

# BHS seniors give back to the community

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BELMONT — As a final gesture of appreciation, Belmont High School's Class of 2013 spent May 24, a day they would have otherwise had off, giving back to the community that has supported them through their years of education in the Shaker School District. Principal Dan Clarey said this year marks the second in a row where graduating seniors needed more school days than a snowy winter had allowed. To make up that extra time, the idea for Community Service Day was born.

"This way, we don't have to change our graduation date to make up that lost time from snow days, and it's just a great thing for them to do," said Clarey.

At 9 a.m., the seniors spread out to form four crews that performed a variety of tasks that were approved by town and school officials. Most visible were the 40 students who cleared

a portion of the Tioga River banking behind the Belmont Mill building.

"We're creating a glade down to the river here to make it more aesthetically appealing," said guidance counselor Brenda Seiferth, who also lent her efforts to the project.

Faculty members and those over the age of 18 with chain saw experience stayed busy cutting down scrub growth and limbing branches on larger trees. Some students used loppers to cut away vines and small shrubs while others piled up all that was cut away from the river bank and picked up litter in the area.

Senior Tevin Mitchell said he enjoyed the day, despite the hard work and black flies, which were out in full force.

"I think it's very good for our community to have high school kids help out and do their part," he said.

His words were echoed by fellow classmate Kat Shea, who found the work a lot of fun. Shea said it was

one last thing she and her friends could do together as a class and only fitting that it also benefited the community.

Off on other assignments were members of the National English Honor Society who spent their time reading to children at local daycare centers, and others worked on projects in the schools.

"We have another 10 students who are helping Dave Marden with some building maintenance work and another crew helping teachers at the middle school and high school move their classrooms," said Clarey.

The class as a whole will gather together one last time this weekend for a barbecue after their graduation rehearsal.

Graduation for the Belmont High School Class of 2013 will take place on Sunday, June 9, at 10 a.m. in the Bank of New Hampshire Pavilion at Meadowbrook, located just off Route 11A in Gilford.



Belmont High School seniors pitched in on May 24 to give back to the community. Among the projects selected this year was the clearing of a glade along the banks of the Tioga River, just behind the Belmont Mill in the newly refurbished Village District.

## Sanbornton resident Carissa Anderson earns Connecticut College degree

NEW LONDON, Conn. — Carissa Anderson was awarded a bachelor of arts degree from Connecticut College at the 95th commencement ceremony on May 19.

Anderson graduated magna cum laude with a major in literatures in English.

In a keynote speech punctuated with cartoon references and the occasional appearance by a 19th Century poet, Emmy-winning television writer and producer Howard Gordon told the often hilarious tale of his own success and left the 443 members of the Class of 2013 with advice as profound as it is simple: Work hard and be nice.

Working hard will not guarantee success, he told the graduates. "But I have yet to meet a successful person who hasn't worked hard." Being nice, he added, is in many ways

about listening to others. "Listening takes practice, and it takes patience. But I promise, if you listen, your story will be better for it."

Prior to giving his speech, Gordon was presented with an honorary doctorate of humane letters by Connecticut College President Leo I. Higdon, Jr.

About Connecticut College

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career development program that teaches students how to translate a liberal arts degree into a first job or graduate school admission. Connecticut College is situated in the small New England seaport of New London. For more information, visit [www.connecticutcollege.edu](http://www.connecticutcollege.edu).

## Winnisquam Regional Middle School honor roll

TILTON — Winnisquam Regional Middle School has released its honor roll for the third quarter of the 2012-2013 academic year.

### Grade 8

High Academic Honors: Sabrina Bellerose, Kerry Boyle, Brittany Cilley, Keilanna Defosses, Bailee Demers, Karissa Fields, Nicole Matcheki, Cassandra Pelletier, Joshua Shevlin.

Academic Honors: Brianna Boga, Kaelyn Butler, Samantha Constant, Rebecca DelBove, Britney Dow, Liam Downes, Richard Estes, Samantha Goodridge, Krystal Groz, Gage Jacques, Sarah Joseph, Thunder Keck, Cora Kelley, Aimee Kustar, Bryson LaChapelle, Thomas Marchese, Avery Martinson, Logan Morrison, Alexander Rich, Kylie Robbins, Jacob Snow, Gladiana Spitz, Samuel Wilcox, Ryan Woiculevich, Samantha Wood, Conner Young.

### Grade 7

High Academic Honors: Samantha Allerdice, Kirsten Chandonnet, Caley Clogston, Emily Day, Mackenzie French, Natane Griffith, Amanda O'Leary, Emilio Sanchez, Socorra Summers.

Academic Honors: Julie Amico, Kaitlin Bardellini, Bridget Cunningham, Destiny Decato, Lauryl DeCoste, Olivia Doubleday, Sarah Emery, Matthew Ivester, Hannah Lurvey, Joshua Medynski, Devon Morris, Grace Murray, Andrew Parsons, Hannah Pearson, Lindsey Phelps, Matthew Rich, Olivia Robillard, Todd Robinson,

Katherine Ruggles, Makenzie Snow, Nicholas Snyder, Kaylee Tierney, Riley Toupin, Thomas Trowsdale.

### Grade 6

High Academic Honors: Hunter Bardusk, Courtney Barnes, Chelsea Beaulieu, Lindsay Blier, Matthew Camerato, Gabriela Castrillon, Addison Clifford, Derek deSousa, Molly Dexter, Brady Ellsworth, Megan Fife, Dante Gentile, Jasmine Gove, Madeline Hastie, Kathryn Long, Olivia MacLean, Devon Nadeau, Rainier Pilotte, Julia Singh, McKayla Toupin.

Academic Honors: Hannah Blackburn, Michaela Blais, Genevieve Bolia, Hunter Chapman, Julia

Connelly, Casey Cormier, Erika Crooker, Diamond Cutting, Talia DeBlasse, Samantha Decato, Kaylei Defosses, Meghan Dubiel, Addam Dunham, Hunter Finemore, Allison Foster, Robert Gilbert, Tahaira Glover, Shannon Goodwin, Nicholas Green, Jason Grinnic, Hunter Hinxman, Madilyn Hughes, Kyara-Lynn Jennings, Zachri Keck, Tryanna Liolis, Shayla Nichols, Jasmine Piper, Megan Pyra, Caden Remillard, Mary Rogers, Hannah Sartorelli, Emily St. Arnaud, Aubrey St. Onge, Liam Stacey, Kaylee Stone, Anthony Syhabout, Rebecca Tinker, Kyla Vianna, Kyle Weatherbee, Amanda Wickens, Samuel Wood, Hailey Zimmer.

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Wed., May 29, 5:30 p.m.  
Arnold Miller, MD  
Laconia Clinic Orthopedics  
at Common Man Inn,  
Plymouth

Tues., June 4, 5:30 p.m.  
Jeremy Hogan, MD  
Advanced Orthopaedic  
Specialists  
at Greene Granite Inn,  
North Conway

Thur., June 27, 5:30 p.m.  
John Grobman, MD  
Advanced Orthopaedic  
Specialists  
at Lakes Region  
General Hospital

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