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Principal in DC

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D.C. During these meetings, Carozza urged lawmakers to reauthorize the Elementary and Secondary Education Act and to support a whole child approach to education. **See story page 5.**

Business of the Year

The Hillsborough Chamber of Commerce held its Annual Awards Dinner on Saturday at the American Legion Hall. Owner Sean Burt's Tooky Mills Pub was selected as "Business of the Year" for its various contributions to the community throughout the year. **Story and more photos on page 11.**



Lake Sunapee Region Chamber of Commerce President Peter "Repeat" Fenton, Jr. (l) presents Mount Sunapee VP and General Manager Jay Gamble with a plaque signifying the Resort's selection as 2011 Business of the Year. Kearsarge Athletic Director Marty Brown was chosen as "Community Member of the Year".

Crash kills daughter

Pilot father indicted for manslaughter

Steven Fay, 57, of Hillsborough has been indicted by a Massachusetts grand jury for involuntary manslaughter in relation to a plane crash that killed his daughter on New Year's Day 2011. According to Assistant District Attorney Steven Gagne, Fay, with his daughter Jessica Malin as a passenger, was flying a fixed-wing, Cessna airplane without sufficient experience or licensure when he crashed while approaching the Orange Airport. "Mr. Fay was neither licensed nor qualified to fly that twin-engine plane

without an instructor on board, and he was repeatedly warned as such, yet he nevertheless chose to fly the plane at night with a passenger on board without his instructor's knowledge or approval" Gagne said. Fay took off from Dillant-Hopkins Airport in Keene to practice touch-and-go landings at Orange Municipal Airport, but the plane hit some trees and landed in a marsh short of the runway. Malin, the mother of two sons ages 15 and 21, who also lived in Hillsborough, was pronounced dead at the scene.

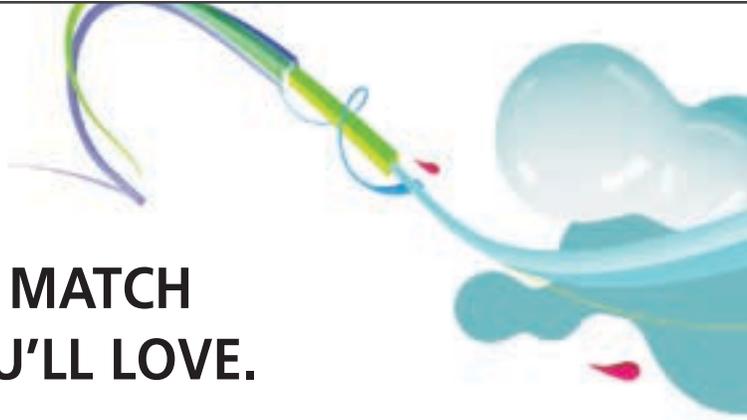
Peterborough crash leads to DWI arrest

Peterborough Police intend to charge Ericka Scott, 26, of Rindge with DWI after, leaving the road and crashing into a wall on Grove Street Sunday night. She was taken to Monadnock Community Hospital and

then airlifted to UMass Medical Center, where she is in stable condition. Her 2000 Suzuki was towed to the Department's impound lot. The accident is under investigation, but no charges have been filed.

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Will Mark Christensen return as Newport Principal?

Suspended Newport Middle/High School Principal Mark Christensen was scheduled for trial in the Newport Circuit Court on Tuesday, January 25th. Christensen appeared before Judge Bruce Cardello and maintained his earlier plea of innocent and waived a reading of the complaint. He was charged with simple assault for grabbing a 16-year-old Newport High School student and shaking her on Sept 15th. However, before the hearing, Christensen's attorney, Thomas P. Colantuono, and Lt Matthew Hogan, the Newport Police Department prosecutor reached an agreement that the case would be continued for one year without a finding. It will then be dismissed, conditioned on a year of good behavior, and that before he can return to his role as Principal at Newport Middle High School, he must attend counseling or sensitivity training to deal with his personal interactions and provide the State with proof of his completion of the program.

Christensen assumed his position on July 1 with a three-year contract with an annual salary and benefits worth \$131,141.

And then there were two

No sooner had Interim Superintendent Dr. Garry announced the three finalist for the SAU #34 position, then one of the finalists withdrew his name from consideration. Paul Livingston, currently a Superintendent in MA, dropped out, leaving Robert Hassett and William Rearick under consideration.

He has been on administrative leave since his arrest on November 16th. Christensen

would not comment when asked if he intended to resume his post.



"Walk For Taj" the community fundraiser organized by Jennifer Zdon and Sonya Edsall for Taj Estey-Bethel and his family was a tremendous success, raising over \$3,000. See Publisher's perspective and Letters on page 12.

Antrim Selectmen continue to trim budget

After another night of trimming, Antrim's proposed operating budget stands at \$3,062,893, representing a \$72,950 reduction from the current operating budget. At their last meeting, the Selectmen and Town Administrator Galen Stearns trimmed another \$72,950 from the department head's requests. About half of the cut, \$41,000, is from the proposed increase in

the Highway Department, which still receives an increase of \$26,565. Street Paving and Road Improvement were reduced by \$25,000. Employee Benefits were trimmed another \$8,000. The Fire Department lost \$7,500 and Legal was down by \$4,000. Other cuts included; Waste Disposal - \$3,750, Welfare Administration - \$3,000, and Planning and Zoning - \$14,042.



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H-D Elementary's Annual Spelling Bee

Hillsboro-Deering Elementary School held its second annual School Spelling Bee on Friday, January 20th. Each classroom in grades 3-5 had held their own spelling bees and the top 3 spellers from each room participated in the School-Wide Bee. After 11 rounds of spelling, fifth-grader Juan Reyes won by correctly spelling the word "animation." Second place went to fourth-grader Fayth Grimes and fifth-grader Cheyenne Elliott placed third. Juan will move on to the Regional Spelling Bee sponsored by the NH Union Leader and the NH State Elks Association.

Kearsarge Indian Museum New Trustees

The board of the Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum welcomed three new trustees at its annual meeting on Saturday, January 21: Douglas Deihl is Director of American Indian & Ethnographic Art at Skinner, Inc., of Boston and Marlborough, Massachusetts. Robert J. Dietel is an attorney with Gallagher, Callahan and Gartrell of Concord where he specializes in financial services and environmental law. Dr. Robert G. Goodby is Associate Professor of Anthropology at Franklin Pierce University in Rindge.

Digital Social Media program at NEC

New England College will launch a new MBA program in Digital and Social Media in March. The online, 40-credit program is directed at practicing professionals and is designed to provide the technical skills to assess a variety of digital assets, and the leadership skills to implement them effectively into a successful business plan. The MBA program addresses a growing knowledge gap created by the meteoric rise of social networking, online communities, and digital assets made possible by Web 2.0. For more information on the MBA in Digital and Social Media, contact the Office of Graduate Admissions at New England College at 603-428-2252.

Greenfield company wins Canadian bid

American Steel & Precast Erectors of Greenfield has won a bid to build a six-level parking garage in St. John's, Newfoundland. East Port Properties selected the local company, working in conjunction with Lindsay Construction, to build the parking garage that will serve as a base for a six-story office building. The project marks the first international undertaking by American Steel.

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Hopkinton Principal at Washington conference

On January 23, Bill Carozza, Principal at Harold Martin School in Hopkinton and President of New Hampshire ASCD, joined educators from around the nation in meeting with federal lawmakers in Washington, D.C. During these meetings, Carozza urged lawmakers to reauthorize the Elementary and Secondary Education Act and to support a whole child approach to education.

Carozza was among more than 100 education leaders, teachers and school administrators from across the country who attended ASCD's Leadership Institute for Legislative Advocacy (LILA). ASCD, a non-partisan educational leadership organization dedicated to supporting the success of each learner, hosted the conference in downtown Washington, D.C. New Hampshire ASCD is an affiliate of ASCD.

During the conference, Carozza discussed education policy with U.S. Department of Education Teaching Fellows, other nationally recognized policy and education experts, and educators from across the country. Following these sessions, Carozza spent a day meeting with New Hampshire congressional representatives.

"Decisions made in Washington directly impact what happens in schools across the country," said David Griffith, ASCD's Public Policy Director. "That is why it is important for lawmakers to hear the perspectives of the education leaders actively engaged in shaping the next generation of Americans. ASCD is

grateful to Bill for sharing his expertise with lawmakers on how to best promote a whole

child approach to education that prepares students for life beyond the classroom."



"David Griffith, ASCD Public Policy Director (left) and Bill Carozza, Principal at Harold Martin School in the Hopkinton School District and President of New Hampshire ASCD (right) at ASCD's 2012 Leadership Institute for Legislative Advocacy in Washington DC." Marissa Bialecki photo.

Warner teen indicted on felony charge

Tiffany Robertson, 18, of Warner has been indicted by a Merrimack County grand jury on the felony charge of conduct after an accident. According to the indictment, Robertson failed to immediately stop after 16-year-old Jason Stiasny fell from the hood of Robertson's Jeep as she was driving down

Pleasant Pond Road in Warner. Robertson was also charged with misdemeanor reckless conduct. Stiasny suffered a traumatic brain injury, a fractured skull and lost most of the hearing in his right ear as a result of the accident. He missed about the entire semester of school and doesn't remember the accident.

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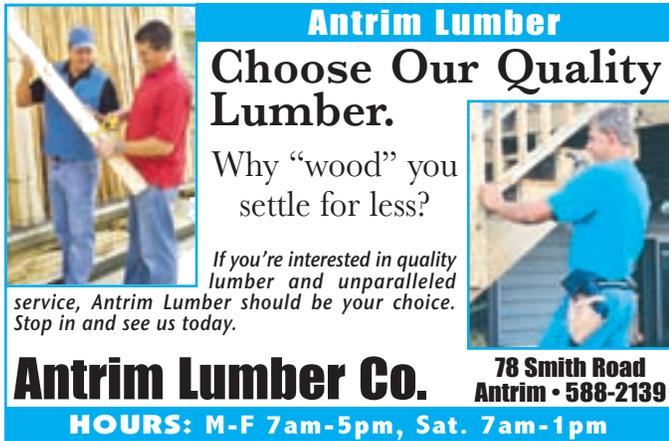


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Bradford High Spirits 4H members went ice fishing on Sunday, January 22 on Kezar Lake. Kyle Lombard helped the 4H-ers learn about ice fishing and outdoor safety. They caught northern pike and perch. Back row L to R: Ben Clark, Sarah Clark, Gillian McGirr, William McGirr; Front row L to R: Mat-

thew Noyer, Caleb Hasey, Joe Baldasaro (seated), Cailyn Dezotell, Connor Baldwin, Drew Baldwin, Carter Hasey.

Peterborough honors Boyd & Christian

The Greater Peterborough Chamber of Commerce has announced its 2012 Citizen of the Year Patricia Boyd and Business Leader of the Year Ken Christian. Boyd, a long-serving volunteer for many nonprofit organizations, and Christian, owner of Peterborough's Bellows-Nichols Insurance Agency.

They will be honored at a banquet March 21 at Monadnock Country Club. Boyd has volunteered for many years for organizations including the Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts, school board and parent-teacher association, Monadnock Community Hospital, Peterborough Players, HCS Home Healthcare and Hospice, the Monadnock Summer Lyceum, the River Center and the Monadnock Community Learning Center.

Christian, well-known in Peterborough business circles, expanded his agency to offices in New Ipswich, Hancock, Jaffrey and Antrim, doubled the original staff, and is a past winner of the insurance industry's Arthur Slawsby Young Agent award and president of the Independent Insurance Agents of New Hampshire.

Tickets for the banquet are \$45 each or eight for \$350. Table sponsorships also are available. For information contact the chamber at 924-7234.

Police pull two people from Newport river

Police and firefighters rescued two people whose sports utility vehicle went into a branch of the Sugar River in Newport Saturday night. The 2002 Chevrolet Blazer went off Reeds Mill Road and into about four to six feet of water. Crews arrived to find the two motorists sitting on the roof of the half-submerged vehicle. They used a ladder to bring the pair to shore, and a tow company pulled the Blazer from the water. No one was hurt. Police are not sure why the vehicle went into the water. The names of the motorists were not available as the accident report was incomplete.

Bradford town truck was in an accident

Bradford's F550 town truck was in an accident recently. The adjuster has come, but no report has been received as to the amount of damage done. The whole left side of the truck was hit, damaging the driver's door, dump body, bent the frame on the plow and it took out the steering box. The town does not have full replacement value on the truck, and it is not known if the other driver has insurance. Barry Wheeler suggested that it be fixed if possible.

Hillsborough honors Youth Volunteer of the Year

The Hillsborough Selectmen took time out from a busy budgeting session to recognize the efforts of Jonathan Gerade, who dedicated 92 hours of service in over 30 separate community service events during 2011. The selectmen congratulated Jonathan for always displaying a positive attitude, having a good work ethic and being genuinely committed to helping others.

Police Chief David Roarick met with the board, responding to its request that he hold increases in the police department budget from the originally requested 8% to no more than 5%. The Chief reported that he was able to make reductions so that his requested increase is at 4.9%. Most of the saving results from a \$19,000 reduction in salaries by not replacing retiring Captain Darren Remillard and hiring a new patrol officer.

The board also presented a draft of the warrant (See page 19) to be presented to voters in March (See page 22) as well as signing both the Police Union (See page 18) and Municipal Employees Contracts.

See page 22). The board will attempt to finalize the budget and warrant at next Tuesday's meeting. The session will also

include discussion of wages and benefits for non-union employees, depending on voter approval of the union contracts.



Selectman Chair Russ Galpin presents Jonathan Gerade with a plaque signifying his selection as Hillsborough's "Youth Volunteer of the Year", as fellow Selectmen Steve Venezia and Louann Rouseau look on.

Bartlett Loop may be closed in Spring

At this time the Bartlett Loop culvert will be open through the winter months and come spring time the culvert will probably be closed.

Chairman Carson would like to still hold an informational meeting with the area residents before making any decisions on closing the culvert end of the road. The Selectmen suggested having the meeting after Town Meeting

New London planning Pleasant Lake sidewalks

Public Works Director Richard Lee met with the New London Selectmen to review potential engineering firms to handle the Pleasant Lake Sidewalk Project. Because the project is scheduled to be completed in the fall of 2013, Lee said he focused less on ballpark cost estimates and more on who they were going to assign to the job and their past experience.

The board agreed to interview five of the nine firms that applied for the project which includes installation 2,600 feet of sidewalks,

benches, landscaping, and bike lanes. The board plans to invite members from the Elkins Committee to work with them throughout the process. The five firms selected for interviews include CRA Consulting, Inc. of Keene; CLD Consulting Engineers, Inc., of Manchester; Holden Transportation Engineer, of Concord; Pathways Consulting, LLC, from Lebanon and Provan and Lorber Engineers and Planners, of Contocook. It is anticipated the interviews will begin in mid to late February.

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Ledyard's Kathryn Underwood reelected

Kathryn G. Underwood, President & CEO of Ledyard National Bank, was re-elected to the Board of Directors at the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston (Boston Fed). Her new three-year term began in January 2012. In her second term on the Boston Fed's nine member board, Ms. Underwood will act as Chair of the Fed Board's audit committee. Additionally, her role includes acting as a liaison between New England's regional banks and the central bank. She will help set the nation's monetary policy by representing the concerns of the banks in all six New England states, and reporting on their economic health as well as the health of the overall regional economy.



Ms. Underwood joined Ledyard National Bank in 2005. Prior to that, she was District President for Key Bank/ Maine where she had been employed for over 25 years.

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Weare man wanted for sexual assault

Authorities are searching for a Weare man accused of sexually assaulting a 9-year-old girl. Gerald "Gerry" Wilson, 45, is wanted by the Manchester police on two counts of felonious sexual assault and one count of criminal threatening. The police say Wilson sexually assaulted a Manchester girl last year and threatened to physically harm her if she reported the incident to anyone. He was an acquaintance of the girl's mother, the police said. Manchester police have warrants for Wilson's arrest but have been unable to find him at his home in Weare. Authorities are asking anyone with information about Wilson to contact the Manchester Crimeline. Cash rewards are available for tips through the Manchester Crimeline at 624-4040.

Bradford board reduces Preschool's rent

Carrie Guerrette attended the Selectmen's meeting regarding the KAP preschool lease for the upstairs room. Carrie questioned if she could lease the room for \$500.00 rather than the \$600.00 that has been listed. She added that this would raise the rent by \$150.00 rather than \$200.00 for this year. Another question arose, that if KAP went under, how would she get out of the lease. Jack Meaney advised there is a stipulation of a sixty day time frame if either party needed to make a change. Cheryl Behr, Administrator, will make sure that is in the wording. There is 915 square feet in the room with the deck also available. The lease also comes with heat, lights but not the cleaning. Jack Meaney advised he did not have any problem with \$500.00 for this year and an increase will probably be due the following year. Cheryl will get the lease prepared for signing.

Henniker School Board presents 1% budget cut

An overflow crowd attended the Henniker Community School Wednesday evening for the Annual Budget Hearing. Superintendent Dr. Lorraine Tacconi-Moore was pleased to report that despite increases of \$127,960 for insurance, \$28,659 for retirement, \$9,428 for transportation, and a \$60,000 cut in state aid, the 2012 proposed budget was set at \$6,675,387 representing a \$61,136 or 1% reduction from the current budget. This is the fifth consecutive year in which the board has proposed either a flat or reduced budget from the prior year.

It was reported that over that period, the board has absorbed nearly \$1.9 million in increased costs in response to the tough economic times.

Board member Arnold Huftalen summarized it best when he said that he views his job as "Doing the best he can for the kids, in light of what the taxpayers can afford."

For reasons which were not explained,

the board passed over a scheduled ratification of the new teachers' contract which

was on the agenda. It will be taken up at next week's meeting.



SAU #24 Superintendent Dr. Lorraine Tacconi-Moore presented the proposed 2012 Henniker Community School budget to a supportive audience Wednesday night.

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Perry Stratton receives the Youngest Volunteer of the Year Award from Edie Daigle at the Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum Annual Meeting while the trustees look on. Perry helped mom Nicole with the crafts at Winter Celebration.

Area residents are among "40 Under 40"

Several area residents were among the Union Leader's annual list of "40 Under 40" emerging leaders in New Hampshire. Rachel A. Hampe, 39, of Hopkinton is a graduate of Hopkinton High School with a B.A. in mathematics from Bates College and a J.D. from the University of Connecticut School of Law. She is employed as a Senior attorney at McLane, Graf, Raulerson & Middleton, P. A. Her volunteer activities include; Secretary to board of directors, Girls Inc. of New Hampshire; board member of World Affairs Council of New Hampshire; board member of Red River Theatres; member of Ghostlight Society Steering Committee of the Capitol Center for the Arts; and working on campaigns.

John Mortimer, 35, of New London was born in Lansdale, Pa. and graduated from Londonderry High School College and the University of Michigan. He is the Owner of Millennium Running LLC. Formerly he was the Track Coach at Boston College and University of Kentucky.

Cathy Kuhn, 38, of New Boston was born in Wolcott, Conn. and graduated from Coral Springs High School, Coral Springs, FL. with a B.S. in environmental studies from Rollins College; an M.S. in resource development/urban studies from Michigan State University; and Ph.D. in sociology from Michigan State University. She is the Director of research and training at Families in Transition. Her volunteer activities include the Peace Corp World Wise School Program; United Way Community Review Team, PTA; Community Church of New Boston and Habitat for Humanity.

Brian A. Lavoie, 39, of Hopkinton was born in Wolfeboro and graduated from Gould Academy, Bethel, Maine with a B.S. from Keene State College; and an MBA, from the UNH Whittemore School of Business and Economics. He is Senior vice president, commercial team leader. He volunteers on the board of Capital Region Development Corp. and the Hopkinton Economic Development Committee.

David L. Schleyer, 36, from Manchester is a 1994 graduate of John Stark Regional High School. He is the owner of Elm Grove companies which owns and manages residential and commercial real estate all around NH. He volunteers with the Masons and the Masonic Charitable Foundation.

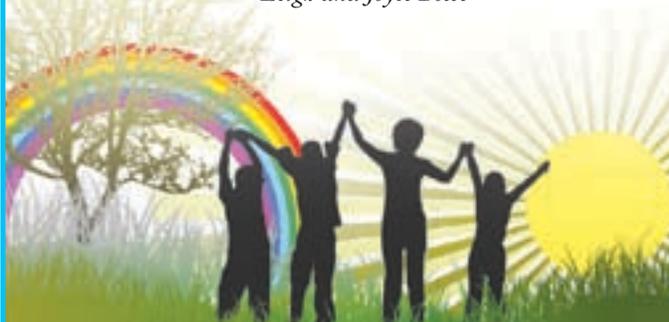
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The staff of Hillsborough Youth Services (L-R) Bill Luce, Christi Racine, Judy Fournier, Peter Brigham.



Chamber Chair Meg Curtis honors Tom & Tammy McClure as 2011 Citizens of the Year.

Hillsborough Citizens & Business of the Year honored

The Hillsborough Chamber of Commerce's Annual Awards Dinner was held Saturday night at the American Legion Hall. H-D's Red White and A Capella performed prior to the meal, which was catered by J. Marino's Italian Restaurant. Tooky Mills Pub was honored as the

2011 Business of the Year and owner Sean Burt was presented with a plaque in recognition of his contributions to the community.

Tom and Tammy McClure were the recipients of the Citizen of the Year Award for their decades of good works to benefit

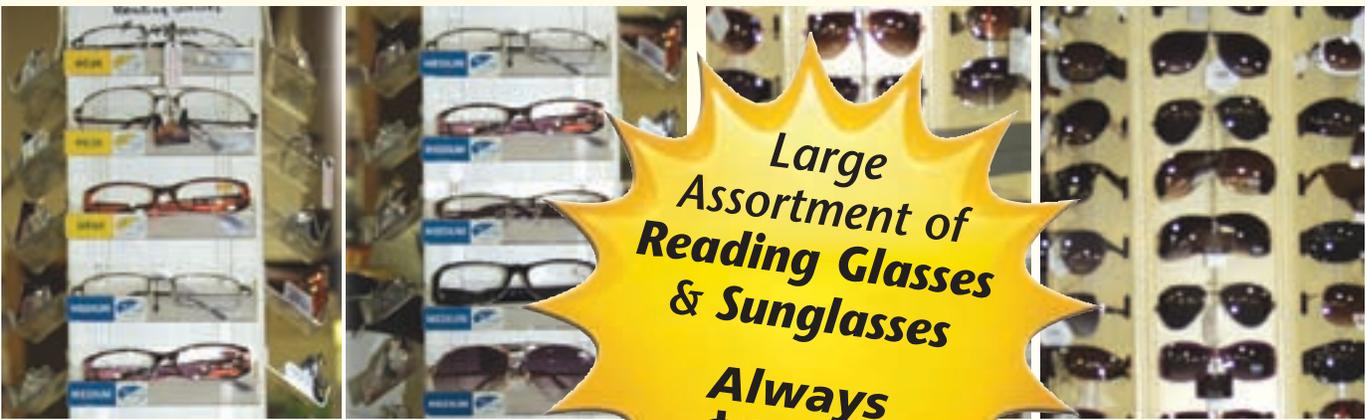
the town of Hillsborough.

New this year, the Chambers presented a Special Recognition For Community Service Award to Peter Brigham and the staff of Hillsborough Youth Services for their long-standing commitment to youth of this area.



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Publisher's Perspective *by Leigh Bosse*

One person can make a difference

"Your task to build a better world," God said, And I answered "How?" "This world is such a large vast place and so complicated now. And I'm so small and useless and there's nothing I can do." And God, in all his wisdom said, "Just build a better you." How often have we heard that refrain from an unknown author and thought "how quaint, but I can't contribute to such a task. Einstein, Newton, Gandhi, Helen Keller, Martin Luther King and the like all made significant contributions toward improving our world, but not all improvements are momentous, not all steps are giant steps. Last week in Hillsborough, that refrain was proven again by a pair of young mothers who saw a need and jumped in to meet it.

When they learned that Taj Estey-Bethel, a sixth grader in one of their son's classes had been diagnosed with a rare

form of cancer, Jennifer Zdon and Sonya Edsall started planning "Walk For Taj" a community fundraiser to benefit Taj and his family. Thanks to these women, on Saturday, the turnout for Taj was so truly tremendous. Businesses and groups who donated items to be auctioned and the town, turned out in droves. Taj and his family were able to make a brief appearance and were able to witness the outpouring of community support.

In just 3 hours the event raised well over \$3000 for Taj and his family. The Estey-Bethel family is extremely appreciative of all the efforts and support they received. Congratulations and thank you Jennifer and Sonya, you made a better you, and Hillsborough and the world are better off for it.



Sonya Edsall (l) and Jennifer Zdon (r).

Hillsboro Deering School District Deliberative Session
Monday, February 6, 2012 at HDMS at 7:00 p.m.
Don't complain if you don't show up and vote.

OPINION Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor;

The turnout for Taj was so truly impressive it was overwhelming. Thank you to all the wonderful people and families who helped set-up, clean-up, bake & attend the event.

Many thanks to all the businesses & groups who donated; Shaws, Vaillancourt Fuels, Premier Printing, The Villager, The Messenger, JD Foods, Kat's Country Corner, Lyons Mane Salon, Bob's Barber Shop, Sweet Expressions, Yannis Pizza, Hillsboro House of Pizza, Morse Sporting Goods, Dunkin Donuts, Hillsboro Ford, Hillsboro Diner, Wyman's Chevrolet-Pontiac, Tooky Mills Pub, Depot Street Tavern, Grumpy Dons, German Johns, Avon, Irving, Village Discount, Sampan, Subway, TD Bank, Radio Shack, VIP, The Sausage Source, Villari's Self Defense Center, The Living Young Day Spa, A Place in the Woods, Petals~N~Stems Florist, Winter Hill Farm, Ocean State Job Lots, Ming Du, Thirty-One. Groups; HDES-PTO, Ladies Aid Society, NHS, HD-SAU, & Elementary School staff & Chris Burns.

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Jennifer Zdon & Sonya Edsall

Dear Editor;

Hillsborough Pride just had its first 50/50 raffle. Ginks Leiby won \$50.50 and donated it to the food pantry. I would like to thank all the people that donated money and bought raffle tickets. This helps us to continue without taxpayer money. Please continue to support us through donations, sponsorships, and the 50/50 raffles we are going to have.

We had a busy day Dec 3, 2011 with the Christmas tree lighting and Old Fashion Christmas. I would like to thank all the people of Hillsborough Pride that have helped with the many events we put on this year. To continue to put on things like the "Town Wide Yard Sale", "The Memorial Day Concert", and many others we need help and money. You can join a great bunch of people for about an hour a month or just help out with special things we do.

Coming events are Meet The Local Candidates on the first Tuesday of March, The Town Cleanup the Saturday before Memorial day weekend, The Memorial Day Concert, and the Town Wide Yard Sale. Watch for notices in the newspapers and fliers.

David Fullerton, Chairman



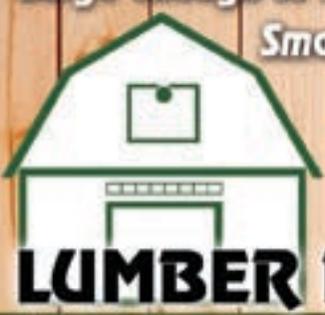
The attendance was fantastic at this Red Cross Blood Drive at the American Legion, sponsored by the Legion and the Hillsboro Lions Club.

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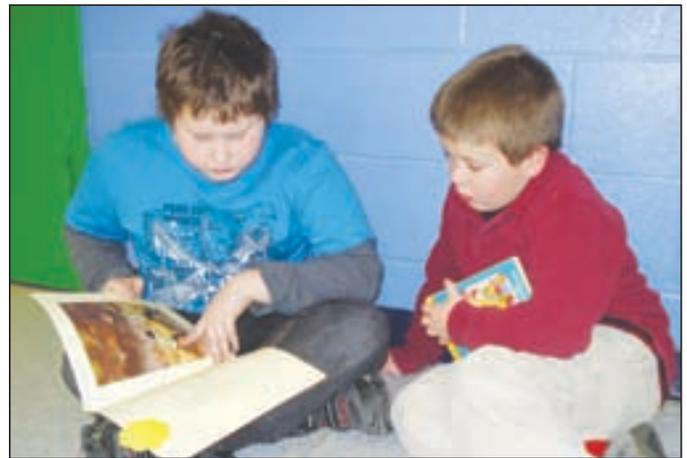
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BY SARAH CHAPIN

Research published in the *New England Journal of Medicine* shows that patients with hepatitis C who took a combination medication—a telaprevir-based regimen that is commonly used to treat the illness—for 24 weeks were cured. Usually, the treatment is administered for 48 weeks, and these results show that extended treatment is unnecessary, possibly changing the standard of care for hepatitis C patients.

Bortezomib (brand name: Velcade), a drug used to treat cancer, may also be effective in diseases that cause scarring of the internal organs or skin, such as pulmonary fibrosis or scleroderma, according to a new study published in the journal *Thorax*.

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration has approved Firazyf (icatibant) injection for the treatment of acute attacks of a rare condition called hereditary angioedema (HAE) in people ages 18 years and older. HAE is caused by low levels or the improper function of a protein called C1 inhibitor, which is involved in regulating how certain immune system and blood clotting pathways function. There is usually a family history of the condition. Fewer than 30,000 people in the United States have HAE. People with HAE can develop rapid swelling of the hands, feet, limbs, face, intestinal tract, voice box, or windpipe, which may result in disfigurement, disability, or death. Swelling of the digestive tract may cause abdominal pain, nausea, and vomiting, while airway swelling puts patients at risk of suffocation.

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Bennington energy improvements

Bennington's Energy Committee commissioned a study on energy efficiency improvements for the Town Hall, Fire Station, Library, and VFW Hall. The study, conducted by Peregrine Energy Group of Boston, Mass was funded by an American Recovery and Reinvestment Act's Energy Efficiency Conservation Block Grant. For the Town Hall, Peregrine recommends re-doing insulation in the attic, reducing air leakage, at a cost of \$4,000, with an estimated savings of \$949 per year. They also recommend heating the administrative office in the Town Hall with a new furnace. The estimated cost is \$2,500, with a savings of \$352 per year. For the Fire Station, Peregrine suggested steps to reduce air leakage at a cost of \$500 with annual savings of \$145. Also suggested was replacing one of the refrigerators with an energy-efficient model, and that a direct air intake valve be installed on the fire station boiler, resulting in an additional savings of \$163 per year. They recommend spending up to \$2,000 to repair the library windows to reduce air leakage and save \$53 per year on heating costs. The Selectmen plan to meet with the Energy Commission in May or June to study the feasibility of implementing these changes.

Warner seeking \$500,000 block grant

Warner officials held a Public Hearing on a Community Development Block Grant for the Warner Village Water District. Block Grant funds are available to municipalities of up to \$500,000 annually, through the NH Community Development Finance Authority. This is a proposed application for up to \$500,000 and the town will retain \$25,000 for administrative expenses and the remainder will be used toward Wastewater System Upgrades, including flow splitter box, clarifier, process piping, and appurtenant items. The majority of the households on the system are of low and moderate income households. Peter Savlen explained that the system has only one clarifier and that the WVWD is one of the last in the state to have only one. The benefit is having a new clarifier; the current clarifier is 36 years old and parts are difficult to obtain. Selectman Karrick asked how many funds are available. Donna Lane said there is \$1.5 million available and there are about 15 other communities applying. If the WVWD is not awarded the grant, the plan is to reapply in the summer.



Hopkinton High School was the venue to learn "All About Animals" last Saturday with several indoor displays and exhibits. The also held an Ikiderod in which kids pulled their animals in wagons.

Warner approves Anti-Displacement Plan

After a Public Hearing, the Warner Selectmen have approved a Residential Anti-displacement and Relocation Assistance Plan. Although this project does not involve any displacement or relocation of persons or businesses, if the Town were to undertake a CDBG project which involved displacement or relocation they would follow this plan. The plan outlines the measures they would take to find comparable, suitable housing for persons (or businesses) displaced or relocated.

Weare teachers ask voters to say yes

Weare teachers who have been working without a new contract since 2009, the school board and the teachers union all hope voters will approve this proposed contract providing teachers raises, and preventing Weare from losing teachers to higher paying districts. Voters rejected contract proposals in 2009 and 2010, and negotiations failed to reach an agreement last year. School Board Chair Matthew Thomas believes the district lost 10 percent of its teachers last year, and more than 10 percent after the 2009-2010 school year. If approved, the two year contract would give teachers between a 2 and 5 percent increase each year, based on their years of experience. Starting salary in Weare is \$29,500, compared to Henniker which is \$38,480. Weare's average salary is \$41,870 with Henniker's at \$56,500 and the state average of 53,700.

Pair arrested for Christmas day burglary

Greenfield police have arrested a Jaffrey man and Greenfield woman on burglary charges in relation to two burglaries on Christmas day. Jesse Dennis, 27, of Jaffrey, and Ashleigh Starr, 26, of Greenfield, were arrested and charged with two counts of burglary. Giammarino stressed that Dennis and Starr were not involved with Manchester residents Thomas Bragdon and Scott Lefebvre, 48, who were arrested for burglaries committed in Greenfield and Peterborough. Dennis and Starr have reportedly confessed to these burglaries, and are suspected of having been involved with a burglary in Dublin. Starr was released on \$10,000 personal recognizance bail. Dennis was also charged on an electronic bench warrant for failure to appear in court and is being held on \$750 cash bail.

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SPORTS.



H-D's Patrick Sweeney, 23, hits a jumper over the outstretched hands of the Hawk's Liam McNicholas, 15.

BOYS' BASKETBALL

Hopkinton 34 Hillsboro-Deering 31 H-D led most of the way until Frankie Beane scored all of the Hawks fourth quarter points to lead the come from behind victory. Beane finished with 21 points while Dan Kulbacki led H-D with 10.

Hillsboro-Deering 50 Monadnock 34 Kevin Gidari grabbed 13 rebounds as the Hillcats dominated the boards 29-13. Tyler Weinstein scored 21 points and Dan Kulbacki 13 for the Cats.

Stevens 70 Newport 44 The Tigers led by a point after one but were outscored 40-13 in the middle quarters. Greg Beaulieu had 17 points for Newport.

Campbell 74 Newport 36 The 9-2 Cougars crushed the 2-9 Tigers, taking a 50-28 half-time lead and cruising home. Greg Beaulieu scored 19 for Newport.

Sunapee 54 Wilton-Lyndeborough 37 Tied at 23 at the half, the Lakers pulled away after the break. Brian Brewster led with 19 points with Troy Fowler adding 15.

Sunapee 61 Concord Christian 41 Troy Fowler exploded for 26 points and Brian Brewster added 13 in a laker domination.

Merrimack Valley 66 ConVal 38 The Cougars were up 20-7 before surrendering 29 second quarter points Tyler Bradford had 10 points for ConVal.

John Stark 83 Milford 79 The five General starters finished in double figures led by Nick Lloyd with 22 points, 9 assists and 7 steals.

John Stark 63 Kearsarge 58 Double doubles by Zach Grattan (10 points, 13 boards) and Cody Drouin (14 points, 10 boards) led the Generals to a hard fought win. Dalton Courser