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A New Voice for the Merrimack Valley

Welcome to the first edition of The Merrimack Valley Voice. They say every journey begins with but a step and it is our hope that this venture takes us many steps together. The Voice hopes to provide residents of the Boscawen, Penacook, Salisbury and Webster areas monthly news, photographs and stories relevant to our area and our lives. The main thread in these communities is our most valuable assets - our children and families. Our kids participate in recreational and school sports, school activities, bike rodeos, fishing derbies, church and 4-H activities. Parents, grandparents, siblings and friends attend these events and we look

forward to recognizing our kids as they participate in these activities. The area businesses continue to sell and service our communities even through the waning economy and the building of big box stores. Their personal service is what sets them apart and it is my hope that you continue to support our local, homegrown businesses in this area.

This paper welcomes and needs community participation. Each month we will have a Readers Write column - your opportunity to speak what is on your mind. If you have a story you think would be of interest let us know. It is our goal to cover all community activities and newsworthy events

but the reality is that some things may be missed. We would appreciate your help by providing photos (high resolution only please) as well as other pertinent information. Churches, non-profit organizations and other civic groups who have an event coming up are invited to send us an email at merrimackvalleyvoice@comcast.net or call us at 568.0428. We are also hoping that our local businesses will discover that this is the best place to reach their friends and neighbors who use their services. We have tried to keep our rates very reasonable.

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Local Officer Wins D.A.R.E. Award

Officer Joseph Wright has served as the D.A.R.E. officer at Penacook Elementary School for the past two years. His two years of outstanding service and guidance to the fifth grade students culminated with him being named D.A.R.E. Officer of the Year. This accomplishment was announced at the annual Penacook Elementary D.A.R.E. graduation ceremony on Friday, May 1, 2009.

The ceremony, which took place in the school gymnasium, honored 55 fifth grade students who each received D.A.R.E. graduation certificates and tee shirts. Additionally, six students were recognized for their outstanding DARE essays, which were read at the ceremony. Joshua Newell, Maggie Deriso, Noah Perelli,

Isabelle Gillibrand, Carissa Bean and Parker Dunlap were also presented with a pin in recognition of their work.

The D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Recognition Education) program is designed to make students aware of the dangers of drugs and to equip them to define, assess, respond and evaluate difficult situations that will come up as they mature. Officer Wright has been instrumental in preparing the students to make sound decisions and good choices in their lives, especially those regarding drug and alcohol use.

Parents, family members and friends were also present to celebrate their student's accomplishment. The students were treated to cake and a time of celebration at the conclusion of



the ceremony.

Our thanks to Jen Fish and Lisa Benedict of Penacook Elementary for providing the information for this story.

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Apiculture - "Bee-coming" to Merrimack Valley Middle School

Apiculture, otherwise known as beekeeping, is not for the squeamish. The Merrimack Valley Middle School Bee Club, led by Rocky Cavender and Larry Boucher, is actively trying to make a difference in the declining bee population. Bee numbers have been declining worldwide since 2007. The epidemic is known as Colony Collapse Disorder and is believed to have several causes including loss of habitat and pesticide use. There are

approximately 12 members of the club who build the hives, maintain them and sell any extra honey that is produced by the bees.

The club provides an avenue for the school, parents and students to work together toward a common goal. The group starts building the hives in March. This project takes approximately 2 weeks to complete with the students working on the project two hours on 3 different days a week. The

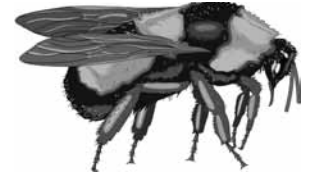
Carniolan and Italian bees are purchased from Alden Marshall, member of the New Hampshire Bee Keepers Association at a cost of \$80.00 per box of 10-15,000 bees including the queen. The club membership pays the cost of the bees but the rest is purchased through fundraisers. The cost for each member to participate in the years activity's is approximately \$500.00

Early May is transfer time and the bees are moved to the hives which are located at Marshall Farm and Apple Hill Orchard. Students and parents monitor the bees during the 5-6 weeks of honey production ensuring that the hives are not overcrowded and that the queen bee doesn't leave the hive - a process known as swarming. The typical hive is 2-3 boxes but additional boxes can be added if crowding becomes an issue. Each box holds approximately 50 pounds of honey. Club members sell any excess honey to friends and family members to raise money for the following year's activities. The group presents



David Leach transferring bees

beekeeping demonstrations at the Hopkinton Fair each year. The Bee Club's only source of funds is from the sale of honey and contributions of the members. Donations are always needed and accepted and may be sent to the Merrimack Valley Middle School, c/o Bee Club, 14 Allen Street, Penacook, NH 03303.



Placing the bee's in the hive at Marshall farm on a cool and cloudy May afternoon - now those suits come in handy!



Sydney Rollins, Mitchell Fillion, Christian Chandler and Mr. Cavender set up at the Hillsborough Agway demonstration on Sunday May, 18, 2009. The group gave a demonstration to over a dozen people on the raising, care and feeding of bees.

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Photo's were taken at Merrimack Valley Middle School Track Meet May 6, 2009
Merrimack Valley won this meet and is off to a great season!

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expensive up front but it provides unlimited access to the Center as well as reciprocal privileges to over 200 other nature centers,

11:00 am, there are hourly "Up Close to the Animals" sessions that treat the spectators to a short presentation about different animals.

there are many other fun learning activities not mentioned.

A short meadow walk around the Ecotone trail begins with a pond teeming with tadpoles and frogs and ends with floating bridges that cross a large marsh. For those with an adventurous spirit, the Mt. Fayal trail is an easy mile long hike (it does have some semi-steep spots) that ends at the 1,067 foot summit. This hike is well worth the effort as the reward is a scenic overlook of Squam Lake and all its islands. If you still have time or want to extend your day, you can enjoy a 90-minute cruise on a pontoon boat with guides from the Center and learn more about the nature along the lake. By now the younger kids will be getting tired but it's a short trip back to home and dinner. For more information, visit their web site www.nhnature.org.

Approximately halfway through the center is Kirkwood Gardens. This colorful garden displays native plants and flowers along with bees, birds and butterflies and serves as the backdrop for weddings and other events. Inside the Holderness Inn, visitors can peruse the artwork and crafts of native New Hampshire artists or enjoy the snack bar and restroom. The upstairs floor of the building features a section on mapping and a bird museum.

Between the river otter and black bear displays is a wonderful place for the young and the young at heart. The Gordon Children's Center is a two-story world of interactive activities. Kids can climb a giant spider web, crawl through an underground tunnel, hear sounds of night animals and climb a two story learning tree. Plan for extra time in this area as

Please share your favorite NH day trip with us and we will try to include it in an upcoming issue.



One of the many volunteers holding a saw whet owl

we look for places that offer a fun and (hopefully) educational time that are close by and relatively inexpensive. One of those places is Squam Lake Science Center. The Center is less than an hour away in Holderness, NH (exit 24 off I-93N).

This pristine park allows visitors to view native animals in their natural habitat, hike and picnic as well as the chance to spend some time in the woods. There is plenty of free parking and reasonable entrance fees. One word of advice regarding paying the entrance fee – don't be too quick to ignore the possibility of a membership. The membership is a bit more

zoos, museums and aquariums throughout the United States. The park has a large picnic area so you can take your own lunch and snacks. Upon entry into the park visitors receive a detailed trail map, which takes them to the first stop – Mead Discovery Place. This interactive stop provides insight into owls, mice and their ecosystem. Upon leaving Discovery Place, the trail begins. There are stops which feature underground animals and insects, fox, skunks, bears, cougars, bobcat, whitetail deer, bear, raptors and birds, each offering hands on experiences along with facts about the animals that are being observed. Beginning at



Standing atop the summit of Mt Fayal overlooking Squam Lake

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Penacook Village Association Leading Penacook Into The Future

The Penacook Village Association's mission is "To involve citizens in enhancing the quality of life, protecting the historic character and fostering economic vitality in Penacook Village." The five founding members - Councilman Steve Shurtleff, Lynne Raleigh, Phil Latis, Kathy Bush and Terri Culjat established the neighborhood association to build on the work and ideas that have developed over the last 18 months. This core group is being assisted by Concord 20/20 and the Penacook Historical Society, who graciously allows them to use the Rolfe House for monthly meetings that are held on the second Saturday of each month at 9:00 a.m.

Saturday, May 16, 2009, was a momentous day for the Association.

The bylaws were unanimously approved by those attending which will allow the Association to file with the state as a non-profit corporation. This action will enable the group to establish a board of directors who will oversee the activities of a due paying membership. If you are interested in joining the efforts of this organization, have a business idea to share or need more information, visit www.penacook.org or send an e-mail to info@penacook.org and they will get you in touch with the right villager.

Meeting Details - May 16, 2009

Peter Dodge from the American Legion gave an update on the recent fishing derby that attracted over 240 kid participants. The children

caught a total of 325 fish including a 3-1/2 pound trout that was caught by a 5 year old.

He also discussed the placing of barrels of flowers throughout the Village of Penacook. The cost of sponsoring each barrel is \$45. David Murray at Murray Farms is providing the plants and barrels for that cost. Volunteers are needed to sponsor the cost of the barrels.

An update was also given regarding six \$1,000.00 scholarships that are being provided to graduating Merrimack Valley High School seniors by the American Legion.

The City of Concord is applying for a \$353,000 grant to excavate and clean up contaminated soil from the tannery site. This would require the removal of 1,350 tons of soil as well as purchasing the backfill necessary to raise the elevation of

the site. If the grant is received, the project will increase the value of the site for future development with no cost to residents.

Jennifer Kretovic stated there was still a need for volunteers for the CERT (Citizens Emergency Response Training) Program. Concord Fire Chief Dan Andrus will oversee the program, which has openings for 20 volunteers as well as a list of 5 back-up volunteers to fill vacancies. Information is available at the program's website - <http://www.citizencorps.gov/cert>

The group needs pictures of Penacook - the park, rivers, buildings of interest, etc. for a new brochure and the website. Please contact the group for more information.

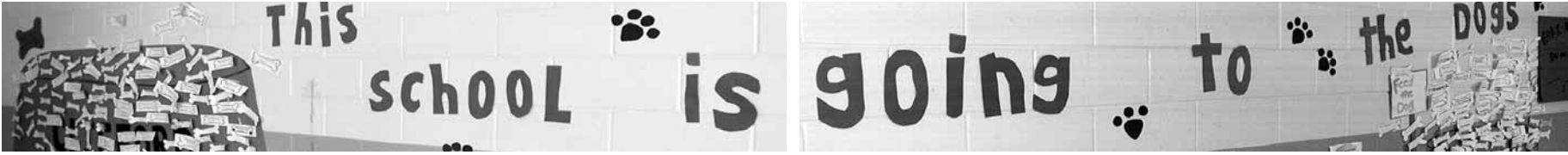
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Penacook Elementary School went to "the dogs" during the week of February 16-20, 2009. The theme for the week was "Paws for Reading". Students were invited to create illustrations of dogs reading which were displayed throughout the school. The title

of each book read was recorded on a dog bone that ended up in a large pile on the wall.

The highlight of the week was a school production of the musical, A Sword Called Excalibur by Children's Stage Adventures.

The story depicts a young Arthur learning from Merlin that knowledge is power. He discovers that the books in his lap are books of knowledge thus leading him on a journey to encounter Robin Hood's bandits, witches, sorcerers, knights and forest

creatures. Our thanks to Kathy Bush of Penacook Elementary who supplied this information and related pictures.



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Merrimack Valley High School Baseball Notes

Story & photo by Sean Peick

The Merrimack Valley High School varsity baseball team improved to 5-4 on the season with a thrilling, extra-inning walk-off 7-6 win over crosstown rival Bishop Brady on May 13th. Down 6-2 going into the bottom of the 7th, MV rallied for 4 runs – a rally jumpstarted by the three straight

effort was led by Fournier (2-4, RBI), Orsini (1-3, 2 runs, RBI), Castonguay (2-4, run), and Gallagher (1-4, 2 RBIs).

Following that, MV lost a tough game to another local rival – Pembroke – on May 15th, 6-2. Cotnoir got MV started in the 2nd, lacing a 2-RBI triple deep to left

Unfortunately, this time the Pride found themselves on the wrong end of the box score, losing a seesaw game 9-5.

MV went up 2-0 in the 2nd and 3rd, on the strength of 2 bases-loaded walks. Peick, starting on the mound for the first time this year due to an offseason injury, had faced only one batter over the

minimum through three innings, but ran into trouble in the 4th, giving up 3 runs. MV grabbed the lead right back in the bottom half, highlighted by an Orsini 2-run homer over the right-field wall, followed by a long Peick triple to left and a Landry RBI single up the middle. Unfortunately, Kearsarge would answer again in the top of the 5th, scoring 4 more runs to go up 7-5, a lead they wouldn't relinquish after tacking on a run more each in the 6th and 7th.

Peick would go 6 innings in the losing effort, striking out 4. Along with Orsini (1-5, HR, 2 RBIs, run), the offensive standouts for the Pride were Castonguay (2-4, run), Landry (2-4, RBI), Peick (1-4, run), and Presutti (1-2, 2 walks, RBI).



MVHS Boys Baseball team at Merchants Stadium getting ready to play rivals Kearsarge

walks to lead off the inning drawn by Loudon's Stephen Cotnoir and Travis Landry, and Penacook's Jared Peick. The tying run came courtesy of a fly ball drilled into right field by Penacook's Brandon Gallagher that the right fielder dropped, scoring Peick and Boscawen's Kyle Castonguay.

The game stretched on into the 9th inning, when Loudon's Alex Orsini led off the bottom of the frame with a bloop single and then stole 2nd. After two quick outs, up stepped Boscawen's James Fournier, who lined a pitch deep down the left field line, easily scoring Orsini from 2nd.

Landry started on the mound for the Pride, going 5 1/3 innings and striking out 4. Fournier pitched two perfect innings to get the win in relief. At the plate, the offensive

to put the Pride up 2-0. Starting pitcher Fournier kept Pembroke in check until the 5th, when a couple of fielding miscues led to 3 Pembroke runs and a 3-2 lead, which they never surrendered.

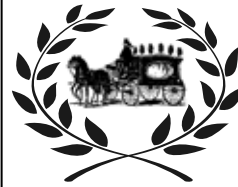
The Spartans struck again for 3 more runs in the 7th, bringing the score to its final tally of 6-2. Fournier pitched well in the loss, giving up 3 earned runs in 6 1/3 innings of work. Besides Cotnoir (1-4, 2 RBIs), the sparkplugs offensively for MV were Fournier (1-2, run) and Webster's Chris Presutti (1-2, run).

After a hard-fought, 7-6 win over Kearsarge on May 18th, MV traveled down to Merchantsauto.com Stadium (home of the Fisher Cats) in Manchester to play Kearsarge again the next day.

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Top - Keenen F and Ivan N running in May 6th MVMS Track Meet
Bottom (L) Mark R, Adam C (R) Keegan H
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Free Fishing Day in NH on June 6th

Saturday, June 6, is Free Fishing Day in NH. State residents along with nonresidents can fish any inland water in the Granite State without a fishing license. The Contoocok and Merrimack rivers, plus numerous ponds and streams, are right in our back yard so there is no better way to spend a day with your kids and family.

"Most people who hook a fish once can hardly wait for the chance to do it again. Free Fishing Day is your chance to give it a try!" says Karina Walsh, New Hampshire Fish and Game's Let's Go Fishing program coordinator. Free Fishing Day is the perfect chance to introduce non-angling friends and family to the sport, especially if you fish for something easy to catch, like bluegills or yellow perch. "Make an adventure out of it, grab your rod and make a picnic lunch you'll surely have a great

time catching these fish," Walsh says. "For just a few dollars, you can buy an inexpensive rod and reel and a few hooks and nonlead sinkers to get started on an activity people of all ages can enjoy."

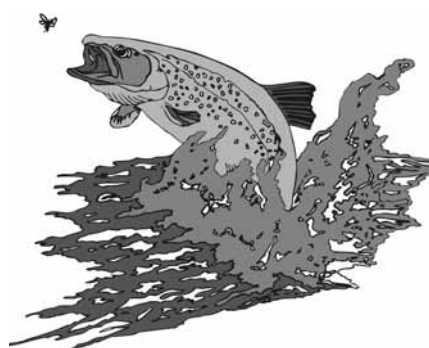
Adults get just one day to fish free in the Granite State, but kids under 16 do not need a license to fish. Season dates, limits and all other fishing regulations must be followed on Free Fishing Day. Anglers fishing for brood stock Atlantic salmon in the Merrimack and lower Pemigewasset rivers must have a fishing license as well as a special permit.

For specific details on fishing rules, consult the 2009 New Hampshire Freshwater Fishing Digest available at <http://www.fishnh.com/Fishing/fishing.htm>, or wherever fishing licenses are sold. The Fish and Game website

<http://www.fishnh.com> has tackle tips, lake depth, information on where fish have been stocked, and fishing forecasts for various parts of the state.

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The Food Choices classes are just finishing the unit on high protein foods. They learned about the types of meats most commonly consumed in New England, how to purchase the cuts for the type of preparation desired, and how to prepare in moist and dry heat methods.

They are now creating pies. Each student will make a double crust fruit pie and a pudding pie. Each student has been asked to bring in pie pans, fruit filling and boxes of puddings. At the end of each lab day, the students will take their pies home. ~Submitted by Ms. Woodward, foods teacher

Graduation DVDs: Order forms for DVDs of the Graduation ceremony were given to all seniors today during homeroom. The cost for the DVDs is \$20.00 if picked up at the school and \$25.00 if mailed. There will be someone available at Graduation to take your order as well. What a nice memento of Graduation the terrific graduation ceremony. ~Submitted by Mr. Moge

Greetings from MVHS Guidance! This is an exciting time as we wrap up another school year and get ready to wish all our seniors all the best as they head out into the world!

Seniors- If you are still not made your final plans for next year, please come see us in Guidance! There are colleges and certificate programs to further your education and career goals that you can still apply to!! Also, please continue to check the scholarship list on our website. Although most deadlines for scholarships have passed, there are a few still available. If funding for college is getting in the way of your plans, make an appointment with your guidance counselor to discuss strategies for making your plans a reality.

Parents- Schedule requests for next year have been collected and checked by Guidance, teachers, and Area Coordinators and schedules will be created very shortly. If you do have any concerns about the courses your child has selected, please contact us ASAP.

Underclass Awards will be presented on Thursday, June 11th in our auditorium. If a student is scheduled to receive an award, he/she will get an invitation in the mail for this event. We will begin the ceremony at 6:30. If you receive an invitation, please plan to attend this event to help us recognize and celebrate the achievements of our students! Refreshments will be served after the ceremony in the cafeteria. Reminder: this is a school awards ceremony and students should dress appropriately!

Senior Awards Night will be Monday, June 15th at 7:00- All seniors and parents of seniors are invited to attend. Please join us for this fun filled evening and help us celebrate the achievements of our seniors! There will be nearly ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND dollars in scholarships and awards presented this evening. Again, students are reminded to dress appropriately for this wonderful evening.

Dress Code Reminder – Students and parents are reminded that while the weather is getting warmer, school remains in session and we must maintain an environment that is conducive to academic success. Please ensure that student dress is appropriate for a work environment. The student handbook contains specific guidelines on Shorts (mid-thigh both sitting and standing), and tank tops (1.5” wide straps). Bare midribs are not allowed, and footwear is required at all times inside the building (state law).

Extended Library Hours – The HS library is open every school night until 6:00 PM! Come study in the comfortable air-conditioned space. Computers are available for use, and Ms. Pinard can help with resources. This opportunity is in addition to the after-school Academic Support Center where teachers are available M, W & Th until 4:00 to help with student assignments and questions.

Important Dates:

(N.B. – Some of these dates have changed since the planner calendar was printed)

6/2 VOC Competency Awards
CHS Auditorium
7:00 PM – 9:00 PM

6/9 Senior Class Trip
Camp Mi-Te-Na
9:00 AM-9:00 PM

6/11 Underclass Awards Night
MVHS Auditorium
6:30 PM

6/15–6/19
Competency Week
Exams administered in all classes

6/15 Senior Awards & Banquet
Night

5:00PM – Pick up Caps & Gowns
\$16.50

5:30PM – Banquet (Seniors Only)

6:30PM – Senior Photo (In Cap & Gown)

7:00PM – Senior Awards (Seniors & Family)

6/18 Mandatory Graduation Rehearsal
11:30 AM – 2:30 PM

6/19 Mandatory Graduation Rehearsal
8:00 AM – 11:00 AM

6/20 Graduation Multi-purpose Field
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