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Community life in the Granite State

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Hila Kricheli, 4, of Merrimack, participates in the Chabad Center for Jewish Living in Manchester’s Model Matzah Bakery. The participants mixed, rolled and poked holes into their very own Matzah, the traditional unleavened bread eaten on Passover.

Keith Methods of Bedford demonstrates the making of Matzah, the traditional unleavened bread eaten on Passover, at the Chabad Center for Jewish Living in Manchester. Passover runs through April 27.

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Students from Southern New Hampshire University and St. Anselm College volunteered April 5 to work at Camp Allen in Bedford as part of the Campus Compact of New Hampshire Day of Service event. Hundreds of college students from around Manchester worked on community projects.

Granite United Way celebrates annual event

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