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# THE Messenger

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## IT WAS THE VETERAN

*Author Unknown*

IT WAS THE VETERAN,  
Not a reporter, who has given us  
freedom of the press.  
IT WAS THE VETERAN,  
Not a poet, who has given us freedom  
of speech.  
IT WAS THE VETERAN,  
Not a lawyer, who has given us the  
right to fair trial.  
IT WAS THE VETERAN,  
Not the campus organizer, who has  
given us the right to demonstrate.  
AND IT IS THE VETERAN,  
Who salutes the flag,  
Who served under the flag,  
And whose coffin is draped by the  
flag,. Who allows the protestors  
to burn the flag?  
See our Guest Editorial and Pub-  
lisher's Perspective on Page 12.

## Veterans' Day Events

See page 6 for a full list of area Veterans' Day activities



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# Fugitive caught

## Weare suspect arrested in Massachusetts

The United States Marshals Fugitive Task Force has announced the arrest of Jonathan Maguire, 20, of Groveland, MA. Maguire was wanted on warrants issued by the Weare Police Department for aggravated felonious sexual assault among several other offenses including theft of a motor vehicle, second-degree assault, simple assault, obstructing the report of a crime, criminal mischief and attempt to commit sexual assault, for an incident which occurred on Tuesday. Maguire was arrested without incident Thursday evening

by members of the U.S. Marshals Fugitive Task Force in Haverhill, Massachusetts. In addition to the U.S. Marshals Fugitive Task Forces, assistance was given by Weare Police Department and several other Departments in two states. Weare Police Chief Gregory Begin said "We are relieved for the victim, victim's family, and the community that the quick apprehension of a violent criminal by virtue of commendable multi-jurisdictional efforts. This will aid in the healing process and begin to restore a sense of community safety."

## Impact of local Shaw's Supermarket layoffs unknown

The impact on Shaw's Supermarkets in Hillsborough, Newport and Peterborough is unknown in light of the company's plans to lay off approximately 700 workers at stores throughout New England. Company spokesperson Steve Sylven said cuts would be made at all of the 169 Shaw's and Star Market stores in five states, but said he could not give details

about any individual store. The number of employees laid off will vary from store to store, but the overall reduction will be less than 4%. Shaw's President Mike Stigers said a decision of this nature is never easy, but is the necessary step for us to take to help improve our business, reduce expenses and reinvest in more customer facing initiatives.



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<p><i>Men's</i>  <b>Vortex Triclimate</b>                  A23S</p> 	<p><i>Ladies</i>  <b>Evolve Triclimate</b>                  A31F</p> 	<p><i>Men's</i>  <b>Condor Triclimate</b>                  A1P</p> 	<p><i>Ladies</i>  <b>Metropolis Jacket</b>                  AANF</p> 

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# Attorney General determines murder-suicide in Weare

The Attorney General, NH State Police Major Crime Unit, and the Weare Police Department have concluded their investigation into an incident which occurred on July 10, 2011, involving Cheryl Maher and Jacob Geiser which resulted in both their deaths. The findings of the investigation confirm that their deaths were due to a murder-suicide. At approximately 6:30 a.m. that day, police received a 911 call from Joseph Geiser, 52, of Weare, stating he had returned home and found his girlfriend, Cheryl Maher (41), and son Jacob Geiser (18) dead from visible gunshot wounds.

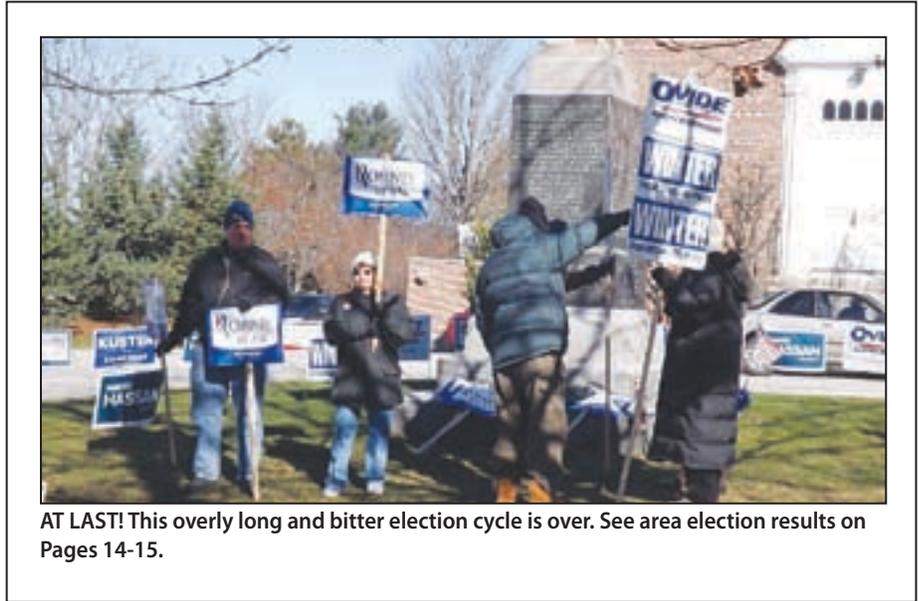
When the police arrived they found the body of Jacob Geiser on his bed with a single gunshot wound to the head. The body of Cheryl Maher was found on the floor of Jacob Geiser's bedroom covered by a blanket, mostly naked with her hands bound behind her back with zip ties, and she appeared to have multiple blunt force trauma wounds to her head.

The police also found a suicide note in Jacob Geiser's bedroom. The note said that

it was his last will and testament. In the note Jake apologized to his father for killing Cheryl, explaining that she had upset him by talking to him about his mother.

Based on a careful examination of the

circumstances surrounding the July 10, 2011 incident, the Attorney General has concluded that the deaths of Cheryl Maher and Jacob Geiser were due to a murder-suicide incident.



AT LAST! This overly long and bitter election cycle is over. See area election results on Pages 14-15.

## Newport Seniors' Thanksgiving Meal

Sullivan County Nutrition Services is now accepting reservations for its Thanksgiving Dinner to be held Thursday, Nov. 15. Seniors can join us for a delicious home-cooked Thanksgiving dinner that will be served at the Newport Senior Center in Newport. The suggested donation is \$3.50 per meal. Call 863-3177 to sign up.

## Girl's death strikes two Hillsborough families

7-year-old Kyara Maillhot died last week from injuries suffered in a Concord automobile accident last month.

Kyara was a passenger in a car driven by Jesse Wolfe, who was dating Kyara's mother, Kaylan Kuck. Wolfe died Oct. 19, shortly after the car he was driving collided with another car. A third passenger in the car, Kuck's sister, was treated and released.

Kyara's father Mike Maillhot, her paternal grandparents Don and Deb Maillhot and her maternal grandparents Tom and Sue Kuck live in Hillsborough.

Authorities have not named the driver of the other car, who was not badly hurt. The accident remains under investigation and details have not been released. See her obit on page 24.



# Welcome New Readers!

This issue of The Messenger is being mailed to you to introduce you to our weekly newspaper which has been published continuously since 1868. On page 13 you will find a list of the locations where you can pick up a FREE copy of The Messenger each Friday or you can read the entire paper FREE on line at

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Just Desserts recently held a benefit concert which raised over \$1,400 to aid in the repainting of Smith Memorial Church in Hillsborough.

## Developmental Disabilities discussion

Do you have a family member with Developmental Disabilities? Are you worried about who will provide their care after you are gone? We would like to talk with you. You are invited and welcome to a discussion about supported living for our adult developmentally disabled family members and friends as they grow older in our community. This is a brainstorming opportunity! Please bring any and all ideas and concerns. Thursday, Nov. 15 @ 6:30pm at Richards Library in Newport, New Hampshire. For more information call: Margaret Coulter - Road to Independence 603-863-2869 or 603-454-6102 or Virginia Irwin - 603-863-3582. Please feel free to share this notice with others.

## Henniker Chamber's Business Breakfast

The Henniker Chamber of Commerce is hosting a Business Before Hours on Tuesday, November 13, 2012 at New England College, Gilmore Dining Hall. This Breakfast Before Hours will feature a presentation about "Understanding Financial Statements for non-financial personnel." Breakfast will be served from 7:00am to 7:30am and the speaker will follow. There will be no charge for Henniker Chamber of Commerce members thanks to sponsorship by New England College. Please RSVP to [RSVP@hennikerchamber.org](mailto:RSVP@hennikerchamber.org).

## Magical Christmas at Sunapee Harbor

Recreation Director Scott Blewitt briefed the Sunapee Selectmen on the summer expenses paid and the amount due to the general fund. He asked to transfer \$2,924.69 from the special recreation fund to the general fund to cover the summer expenses, which the Board approved. He also received approval to hold a silent auction at the Sunapee Harbor Magical Christmas on the first Saturday in December.

## Kearsarge Schools seeking your feedback

The Kearsarge School District has posted a satisfaction survey on its web site at [www.kearsarge.org](http://www.kearsarge.org). The administration invites all interested people in the district to take the survey to provide feedback to SAU staff.

## Newport facing shortage of cemetery space - soccer field to move

Ken Dennis Newport's Cemeteries, Buildings and Grounds manager recently briefed the Selectmen on two problems with the town cemetery. The first is the number of nearby trees which are falling onto the property causing damage to grave-stones and posing a potential hazard to workers or visitors. He reported that there are about 25 trees, 15 of which are inside the cemetery, many showing substantial rot and are in danger of falling. Using a professional tree company will cost about \$1,800/tree for removal.

The Board authorized Dennis to use town personnel to remove those that could be done safely and to prepare estimates for removal of the others. The second problem is that the cemetery is running out of

room. He suggested two possible areas of expansion. One is a small triangular parcel abutting the cemetery along Oak Street. The other is to expand into the adjacent 2.8 acre Wells property which was originally purchased for cemetery use but has been

converted to youth soccer fields. Selectman Gary Nichols suggested filling in the cellar hole and moving the soccer fields, and Chair Virginia Irwin suggested the triangular parcel could be used for cremation burials which require smaller plots.

## Henniker Tax Rate is down

The Henniker Board of Selectmen announce the property tax rate for the 2012 year. The Town portion of the tax rate is \$7.11, which is a decrease of 0.13 cents. The County portion is \$2.73, which is an decrease of 0.18 cents. The Local School - Henniker portion is \$10.34 which is a -0- increase. The Local School - John Stark portion is \$5.89 which is a decrease of \$1.08. The State Education tax rate portion is \$2.54 which is a -0- increase. The 2012 total tax rate will be \$28.61 per thousand, which represents a net decrease of \$1.39 per thousand over the 2011 rate. The valuation on which the tax rate is computed is \$386,639,296.



These hardy members of the Men's Ministry at Hillsborough's United Methodist Church spent three days and two nights camped out in large cardboard boxes to highlight the plight of our homeless neighbors. They far exceeded their goal of collecting 500 pairs of warm winter socks along with coats, mittens, quilts and food stuffs.

## ConVal paraprofessional indicted for sexual assault

A Cheshire County Grand Jury has indicted a ConVal High School paraprofessional, currently on leave, on charges of sexual assault of a minor. John Vargas-Cifrino, 35, of Harrisville, a former part-time Rindge police officer was charged with two counts of sexual assault and one count of attempted aggravated felonious sexual assault of a girl he knew between the ages of 13 and

16. Superior Court records indicate that the victim told police she knew Vargas-Cifrino, who had been staying at her house in Keene since July 2011. The victim's mother said Vargas-Cifrino has been a family friend for more than 13 years. ConVal placed Vargas-Cifrino, who has been assisting teachers with children with behavioral problems, on unpaid leave in August.

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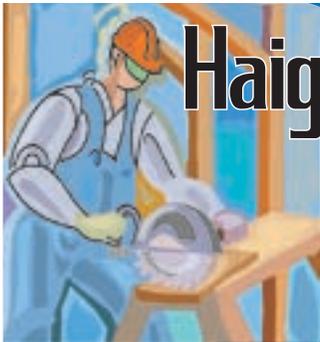


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Laura Gould, Site Director for Hillsborough's Meals On Wheels Program recently briefed the Lions Club on her agency's services.

### Area Towns set Veteran Day Ceremonies

Area American Legion Posts Veterans Day services this week: Hillsborough Post #59 Ceremonies are at the Fuller Public Library on 11/11 at 11 a.m.

New London Post #40 will hold their service at the First Baptist Church of New London, at 1 p.m. on 11/11. George Edmunds of North Sutton will be the guest speaker and the program will include patriotic songs by students from Sutton and New London elementary schools.

Warner Post #39 will start their event on 11/11 with a potluck supper at the Warner Town Hall in the lower meeting room at 5:30 p.m. Attendees are encouraged to bring a dish to share. A program will follow the dinner. This is a non-alcoholic event.

Newport Post #25 will observe Veteran's Day on Monday, Nov. 12 at 11 a.m. on the Newport Common. John V. Nanof will give the address and fire the Post 25 Cannon. In case of inclement weather, services will be held at the Newport Opera House.

Newbury will hold a Special Ceremony on 11/11 at 11 a.m. at the Veterans' Memorial. Following the ceremony coffees will be served at Veterans' Hall.

### Croydon may join Kearsarge Schools

Faced with declining enrollments, the Kearsarge Regional School Board has authorized the administration to explore the option accepting students from other districts on a tuition basis. The discussion was prompted by an inquiry from the Croydon School District which is exploring several options for tuition-based student placement at the middle and high school level. Kearsarge is only one of the districts under consideration.

### Hopkinton man charged with death

Brodie Wilcox, 34, of Hopkinton has been charged with vehicular assault for failing to yield the right of way which negligently caused the death of Jane Davis. Davis was a passenger with the motorcyclist he hit while turning into his driveway on October 8th. If convicted of the Class A misdemeanor, Wilcox could face up to a year in jail.

## Alternatives for Western Avenue Bridge Over Canal under study

Tom French of French Engineering met with the Henniker Selectmen to present his recommendations regarding the Western Avenue Bridge Over the Canal. Faced with a multi-million dollar project to replace the main Western Avenue Bridge, the Board wanted to be sure it was feasible to repair the bridge over the canal also before committing to the large expenditure.

French reviewed the various alternatives:

Rehabilitating the existing superstructure would cost \$226,000 and take 11 weeks of construction. Replacing the superstructure with Precast Voided Deck Beams would cost \$252,000 and consume 8 weeks of construction. Replacing the superstructure with Steel Stringers & Concrete Deck would cost \$296,000 with 12 weeks of construction. French recommends removing the superstructure and replacing it with pipe and backfill at a cost of \$166,000 and taking 5 weeks of construction. He noted that possible retaining walls could inflate project cost to \$211,000, and that possible con-

taminated soils could significantly change the scope of construction. Prior to the Town making a large commitment, he recom-

mends that soil and groundwater sampling be performed at the bridge site to determine what, if any, contamination exists.



Reese Alexander (l) was presented with the rank of Eagle Scout by former Scoutmaster Phil Sherman (r) during an impressive Eagle Court by New London Troop #71 at the First Baptist Church of New London, the Troops' sponsoring organization. For his Eagle Project Reese mapped the location of all the graves in a Grafton cemetery.



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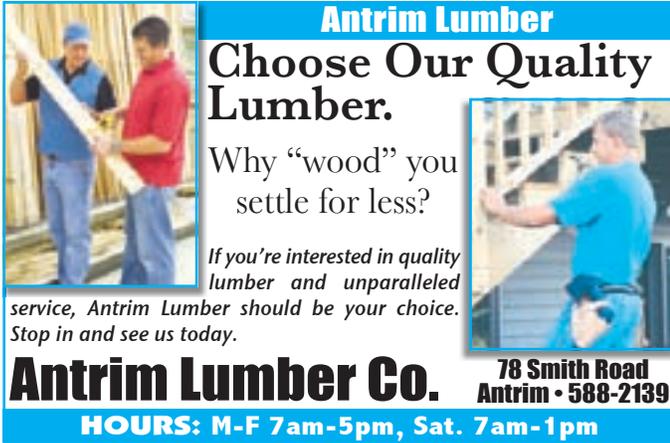
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November 16 - 10 to 2 Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Assoc. - Flu Clinic. Be prepared before the flu bug gets you. No registration necessary. All ages welcome.

November 27 - 1pm CRVNA presents an informational session. "What was, What's now, What's next?" Helping older adults live independently for as long as possible by providing a wide range of services. No registration necessary.

All meetings held in the lower level of St. Mary's Church, 38 Church st. (Thank you St. Mary's for use of the facility). Come on down and take advantage of your senior services. Call Pat at 464-5029.

## Sunapee clerk to register vehicles on line

Town Clerk/Tax Collector Betty Ramspott asked the Board's blessing to offer residents the opportunity to register their vehicles online. She registers about 6,100 cars per year and this could be a great service. A company from Mont Vernon is offering the E-Reg software to the town for \$300/year. The Board approved the program with the town collecting a \$2 convenience fee per registration. Peter Urbach updated the Board that the Abbott Library Trustees have selected a new library director who will be starting the position as of the first of December.

## Bradford Police Officers given citations

Chief James Valiquet recently recognized several officers of the Bradford Police Department. Officers Glen Deewniak, Timothy Therrien, Anthony Shepherd, Sgt. Steve Valiquet, Officer Carolyn Valiquet, Detective Edward Shaughnessy, Officer Brian Eaton and Chief James Valiquet received Unit Citations. The Chief also gave commendations to Sgt. Valiquet and Detective Shaughnessy for their part in the apprehension of suspects in recent burglaries. Shaughnessy was also promoted to Detective. Officer Kristoffer Dupuis was absent and will be presented with his Unit Citation later. Also, Patrick Burdick was awarded a Citizen Citation.

# Plans for new Warner Fire Station remain in limbo

Selectman David Hartman reported that he met with Rich Stanley, Jonathan Hale and Jonathan Smith regarding the engineered drawings for the new fire station, and said he is not convinced that a fire station of the size proposed is actually needed. Within the design is available dormitory space for 20 people and Selectman Hartman does not feel the Town of Warner will grow to the size for a full time fire station; the design also has a bay for a ladder truck. Stanley does not feel the current design is excessive; it addresses the needs of the staff and the future. Fire Chief Ed Raymond commented on the article that was written in the Messenger; makes the fire department look like they are not being upfront with everyone. Ed felt everything was upfront at the last meeting with the Selectmen when the Board approved the engineered drawings and then he found out a couple days later the Selectmen did not want the engineered drawings completed. Rich added at the same meeting the Board said a warrant article would be presented at the 2013 Town Meeting, the fire depart-

ment left the meeting thinking things are moving forward. Then the fire department finds out the Selectmen did not sign the contract for the engineered drawings and a warrant article will not be on the 2013 warrant and then the article in the Messenger sounds like there is no communication at all. Chairman David Karrick said like many

communities Warner is faced with difficult dilemmas, less money is being received by the State so taxes are going to increase not matter what the Town does, and there are roads that need to be repaired. Selectman Clyde Carson said he supports the fire station; but is trying to balance it against everything else



King Ludwig's Bavarian Band was a big hit at Pats Peak's Oktoberfest Sunday.

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**BY SARAH CHAPIN**

A large new observational study published in the *Journal of the National Cancer Institute* finds and estimated 37% reduction in cancer mortality among those using daily aspirin for five years or more.

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration has approved Linzess (linaclotide) to treat chronic idiopathic constipation and to treat irritable bowel syndrome with constipation (IBS-C) in adults. According to the National Institutes of Health, an estimated 63 million people are affected by chronic constipation. Chronic idiopathic constipation is a diagnosis given to those who experience persistent constipation and do not respond to standard treatment. Additionally, an estimated 15.3 million people are affected by IBS. IBS-C is a subtype characterized mainly by abdominal pain and by hard or lumpy stools at least 25 percent of the time and loose or watery stools less than 25 percent of the time.

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration has approved Qsymia (phentermine and topiramate extended-release) as an addition to a reduced-calorie diet and exercise for chronic weight management. The drug is approved for use in adults with a body mass index (BMI) of 30 or greater (obese) or adults with a BMI of 27 or greater (overweight) who have at least one weight-related condition such as high blood pressure (hypertension), type 2 diabetes, or high cholesterol (dyslipidemia). BMI, which measures body fat based on an individual's weight and height, is used to define the obesity and overweight categories. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, more than one-third of adults in the United States are obese.

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# N.H. Historical Society celebrates N.H. History Week

N.H. History Week was recently celebrated at the N.H. Historical Society in Concord. The annual event, which became law in 2011 and was sponsored by N.H. Rep. David Watters of Dover, is an opportunity to celebrate and recognize efforts to preserve, interpret and educate in New Hampshire history. Pictured are speakers from the program, representing groups and individuals in the diverse field of New Hampshire history today.

Front row, l-r: Deborah Watrous, Executive Director, N.H. Humanities Council; Steve Taylor, Meriden historian and former N.H. Commissioner of Agriculture, Markets and Food; Wendy Bergeron, Winnacunnet High School teacher and American Museum of Independence educator; Emily Belanger, Exeter High School student and American Independence Museum interpreter; Carolyn Russell, director of Washington Meetinghouse Project; Valerie Cunningham, founder of Portsmouth Black History Trail. Back row, l-r: William Dunlap, Executive Director, N.H. Historical

Society; Barbara Pitsch, President, Board of Trustees, N.H. Historical Society; Jennifer Goodman, Executive Director, N.H. Preservation Alliance; Kathie Northrup,

Director, Hooksett Heritage Commission; Robert Goodby, Associate Professor of Anthropology, Franklin Pierce University in Rindge.



Washington's Carolyn Russell (5th from left, bottom row) was one of the featured speakers at a NH History Week celebration.



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## Publisher's Perspective *by Leigh Bosse*

### ONE VETERAN'S CHALLENGE TO AMERICA'S YOUTH

Twice each year we pause to honor those who served in our armed forces. On Memorial Day, we honor those who paid the ultimate price and gave their lives defending our country. Veteran's Day is dedicated to all veterans who served America at the expense of their personal safety.

Some call us heroes - We are not! Some say we were brave - We were not!

America's veterans are ordinary men and women of which much was asked in extraordinary times; who overcame their fears to serve a nation that gave them so much; and who fought not for glory but out of a sense of duty to defend this great continuing experiment in democracy and personal liberty we call America.

I served in Vietnam and was away from my friends and family for one year. Some of my colleagues who fought WWII were gone for 3 or 4 years and recently our troops in Iraq and Afghanistan are serving extended or multiple tours of duty.

How can today's younger generation get a true sense of what War is like? Imagine for a moment you are a track athlete and you can go home after running in 100 meets. Trouble is most runners die by the 33rd meet. That's what fighter pilots faced in Vietnam. They could go home after

flying 100 combat missions, but the odds were they would be shot down before the 33rd.

We have a special mission for members of the Student Council. The only problem is that for every ten of you who go on this mission, eight will be killed. That's what happened to the Rangers who took the cliff's over Normandy, or the bomber pilots who flew the raids over the German oil fields during WWII.

The Soccer team will suffer 20-30% casualties on their next mission, the best odds yet. But, the reward for surviving that mission is that you get to go on another with the same odds, and then another and another. Just like the Marines who fought at Guadalcanal, Iwo Jima and Okinawa.

They knew the odds before they went but they went anyway.

Could you do the same? Would you? If you survive that experience you are a different person. Your whole outlook and philosophy of life changes in ways others will never understand.

With luck and God's grace, you will never have to experience that, but you can still honor those who have. Soon the future of America will be in your hands. When your turn comes, honor it, improve it and pass along a better life to your kids. That's all the thanks any veteran could ask.



## Guest Editorial

*These remarks were first made by Grant Bosse at a Forum sponsored by the Gold and Blue Star Mothers in 2008. They resonate today.*

### TODAY IS VETERANS' DAY

Every day we wake up to make our own choices about where to live, what to read, what to say, and how to pray is Veterans Day. Every day we go to sleep under the blanket of freedom provided by those who fought against tyranny is Veterans Day.

Though we set aside the 11th day of the 11th month for those who fought, and one long weekend at the beginning of summer for those who died, every day is Veterans Day.

It should go without saying that our government should keep the promises it made to our veterans. While the VA health care system wasn't the primary motivation for those who put their lives on the line, it was part of the deal. And a promise made should be a promise kept.

But I've always felt that the best way to honor our veterans is to make sure that those who serve are never again used as political pawns, nor denied the tools they need to fulfill the mission we've given them.

Because while we are enjoying the freedom that they guarantee, we still miss them. And we wish they could be back with us today, this Veterans Day.



## Letters to the Editor

**Editor:**

Today I inadvertently speed dialed 911. I thought I had hung up before it had connected. Shortly thereafter I received a knock at my door. It was one of Henniker's police officers asking if I was OK since there had been a 911 hang-up from this address. I assured him I was fine and that I had mistakenly dialed it and thought it had not gone through. Was I embarrassed? You bet. Was I thankful? You bet. It was a wonderful feeling knowing that had I been accosted in my home and had dialed 911 but the perp had hung up, there still would have been an officer at my door. I feel very safe knowing that. Thank you 911 and Henniker police.

*Jeannine Aucoin, Henniker*

**Editor:**

You may find this difficult to believe, but the two flags on my flagpole recently were stolen by some malicious individual(s). I have flown the flags at that location for six years to honor all veterans, but especially those of WWII and the Korean War with whom I served. They also

flew over the location of the RR trestle, one of Hillsborough's historic landmarks, and over the north end of the "Great Stone Arch Bridge" that gave "Hillsborough Bridge" its name. Finally the American and State Flags were planted above a small plot of land that has been dedicated to the generations of mill workers who trudged by that spot on the way to their daily labors, people of many nationalities who gave Hillsborough its unique and resilient character. To steal any American and State flags from their site flying over our country and state, is a despicable crime. To rip them from the pole, that was set to honor the memory of the people and events that made our unique Hillsborough culture, is a tragedy for our united soul.

*Phil Harvey, Hillsborough*

**Dear Editor:**

The Hillsborough Chamber of Commerce would like to thank all of the volunteers who gave their time and effort to make Schnitzelfest a success. We'd like all the volunteers to know it was greatly appreciated.



## Publisher's Perspective *by Leigh Bosse*

**Congratulation to the Victors**

As a life-long Republican I am embarrassed and disappointed at Tuesday's election results. From the 2008-2012, the election pendulum has been swinging wildly. Riding a wave of Hope & Change, President Obama led a Democratic landslide in 2008. Reacting to uncontrolled fiscal excess by national and state Democrats, voters used a tsunami of discontent to sweep Republicans back to power in 2010. Now, reacting to Republican excess on social issues, the red tide has receded as quickly as it rose. In an election of particularly vile and misleading ads, Democrats from the President on down were able to demonize Republicans as uncontrolled and uncaring, a perception enhanced by the O'Brien factor. By arrogantly pushing his social agenda, the House Speaker managed to push the Republicans' remarkable fiscal success into the background and gave face to the demon most voters reject.

I fear that another four years of the President's fiscal policies will bring America to the brink of bankruptcy, but I pray I am wrong.

I worry that over the next four years Americans will continue to substitute entitlements for personal responsibility, but I pray that I am wrong.

Nevertheless, I sincerely congratulate the victors and celebrate this election as an America triumph for two reasons. The success of any democracy depends on an active, involved electorate and the overwhelming voter turnout is a testament to faith in our system. More importantly, we celebrate yet another vindication of our founding fathers' faith in self government. In America, our decisions are made with ballots not bullets. So putting our disappointments aside, we cherish over 200 years of what people in China, Russia and Iran can only wish for and what people in Syria, Egypt, and Lybia are dying for.

# THE Messenger

## Pick up your Messenger at:

- Antrim:** Antrim Marketplace, T-Birds, Rick & Diane's, Edmunds, Malarky's
- Bennington:** Harris Convenience, Albertos, Bennington Village Store, A Common Place
- Bradford:** Post Office, Lake Sunapee Bank, Appleseed, Cobble Farms
- Contoocook:** T-Bird, Colonial Village, Dimitris
- Deering:** Deering Town Hall
- Francestown:** Country Store
- Goffstown:** Sully's Superette, Town Office
- Greenfield:** Harvester Market
- Hancock:** Fiddleheads, Country Store
- Henniker:** Harvester Market, Country Spirit, Edmunds, Pharmacy, Henniker Farm Store, St. Georges Cafe, Town Hall
- Hillsborough:** Sweet Expressions, Shaw's, Diner, Williams' Store, The Corner Store, Lake Sunapee Bank, Sovereign Bank, Post Office
- Hopkinton:** Cracker Barrell, Town Hall
- Jaffrey:** Belletete's
- Newbury:** Marzelli's, Mobil, Out Spoken, Lake Sunapee Bank, Double Diamond, Post Office, Mountain Edge, Best Western, One Mile West, Tackle Shop
- New London:** Hannaford's, McKenna's, Colonial Marketplace, Gallery, Pizza Chef
- Newport:** Violette's, Shaw's, Irving, T-Bird, Country Kitchen, Caronis Market, Senior Center
- Peterborough:** Belletete's, Agway, Shaw's
- Rindge:** Market Basket, Hannaford's
- Sunapee:** Sugar River Bank, Post Office, Lake Sunapee Bank, Exxon, Pizza Market
- Sutton:** General Store
- Warner:** Evan's Expressmart, Irving, Market Basket, Foothills
- Washington:** Washington General Store
- Weare:** Lancots, Couburns, Dimitries

# Election Results

## PRESIDENT

	<u>Romney</u>	<u>Obama</u>
Andover	571	777
Antrim	655	810
Bennington	363	395
Bow	2352	2509
Bradford	456	503
Deering	505	508
Dunbarton	958	794
Francestown	449	538
Goffstown	4832	4211
Greenfield	394	461
Hancock	465	738
Henniker	1009	1515
Hillsborough	1214	1490
Hopkinton	1471	2264
New Boston	1736	1399
New London	1384	1737
Newbury	680	664
Newport	1310	1448
Peterborough	1309	2479
Sunapee	1075	916
Sutton	545	654
Warner	694	938
Washington	314	285
Weare	2592	2105
Windsor	66	42
Wilmot	361	492

## U. S. CONGRESS

	<u>Kuster</u>	<u>Bass</u>
Andover	695	543
Antrim	752	623
Bennington	345	372
Bow	2254	2390
Bradford	461	443
Deering	458	491
Francestown	488	483
Goffstown	3857	4525
Greenfield	432	405
Hancock	653	501
Henniker	1350	1041
Hillsborough	1327	1207
Hopkinton	2125	1488
New Boston	1304	1659
New London	1495	1418
Newbury	617	666
Newport	1254	1282
Peterborough	2277	1387
Sunapee	844	1047
Sutton	600	545
Warner	873	652
Washington	245	310
Weare	1826	2463
Windsor	38	55
Wilmot	455	348

## GOVERNOR

	<u>Hassan</u>	<u>Lamontaigne</u>	<u>Babiarz</u>
Andover	774	510	43
Antrim	810	601	45
Bennington	384	350	31
Bow	2643	2135	76
Bradford	520	416	24
Deering	517	469	38
Dunbarton	831	899	26
Francestown	525	437	61
Goffstown	4240	4516	226
Greenfield	477	384	40
Hancock	762	422	16
Henniker	1540	893	57
Hillsborough	1539	1119	101
Hopkinton	2378	1305	68
New Boston	1472	1593	59
New London	1732	1238	51
Newbury	717	594	31
Newport	1466	1197	93
Peterborough	2501	1212	61
Sunapee	1006	948	39
Sutton	656	510	24
Warner	949	630	48
Washington	279	290	31
Weare	2189	2358	57
Windsor	37	65	0
Wilmot	508	322	25

## STATE SENATE DISTRICT 8

	<u>O'Dell</u>	<u>Wallenstein</u>
Antrim	674	674
Bennington	384	336
Bradford	529	380
Deering	517	420
Francestown	522	460
Hillsborough	1348	1193
New London	1863	980
Newbury	866	414
Newport	1874	776
Sunapee	1378	545
Sutton	639	482
Washington	388	178
Weare	2613	1638
Windsor	60	39

## STATE SENATE DISTRICT 9

	Sanborn	Nyquist
Greenfield	419	450
Hancock	449	711
New Boston	1415	1648
Peterborough	1293	2336

## STATE SENATE DISTRICT 15

	Larson	Harman
Henniker	1433	882
Hopkinton	2421	1152
Warner	925	601

# Election Results

## HILLSBOROUGH DISTRICT 1

**2 Seats - Antrim/Hillsborough/Windsor**

Bob Fredette 1611  
 Holly Mecheski 1643  
 Marjorie Porter 2224  
 Gil Shattuck 2015

## HILLSBOROUGH DISTRICT 2

**3 Seats - Deering/Weare**

Dan Donovan 2388  
 Gary Hooper 2411  
 Neal Kurk 2393  
 James Ashworth 2058  
 Evelyn Connor 2695  
 Arnold Rocklin-Weare 2078

## HILLSBOROUGH DISTRICT 3

**1 Seat - Bennington/Greenfield/Hancock**

Jonathan Manley 1587  
 Desmond Ford 1158

## HILLSBOROUGH DISTRICT 38

**2 Seats - Antrim/Bennington/Hillsborough/Francestown/Greenfield/Hancock/Peterborough/Windsor**

Alexandra Riley 1968  
 Frank Edelblut 1759  
 Richard McNamara 2431  
 Richard Eaton 2476

## HILLSBOROUGH DISTRICT 39

**1 seat - Deering/Goffstown/Weare**

Mark Warden 6613  
 Aaron Gill 5096  
 Lisa Wilber 1663

## HILLSBOROUGH DISTRICT 24

**2 Seats - Peterborough**

Peter Leishman 2277  
 Jill Hammond 2266  
 Bruce Marcus 1285

## MERRIMACK DISTRICT 1

**1 Seat - Andover/Danbury/Salisbury**

Jenn Coffey 685  
 Mario Ratzki 671

## MERRIMACK DISTRICT 4

**1 Seat - Sutton/Wilmot**

Stuart Cooper 878  
 Thomas Schamberg 1023

## MERRIMACK DISTRICT 5

**2 Seats - New London/Newbury**

Steve Winter 1767  
 David Kidder 2404  
 Steven Russell 1235  
 Karen Ebel 2313

## MERRIMACK DISTRICT 6

**2 seats - Bradford/Henniker**

Geffrey Hirsh 1782  
 Barbara French 1889  
 Mark Lindsley 1381  
 Dam McCormick 1287

## MERRIMACK DISTRICT 7

**1 seat - Warner/Webster**

Clyde Carson 1470  
 Susan Olsen 1160

## MERRIMACK DISTRICT 10

**3 Seat s- Hopkinton**

Mel Myler 1951  
 Gary Richardson 2289  
 Mary Jane Wallner 1969  
 Debra Johnson 1168  
 Richard Kennedy 1381  
 Frank Rosano 964

## MERRIMACK DISTRICT 25

**1 seat - Andover/Warner**

David Karrick 2183  
 Frank Cummings 1691

## SULLIVAN DISTRICT 1

**2 seats - Springfield/Grantham**

Laura Ward 324  
 Andy Schmitt 310  
 Benjamin Lefebvre 297  
 Bill Walker 333

## SULLIVAN DISTRICT 2

**1 seat - Croydon/Sunapee**

Spec Bowers 798  
 Sue Gottling 1138

## SULLIVAN DISTRICT 6

**2 seats - Newport**

Virginia Irwin 1254  
 Peter Franklin 783  
 Skip Rollins 1571  
 Beverly Rodeschin 1076

## SULLIVAN DISTRICT 9

**1 Seat - Sunapee/Gramtham/Springfield/ Newport**

Linda Tanner 1244  
 Thomas Howard 1301



## Identity Theft Awareness

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### And Free Spaghetti Supper

Please RSVP by Mon., Nov. 12, 2012  
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School Improvement Grant Informational Forum

**Wednesday, Nov. 14, 2012**

**5:30pm - Spaghetti Supper**

**6:00pm - Identity Theft**

**7:30pm - SIG Forum\***



\* Time is approximate.

## To whom this may concern;

Last November, 6th grader, Taj Estey-Bethel was diagnosed with a very rare form of cancer. His family has been traveling to Dartmouth Hospital in Lebanon, NH for treatment. A successful fundraiser benefit was held last January, raising over \$3000. The purpose was to help the family financially and show our support for them. Due to some recent changes in Taj's condition, we feel now is the time to show our support for Taj and his family again. A benefit will be held on Sunday, November 18, 2012 at Grimes Field from 1-3pm. Which will include a bake/pie sale, popcorn, coffee, hot chocolate, water, ribbons/bracelets, photo cards, raffle, face painting, tug of war "Pulling for Taj" tournament. Donations can also be made at TD Bank under "Taj Estey-Bethel/Sonya Edsall" account. Any support you may give to this local family will be greatly appreciated. Please feel free to contact us with any questions or concerns.



Sincerely,  
 Sonya Edsall, 603-315-6138,  
 Jen Zdon, 603-493-1432



Norah King, almost 4, of Deering, chose a book at the Deering Library's Book & Bake Sale (left photo) and Mason Kerr, 7, of Weare had his face painted at the John Stark Arts & Craft Market (right photo) last Saturday.

## November 11<sup>TH</sup> Veteran's Day Ceremonies

@ Fuller Public Library  
at 11:00 a.m.

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**5:00 p.m.**

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- Turkeys
- Hams
- Baskets



**Barden Hill Band  
8:30 - midnight**

## New Boston to honor deceased former Road Agent

Road Agent Richard Perussehas asked the New Boston Selectmen to memorialize former Road Agent Lee Murray. A couple of Highway Department employees approached him after hearing of Murray's passing and wondered if the Highway Department could do something in his name. A plaque on Howe Bridge was suggested. The Highway Department employees would

fund the plaque.

It was suggested a plaque for the Lyndeborough Road Bridge might be a better option because he led the crew building that bridge and was so proud of their work. This bridge also needs a name. He was also instrumental in putting the Howe Bridge project together. The family will be notified if something is done to memorialize him.

## Donations for Operation Chrstmas needed now

Hillsborough's Operation Christmas has started up again for the 2012 Holiday Season. Last year Operation Christmas provided gifts for 86 families, assuring that 183 children had a Merry Christmas.

Each year Operation Christmas puts out mittens in the local banks requesting gifts and clothing for children in the Hillsboro, Deering, and Windsor communities. Unfortunately, not all the mittens put out,

get taken, leaving items that the Operation Christmas Committee must purchase.

Through donations from local businesses, organizations and individuals they are able to provide clothing and toys for these children who would otherwise go without. We anticipate this year will be no different from other years.

Please give what you can. Your donation is tax deductible.

## Jill Lapore to accept Sarah Josepha Hale Award

Historian Jill Lepore will accept the 2012 Sarah Josepha Hale Award at the Newport Opera House on November 10 at 8:00 pm. Ms. Lepore has won the Anisfield-Wolf Award, the Bancroft Prize, the Ralph Waldo Emerson Prize, and the

Berkshire Prize. She is the David Woods Kemper '41 Professor of American History at Harvard University and a staff writer at The New Yorker. Her newest book, *The Mansion of Happiness: A History of Life and Death* was published in June, 2012.

## New members of Sunapee's National Honor Society

The Sunapee Chapter of the National Honor Society recently inducted five new members, bringing the group's total membership to ten. The ceremony was led by 2012 Chapter President Bridget Sherwin, and featured an elaboration of the ideals

from second-year NHS members Meghan Brewer, Erin St. Laurent, Noah Skarin, and Mariah Tenney. The following new members took a pledge to uphold the ideals: Katey Fowler, Madison Fowler, Aubree Kozie, Nick Skarin, and Kristy Sullivan.