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Track team's season finishes at State Open

There was only one top-10 performance but overall, Woodstock Academy girls' track and field coach Josh Welch was satisfied with his team's performance in the State Open track championship last week.

Sophomore Juliet Allard was the top finisher for the Centaurs as she finished seventh in the 300-meter hurdles in 46.15 seconds.

The top six qualified for the New England championship in Bangor, Maine, Saturday and, while Allard did not immediately qualify, she was the first alternate and accepted an invitation to compete when an opening became available.

Allard finished 19th in the New England Championship in 47.86 seconds.

Allard, as she seemingly does just about every meet, also bettered one of her school

Work-a-day shed transformed

By Linda Lemmon
Town Crier Editor

PUTNAM — You might do a double take if you're passing by the Dr. Robert R. Johnston Community Garden of Rhodesville on Smith Street.

The work-a-day shed was repainted by gardeners.

According to Carly DeLuca, director of Economic and Community Development for the town, the idea to finally give the shed a new coat of paint came from Paul Grenier. Grenier, the chair for both Economic and Community Development Commission and the Redevelopment Agency, is one of the charter members of the long-time community garden.

DeLuca said, "He spearheads a lot of the work done at the garden. Matt Baum suggested doing some monthly activity and we thought this was a good start! John Dunay was extremely helpful in prepping the shed and bringing his tools. Cheryl brought snacks and Cathey, a graduate from Rhode Island School of Design, brought her expertise as a painter. I had a lovely helper in Mr. Noah Larson, our youngest gardener, who is just 3 years old! He turns four next month, though — we talked about what

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Refreshed Shed

Community gardeners who painted the shed at the garden include, from left: Matthew Baum, Carly DeLuca, Cheryl Gaudreault, Andrew and Noah Larson, Cathey LaBonte, John Dunay, and Paul Grenier. Photo by Cheryl Gaudreault.