

# THE Messenger

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## Ledyard's new VP

Kevin Kober has joined Ledyard National Bank as its Senior Vice President and Chief Retail Banking Officer. With over 27 years of banking experience, Kober served as a Mortgage Broker and Branch Manager before being promoted to Senior Vice President and Manager of Retail Banking at The Connecticut Bank & Trust. In addition to CBT, he has worked at TD Banknorth and Fleet Bank.



To celebrate their 40th Anniversary, the Newport Senior Center and Sullivan County Nutrition Services hosted a birthday party attended by Elvis Presley (Mark Stanzler) and State Senator Bob O'Dell who read a proclamation from Governor John Lynch.

## Hopkinton 'duped'

*LGC drops value from \$1 million to \$670,000*

Since 2010, when the Hopkinton Highway Garage was last appraised at \$1 million, the town has paid insurance premiums to the Local Government Center based on that appraised value. When it burned to the ground in June that same LGC told the town the building was worth only \$670,000. Selectman Chair Jim O'Brien recently told the Concord Monitor that he feels "duped," saying that the new proposed value of \$670,000 on a building valued at over \$1 million "won't stick."

LGC Deputy Director Wendy Parker said her office is trying to distinguish if features in

the appraisal were misreported, and that the LGC has offered to replace the garage building-for-building. Selectman George Langwasser doesn't think \$670,000 would be enough to do it, and even so, the old garage wasn't up to code and couldn't legally be duplicated. The town has hired an independent adjuster to appraise the building and represent the town in negotiations with the LGC. Calling the talks "adversarial," O'Brien said he wouldn't be surprised if finding a new insurance company for the 34 Hopkinton buildings LGC currently insures would be discussed.



## Antrim Soldier Returns

Saturday's unveiling of the bronze Civil War soldier marked the completion of the Town of Antrim's determination to restore a cherished historical monument and honor those native sons who sacrificed their lives in defense of America. See photo and story on page 5.

## Newport Departments told to reduce water use

The Newport Water & Sewer Department is experiencing drought conditions. Because groundwater levels and lake water levels have been declining, Superintendent Robert Naylor has issued a Water Use Restriction order to all Town Departments. Town irrigation systems and water taps at parks and cemeteries have

been shut off. The hydrant flushing program is canceled for this year. Nonessential water use is prohibited, including washing of vehicles, irrigation of property and Fire Department Training. Although the order effects only Town departments, residents are also cautioned to reduce their water use.



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Vendors filled the streets of Antrim for the town's annual Home & Harvest Festival, a week's worth of activities packed into three days.

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## Crotched Mountain easement OK'ed

Calling it a win for taxpayers, hikers and rehab patients, Sen. Bob Odell, R-Lempster, announced today the Legislative Fiscal Committee agreed to accept a \$2.2 million federal grant to purchase a conservation easement at the Crotched Mountain Rehabilitation Center in Greenfield, the region's largest employer. The grant comes from the U.S. Forest Legacy Program which is funded through federal offshore oil and gas drilling fees, not taxpayer dollars. The \$2.2 million will go towards purchasing 1,260-acres of working forest land owned by the Crotched Mountain Foundation in the Towns of Greenfield, Bennington and Frankestown. In exchange for the funding, Crotched Mountain has agreed to forgo developing the property, leaving it open for public recreation.

## New Boston's Highway Safety Committee

New Boston Police Chief James Brace has recommended a Highway Safety Committee be formed. The Selectmen reviewed his memorandum and agreed. Meetings are expected once or twice a year. The Committee will review road safety issues in town and make recommendations. The Board voted to establish a Highway Safety Committee, with membership as follows: Police Chief, Fire Chief, Road Agent, one Selectman and members of the public, Peter Clark two years, Tom Miller three years and Cheryl Campbell one year.

## Newport Charter School moving forward

First discussed at a Newport School Board meeting in January, the idea of creating a Making Community Connections Charter School surfaced again at a recent meeting. Former Superintendent Virginia Irwin of Newport, one of the six trustees involved with the project, said that group decided to wait for the new administration to be in place before resuming discussions. She reassured the Board that the charter school proponents would be working with Newport school officials to allay any concerns by members of the school board and the public. If established, the charter school would serve 50 students, and would have four teachers and an administrative assistant. Kim Carter, the school's CEO said there would be no cost to Newport taxpayers as the charter school would receive \$5,450 per student in state funds. If this doesn't cover the operational costs, the trustees would be required to raise additional funds.

# Newport's Mark Pitkin named "2012 Community Banker of the Year"

Mark Pitkin, President and CEO of Sugar River Bank, a \$270 million Mutual Institution located in Newport, NH was named the 2012 Community Banker of the Year by the New Hampshire Banker's Association. State Banking Commissioner, Ronald Wilbur, presented Mr. Pitkin with the award.

Pitkin has served as the President and CEO of Sugar River Bank since 2009. "It is very humbling to receive such a distinguished honor for doing something that I love each and every day," Pitkin noted.

Pitkin joined the bank in 1995 as Commercial Loan Officer/Credit Manager. Prior to that, he served as a Bank Examiner for the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC).

Pitkin is a 1987 graduate of Newport High School and earned his M.B.A and B.S in Business Administration from the Whittemore School of Business and Economics, at the University of New Hampshire. He is also a graduate of the University of South Carolina's School of Bank Investments and Financial Management and holds graduate certificates in commercial lending from Fairfield University, Babson College, and the Commercial Lending Institute, Washington, DC.

He currently serves as Chairman of Maple Manor Apartments, a 40 unit non-profit assisted living complex, and as Vice President of the Economic Corporation of Newport. In 2002 he served a term as Treasurer of Sullivan County. Pitkin also enjoys his involvement at Newport Middle High School, most recently working on fundraising events for the Senior Class.

Pitkin is a third generation Native. He enjoys spending time with his wife, Lisa

and their two children, Brittany and Bryan and enjoys boating, travel, and golf.



State Banking Commissioner Ronald Wilbur (r), presents Mark Pitkin (l) with the 2012 Community Banker of the Year award.

## Changes suggested to Sunapee's noise ordinance

Chairman Fred Gallup, Chair of the Sunapee Selectmen stated that the current noise ordinance was adopted in 1981 at the Town meeting. It's fairly vague and broad. Gallup said that Chief Cahill presented the Board with a "draft" noise ordinance that the Board will be discussing. The following are some of the comments or suggestions that were made; missing amplifiers or audio equipment, allow early

morning construction travel departures and deliveries, especially during the spring when roads are posted, unamplified human voice, unreasonable noises, add paragraph for weddings or social events with a time limit of 11:00PM. Chief Cahill will make the changes to the "draft" noise ordinance and present an updated ordinance to the Board at the September 24th meeting.



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BY SARAH CHAPIN

Traumatized people who take a class of common blood pressure medications tend to have less severe post-traumatic stress symptoms, researchers have found. The finding suggests that ACE (angiotensin converting enzyme) inhibitors or ARBs (angiotensin receptor blockers) could be valuable tools for treating or preventing post-traumatic stress disorder. The results were published in the *Journal of Clinical Psychiatry*.

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration has approved the first generic Lexapro (escitalopram tablets) to treat both depression and generalized anxiety disorder in adults. Depression is characterized by symptoms that interfere with a person's ability to work, sleep, study, eat, and enjoy once-pleasurable activities. Episodes of depression often recur throughout a person's lifetime. Signs and symptoms of major depression include: depressed mood, loss of interest in usual activities, significant change in weight or appetite, insomnia or excessive sleeping (hypersomnia), restlessness/pacing (psychomotor agitation), increased fatigue, feelings of guilt or worthlessness, slowed thinking or impaired concentration, and suicide attempts or thoughts of suicide. People with generalized anxiety disorder (GAD) are filled with exaggerated worry and tension, even though there is little or nothing to provoke it. They anticipate disaster and are overly concerned about health issues, money, family problems, or difficulties at work. GAD is diagnosed when a person worries excessively about a variety of everyday problems for at least six months. People with GAD can't relax, startle easily, and have difficulty concentrating. Escitalopram and all other antidepressant drugs have a boxed warning and a patient medication guide describing the increased risk of suicidal thinking and behavior in children, adolescents, and young adults ages 18 to 24 during initial treatment.

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Project Trio performs.

## "Project Trio" performs at Colby-Sawyer

PROJECT Trio, a Brooklyn-based chamber music ensemble, brings its energy-infused mix of classical, jazz, hip-hop and rock to Colby-Sawyer on Tuesday, Oct. 16, at 7 p.m. in the Sawyer Center Theatre. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for non Colby-Sawyer students and children, and free with a Colby-Sawyer College ID. The trio is known for its unique performances and refreshing style of entertainment, which challenges perceptions of chamber music by combining their classical training with an appreciation of all music styles.

## Bradford Police Officers to be honored

Bradford Selectmen's Chair Harry Wright asked Police Chief James Valiquet to give a brief discussion regarding two recent residential burglaries in town, which they were able to resolve, with another break-in being investigated. Chief Valiquet advised there were five or six different groups doing burglaries in the area, Warner, Sutton, New London, Newbury and Henniker. The Chief said he is going to have a unit citation for the employees in the department that participated in all these investigations and Officer Shaughnessy will get a citation.

## NH Lake Drawdown Schedule

The State of New Hampshire has released its schedule of fall lake drawdowns at state owned dams in the area.

LAKE	TOWN	START DATE
Deering Reservoir	Deering	10/08
East Washington Pond	Washington	10/08
Glen Lake/Greggs Falls	Goffstown	10/27
Highland Lake	Stoddard	10/08
Horace Lake	Weare	10/13
Howe Reservoir	Dublin	10/08
Island Pond	Stoddard	10/08
Kezar Lake	Sutton	09/30
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# Antrim's promise fulfilled - Civil War soldier returns

Originally erected in 1892 as a tribute to Antrim soldiers who died in the Revolutionary and Civil Wars, age and neglect had taken its toll on the town's War Memorial. The soldier, which originally stood atop the monument, was taken down and carefully preserved in 2007, with a firm commitment to restore it someday.



A soldier's return.

Last year, just in time for Memorial Day, a new footing was poured, the original time capsule added to and replaced and a new, inscribed granite base erected.

Saturday, the long anticipated day of completion had arrived. Project Chair Al Gould welcomed the large crowd assembled and praised Elizabeth Nichols, who first championed the project. Eric Tenney introduced the living defendants of Joseph Banks, Albert Holt and Martin and Charles

Parmenter, Antrim sons who died in the Civil War and whose names are inscribed on the base. A proclamation from Governor John Lynch was read before Woody Woodsworth and Martin Nichols unveiled the new bronze soldier, cast in the image of the old. Before departing, Home and Harvest Festival Chair Rick Davis offered a prayer as members of Antrim's American Legion Post uncovered and bowed their heads.

## Kearsarge Crop Walk For Hunger Sept. 30

The Kearsarge area churches' annual CROP Hunger walk will be held Sept. 30th at 1 p.m. at Elkins Beach on Pleasant Lake. Twenty-five percent of funds raised by the walkers this year will be given to the Kearsarge Community Food Pantry. Nonperishable food will be collected for

the food pantry. Registration begins at 12:30 p.m. and a group photo will be taken at 12:45 p.m. Envelopes are available at the First Baptist Church on Main Street in New London.

For more information, call 526-4559 or 763-2884.

## Warner cell tower may eliminate dead zone on I89

Peter Marchant, KJK Wireless Agent for AT&T, and an engineer met with the Warner Selectmen to discuss a cell tower proposal that will help eliminate dropped calls in a dead area along Route 89. The location would be on Town Forest land, AT&T already has an existing tower on Kelly Hill. The proposed lease area will be 100' x 100' with a 50' x 50' fenced area. Stephen Hall asked if there is a possibility the Town could utilize an antenna on the tower and Marchant said emergency services would send in an application to show equipment and frequencies and as long as there is no interference with any

of the other carriers the Town would be able to utilize the tower. Town Administrator Laura Buono explained that the AT&T proposal would need to be brought before the Town for a vote by either a special Town Meeting or the annual Town Meeting because the property is located in a Town Forest. At this time, because the property is in an OC-1 zone, AT&T would need Zoning Board action for the height and the location. The next step would be to work on the wording for the lease, then a site-walk, Town Meeting/Special Town Meeting then, if approved, Planning and Zoning Board action.

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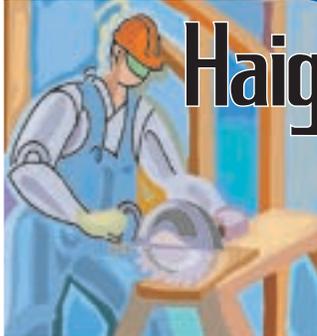
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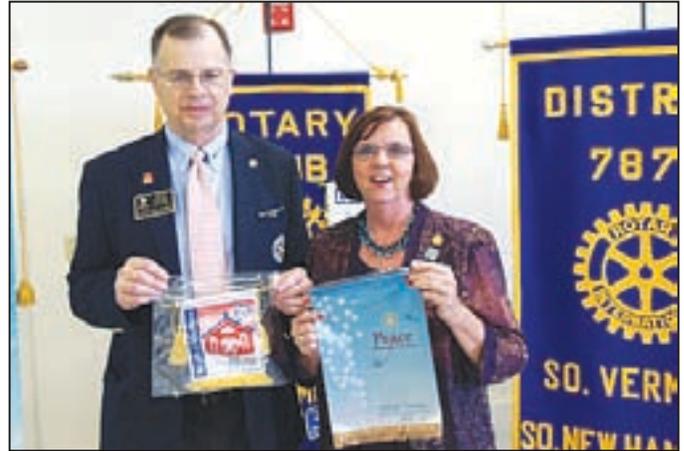
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Rotary District Governor Tony Gilmore presented Rotary International and District flags to Henniker Rotary Club President Joyce Bosse during the Governor's visitation to the Club.

**Selectmen told Elkins bridges need repair**

After receiving a call from a resident in Elkins who noted some maintenance issues that needed attention, including bridge railings that are broken, Selectman Chair Peter Bianchi went down and checked them out and found it was a legitimate concern. The bridge is at the end of Sherman Street and there is an aluminum 1.5" hand rail that is broken at the base of the concrete, which he thought should be fixed. Also, across from the cove, a wooden pedestrian foot bridge that lies next to the road is still standing but very rickety. The deck is fine but it should be fixed and the hand rails are not secure. Bianchi questioned who fixes these types of things in the town. He feels they should have someone designated to take care of these sorts of things. Tina Helm said they've talked about a maintenance supervisor-type person in the past and felt that this should be part of the Board of Selectmen's discussion with the department heads when they go over the budget. There seems to be a need for someone of this sort who would surely have plenty of work to do. Administrator Kim Hallquist said there should be someone who is monitoring the buildings and town grounds so that most issues are picked-up on before being alerted to these problems by citizens. Bianchi said that Richard Lee should look into the two projects and see if he can give advice or have them repaired.

**New London man faces several charges**

On Friday September 14, 2012 the Wilmot Police Department stopped a suspicious vehicle on Ridgewood Road. Upon further investigation, it was discovered that the operator, Freddy Helai was in possession of a stolen motor vehicle. The vehicle had been reported stolen from Main Street in New London on August 27. The New London Police Department joined the investigation, took possession of the stolen vehicle and discovered property belonging to numerous victims of recent car break-ins that had occurred in the area of Main Street, County Road and Newport Road. Further victims have also been identified in Sutton and Newbury as a result of that search. Freddie Helai, 19, of 26A Birch Acres Road, New London has been charged with one count of receiving stolen property, and was also arrested on a bench warrant for failure to appear in court on an unrelated charge. He was arraigned and is currently being held at the Merrimack County Jail on \$5000 cash bail. The investigation is ongoing, with additional charges expected.

# Masons fund Henniker & Washington DARE programs

New Hampshire Masons have long been a major supporter of DARE programs in the schools. Robert Hatfield, a Past Master of Harmony Lodge and a Past Grand Master of Masons in NH was instrumental in forming the partnership between the Masons and various Law Enforcement Agencies. At Hillsborough's Harmony Lodge, the program is supported through a series of "All You Can Eat Breakfasts" throughout the year. Through those breakfasts and matching funds from Grand Lodge, Harmony Master James Hurlbut was able to present Henniker

DARE Officer Mike Martin with a check for \$1,300 and Washington Police Chief Steve Marshall with a check for \$662 to support their programs. To replenish the

funds, Harmony Lodge will again host an All You Can Eat Breakfast at the Lodge on Sunday, October 7th from 7-10 a.m. See ad below.



(L-R) James Hurlbut, Master of Harmony Lodge; Robert Hatfield, Past Grand Master of NH Masons; Henniker DARE Officer Mike Martin; Washington Police Chief Steve Marshall; Paul Leary, Grand Master of Masons in NH.

## Newbury scholarship award

The Newbury Beautification Committee (NBC) recently awarded Newbury resident Paige Newman with a scholarship for her upcoming freshman year of college. We wish her a successful year as she begins her studies in international relations at Tufts University. We are proud of the quality of scholars we have here in Newbury, as we had several strong candidates this year.

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## Publisher's Perspective by Leigh Bosse

*Mitt Romney has received a lot of criticism lately for his comments about the President's supporters receiving a government check. Indelicate and ill advised as his comments were, there is a great deal of truth to them. I have always considered myself an eternal optimist. But, for the first time in my life, I am worried, not only about my future, but the future of this great experiment in democracy we call America. This nation, as no other on earth, was founded on principals of individual liberty and personal responsibility. Our founders believed in a limited government which did for us only what we could not do for ourselves, either individually or collectively. Conservatives recognize a legitimate role for government, but it can not do the things it should do effectively while it does so much it shouldn't do poorly. Today we are on the verge of totally rejecting those founding principals. We no longer speak of duty and responsibility, but of rights and entitlements. As you read this today, 46% of the American people receive some sort of government check each month. If the Obama philosophy continues for another four years that number will be over 50% and there will be no turning back. Democrats, in their private moments will admit that the Congressional Budget Office is correct that medicare and social security are going bankrupt, but will condemn the Ryan plan to save it without offering an alternative. The Vice-President even says we have to continue spending to avoid bankruptcy.*

*A friend sent the following piece to me in an e-mail. Although humorous and somewhat simplistic, it succinctly outlines the major division in our political parties and American society in general.*

### Why The Free Stuff Isn't Free

The folks who are getting the free stuff, don't like the folks who are paying for the free stuff, because the folks who are paying for the free stuff, can no longer afford to pay for both the free stuff and their own stuff. And, the folks who are paying for the free stuff, want the free stuff to stop, and the folks who are getting the free stuff, want even more free stuff on top of the free stuff they are already getting!

Now ... The people who are forcing the people who pay for the free stuff, have told the people who are RECEIVING the free stuff, that the people who are PAYING for the free stuff, are being mean, prejudiced, and racist.

So ... the people who are GETTING the free stuff, have been convinced they need to hate the people who are paying for the free stuff, by the people who are forcing some people to pay for their free stuff, and giving them the free stuff in the first place.

We have let the free stuff giving go on for so long that there are now almost more people getting free stuff than paying for the free stuff. Now understand this. All great democracies have committed financial suicide somewhere between 200 and 250 years after being founded. The reason? The voters figured out they could vote themselves money from the treasury by electing people who promised to give them money from the treasury in exchange for electing them.

The United States officially became a Republic in 1776, 236 years ago. The number of people now getting free stuff nearly outnumber the people paying for the free stuff. We have one chance to change that in 2012. Failure to change that spells the end of the United States as we know it.



## Letters to the Editor

### Letter to the Editor:

As a reminder to your readers, September 17, 1787 the United States Constitution was signed by delegates at the end of four grueling months of debate. The delegates were later known as founding fathers. The week of September 17 to September 23, each year by federal mandate, is Constitution Week.

Nicolas Gilman, a Delegate from New

Hampshire asserted: "The Constitution was done by bargain and compromise." Historian Henry Adams advised in 1787: "The Union and the Fathers belonged to no party." Who is your favorite founder? How about Washington, Franklin, Hamilton or Madison? Although considered founders, John Adams and Thomas Jefferson were ambassadors and not present at the Constitutional Convention. Get on your comput-



# Letters to the Editor

ers, pads and clouds and look up a founding father and give him a prayer of thanks. My favorite is Governor Morris a Delegate of Pennsylvania. Morris, not to be confused with Robert Morris, wrote the Preamble: We the People...., and authored the final draft of the Constitution. Gouverneur's grave is in the Bronx, N.Y. Depending on what holiday it is, on the tenement houses are hung or draped Puerto Rican, Haitian and Mexican flags which surround his half sunken grave. So much for Morris and the United States Constitution.

**Alan B. Urquhart, Hillsborough**  
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**Dear The Messenger:**

In place of sharing his views of the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, ("one includes those things one considers important") Mitt Romney at his convention offered little more than his usual litany of patriotic platitudes – truly sound and fury signifying nothing. Can't understand why he didn't take this opportunity to promote his plans to give trillions in tax cuts to big corporations and mega-buck backers like

gambling czar Sheldon Adelman, sharing the costs with you and me, of course. He never mentioned Paul Ryan's pet projects to voucherize medicare and privatize social security. He didn't discuss his budget (actually our budget), which could cut funding for K-12 education and reduce Pell Grants for college by 20 percent; or his plan to slash funding for renewable energy like wind, but keep billions in taxpayer subsidies for his oil giant backers. A week later President Obama (and President Clinton) spoke of the need to invest in education, energy and infrastructure (jobs!) and reform our tax code so it rewards businesses that create jobs in American and ensure that the wealthiest pay their fair share. Call me lefty but I liked the second one.

**George Duncan, Peterborough**  
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**Dear Editor:**

I almost agree with Bill Gould's premise on why vote in the November presidential election but where we differ is that I don't think we should vote for either candidate; with an emphasis on the either, meaning

we only have 2 choices. We only have 2 choices and not many choices, because the Republicans and Democrats have structured the sytem to prevent any real third party threat to their ultimate iron-clad control of our government and country, so that they perpetuate themselves into more con-trol.

...My theory of "Why Vote At All" for either of the 2 candidates, is because we never really will see or hear about any other real good ideas from any third party on how we can resolve so many problems in our country. All we get to see and hear is the ping-pong campaign rhetoric from Democrats and Republicans and "that's the way they like it, ah ah ah ah". If any of us really want to see progress and change in our government and country, then we need to understand that there has to be an end to the 36 year career politicians like Joe Biden, as an example; and "Vote for New, After Two (terms)" for every elected office holder and that includes the local level and right on up to the President.

**Jerry Gutekunst**  
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Robert Hassett, M.Ed.  
Superintendent of Schools, SAU #34

**School Psychologist TRIs to Stay Healthy**

As the school psychologist at the Henniker Community School and counselor in private practice, Dr. Vicki McCloskey knows how important it is for students to find ways to manage the stress of school and their daily lives. In fact, she uses many of her own tips to manage the stress in her own life. McCloskey, a triathlete who at the age of 63 will represent TEAM USA at the World International Triathlon in New Zealand next month, says training helps her manage her own life, stress, and work schedule.



"Triathlon provides me with a great opportunity to set goals and feel positive about myself," comments

McCloskey. "It helps me deal with stress, helps me focus, and offers a great social network," she continues. McCloskey will race as a non-professional in the Olympic distance race in Auckland, New Zealand, in October; that's a 1.5K swim (.93 miles), 40K bike (25 miles), and a 10K run (6.2 miles)! She also recently qualified to race in the 2013 Worlds in London. "Triathlon is one of the few sports where it's possible to compete against people in your own age group, which makes getting older an opportunity to get even better," she concludes.

McCloskey first began training and competing in triathlons four years ago and has competed in several triathlon events since that time. In her most recent race Labor Day Weekend in Des Moines, Iowa, McCloskey placed fourth in her age group with a personal record for distance. A licensed clinical psychologist and certified school psychologist, McCloskey also holds master's degrees in both counseling and education. She was an elementary school teacher and certified reading specialist prior to obtaining her doctorate and working as a psychologist.

**Drainage repairs on Main Street Newport**

The New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NH DOT) announces drainage repairs are underway in Newport on the east side of Main Street (N.H. Routes 10/11/103) from Central Street south to the bridge carrying Main Street traffic over the Sugar River. This work is required because of a failed catch basin and carrying pipe. It is anticipated the work will require up to five days, weather permitting. Two-way traffic will be maintained by shifting the traffic. Possible delays should be expected.

# Historic Deering Community Church in need of restoration

Deering Community Church is small numerically, mirroring the community in which it exists. However, the watch phrase, "Small but Mighty," reflects an increasingly significant outreach to those in need in our local communities and beyond and continues to be committed to supporting the food pantries in Hillsboro and Weare. It has cooperated with other churches in a program to feed the homeless, an ever-increasing concern. Another program works to meet the needs of those incarcerated in the women's prison. The church is a part of the NH State UCC Conference to provide aid and comfort to churches in Zimbabwe. Deering Church offers both musical and intellectual programs to bring culture and enlightenment to our community. These include concerts by noted musicians and lectures by leading professionals. The Church has served as host to international Fulbright scholars who come to the United States for a summer of study and travel. To continue to provide meaningful services, in addition to Sunday worship, requires



The Deering Community Church.

with panes on the verge of falling out. The main entry door is difficult to operate and is far from weather tight. These will be replaced. The cement sidewalk leading to the main entry is worn and broken, flooding in the rain and icing in the winter. This will be repaired and rebuilt to drain properly. The bathroom does not meet the standards for handicap accessibility. Along with kitchen modernization, it will be redesigned to function appropriately. Finally, a rotting foundation beam will be replaced. These projects are anticipated to cost some \$64,000. It is a source of encouragement that nearly half the funds have been raised by members of the congregation and friends of the church, enough to proceed with replacing the sanctuary windows. Grant applications are being submitted to charitable foundations for additional support. Hopefully, other community members will participate in this project with a contribution to Deering Community Church with the word 'campaign' on the menu line of the check.

a building that is both safe and sound. In a decision to get its physical house in order, the Deering Community Church has initiated a capital campaign to resolve structural and maintenance issues that can no longer be ignored. The current church building was built in 1829 and as is true of historic buildings, the need for maintenance, repair, and renovation is an ongoing challenge. The large windows in the sanctuary are no longer functional

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Rebekah Hardwick and her registered Hereford heifer calf "Georgia."

## Francestown girl excels in 4H showings

Fourteen year old Rebekah Hardwick has been a 4-H member for 6 years and this is her 4th year of showing beef cows. She has a lot of love and passion for her cows and lives on her family's small farm in Francestown. This year, for the first time, Rebekah showed at the Cornish Fair and her registered Hereford heifer calf "Georgia" placed first in her fit and show class and champion in her breed class. Rebekah also showed her Hereford cross yearling cow "Millie" and placed second. Later she showed "Georgia" in the Hillsborough County Agricultural Fair and once again placed first in her fit and show class.

## Weare given \$9,750 Clinton Grove grant

Sherry Burdick informed the Weare Selectmen that the town received the Conservation License Plate Grant in the amount of \$9,750 towards the Clinton Grove Academy roof project. She asked the Board if it would be all right if she worked with Chip Meany to write a RFP for the project. She would like to get the RFP out fairly quickly. Vice Chairman Butt would like the Heritage Commission included in the process because it is part of their charter and they should be made aware of any work on any historical building in town. Burdick said that she can attend their next meeting on September 26. She will work with Chip Meany to get the specifications together and then go to the meeting to present the information.

## Child actors needed for Antrim musical

Antrim Recreation Department, with support from The Antrim Players, is pleased to announce a fall musical production. The story of The Princess and the Pea will be produced with up to 50 local children, under the direction of Rob and Lorrie Grey of Children's Stage Adventures! Register now through October 18th to be a part of this exciting local musical theater adventure! The play will be put together during after school rehearsals the week of October 22nd, with performances on Friday October 26 (evening) and Saturday October 27th (morning). More information is available on the Rec Department page of [antrimnh.org](http://antrimnh.org).



Messenger Publisher Leigh Bosse (l) recently presented the Newbury Selectmen with a framed copy of the Messenger's photo essay in recognition of the town's dedication of a new Veterans' Memorial.

## Potluck Dinner at Newbury's Vets' Hall

The Newbury Veteran's Hall will be opening its doors to the public after the completion of renovations to the building that have taken place over the past few months. Groups can now rent out the Veteran's Hall for private and public functions by contacting the Selectmen's Office to make reservations. A town-wide potluck dinner will take place at the Veterans Hall on Sunday, October 28 at 5:00 p.m. Families taking part in this dinner should plan to bring either a comfort food dish, vegetable or side, salad, or dessert.

Prizes will be given to the best in each category. Judging will be done by everyone and prizes include gift certificates for Bubba's Restaurant, Double Diamond Restaurant, Marzelli's Deli and Palace Pizza. Come get rewarded for your culinary powers. Entertainment will be provided by Tom Pirozzoli and Gerry Putnam. Everyone who plans on attending this event should contact Donna Long at 763-4940 ext. 202.

## Antrim man arrested on drug charges

Police have arrested an Antrim man and charged him with three counts related to drug possession. Brian Mitchell, 19, has been charged with the sale of a controlled narcotic drug believed to be marijuana, possession of drugs and contributing to the delinquency of a minor, by allegedly selling marijuana to a minor. Mitchell is being held in lieu of \$10,000 cash or surety.

## ConVal Superintendent Bergeron resigns

ConVal Superintendent of Schools Richard Bergeron, 62, told the School Board that he intends to resign at the end of the school year. Bergeron said he is considering a superintendent's position elsewhere and is looking for new opportunities. The search for a new superintendent will begin next month. School Board Chair Butch Estey said the first step is to select a firm that can conduct and coordinate the search. A Request For proposals will be issued soon.



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## Additional \$104,000 needed for Antrim PD study

At March's Town Meeting, Antrim voters approved spending \$100,000 to purchase the vacant lot across Main Street from the Town Hall and begin engineering for a new Police Station at that location.

Having spent \$72,500 to purchase the land, only \$27,500 for Baybutt Con-

struction, which was contracted in July to engineer the new building, for a bid price of \$132,000. The remaining \$104,000 for engineering will have to be approved at the upcoming Town Meeting, along with additional funds for the actual construction of the building.

## Henniker campers spot & report fugitive on TV

Authorities are crediting campers at a Henniker campground with the arrest of a fugitive wanted for a probation violation connected to a drug bust after they spotted him on a TV newscast.

Jeffrey Reid, 38, of Londonderry, was identified by several callers after they saw

him on WMUR News 9's Most Wanted Wednesdays. Jeffrey White, a criminal investigator for the deputy U.S. Marshal said the U.S. Marshal's Fugitive Task Force along with Henniker Police and New Hampshire State Police took Reid into custody without incident.

## Man arrested for forcible Henniker rape

An Allenstown man turned himself in to Henniker Police last week. He has been charged with two counts of aggravated felonious sexual assault, forceable rape, three counts of second degree assault and

three counts of simple assault.

The charges were brought after a Henniker woman applied for a restraining order against him and related the incident to authorities.

## Deer crossing causes Antrim car rollover

Amy Morss, 56, of Jaffrey avoided injury when her Honda Civic swerved to avoid a deer crossing Route 202 in Antrim on Wednesday.

The car rolled down an embankment and flipped over onto the roof. Police, fire and rescue crews responded but were not needed.



During Tuesday's selectmen's meeting, Highway Agent Chip Craig gave the Board his preliminary budget figures for 2013.

## Walk To School Fridays returns to Henniker

Walk to School Fridays returns to the Henniker Community School on Friday, September 28 and will continue every Friday through October 26, 2012. There will be three sites for students, teachers, staff, and community members to meet and walk or bike to school. The meeting sites will be: Police Station on Western Ave., Intersection of Hillside Dr. and Rush Rd. Parking lot at Edmund's Department Store.

The departure time from each location will be \*7:45 a.m., (\*please note this time change) with the estimated arrival time at school of 8:10 a.m. Bus students with signed permission slips may be dropped at a meeting site. (Bus students please note, a pass or

"ticket to get off" will be available at school and needs to be signed by a parent or guardian.) More volunteer walkers are needed for all the Friday walks. Please call Peg Keeler at the Henniker Community School at 428-3476 if you'd like to join the fun. A walk or bike to school is a great way to start the day!

This is the third year the Henniker Community School has offered "walk or bike to school days" as a way to promote increased physical activity for our youth and to raise awareness for the need to create safer routes for walking and biking. It also helps emphasize the importance of pedestrian and bike safety as well as concern for our environment.

## Henniker Town Administrator submits resignation

On the job for less than a year, Charles Connell has submitted his resignation as Henniker Town Administrator for reasons he described as "personal and important." In his letter of resignation he said, "At this point in my life I am compelled to change my focus and pursue different objectives." Connell's wife has been in ill health and he has been commuting daily from the Wolfeboro area. He expressed the highest regard for the Selectmen and staff saying "I take with me tremendous pride and satisfaction for my experiences in Henniker .... mine was the best job in town."



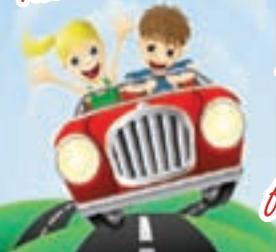
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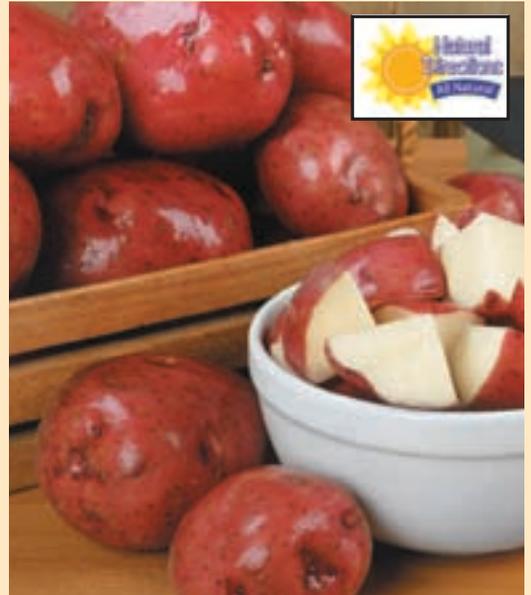
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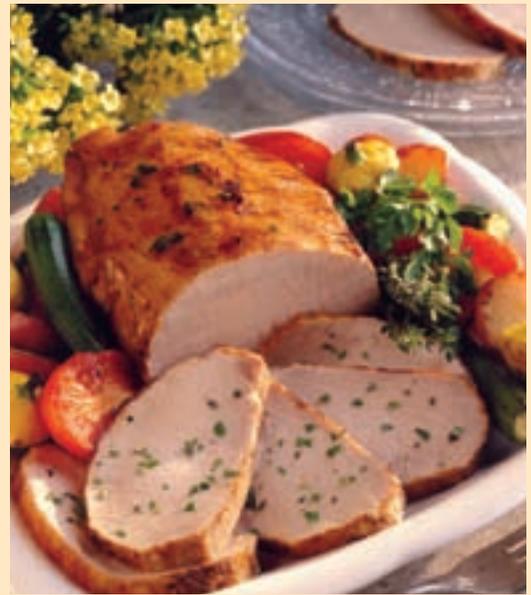


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