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Looking Back

with ROGER SMALL

10 YEARS AGO

THE GREAT OUTDOORS – by Carl Braun (portion thereof)—Sometimes you hit'em and sometimes you don't. That's a lesson I learned early in my life of outdoor pursuits. I also learned that a lot of people hit'em a lot more often than I do. One of those folks is Irv Sayman of Barre, Vt., who is an absolute wizard when it comes to catching smelt through ice. I have had some pretty good days on Lake Memphremagog, putting a couple hundred of the little silvery fish in the bucket and nailing a few "doubles" along the way, but fishing next to Irv would put my efforts to shame

NEWPORT – by Cassie D. Lavertue (portion thereof) — Move over Oprah. Here comes Brad. Brad Sears, Newport resident, car nut and columnist – debuts his own talk show called "Talk Radio with Pictures" on Newport Cable Television on Monday night. Sears has more than 30 years experience in the radio and television medium and spent eight years in the 1980's as creator, producer and host of "Last Chance Garage" on WGBH from Boston.

UNITY – When Glenn Libby saw a tear trickle down the cheek of a young inmate at the Sullivan County House of Corrections, Libby said he knew something was wrong, but he wasn't sure what. What Libby didn't know, however, was how commonplace that man's desperation had become. Libby, assistant superintendent at the prison, said he and his collegues are concerned about the number of inmates at the facility who enter with an addition to drugs, especially heroin.

EDITORIAL COMMENT (portion thereof) — In the world of government, where money is power, allowing voters to have the final say on budgets has vested the ultimate political power with the public, where it belongs.