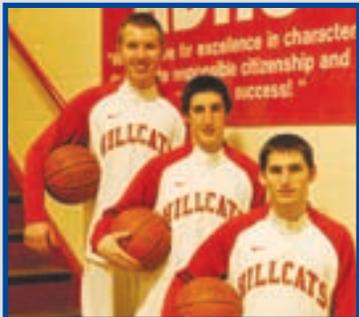


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H-D Seniors Honored

H-D Boys' Basketball seniors Tyler Weinstein, Kevin Gidari and Alex Goodwin were feted during Senior Night ceremonies at the High School.

See story on page 20

Snow To Go

Pats Peak has provided the snow for the Concord High School Winter Carnival Snow Sculpture Contest. Their winter



carnival includes a snow sculpture contest and with no

snow on the ground, Pats Peak came to the rescue. Concord High School sent a truck to pick up the snow to be delivered to the school grounds for their snow sculpture contest, which begins this week. "We have so much snow we are giving it away!" jokes Pats Peak General Manager, Kris Blomback. "To be serious, we were contacted by the school varsity club asking if we could help save their snow sculpture contest and so we did just that."



Deborah Turcott, Executive Director of the Upper Valley Humane Society accepts a check from Cindy Best, co-owner of Paw Prints with a Purpose. The new company, based in New London, donated a portion of their proceeds from the holiday season to the UVHS. Standing alongside Turcott, is Zane, one of the dogs currently available for adoption. See our Adopt-A-Pet special section on pages 13-15.

Missing Woman OK

Wanders away from Pats Peak

A 47-year-old woman who went missing from Pats Peak ski area Sunday afternoon, has been found safe. Melanie Quinton, of Belmont, MA, was found Monday afternoon, on Bear Hill Road in Hillsborough by Hillsborough EMT Bill McCrackin, and was taken to the hospital to be checked out. Quinton suffers from an undiagnosed mental illness and has a long history of wandering off. John Osborne, of Henniker told Channel 9 "We saw a woman walking down the road that

we did not recognize. She did not wave back and kind of had a strange look in her eye, and sort of was notable to both my wife and I at this point that it was not somebody that was from around here." Authorities searched the area for several hours Sunday, but turned up no signs of Quinton. Police said they did not suspect foul play in Quinton's disappearance, but they were concerned that she didn't have any identification, credit cards, money or a cellphone with her.

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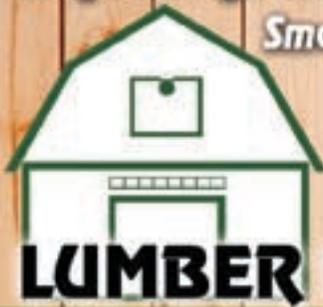
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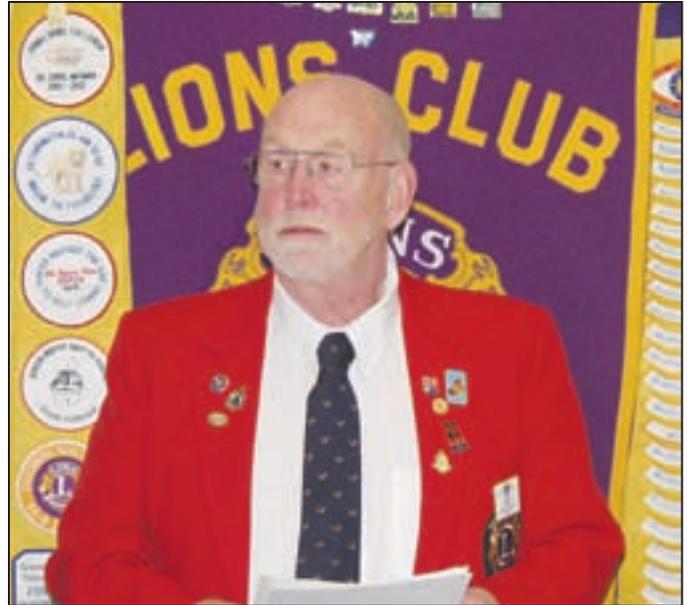
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Vice District Governor Tom Geno of Concord was a recent guest of the Hillsboro Lions Club.

How much electricity are you using?

Do you know how much electricity your lights, computer, microwave or your electric clock are using? There's an easy way to find out. All you have to do is borrow a Kill A Watt meter from Tracy Memorial Library in New London. Thanks to the New London Energy Committee, the library has three meters available for a two-week loan. They will calculate the electricity consumption of your household appliances and electronics, so you'll know how much it's costing to run your refrigerator or figure out if your microwave uses more electricity than the oven. By utilizing information from the Kill A Watt meter you'll have all the information you'll need. For more information, contact the Tracy Memorial Library.

Newport cuts or reduces 5 school staff

The Newport School Board has voted to save approximately \$358,000 by eliminating or reducing nine staff positions in the next school year. The reductions, attainable because of a drop in student enrollment, include; a Towle/Richards assistant principal, a para educator in the alternative program, a grant administrator, safety-officer, .5 special education administrative assistants, a reading teacher at the middle school/high school, .5 high school foreign language teacher, a contracted developmental psychologist, and .2 Richards guidance counselor.

It is apparent that Mark Christensen will not return as High School Principal as Superintendent Donna Moyer reported that there were 41 applicants for the job beginning July 1st. The field has been narrowed to five for initial interviews.

Peterborough Chamber's Spring Auction

The Greater Peterborough Chamber of Commerce's 7th Annual Spring Auction has been scheduled to begin on April 24 and end on May 3. The auction is a major fundraiser for the Greater Peterborough Chamber of Commerce and helps to support the many business activities and community events organized by the Chamber. Sponsorships are also now available for the event.

H-D High School expanding course curriculum

The Hillsboro-Deering School Board is considering offering two additional electives to the High School curriculum next year.

A Civil Engineering and Architecture course would teach students about various aspects of civil engineering and architecture and apply their knowledge to the design and development of residential and commercial properties and structures. In addition, students would use 3D design software to design and document solutions for major course projects. Students communicate and present solutions to their peers and members of a professional community of engineers and architects. The second, a World Religions Course involves the study of world religions as an integral part of understanding individuals, countries, and nations. This course introduces students to the beliefs and practices of five of the most widely recognized religions in the world today: Christianity, Judaism, Islam, Hinduism, and Buddhism. Despite some commonalities, each religion is unique regarding its history and practice. This

course will explore of the interactions that have taken place among the religions, and allow students to place two or more religions side-by-side and examine their similarities/differences. Ultimately, students will learn

the basic tenets of each faith in order to gain the ability to discuss each religion and its corresponding history, practice, and relationship to other faiths. Each course is designed for grades 11-12.

Employees given 2% pay cut

Faced with a reduction of state funds, Monadnock Community Hospital is cutting hospital employees' pay by 2% and the hospital's nine-person executive team will receive a 3% cut. The changes will take effect April 1st. The hospital will also be eliminating the employer contribution to its workers' 403(b) retirement programs. The cuts and savings through eliminating the retirement contributions are expected to offset about \$500,000 of the \$1.2 million in state aid.



Members of Hillsborough's American Legion, Auxillary and Sons of the American Legion prepared and served about 150 free turkey dinners at their Annual Senior Citizen's Dinner on Sunday.

Hillsborough Circuit Court approved by state

At Wednesday's meeting of the NH Bureau of Court Facilities, the pending lease of a portion of the former Cricenti's Market in Hillsborough was approved.

The lease is for 10 years at a cost of \$627,000. Renovations are expected to start shortly, but the date of it's official opening is unknown.

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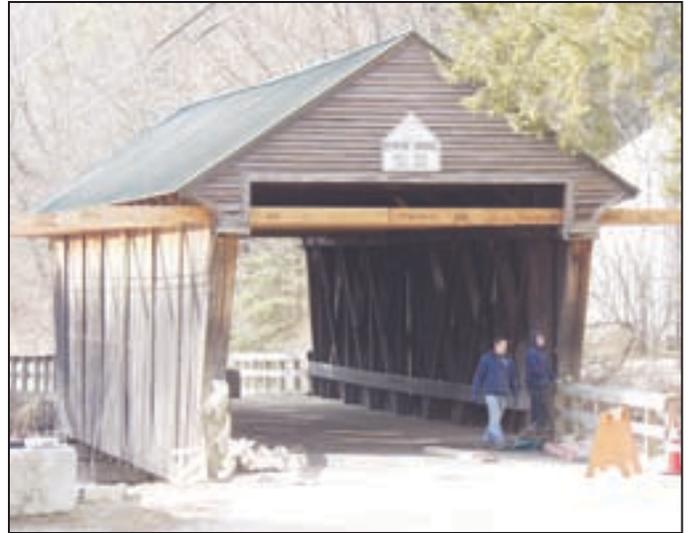
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Chocolate Lovers gather in New London

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Warner budget shows a 2% reduction

Few voters attended the Warner Budget Committee's public hearing on Feb. 9th. The committee presented a budget which, if approved at Town Meeting will result in a tax rate reduction of more than 2%. The following night, the selectmen agreed with the committee's proposed budget, including an Operating Budget of \$2,994,577. Several warrant articles ask for contribution to Capital Reserve Funds, including: police department \$10,000; highway department \$50,000; fire/rescue department, \$50,000; Transfer Station \$13,000; and Parks & Recreation, \$6,000.

Dock repair back on Newbury's warrant

Newbury Town Administrator Dennis Pavlicek gave the good news to the voters who attended Newbury's Budget Hearing on Monday, Feb. 13th. The proposed budget is level funded, with no increase in taxes. Voters will be asked to approve an Operating Budget of \$3,446,614; capital reserve funds for: Fire Equipment: \$60,000; Highway Equipment: \$82,000; Ambulance: \$3,000; and Recreation Facilities: \$10,000. Contributions to expendable trust funds for: Docks: \$12,000; Town office equipment: \$6,000; Town buildings: \$7,000; Milfoil Control: \$5,000, and Firefighter Personal Protection: \$10,000. Two articles involve veterans; Article 6, which seeks \$125,000 to complete the renovation of the Veterans Hall, and article 7 requesting \$35,000 to erect a Veterans Memorial. Article 9 is a repeat from last year, asking for 82,250, with \$50,000 coming from the docks expendable trust fund.

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New London Budget Committee begins its review

The New London Budget Committee began its review of the proposed Fiscal Year 2013 budget on Monday evening. Before starting work on the current budget, Selectman Peter Bianchi gave the committee the sobering news of the future expense of repairing the Pleasant Lake dam, which could cost up to \$500,000. (Sees story on page 23).

The committee's largest cut was \$10,000 from the employee's health care deductible line. \$2,025 was cut from the town clerk budget, which was planned for replacing the town's voting booths. It will now be delayed until after this year's elections. The \$2,200 cut from the tax collector's budget was for outsource printing and mailing of custom tax bills, which

will be done in house. There was a lengthy discussion about the buyout of employee sick days but no decision was reached. The

committee will resume deliberations on Monday, March 5 at 7 p.m. in the Sydney Crook Conference Room.

Wind Towers on ballot again

Antrim voters will be asked to support six zoning amendments including another large-scale wind energy ordinance and an adjustment to the district regulations for cell phone towers. The Planning Board's current version of the wind ordinance limits the height of turbines at such facilities to no more than 450 feet. In earlier drafts, defeated by voters the limit was 500 feet. Noise levels are limited to no more than 5 decibels above the ambient sound level before construction at occupied structures surrounding the facility. If sound levels are not tested pre-construction, the level is automatically considered to be 25 bBA. The maximum amount of sound allowed at occupied structures would be 45 bBA during the day and 43 bBA at night.



NH House Speaker Bill O'Brien was the guest speaker at Tuesday's meeting of the Contoocook Valley Republican Committee. The speaker updated the status of pending legislation.

Sunapee man killed in snowmobile accident

Jason Montambeault, 36, from Sunapee died when he crashed his snowmobile in the Piper Hill area of Stewartstown early Saturday morning. Fish and Game Department officers investigating the crash said speed and alcohol appear to be contributing factors. Montambeault was last seen by two

companions around 1:30 a.m. Saturday, crossing a field in the direction of his camp, but he never arrived at the camp and his friends believed he may have gone to visit relatives at another camp. Shortly after sun-up, Montambeault's body was found off a trail about two miles from the camp.

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Four young ladies representing the Hannah Dustin Society of the Children of the American Revolution, sponsored by the Mercy Hathaway White Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, made and personally went from room to room passing out over 200 valentines to the residents at the Tilton Veteran's Home. Shown are: Sophia and Madison Snaith of New London, Savannah Smith and Lydia Monroe of Warner with Veteran Ed Conron.

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Hillsborough Pride's Candidates Night

To assist all in being informed voters, Hillsborough Pride has organized a Candidates Night, Tuesday March 6, 7PM at the American Legion Hall. The Hillsborough area is fortunate to have a number of very important positions in our town government, including seats on the Select, School and Planning Boards. Candidates will each present their positions, followed by questions from the audience.

New London to install Low Temp Alarms

The New London Selectmen hope to install Low Temperature Alarm Systems for Town Offices in light of the recent damage at the library. Two bids that came in for the installation and maintenance of these alarms. Capital Alarm came in at \$1,095 for installation, and monitoring at \$24/month for six month intervals. Tasco came in at \$1,050 for installation but would install for free if the town signed a contract for five years at \$10 a/month. Hallquist would see if they could install the equipment and see if they could just pay for one year at a time instead of coming up with \$600 for the five years all at once.

Bradford board hears citizens complaints

The Bradford Selectmen heard from two upset citizens at their February 14th meeting. John Belanger of West Road approached the Selectmen with the ongoing driveway issue and advised his garage is flooded. He supplied estimates to correct the problem, indicating the garage could be raised, the drain could be lowered or change the driveway. This problem occurred when the bridge was done, the road bed was raised four or five inches. Administrator Cheryl Behr stated the town does not have insurance to cover this problem. Belanger left the estimates with the Selectmen for a decision to be made. Laura Woo-sam of Sunset Hill Road came to see if Sunset Road will be paved sometime soon. Chair Harry Wright told her not for a while, as they have just compiled a road surface management survey provided by Regional Planning and they did not mention Sunset Hill Road. Ms. Woo-sam stated she has been trying to sell her home for three years. The road is deplorable and doesn't help when people come to look at the house, which they take a lot of pride in, and have put a lot of money into. The Selectmen will check to see where Sunset Hill Road is on the list of paving and let Cheryl Behr know and Ms. Woo-sam can call her.

Warner Fall Foliage Festival plans in limbo

This year's Warner Fall Foliage Festival is up in the air due to proposed landscaping at the school. The festival has always used a part of Simonds Elementary School's property to hold many of its events.

However, the school has plans to plant grass on the field and pave the bus route, which would make the area off limits to the festival. The area hosts the oxen pulling, and woodsman competitions, along with a lobster and chicken food tent, children's rides and the fire department's activity tent.

Selectman David Hartman said he is worried about the school's impact on the future of the Fall Foliage Festival because residents see it as crucial to the town's identity. Jerry Frew, Kearsarge School District Superintendent said he understands the festival's importance and wants to work with the town.

Last year, the District spent \$3,000 to plant grass in the area, but after the Festival, the grass was gone. Currently, the plan calls for reseeding and allowing the grass to grow for up to a full year, which

would also keep the children off the area during that time. Town, school and Festival officials are continuing to resolve the dilemma. A follow up session Tuesday night, attended by about 100 residents, produced

no solutions, but Sherry Thomas, Festival President assured residents the 2012 Festival will still go on and will include all of its traditional events, even if some must move to different locations.



Henniker Rotary President Jim Walsh (c), thanks HDHS DECA members Mollie Moore (l), and Austin Brown for their presentation on ChiliFest Marketing to the club.



BY SARAH CHAPIN

TAKE YOUR MEDICINE

Aromatase inhibitors (AIs) are a class of drugs used to treat breast cancer in postmenopausal women. The drugs are normally taken as an alternative to tamoxifen or after initial treatment with tamoxifen. In general, they are associated with a reduction in breast cancer recurrence but not in improved survival.

Furthermore, the drugs are associated with a number of adverse toxic effects, compared with tamoxifen. The toxicities associated with AIs may explain the lack of overall survival improvement compared with tamoxifen, according to a study published in the *Journal of the National Cancer Institute*.

The essential element zinc has been shown in a new study to be a likely tumor suppressor in the most common form of pancreatic cancer, according to a report in the journal *Cancer Biology & Therapy*. Pancreatic cancer is the fourth leading cause of cancer death in the United States, according to the National Cancer Institute (NCI). There are about 42,000 new cases annually in the United States, of which the NCI estimates 35,000 will die. Patients with pancreatic cancer are usually diagnosed at an advanced stage of the disease because pancreatic cancer often spreads before symptoms develop. Current treatments may extend survival slightly or relieve symptoms in some patients, but they rarely produce a cure. Pancreatic adenocarcinoma accounts for the vast majority of pancreatic cancer cases. Tumors arise from epithelial cells that line pancreatic ducts.

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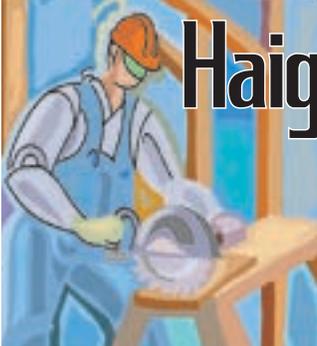
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The three Hillsboro-Deering Principals proudly reported that their students had shown improvement on the NECAP tests. HDHS student, Kassidy Snair, recorded the highest possible score of 1180, on the reading NECAP Assessment. Congratulations Kassidy!

Sunapee Seniors host Candidates Day

The Sunapee Seniors have invited all candidates of school and town offices to present their views and qualifications to its members and Sunapee residents at the annual Candidates Day meeting at 1 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 27 at the Sunapee Methodist Church. In the event of inclement weather Candidates Day will meet at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 28 at the church. Each candidate has been requested to limit his or her presentation to five minutes. There will be time for questions and answers after each talk. In addition to the candidates' presentations, the following people have agreed to attend and address any questions regarding the respective warrant articles: Donna Nashawaty, town manager, town warrant articles; Brendan Minnihhan, school superintendent, school warrant articles and John Walden, library director, the proposed new library. All Sunapee residents are invited to attend. Light refreshments will be offered following the program.

Tucker Free Library offers 3 new services

The Tucker Free Library has initiated three new services in the past months. The first is an expansion of the NH Downloadable Book program called the ADVANTAGE program. Ebooks as well as audiobooks have been purchased exclusively for Tucker Free Library patrons to reduce wait times for favorite titles.

The second exciting technological advance is the introduction of a MOBILE WEBSITE version of our library website. Responding to the proliferation of smart phones and tablets, our original website was modified for the smaller format. Finally, the Tucker Free Library is participating in the ONLINE NEWSSTAND program. Offered in conjunction with our EBSCO databases, the Online Newsstand provides easy access to favorite magazines that offer full-text options. Check out the list at <http://tuckerfreelibrary.org/onlinenewsstand.html>. Both the Online Newsstand and Advantage programs are available through links on the mobile website.

Wilmot's pancake breakfast successful

Wilmot's First Congregational Church, DCC raised \$237.50 for the New Hampshire Food Bank at a free Valentine Pancake Breakfast held on Feb. 12. The church thanks the 40 or so people who attended and those who helped make the breakfast possible and for the generous donations to the food bank.



The SAU #34 School Board will soon decide between William Rearick (l) and Robert Hassett (r) as the new Superintendent of Schools.

Board discusses flooding, road salt, & bridges

The Henniker Selectmen dealt with a variety of issues at their Tuesday meeting. Resident Patricia Miller approached the board about a recurring flooding problem on her property. Road Agent Carl Knapp reported that it did not appear the town caused the problem, which may be the result of settling. Other houses in the area had similar problems because stumps buried when the house was built have decomposed causing settling. Knapp will meet with Mrs.

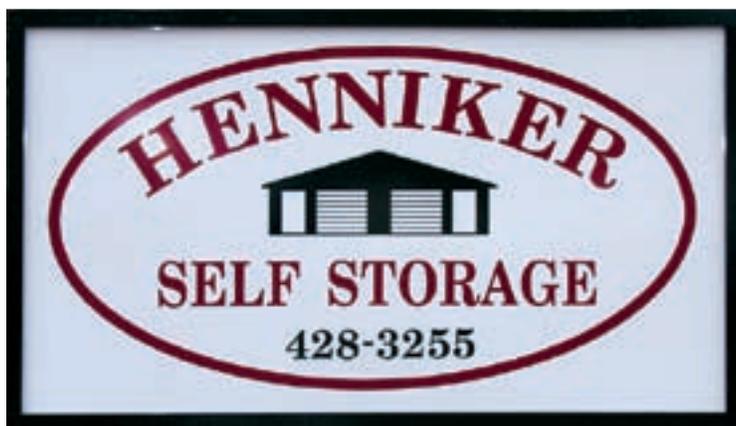
Miller and report back to the board.

Norm Bumford appeared to request that portions of Cote Hill Road be posted as a "No Salt" road, as road salt contaminates his parent's dug well at the bottom of the road. After a lengthy discussion, the board voted to post a portion of the road as "Low Salt", but gave Knapp permission to use his discretion if more salt is needed for safety reasons.

The board also gave Knapp permission to begin demolition of the old Temple Road

bridge and put its replacement out to bid. FEMA has approved funding of the project.

Jim Morse appeared to request a 5 year extension of the board's permission to allow ATV riders to use Class VI roads, which was unanimously given. Finally, the board agreed with Martha Sunderland that the Conservation Commission could sell the four tax dedeed lot for a total of \$150,700. That amount, placed in the General Fund, reduces the tax rate from \$7.24 to \$7.22/1,000.



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Warner to fund Exit 9 traffic studies

Warner Selectmen's Chair Clyde Carson has recommended funding the two traffic engineering studies needed for the Exit 9 area so that the Planning Board will be ready for any future development discussions. The two studies amount to about \$55K; there is currently a little over \$10K in the capital reserve. Selectman David Hartman disagrees with funding the Exit 9 capital reserve because when it comes time to redesign the roads and intersection at Exit 9; it can be included in the development costs of the property. A developer would only be responsible for a percentage of the cost of the improvement based on the impact into the intersection. Also, the developer's percentage cannot be forced and the state's involvement is 2/3 and the Town's portion would be 1/3. The percentage for the developer's impact is taken from the Town's portion of 1/3. Carson still feels the Town needs to be prepared for the future development of exit 9; he feels completing the study will save time when a developer is ready to approach the Town. Selectman Karrick agreed and moved that \$10K remain in the Exit 9 warrant and an additional \$10K be removed from the general fund to bring the total to \$30K which would be enough to fund the first study. Carson seconded and it passed 2-1 with Hartman opposed.

Hopkinton demands State pay \$200,000

The Town of Hopkinton is considering a suit against the State of NH. When the state seized flood-control land from 18 New Hampshire towns in 1953, NH and Massachusetts officials promised annual compensation for the towns' lost revenue. Last year, the payments stopped prompting Hopkinton to demand New Hampshire send a check or be sued. Hopkinton didn't find out it wasn't receiving 2011's \$200,000 payment until November and had already budgeted for the income. Other towns owed funds under the agreement include: Hancock-\$6,105, Henniker-\$87,340, Peterborough-\$25,148 and Weare-\$59,677.

Weare Selectmen discuss bridge replacements

Tim Redmond told the Weare Selectmen that they received reimbursement from FEMA for the October 28th and 29th snowstorm for sand, salt, overtime, and vehicle use. A public hearing will be scheduled to accept the reimbursement. Redmond has received documentation from NH DES that the environmental permitting has been completed for the Peaselee Road Bridge.

Redmond also reported that there is an agreement that has never been signed for the Lull Road Bridge and he believes there is money included in the ten year bridge plan and that the town would be responsible for 20%. Naomi Bolton, Town Administrator, said that if the town does not have the 20% they need to notify the state and be taken off the list. Chairman Clow said that they would need to look at what other bridges need work and maybe consider another bridge bond, but Vice Chairman Butt suggests not going for another bridge bond until the current one is paid off. Butt said that his thought was they will be paying off the current bond within a

couple years and holding off on getting a new bond until then so as not to have an adverse affect on taxes. Mr. Redmond said that the easements are in place and he understands they can apply for engineering costs reimbursement once the easements are all in place. It was discussed that if 20% on both projects is less than \$197,000 they

can move forward, otherwise they will have to wait to be able to get a new bond. These are the last two bridges in town that were red lined to be repaired. Mr. Redmond will get more information on how much time they have, if the state will hold the funding, and get more information from SEA Engineering.



Henniker Rotary Club President James Walsh thanks Michelle Galligan and Sarah O'Reilly, Foster Care Recruiters from Child and Family Services, for their informational presentation to the club about Foster Care opportunities.



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OPINION Letters to the Editor

Open Letter to the Editor:

I attended a Selectman's meeting in Deering on February 15th. One item on the agenda was the approval of Minutes from three previous meetings, one being the budget hearing. I was astounded when the Chairperson, upon examination of the drafts prepared by the Administrative Assistant, stated that there was too much detail in the minutes and that she would take the drafts home and rewrite them! WOW! Is this standard operating procedure in Deering? So much for transparency.

Doris Beane, Deering

Response to the residents of Deering regarding the role of a Selectman;

Q. Are there any rules to guide the board?

A. Two major statutes guide the board in everything it does. The first is RSA 41:8, which says "[a] majority of the selectmen shall be competent in all cases." In other words, a board of selectmen may take action only by majority vote. As is often said, a single selectman has no authority. The second critical statute is RSA Chapter 91-A, New Hampshire's Right to Know Law. It requires the board to conduct any official business at a properly held meeting. RSA 91-A:2.

Q. Does the board have to allow public comment at meetings?

A. In most cases, no. The only time public comment is required is during a public hearing, when parties whose rights may be affected have the right to be heard.

For example, if the board conducts a public hearing for the layout of a new public road, the owners of the land over which the road will pass have a right to be heard. RSA 231:11. When the selectmen hold a public hearing to consider buying or selling land, or accepting unanticipated grants, any member of the public who wishes to speak should be allowed to do so. See RSA 41:14-a; RSA 31:95-b. In contrast, the general public has no right to speak at an ordinary selectmen's meeting. Meetings must be open to the public, but the right to attend is not the same thing as the right to speak. See RSA 91-A:2. Unless the board decides otherwise, the only people who may speak at a selectmen's meeting are the board members and other people invited or permitted to speak by the board. Christine Fillmore is staff attorney with the New Hampshire Local Government Center's Legal Services and Government Affairs Department.

In response to the comment that a formal request was made to explore and provide a senior citizens program for our area and to raise and appropriate a sum of money to assist in this endeavor that is accurate but is not complete. I was personally approached by one of our citizens who requested this on a Friday and said the town would need to "chip in" about \$200.00 with Hillsborough. Less than 24 hours later he told me that he would need a few more dollars. I asked how much he said \$2,000.00. When I asked why he said because Hillsborough was going to ask for \$3,000.00 for an exploratory committee. First of all, there has been no interest in a Senior Program in Deering and I am not certain why we need to do it with another town. Secondly why you need money for volunteers to look into the possibility of having a senior center is another question I have. Thirdly, (I am a senior) if I want a Senior Center and my town to subsidize it I want it in Deering not Hillsborough. I want it to be in my town using FREE facilities like the Town Hall. Here is an idea we should consider: how about approaching the Deering Community Church to see if they would like to participate or how about our other non-profit groups like the Wilds

or His Mansion? They could then give back to our community and for those of you who would argue again that we grew up with the Hillsborough people our kids know each other etc. I say, they can have their own program and we can have ours and invite each other to our individual towns for programs and events. We need our own identity and although our past relationship with Hillsborough and our future with our children going to the same school is an important one to many, we should not always assume that we couldn't do this on our own. The last statement I will make about the particulars on this request is that the person requesting it never presented it to the board but only to two of the Selectman. That is not how things are decided on or voted on. By the way at our last meeting a request was made by a resident to join an exploratory committee to look into having a Senior Center with Hillsborough and did not ask for money, we approved it. Honestly, they did not need to come to the board to ask for permission if there is no money attached to it. The Board of Selectmen is the governing body of the Town. Their role, as promulgated by NH RSA 41:8 is to carry out the directives of Town Meeting and to "manage the prudential affairs of the town". New Hampshire law vests many other duties with the Board of Selectmen. These include managing town roads, buildings & land, overseeing welfare, emergency management, layout of highways, dealing with hazardous or dilapidated buildings, issuing public health regulations, and enforcing land use regulations. In closing, remember that the BOS is responsible to carry out the will of the Legislative Body and the way they vote, not a committee that has brought forward a petition no matter how many people signed it. There was no disrespect intended by not complying with a request to rescind the cancellation of a contract. That is up to the Legislative Body at the Town Meeting. I would expect that since so many of our Town Residents signed the Petition that funds to be put in a trust to be used for the Recreation program would pass easily.

JP Marzullo, Deering Selectman

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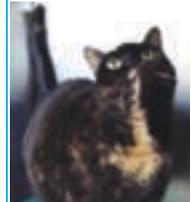
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LEGION DANCE: The Hillsboro Legion Post #59: Music with "The Lone Star Band" featuring local resident Paula Tomacchio. Old Country New Country and some good old Rock'n'Roll. 8pm-midnight. No cover.

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INDOOR YARD SALE: Grange Hall in East Andover, 8 a.m. - 1 p.m. \$20 a space, tables provided. Lunch and baked goods available for purchase. To benefit a mission trip to the Dominican Republic. Info: Linda McGrail, 934-3896.

KIDS ICE FISHING DERBY: Eagle Pond, off Rte. 4, Wilnot, 9 a.m. - noon. Sponsored by the Andover Fish and Game Club, the 28th Annual Willis Nowell Memorial Kids' Ice Fishing Derby is for kids 15 and under. TaCkle and bait will be provided. Free food and drink. Lucky prizes, ribbons and trophies awarded. Bad weather date, Sunday, Feb. 26. Info: 735-5311.

COMMUNITY FUN DAY: Warner, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. N.H. Telephone Museum and Firefighters Museum, \$1 off admission; free coffee tasting at Runner Stone Market, Wellness Open House at Brookside building; events at the library; cross country or hike meeting on Bartlett Loop; wagon rides; free afternoon tea at the Maples; indoor games at the United Church of Warner; guided family snowshoeing tour at Mt. Kearsarge Indian Mu-

seum; and much more. 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. Hot buffet style meal at United Church of Warner hosted by Warner Time Bank / Warner Connects; pay by donation.

ICE FISHING TUTORIAL: Wilnot Public Library, 11 North Wilnot Rd., 1 p.m. Sponsored by the Elkins Fish and Game Club. Equipment, procedures, safety and other related topics will be discussed. Cost: \$4 for adults, \$2 for children under 10. Register elkinsfishandgame@gmail.com so enough handouts will be available. Info: www.elkinsfishandgame.net.

SNOWSHOE/SKI TOUR: of the Cline Property, Andover, 1-3 p.m. with Beth McGuinn and landowners, John and Lorraine Cline, for a tour of their 33-acre conservation easement. Discuss their trail system, wildlife habitat and a maple sugaring operation. If no snow, a hike. Wear warm layers. Parking limited. RSVP: Nancy Smith, 526-6555

SPAGHETTI SUPPER: Immaculate Conception Church, Andover, 5 - 7 p.m. Cost: \$6 adults, \$3 children 6 to 12, under 6 free. Info: Loretta Bates, 735-5790.

BREAKFAST: Wilnot Volunteer Fire Department, 7-10 a.m. Buffet style with French toast and real maple syrup; scrambled eggs, home fries, bacon, sausage, Juice, coffee and more. Cost: \$7 per person, under 10, free. Park behind the fire house, not on Rte. 11.

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 26

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COMICS WORKSHOP: Hopkinton A program for grades 6 and up (adults welcome!): Comics Workshop from 4-6p.m. with Graphic Novelist Marek Bennett. Please plan to arrive 30 minutes before each event and stay 30 minutes after to help clean up. For more information, please call Leigh Maynard @ 746-3663.

MONDAY FEBRUARY 27

CREATING COMICS: The Library Arts Center studio, 58 North Main Street, Newport, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. during most schools' winter break. Led by instructor Marek Bennett, cartoonist and for students in grades 4, 5 and 6. sponsored by Communities United Regional Network for Sullivan County and The Library Arts Center. Info: 863-3040.

CANDIDATES DAY: Sunapee Methodist Church, 1 p.m. All candidates for Sunapee School and town offices are invited to present their views and qualifications to members and other interested Sunapee residents. In case of inclement weather, the meeting will be Tuesday, Feb. 28, at the same time and place. Sponsored by the Sunapee Seniors.

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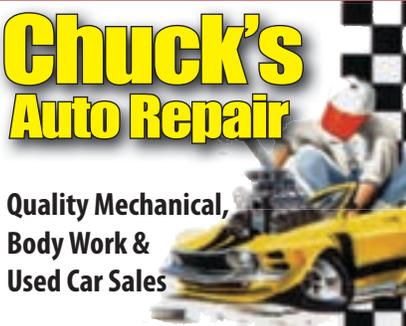
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CONCERT: The Monadnock Folklore Society presents Tim Eriksen, widely regarded as the best ballad singer of his generation in concert on Friday March 2 at 8:00 p.m. at the Nelson, NH Town Hall. Admission is \$12/\$9 senior, youth & advance internet.



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