limit stress - Stress is the body's enemy. Mitigate it by arriving at the airport early, so you can navigate the ticketing and security lines without having to constantly look at your watch. Arriving at the gate early also gives you a chance to meet new people.

Stimulate the mind - At the airport, pick up a book of crossword puzzles, math games or even a newspaper from a foreign country printed in English to stretch the brain in new directions.

A little planning and a positive outlook can change the entire air travel experience for the better. You will stand out, be energized and will be ready to make the most of your business trip or personal vacation. (BPT)

Senator Ayotte questions HHS Secretary over health care access

In a letter to HHS Secretary Kathleen Sebelius, Ayotte asked the department to provide information about how many New Hampshire citizens were able to access, create an account, and enroll in a health insurance plan through the New Hampshire exchange. Ayotte said the Administration has an obligation to disclose such information given the widespread technical problems with the exchange rollout:

Dear Secretary Sebelius:

With hundreds of millions of dollars having been spent to create health insurance exchanges across the country, taxpayers deserve an honest, immediate and full accounting of how the exchanges are functioning. I write seeking a status report on the implementation of the health care law in New Hampshire.

In only a matter of months, all Americans will be required to purchase health insurance or face stiff tax penalties. However, published reports indicate that the new insurance exchanges are confusing and severely flawed, making it very difficult for Americans to comply with this new law.

Effective oversight requires transparency, and I have become increasingly concerned about the administration's refusal to answer specific questions regarding technical problems with the exchange rollout – as well as its refusal to provide enrollment figures until next month. That is unacceptable.

Having received significant negative feedback about Obamacare from New Hampshire citizens, who in many cases have been unable to access the exchanges and report being unable to keep their doctors, there is an urgent need for answers. As such, on behalf of the people of New Hampshire, I am requesting answers to the following questions no later than October 28, 2013:

1. How many individuals have tried to access and create an account through the New Hampshire health insurance exchange?
2. How many people in New Hampshire were actually able to sign up for a health insurance plan through the New Hampshire health insurance exchange?
3. How long will it take for the exchange's technical problems to be



Senator Ayotte spoke at the Veterans Count Club breakfast in Manchester on Wednesday. Operated by Easter Seals New Hampshire, Veterans Count helps provide assistance to service members and their families before, during, and after deployments. Veterans Count and the New Hampshire National Guard's Deployment Cycle Support Program are currently serving 200 New Hampshire military families.

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The simple solution: Up-flush plumbing. Bathroom renovations or additions offer a high return on investment – as much as 56 percent of the initial investment when you resell, according to Remodeling Magazine's Cost vs. Value Report. But conventional plumbing can be costly and time-consuming, even in the best circumstances. If you want to add a bathroom in a basement where the floor is concrete or in a smaller space with no room for traditional piping, an up-flush, or macerating, toilet is a simple, cost-effective solution. Systems like Saniflo's macerating toilet and plumbing technology eliminate the need to cut through a floor to install new drainage. And the systems fit easily into areas as small as a



closet or dead space beneath a stairway. A macerating pump reduces waste and paper from the toilet and sends it under high pressure through piping directly into the septic or sewer system.

The challenge: Introducing natural light in a room with no space for windows.

The simple solution: Skylights. The benefits of natural light are well-documented, from improving mood to reducing dependence on artificial lights. Yet some spaces, such as interior powder rooms or walk-in closets, don't lend themselves to windows. When you want natural light in a room where a lack of wall space precludes a window, or in which privacy is an issue, a skylight can be a great solution. Tubular skylights even allow you to bring natural light into ground floor

rooms. The cost of installing a skylight is comparable to adding quality windows in a room. Choose energy-efficient skylights and you may also reduce home cooling costs in spring and summer, and lighting costs in winter, too.

The challenge: Privacy in a doorway where a swinging door doesn't make sense.

The simple solution: Pocket doors. A swinging door may not be right for a space for many reasons. Perhaps you need to close a door in a spot so infrequently that a swinging door isn't needed. Or, maybe the space around the doorway is too tight to accommodate a swinging door, such as in a laundry space tucked into a hallway. Or, perhaps a traditional door will ruin the aesthetic of a space. In all those situations, a pocket door is a great way to achieve privacy without compromise. Because pocket doors tuck away inside the wall, you don't need to worry about having enough space to open or close a traditional door. Plus, when left open, pocket doors are hidden inside the wall so their visual impact on decor is minimal. (BPT)

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Currier Museum of Art

11/16/2013 (10:00AM)
Event Fee: Free

The Currier Museum of Art is proud to announce a partnership with Citizens Bank Foundation and the Cogswell Benevolent Trust to offer greater access to the Museum. New Hampshire residents now get free admission to the Museum from 10 a.m. until noon every Saturday. "Arts and culture are key components to enriching the communities where we live and work," said Joe Carelli, President, Citizens Bank and RBS Citizens. "We hope that free admission will provide the opportunity for New Hampshire residents to visit the Museum for the first time or for a return visit to see the exciting lineup in store for this season." Funding for this initiative comes from grants from Citizens Bank Foundation and the Cogswell Benevolent Trust. "There are lots of activities at the Currier for visitors to enjoy on Saturdays," says Susan Strickler, director and CEO of the Currier Museum of Art. "This funding makes it possible for us to welcome all our neighbors from across the state at a time that is convenient for many people." Visitors can enjoy tours of the collection or special exhibitions, shop and have lunch in the Winter Garden Café. The second Saturday of

each month is Family Saturday at the Museum, featuring hands-on art experiences built around a central theme relating to artwork on display. General Information The Currier Museum of Art is located at 150 Ash Street, Manchester, NH. Open every day except Tuesday. The Currier is an active participant in the Blue Star Museum Program, providing veterans and their immediate families with free general admission throughout the year. More information: www.currier.org or call 603.669.6144, x108. Currier Museum of Art, 150 Ash Street, Manchester, NH 03104 Phone: 603-669-6144 Email: info@currier.org Website: www.currier.org

"Fiddler on the Roof" (musical)

11/17/2013 (2:00PM)
Event Fee: \$15.00 pp at door and at Black's in Wolfeboro. \$15.65 on line at our website

Fiddler on the Roof features music by Jerry Bock and lyrics by Sheldon Harnick. The show is set in Tsarist Russia in 1905 and is based on the story of Tevye the Milkman by Sholem Aleichem. The story follows father of 5 Tevye as he tries to uphold tradition in an ever changing political and social landscape. During a period of change for Russian Jews, the family learn to cope with the decline of Tsarist Russia and the

tough laws enforced on the family and the village of Anatevka. The musical is extremely popular all over the world, and was the first Broadway show to play for over 3000 performances. The original production ran for almost 10 years. Numerous revivals and a film adaptation keep introducing the show to new audiences. Directed by Rosemary Lounsbury, who also directed our first production of this show 25 years ago, Fiddler will bring both joy and sadness to your heart with our cast of over 40 performers. NOTE: Nov. 8,9,15 & 16th performances start at 8:00PM. 51 Glendon Stree, Wolfeboro, NH. Phone: 603-569-9656. Email: info@village-players.com Website: www.village-players.com

An Old-Fashioned Thanksgiving on the Farm

11/23/2013 (10:00AM)
Event Fee: Admission \$10 adult, \$5 child/ Museum members \$6/\$3

New Hampshire has a special connection to Thanksgiving, as it was our own Sarah Josepha Hale, born on a farm in Newport, NH, who after many years of letter writing, persuaded President Lincoln to declare the fourth Thursday in November a National Day of Thanksgiving in 1863, thereby establishing the National Holiday. So come for homemade pumpkin pie, horse-drawn wagon rides

through the fields, visits with the farm animals, popcorn over the campfire and special living history farmhouse tours with costumed roleplayers. 1305 White Mountain Highway/Rt 125 Milton, NH. Phone: 603-652-7840 Email: info@farmmuseum.org Website: www.farmmuseum.org

Bow Craft Fair - 34th Annual

11/23/2013 (9:30AM)
Event Fee: \$2.00 at Door

We feature over 125 of Northern New England finest Artisans of pottery, glass, woodworking, quilting, jewelry, foods and so much more. Conveniently located off Exit 1 on I89. All proceeds benefit the Bow School District. Bow High School, 32 White Rock Hill Rd., Bow, NH Phone: 603-715-2920, Email: bowcraftfair@yahoo.com, Website: <http://bowpto.digitalpto.com/craft-fair/>

Morning/Midnight Madness at Settlers' Green

11/29/2013 (12:00AM)

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"Fez"tival of Trees

12/1/2013 (10:00AM)
 Event Fee: Adults-\$5; Seniors-\$4; Children 12 and under-FREE (Group rates available)

Fun for All Ages, the 13th Annual "Fez"-tival is an extravaganza of fully decorated, artificial trees decorated in a Christmas or other theme. All trees are beautifully lit for the enjoyment of the viewers who will come to participate in the associated festivities and purchase chances to win the trees. Throughout the event there will be refreshments, silent auction items to bid on, gift shop, and visits from Santa, offering an enjoyable event for everyone. 189 Pembroke Rd., Concord, NH. Phone: 603-225-5372. Email: info@bektashshriners.org. Website: www.bektashshriners.org

Gift of Lights

12/1/2013 (4:30PM)
 Event Fee: Admission (per car): Mon - Thurs (non-holiday) \$15 Fri - Sun \$20

Spanning over two miles, the Gift of Lights is one of the largest displays of holiday lights in New England. It includes several themed displays, such as the 12 Days of Christmas, a jungle scene and a Nativity depiction. The course winds around the outside of the track's grandstands and includes a portion of the NHMS Road Course. The event is open nightly from 4:30 p.m. - 9 p.m. from Nov. 15 - Jan. 5. 1122 Route 106 North, Loudon, NH. Phone: 603-783-4931
 Email: fansfirst@nhms.com
 Website: http://www.nhms.com/events/gift_of_lights/

Milford Antiques Shows

12/1/2013 (8:30AM)
 Event Fee: Admission \$5 from 8:30 AM to 9:30 AM, Free Admission from 9:30 AM to 11 AM

Special events during the spring and summer. Over 80 dealers present a large variety of quality antiques and collectibles at reasonable prices. Hampshire

Hills Sports and Fitness Club, 50 Emerson Road, Milford, NH Phone: 781-329-1192

Email: milfordantiqueshow@gmail.com. Website: milfordantiqueshow.com

Langdon House Holiday Sale and Open House

12/5/2013 (4:00PM) Event: Free
 Stop in for some seasonal cheer at Governor John Langdon House during this Holiday Open House. Historic New England and the Blue Ocean Society for Marine Conservation partner to host guests and offer a selection of gift items to round out your holiday shopping. Enjoy free tours of the house and refreshments. Also held on Saturday, Dec. 7 from noon until 4pm. 143 Pleasant St. Portsmouth, NH 03801
 Phone: 603-436-3205
 Email: ctuminaro@historicnewengland.org
 Website: http://www.historicnewengland.org/events

Holiday House Tour

12/7/2013 (10:00AM)
 Event Fee: Advance tickets \$20, by December 6, available online, Tickets day of tour \$25

Tour six fabulous residences all decked out for the holidays in the picturesque town of New London, NH and get inspired! We have selected the crème de la crème of private homes for our 2013 Holiday House Tour. You will be thrilled with each and every one—from architecture to décor, young to antique, we promise you will be awestruck. The distinctive individuality of each home, music of the season, the scent of freshly cut pine boughs and twinkle of lights makes for a most unforgettable tour. 456 Route 103A, Newbury, NH 03255
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Warner Festival of Trees

12/7/2013 (10:00AM)

Event Fee: Free

The Warner Town Hall is decorated with 15 holiday trees from early December through Christmas day. 5 East Main St Warner, NH. Phone: 603-456-2298 Email: inforequest@Kearsarge-Chamber.org. Website: http://warner.nh.us/

Mill Falls Marketplace Holiday Open House

12/8/2013 (12:00PM)

Event Fee: FREE

Enjoy Merry Poppins storytelling in the Atrium by Oglethorpe's as well as strolling carolers and

horse & wagon rides through the village from 1:00-4:00pm. Plenty of Holiday Refreshments & Cheer! Mill Falls Marketplace, Rt. 3 & 25 Meredith, NH. Phone: 603-677-8655. Email: info@millfalls.com Website: www.millfallsmarketplace.com

The Nutcracker

12/8/2013 (2:00PM)

Event Fee: See above

Kick off your holiday season with Northeastern Ballet Theatre's professional production of 'The Nutcracker', under the artistic direction of Edra Toth. Northeastern Ballet Theatre returns to Oyster River for Tchaikovsky's timeless classic, Last year's shows filled the house and this year's will be even better with exciting new choreography, costuming, and casting. 'The Nutcracker' is the perfect family outing that will capture the hearts of both young and old! Ticket prices: \$17.50 - adults \$15.00 - seniors/students \$55.00 - family pack of 4 \$12.00/ticket for groups of 10 or more Group rate

ticketing is available for groups of 10+ by calling (603) 834-8834. A limited quantity of tickets are available at the door. Lap children under 2 years old are free. Oyster River High School, 5 Coe Drive, Durham, NH. Phone: 603-834-8834. Email: northeasternballettheatre@gmail.com. Website: www.northeasternballet.org

A New England Christmas

12/13/2013 (2:00PM)

Event Fee: Tickets: \$24. Purchase online: www.pontine.org

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about far-flung families reunited by the lure of a Christmas with the "folks back home." These charming holiday stories—not to mention eggnog and cookies—are sure to put you in the holiday spirit! West End Studio Theatre, 959 Islington St., Portsmouth, NH. Phone: 603-436-6660

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Vintage Christmas in Portsmouth

12/15/2013 (5:00PM)

Event Fee: Varies

34th Annual Candlelight Stroll at Strawberry Banke Museum is part of the three weekends of Vintage Christmas in Portsmouth, a month-long celebration in its 9th year. Also live holiday shows at The Music Hall, free Vintage Christmas trolley provided by the City of Portsmouth and festive decorations. Strawberry Banke Museum, The Music Hall, Portsmouth, NH. Phone: 603-433-1100. Email: info@strawberrybanke.org. Website: www.vintagechristmasnh.org



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