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NEC Miss America?

Megan Lyman, New England College anticipated class of 2013, became Miss New Hampshire in April and competed for the title of Miss America on January 12th.

Megan is a junior at New England College and is pursuing a bachelor of science degree in elementary and special education. Her plan is to obtain a masters degree in special education and ultimately become an administrator in the education field. Professors at NEC describe her as a very dedicated, intelligent, and positive young woman.

National Finalist!

The Council of Chief State School Officers has announced that HDHS Music Director Heidi Welch is one of the four finalists for the 2013 National Teacher of the Year. on January 17, 2013. This prestigious program allows teachers from across the country to collaborate with policy makers at every level and advocate on behalf of the teaching profession. Look for the full story in next week's Messenger.

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Newport Planning and Zoning Administrator Julie Magnuson is proposing a major increase in building permit fees.

Newport fees going up 300%

Building permit fee structure being revised

At the January 7th meeting of the Newport Selectmen, Planning and Zoning Administrator Julie Magnuson presented the Board with a proposed building permit fee schedule she prepared after studying Newport and 15 other NH towns of similar population. Magnuson based her proposal on an average 1,500 sq. foot, two-story, three bedroom new home, with a construction value of $90,000.00. Based on her proposal, permits for that house would increase from the current $218.36 to a total of $685.00.

In justifying the increase she said going through the process step by step requires intake, review and issuing the permit. On average a new home would take about 2.5 hours of staff time, with a value of $87.50. With about 15 items that need inspection, the value of the inspections is $540.00. Scheduling, logging, reviewing revisions and house-keeping add another 3 hours of staff time or $78.00 to the process. The grand total is $705.50.

Magnuson's proposal calculates fees based on the value of the home, but Selectman Todd Fratzel suggested it would be better to use square footage. The Board agreed and asked Magnuson to return with a revision based on square footage.

Police Chief's semiautomatic gun raffle upsets many

In the wake of the shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown, Conn., the New Hampshire Association of Chiefs of Police firearms raffle, which includes semiautomatic rifles, has caused some controversy across the state. The chiefs are selling 1,000 tickets for $30 apiece to anyone 18 years or older, to raise funds for the New Hampshire Police Cadet Training Academy.

Rody's Gun Shop, and Sturm, Ruger & Co. Inc, of Newport, along with Sig Sauer Inc., of Exeter, are supplying the guns. According to Washington Police Chief Steve Marshall, who runs the Academy, the raffle was begun well before the Dec 14. shooting which left 26 victims dead, and is nearly sold out.

TAKE YOUR MEDICINE

BY SARAH CHAPIN

UCLA researchers have come across an unexpected potential use for fluoxetine — commonly known as Prozac — which shows promise as an antiviral agent. The discovery, published in the journal *Antimicrobial Agents and Chemotherapy* could provide another tool in treating human enteroviruses that sicken and kill people in the U.S. and around the world. Human enteroviruses are members of a genus containing more than 100 distinct RNA viruses responsible for various life-threatening infections, such as poliomyelitis and encephalitis. While immunization has all but eliminated the poliovirus, the archetype for the genus, no antiviral drugs currently exist for the treatment of enterovirus infections, which are often severe and potentially fatal. In view of its favorable pharmacokinetics and safety profile of fluoxetine — which is in a class of compounds typically used in the treatment of depression, anxiety disorders and some personality disorders — the research team found that it warrants additional study as a potential antiviral agent for enterovirus infections.

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Treatment with glucose-lowering thiazolidinedione drugs in patients with Type 2 diabetes appears to be associated with an increased risk of diabetic macular edema (a complication that may affect vision) at 1-year and 10-year follow-up evaluations, according to a report published by *Archives of Internal Medicine*, a JAMA Network publication. And an increased risk of bladder cancer is linked to the use of pioglitazone, a type of thiazolidinedione, according to a new study published in CMAJ (*Canadian Medical Association Journal*). People with Type 2 diabetes are at risk of several types of cancer, including a 40% increased risk of bladder cancer, compared to people without diabetes.

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Local history as reported in The Messenger

January 20, 2012
Petition seeks Steve Marshall's removal
Hillsborough family homeless after fire
Bennington woman charged with murder
Newport school budget reduced by $391,193
James O'Rourke named HDHS Principal

January 21, 2011
Newport Superintendent gone after 6 months
Sunapee woman killed in South Carolina
New London bond refinancing saves money
Warner death remains a mystery
Three injured in Weare two-car accident

January 15, 2010
Four arrested for Henniker arson
Bradford fires three from highway department
Bennington officials "get the message"
Kearsarge school budget up 3%
Weare man arrested for stalking

January 16, 2009
Antrim Police Dept. back to full strength
Area police investigating mailbox vandalism
Henniker conveys 60 acre conservation easement
Man survives truck's fall into lake
Moynihan named "Principal of the Year"

January 18, 2008
HD School District budget up 4.8% to $18.7 million
Antrim man faces 10 years in prison
Sunapee woman killed in accident
Francestown Fire Chief to retire
Fire engulfs Sutton home

January 19, 2007
New London announces new Library Director
Arson suspected as new Senior Center burns
Hillsborough personnel dispute erupts in the media
Antrim Library expansion is ahead of schedule
Weare man arrested after prison escape

January 20, 2006
Court deals with deaths of two Peterborough men
David and Dottie Penny named "2005 Citizens of the Year"
New owners acquire Anchorage at Sunapee Harbor
Bennington Fire Chief Mark Chase resigns
Dodge supporters ask School Board for an apology

January 14, 2005
Two 744th soldiers injured in Iraq rocket attack
Newbury Town Office on budget
Wal-Mart goes on the offensive - counters critics
Hopkinton's Stevens in hot water again
Band of roving thieves hit Mount Sunapee

January 16, 2004
After 5.5 years Superintendent Corriveau moves on
Hillsborough officials join Shaw's executives for opening
Gala held for Henniker Fire Chief Ben Ayer

January 17, 2003
Work continues on the new Hillsboro-Deering Middle School
Fire guts interior of Deering house
Antrim accident injures two
Weare teachers' contract signed

Town of Antrim terminates Police Station contractor

The Town of Antrim contracted with Baybutt Construction Managers for two phases of the Antrim Police Station project. Baybutt partnered with Northeast Collaborative Architects for Phase 1 which was for the Pre-bond portion of the project which included architectural concepts, site plan, floor plan, elevations, cost estimates and presentations to the public. This Phase of the Police Station project has been completed with the exception of one public informational meeting and the bond hearing. The documents and work that was performed by Baybutt and Northeast Collaborative Architects met all our expectations and was professionally performed and presented.

Upon receiving multiple reports of financial issues concerning other projects being performed by Baybutt and after speaking with the president of Baybutt, the Town of Antrim has decided to exercise the termination clause of the contract for the second phase of the project. In order to keep the Police Station moving forward, the town is working with the other company that was recommended. BreadLoaf Corporation, is reviewing the project and working with the Town to keep the project on schedule. The next public informational meeting is at 7:00 PM, Wednesday, January 23, 2013 in the Town Hall.

H-D DECA receives honor

International DECA Inc. recently recognized the Hillsboro-Deering High School DECA chapter as a Thrive Level Chapter, the highest level of chapter achievement in DECA. Only Hillsboro-Deering High School and Pinkerton Academy of Derry earned this recognition in New Hampshire. The H-D DECA group has 56 student members and 2 advisors. "It is an honor for me to be a DECA advisor at this school," said Mr. Marc Payeur, H-D DECA Co-Advisor."These Hillsboro-Deering students are motivated and realize how important participating in a co-curricular activity is to their future."

The MV Kearsarge.

MV Kearsarge partially submerged in lake

The MV Kearsarge, a popular dinner boat on Lake Sunapee was partly submerged after it started sinking last Thursday night. Its owners, Peter and Mary Beth Fenton of Bradford, said it will take cranes to get the ship out of the water. The Department of Environmental Services and Marine Patrol examined the boat Friday to make sure nothing leaking from the vessel. A tiny hole in an engine coupling caused the leak. The MV Kearsarge has been in service since 1980 and carried thousands of passengers. It has been re-floated but before it goes into service again, it will have to be inspected after any damage is repaired.

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Wings of Dawn rebuilding giant bird cage

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The cage, with internal dimensions of 100'x20' will allow her to continue the care and rehabilitation of these magnificent birds. If you see a bird in trouble, please call her at 603 428-3723. The funding of "Wings of Dawn" is by contributions, so if you'd like to help, you can send donations to PO Box 53, Henniker, NH 03242.

Original Weare farmers market closing

Low attendance has forced the We Are One Farmers Market of Weare to close both its winter and summer markets. In a e-mail announcing the closing, organizer Wendy Stevens wrote "We've visited our vendors' farms, and not only do they have a full time job growing on their farms, they have an all-day routine in order to get ready for the farmers market itself." When the We Are One Farmers Market opened in 2004, it was the only farmers market in Weare until one of its original vendors opened another market across town, also on the same night.

John Stark budget shows a 3% reduction

The John Stark School Board is proposing a 2013-2014 budget that is nearly 3% lower than last years and $391,877 lower that the default budget. At $13,170,725 the proposed budget is $366,852 lower than the district's current budget.

14 people taken to hospital for carbon monoxide exposure

Firefighters from several area towns responded to a carbon monoxide incident at a residential school in Windsor on Tuesday. Amy Sousa, deputy executive director of Wediko Children's Services, which operates Camp Wediko, told WMUR TV that eight students were examined at the school for symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning, and five were sent to Concord Hospital as a precaution. 13 staff members were also evaluated, and nine were sent to the hospital.

A carbon monoxide alarm went off about 10 a.m. Fire crews arrived quickly and found high levels of carbon monoxide inside a student dormitory that was empty at the time. Officials said it's possible that those who had symptoms might have been exposed earlier in the dorm. Although it has not been determined what caused the high carbon monoxide levels, they were back down to normal by the afternoon. School officials confirmed that the dorm is staying closed for the night as a precaution. Wediko offers services for children with emotional or behavioral issues. It operates a year-round residential school on its Windsor campus.

A small fire in a heating duct caused the evacuation of Hillsboro-Deering High School last Tuesday. Firefighters acted quickly and classes were able to resume after about 45 minutes.

2nd crash since Christmas

On January 13th , Officer Migdal responded to a vehicle off the road, and following a roadside investigation Aaron Holt, 21, of Deering was arrested for Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol. Holt was bailed and released. This was Holts second motor vehicle crash since Christmas time.

Four people sought for robbery at Hobbs Jewelers

Peterborough Police are investigating the robbery of Hobbs Jewelers Tuesday evening. Police said around 5:15 p.m., four people went into the store and one of them showed a handgun and ordered an employee and her son to the floor. The robbers then loaded bags with jewelry and left the store, police said.

The first robber is described as a black male, between 6 feet 4 and 6 feet 5 inches tall with a thin build, between 25 and 35 years old wearing a dark coat and dark jeans. The second robber is described as a black male, between 5 feet 5 inches and 5 feet 7 inches tall with a medium build, between 45 and 55 years old wearing a gray sweatshirt and a knit hat. The third robber is described as a black female, between 5 feet 5 inches and 5 feet 7 inches tall, between 20 and 25 years old wearing a long black coat. The fourth robber is described as a black female, between 5 feet 3 inches and 5 feet 7 inches tall, between 18 and 25 years old wearing a long black coat. No one was injured during the robbery.

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Mental health documentary screening

The Lake Sunapee/Connecticut River Valley Regional Children's Mental Health Community of Practice presents a free, public screening of the nationally acclaimed documentary Who Cares About Kelsey? at Colby-Sawyer College's Clements Hall, Monday, February 4, 2013, at 7:00 PM. Following the film, director Dan Habib, film subject Kelsey Carroll and national dropout prevention expert Dr. JoAnne Malloy will share their perspectives and how to become involved in efforts to support students with emotional/behavioral disabilities and improve school climates. Who Cares About Kelsey? has been featured in Education Week magazine, WMUR, NHPR and other NH media, and it has been screened at film festivals, national conferences, and school districts around the country. Representatives from the Lake Sunapee/Connecticut River Valley Regional Children's Mental Health Community of Practice will also talk about the work of Communities of Practice and the state of mental health services for children in New Hampshire, and how you can become engaged in this work.

Update given on Weare's highway garage

Frank Campana said that he read the article regarding the new Highway Garage in the Messenger, and asked the Board if the article was accurate. Town Administrator Naomi Bolton noted that if anyone was quoted it was from the minutes. Campana said that it was discussed that if the building was approved, and a number locked in, everything will be adjusted to what the voters approved. Chairman Tom Clow said that whatever the voters approve is the maximum of what can be spent. Campana said that the article made mention of the Board discussing money being available in the operating budget for engineering costs and that there was a potential for $182,000 remaining in the 2012 budget. Clow responded that currently there is approximately $90,000 remaining and that they did approve up to $10,000 for engineering costs, but believes that Tim Redmond said the cost would be closer to $5,000.

Selectmen approve 2% COLA raise for New London employees

The New London Selectmen continued the budget review process at their January 14th meeting. Three items dominated the discussion including the Capital Improvement Committees' recommendations for capital reserve funding, principal and interest payments on the bonded debt at employee salaries. Tina Helm led off the discussion of salaries saying that she would like to give employees a 2% COLA as the board had done last year, but considering the large increase in health insurance and retirement cost the town must absorb, she questioned if it was possible.

Former Selectman Mark Kaplan, speaking from the audience, acknowledged that "all the options are lousy" but urged the board to give the raises and "hold the employees harmless" in light of the increase in FICA withholding and insurance costs they must absorb.

Janet Kidder said she felt the pressure to keep spending down, but felt that town employees needed to know how much the board and citizens appreciate their service. Chair Peter Bianchi, while expressing his appreciation for the employees' efforts, stressed that after giving COLAs during the past years of economic hardship, it was time to "hold the line." After further discussion, Helm's motion to grant the 2% COLA passed 2-1 with Bianchi opposed.

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Warner American Legion installs officers

Photo and text by Rich Dahlgren

Wilkins-Cloues-Bigelow-Pearson Post 39 American Legion, Warner, NH was the first Post in New Hampshire to install their newly elected officers on January 8, 2013. Installation was conducted by District 5 Commander Gerard Leduc and his staff. Charles E. Trowbridge was re-elected and installed as Post 39 Commander. Attending the program were Department Commander Ken Maynard, Alternate National Executive Committeeman Bill Roy, Department Vice Commanders Gerry Barnard and Ernie Henry and Department Parliamentarian Tony Rabbia.

Urbaitis fills Henniker School Board seat

Attorney Deb Urbaitis has agreed to fill the seat of resigned Henniker School Board Member Arnold Huftalen until voting in March.There will be two Henniker school board seats open for election on the March ballot, both of which are 3-year terms. The filing period for elected positions in Henniker is Wednesday, January 23 until 5 PM on Friday, February 1, 2013. When Mr. Huftalen tendered his resignation in December, the vacancy was posted on a notice in local area papers and the SAU 24 and Henniker Community School websites. The Henniker Community School Board conducted interviews and selected Deb Urbaitis to fill the remainder of the term. Urbaitis lives in Henniker with her husband and two young children. Her oldest child is in kindergarten at the Henniker Community School. Urbaitis is a graduate of Franklin Pierce Law Center (now UNH School of Law). She has been a partner in Rob Howard's firm, Courteous Law, in Henniker since 2011.

Deering woman arrested for harassment

On January 13th, following the issuance of arrest warrants based off an investigation Officer Migdal arrested Janet Hudon, 45, of Deering charging her with Harassment via text messaging. Hudon was bailed and released pending arraignment.

Lake Sunapee Region Chamber of Commerce honors KAT Co. and Ella Casey

The Lake Sunapee Region Chamber of Commerce (LSRCC) hosted its Annual Meeting at the Bistro Nouveau in Grantham at the Eastman Community Center on Monday evening. This annual event attracted over 80 people into the Draper Room at Bistro Nouveau to hear the annual updates from the Chamber.

Peter Fenton Jr., of Appleseed Restaurant and Catering in Bradford and Sunapee Cruises, and President of the LSRCC, was the presenter for the evening and had a good time giving the membership an overview of the 2012 accomplishments and what's ahead for the Chamber in 2013. Peter noted that membership in 2012 rose almost 30% (over 60 new businesses joined) and the chamber is looking forward to a bit more growth in 2013. The LSRCC is about to go live in February with their new website which aims at being more attractive and user-friendly, and to give a better showcasing of the entire LSRCC membership.

A new event that the chamber will be taking on in 2013 is bringing back the midway portion of New London Hospital Days on Aug. 1, 2, and 3rd. "We are excited to be a part of this event working with New London Hospital. We hope that by bringing this event back to town we will help stimulate local economy, bringing business to our businesses," says Executive Director, Jen Tockman. They are also looking forward to their 18th Annual ChocolateFest coming up on March 9th in Wheeler Hall at Colby-Sawyer College in New London.

Capping off the night was the LSRCC Business and Community awards. The Chamber awarded Business of the Year to Kearsarge Arts Theatre Co. (KAT Co.) and the Community Member of the Year went to Ella Casey, Executive Director of the Newport Area Chamber of Commerce. Accepting the award for KAT Co. was Dr. Trish Lindberg, founder and director of KAT for the past thirty years.

Left to right: Jennifer Tockman, LSRCC Executive Director, Sue Greenbaum, Granite State Ambassadors, Michele Lucey, Robb Dimmick and Dr. Trish Lindberg founder and director of KAT Co., and Pete Fenton Jr., LSRCC President.

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A TALE OF TWO BOARDS: The Newport School Board (left photo) has proposed a budget with a $0 increase, while the H-D School Board (right photo) is asking for $1 million more.

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Newport School Board adopts flat 2013-2014 budget

The Newport School Board will present voters with a 2013-14 budget of $17,783,863, exactly the same, to the dollar, as the current operating budget. If voters reject the budget at the March 12th deliberative session, the default budget will actually be higher at $18,166,000.

Business Administrator Chuck Stuart said he was confident in increased revenue projections totaling $9,315,708, thanks to an increase of $560,001 in tuition revenue from Unity, Croydon, Goshen-Lempster and preschool.

The negotiated one-year contract with the Newport Teacher's Association calls for an increase of $65,639, and the one-year contract with the Newport Support Staff Association will add another $29,353. Those increases will have to be added to the operating budget if those warrant articles are passed.

The proposed budget is flat despite increases: $200,000 for New Hampshire retirement, $255,169, health insurance, and $1,643 dental insurance. Economies were found in other areas to compensate.

Divided H-D School Board retains $1 million increase

Once again the public was divided during the School Board's presentation of the 2013-2014 budget. Siting the impact on taxes, many people objected to the increase in the budget, while others felt more money was needed to keep forward progress in education and pulling the schools up from the bottom. After the hearing, the Board voted 3-2 (Plater and Pelletier voting in the negative) to keep the budget figures as presented for discussion at the Deliberative Session.

The Board had previously voted 4-0 (Plater absent) to eliminate Article 6 from the warrant and place the SRO position in the budget. The Board also voted 5-0 to amend Article 7 from $166,000 to $150,000 and put $16,000 for safety doors for the high school alternative program and safety straps on the high school backboards into the proposed budget.

With the moving of the SRO to the regular budget, the proposed increase would be $988,298 or 4.8%. Contract items such as retirement, teacher and support staff increases, and health and other insurances would account for $665,995. If the SRO is included in the default budget, the increase would be $664,059 or a little over 3.1%. Other major items driving up the proposed budget include building repairs, fuel and utilities, technological hardware and educational initiatives.

Included in the budget is an increase of $17,000 for the inclusion of a middle school basketball team. Allan Kingsbury and others spoke against this as the HYAA has been providing basketball for middle school students for 20 years without taxpayer assistance. Superintendent Hassett spoke in favor in order to give students more incentive to stay in school and to have a supervised place to be after school.

Also on the warrant was an article proposed by John Segedy which would list all school employees by name and the money they made. A number of people stated that just the positons and the dollar amounts would be more beneficial to the taxpayers.

Recent speakers at the Henniker Rotary Club included Past District Governor Jan McElr oy (left photo) and NEC president Michelle Perkins (right photo).

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Publisher's Perspective *by Leigh Bosse*

Is it Arrogance or Ignorance?

As we enter the 6th year of the worse economic downturn since the great depression, the Hillsboro-Deering School Board stands alone in failing to recognize the hardships its taxpayers are facing. How many of you remember the old quiz where three circles and a square are shown and you are asked which one doesn't belong? Here it is again with a new twist. Of these recent headlines, can you tell which one doesn't belong?

ConVal School Board eliminates 9 positions
John Stark Budget reflects 3% reduction
Kearsarge School Budget up less than 1%
Newport School Budget has $0 increase
Hillsboro-Deering School Budget up $1 million

Letters to the Editor

Letter to the Editor

Regarding the 1/3/13 ZBA meeting, it is appalling that the ZBA would accept a "Motion Requesting Disqualification" from anyone. This motion forced an appointed/volunteer member, Dr. Trivellini, to publically defend his character and integrity as to why he has every right to remain on the Forster case. The ZBA Chair should have defended his impeccable work ethic and dedication of 3 years on the board and, because of the "personal" scope of the Motion, referred the Petitioners Spencer Bennett, Linda McGuire, and Lisa McGuire to the Selectboard for any complaints, investigation, and non-public discussion. Besides taking up valuable resources and time for a motion full of childish and false accusations ($75.00 an hour for Planning Consultant Mark Fougere to sit there silent), perhaps a "motion of disqualification" should be filed against Chair Connor because of a possible close and long relationship with Mr. Bennett.

The discussion around the Motion for Rehearing of The Forster Christmas Tree Farm felt like a setup with members of the Board because they agreed with Dr. Trivellini's defense of himself, but set the stage for his removal from the "rehearing" that will now take place. Nonvoting member Oliveira asked who will serve on the rehear? Member Parker let it be known "regardless of whether or not Member Trivellini decides to recuse himself...the accusations made against him have tainted the decision that we made." The public should wonder if it is with Chair Connor that this 8 month long appeal process, ending with a rehearing, has been tainted. The seed of doubt about Dr. Trivellini was further emphasized by Member Parker suggesting "It could be a new panel." Chair Connor would not commit to naming the Board at that time, which she could have.

It has not passed the public's purview, and creates further seeds of suspicion of collusion and stacking the ZBA because:

Dr. Trivellini's "alternate" status ended 9/1/12, and Mr. Parker was on "alternate" status schedule until 9/1/14.

The Selectboard signed the consent to appoint Mr. Parker as a full ZBA member the day before Mr. Fougere reactivated the Notice of Violation on Mr. Forster on 8/22.

The public should demand that the Selectboard and ZBA write a letter of apology to Dr. Trivellini, a man of high moral character, for the position he was placed in to publically defend himself. Shouldn't Dr. Trivellini have received the same courtesy, respect, and privacy as Road Agent Carl Knapp, in our employ and hired behind closed doors after his conviction? As with Mr. Forster, Dr. Trivellini was forced to prove his innocence before being found guilty of anything except being honest, and arguing Henniker zoning regulations and state laws in the spirit of their meaning. Furthermore, the public should demand that Dr. Trivellini be appointed as a full time board member, and Mr. Parker placed back in line as the alternate.

Kathleen LaBonte, Henniker

Guest Editorial *by Grant Bosse*

HASSAN LIKELY TO BE MORE ACTIVE THAN LYNCH

Former Governor John Lynch's favorite part of the job was giving tours to elementary school students. It showed in his performance. He was so averse to engaging in the legislative process that he seemed disinterested in the non-ceremonial work that came with the corner office.

The New Hampshire House and Senate are notoriously independent and wary of gubernatorial interference, but Lynch was especially tentative in his approach and would often refuse comment on controversial bills before they got to his desk.

Lynch's silence helped keep him popular. He avoided making enemies, as some tough political fights were over before he had to get involved. He even let the state budget pass into law without his signature, twice. No one passed the buck as often, or as literally, as John Lynch.

Governor Maggie Hassan comes to the job as an experienced legislator. Her marquee bills were all disasters, but that never seemed to dampen her enthusiasm.

In her Inaugural Address, Hassan called for an end to "the era of hasty, reactive government", an era defined by her four years as Senate Majority Leader.

In 2009, Hassan was a sponsor of the budget that contained, among other attacks on fiscal sanity, the much-despised LLC Tax. This ill-fated idea was floated on a Monday afternoon by Revenue Commissioner Kevin Clougherty, and approved by the Budget Conference Committee Thursday after midnight without a public hearing or any serious deliberation. The LLC Tax lasted four months before the Legislature repealed it.

In 2010, Hassan introduced sweeping legislation to curtail rising health care costs. Dubbed MaggieCare by opponents, SB 505 established a Health Services Cost Review Commission, giving the new state commissioners power to set up a "common payment system" across New Hampshire hospitals. Hassan's price-fixing scheme was quickly amended into a harmless study committee.

Following the Supreme Court's Citizens United decision, Hassan introduced a bill to require New Hampshire companies to register with state government to speak politically and force non-profits to disclose their donors. Hassan managed to get a watered-down version of this colossally unconstitutional bill through the Senate before it was mercifully killed by the House.

I doubt that every idea coming from the Governor's Office this year will be harebrained as these. But Hassan's history make me think she won't be content to let the House and Senate make the sausage on its own.

No where was Lynch's passivity on display more than the issue of gay marriage. During his first term, Lynch opposed gay marriage but didn't want to amend the state constitution to define marriage as being only between a man and a woman. In his second term, he sat on the sidelines while the Legislature crafted a civil unions bill, announcing that he'd sign it shortly before it passed the State Senate.

In his third term, Lynch was positively stoic as the Legislature debated the gay marriage bill. The bill languished for nearly a month after the Legislature passed it before Lynch decided to sign it into law. By his fourth and final term, Lynch was touting his bold commitment to marriage equality. What John Lynch lacked in leadership, he certainly made up for in opportunism.

Maggie Hassan's approach on marriage is markedly different. As a State Senator, she supported both the civil unions and gay marriage bills, so her position was never in doubt. It's also a settled issue in New Hampshire politics, though fundraisers for both parties will tell you otherwise.

The gay marriage repeal bill failed to get out of the overwhelmingly Republican House last year. There is no chance for it to pass the current Democratic House. Since no bill dealing with the definition of marriage is going to make it to Hassan's desk, she could have easily avoided it in her Inaugural Address. She didn't bring up health care, and that's going to dominate the next Legislative Session. And yet Hassan dedicated the final major section of her first speech as Governor to the issue.

"And nearly four years ago, we led the way, without the force of a court order, toward marriage equality."

Hassan focused on a controversial topic when she didn't have to. She showed she is much more willing than her predecessor to frame the issues on the legislative agenda.

I don't often agree with Governor Hassan. But after eight years with a say-nothing Governor doing the bare minimum of legislative work, it's refreshing to have a Governor who's actually interested in governing.

I'm sure she'll enjoy meeting the kids on those State House tours as well.

Grant Bosse is Editor of New Hampshire Watchdog, an independent news site dedicated to New Hampshire public policy.

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HDHS Scholastic Art Award winners

A big congratulations to the 2012-2013 HDHS Scholastic Art Award winners. The students competed against select high school artists in NH. The students will be honored at Pinkerton Academy's Stockbridge Theater Feb 2nd at noon. Prior to the awards all winning works will be on display in the gallery. Gallery showing will begin at 10am. Dakota & Jordin's Gold Key artworks will continue on to national competition. National winners will be announced in March.

Sarah Holdner - Honorable Mention - Senior Photography Portfolio - Silver Key - Photography Sails of The Horn - Silver Key - Photography Anchors Away - Silver Key - Photography Dad - Honorable Mention - Sleeps

Dakota Sousa - Silver Key - Senior Art Portfolio - Gold Key - Ceramics Raku - Silver Key - Ceramics Mood Buddha - Mention - Sculpture Bad Day

Jordin Edberg - Gold Key - Digital Art Symbolic Self Portrait

Sierra Brownlee - Silver Key - Photography Ghostly - Silver Key - Photography Abstract

Hannah Therriault - Honorable Mention - Photography Crazy Eye

Lauren Bezio -Honorable Mention - Digital Art Symbolic Self Portrait

Anissa Ferry - Honorable Mention - Ceramics Zebra

Sunapee Board negotiating with hospital

After the Sunapee Selectmen balked at the proposed increase in costs for the New London Hospital Ambulance, Town Manager Donna Nashawaty received a call from the Hospital regarding the town's ambulance service. The cost will be the rate charged last year, plus 2% and the reserve discussion will be "put on the back burner" for this upcoming year. Nashawaty put $40,000 in this year's budget, now that amount will be $35,995. The Hospital Finance Officer would like to have a meeting with Nashawaty and Chairman Fred Gallup regarding contract dates. Donna Nashawaty will schedule the meeting. Chairman Gallup updated the audience on the ambulance negotiations.

These third graders led the Pledge of Allegience at the recent Newport School District budget hearing.

Henniker Firefighters donate equipment

The Henniker Selectmen gratefully accepted the Henniker Firefighters Association's donation of two gas meters to the Town of Henniker Fire Department. One meter is a four-gas detector which can be used for propane leaks, carbon monoxide investigations and confined space entries. It monitors oxygen levels, carbon monoxide, lower explosive limit and hydrogen sulfide. The second meter measures hydrogen cyanide, a gas that is a byproduct of the combustion of modern materials. The combined value of these two meters and their associated calibration equipment is $2013.60 The four gas detector will replace an older unit owned by the fire department which has become uneconomical to repair. Prior to this donation, the Fire Department did not have a hydrogen cyanide meter. Hydrogen cyanide has been recognized as a significant cause of death in smoke inhalation cases and as a threat to the health and safety of firefighters working in fires. Cyanide poisoning in firefighters has been under-recognized and under-treated. This donated equipment will enable the Henniker Fire Department to protect the health of the firefighters and to better serve the citizens of Henniker. The Henniker Firefighters Association is a non-profit organization devoted to the assistance of the Town of Henniker Fire Department. The Association raised the funds for these meters from a raffle held in conjunction with Music on Main Street and through memorial donations made to the Association.

Town saves with used Fire & Hwy trucks

New Boston officials are asking voters to approve spending $15,000 for the purchase of a pre-owned 1994 Spartan Diamond MFD/3D four-door pumper for the New Boston Fire Department and $68,000 for the purchase of two pre-owned six wheel 2007 International 4300 Workstar dump trucks for the New Boston Highway Department. The Selectmen and Finance Committee are convinced that this purchase was an opportunity to upgrade the fleet for a very low cost. The Selectmen and Finance Committee saw this as a great window of opportunity to make the purchase and use the funds from the Capital Reserve account for this purpose. This will not have any effect on the 2013 tax rate, and saves taxpayers $800,000-900,000 over the purchase of new vehicles.

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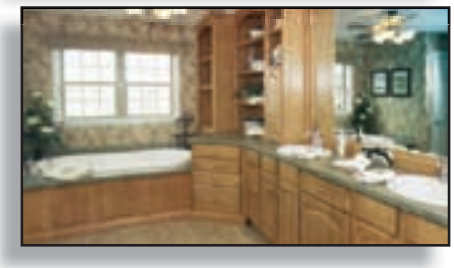

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SPORTS High School Results

Kearsarge's Peter Allen takes a shot in a game won by Newport 46-41. DM Grant Photo.

BOYS' BASKETBALL

Newport 68 Hinsdale 28 The Pacers couldn't keep pace as the Tigers took an early lead and increased it to 43-14 at the break. Andrew Houde led the scoring with 17 points.

Newport 49 Hillsboro-Deering 43 Dan Kulbacki's double double (19 points, 14 rebounds) was wasted as the Tigers out clawed the Hillcats. Derrick Pare hit a trio of "3's" to give Newport a first quarter lead. H-D took and held the lead in the third until Peter Wacholtz put the Tigers ahead to stay with just over 3 minutes leftin the game. Andrew Houde was high for Newport with 17 points.

Bow 59 Hillsboro-Deering 45 Down 0-15 early the Cats kept fighting but couldn't close the gap. Two Hillcats had double doubles, Dan Kulbacki with 18 points and 15 boards and Brett Bennett with 12 points and 10 rebounds.

Oyster River 59 John Stark 47 Stark trailed by only one entering the fourth but couldn't keep pace in the final stanza. Nic Lloyd led with 17 points followed by Zach Grattan with 14.

John Stark 45 Hanover 42 It was a tale of two halts as the Generals were in the hole 15-27 at the break. Stark mauled the Marauders 16-4 in the third to get back in the game, and Zach Gagnon sealed it with a pair of "3's" in the fourth. Nic Lloyd had 13 points and 10 assists. Cam Williams added 10 points.

Newmarket 64 Sunapee 47 The Lakers kept it close for three quarters but Newmarket controlled the fourth. Isaiha Chappell led Sunapee with 14 points.

Monadnock 73 Hopkinton 60 The Hawks were off target, shooting only 22 of 73 from the floor and couldn't compete. Steve Auger scored 19 points and grabbed 11 boards while Brian Hauschild netted a dozen.

GIRLS' BASKETBALL

Hinsdale 58 Newport 29 The Pacers trotted out to a 22-0 lead after one and the game was essentially over. Alex Stefan led the Tigers with 10 points.

Newport 44 Hillsboro-Deering 43 The Hillcats led most of the way until the Tigers hit the final 8 points of the game from the free throw line to take the lead and the win. Paige Vincent led H-D with 12 points, with Hannah Pepper and Grace Bartoldus hit 8 each.

Bow 53 Hillsboro-Deering 18 Leading 14-7 in the second, the Falcons ran off 10 straight points to put the game away. The Cats managed only a single point as opposed to 25 for Bow in the third. Hanna Pepper led H-D

SPORTS High School Results

with 8 points.

Hopkinton 47 Monadnock 23 The Hawks flew off to a 15-2 lead in the first and were in control the whole game. Sabrey Montore led the way with 18 points.

Sunapee 50 Derryfield 19 The Lakers opened strong and kept up the pace. Katie Frederick netted 14 points and Faith Larpenter added 10.

Sunapee 54 Newmarket 49 (OT) These Mules were stubborn but Erika Waterman, who finished with 18 points, hit a big "3" to start the extra stanza to give the Lakers momentum.

Oyster River 46 John Stark 34 Down by 13 at the break, the Generals failed to cut the margin in the second half. Becca Titcomb poured in 25 points for Stark.

Hanover 44 John Stark 34 Down by 20 at the half, the Generals defense tightened and they cut the deficit in half. Becca Titcomb had 12 points and 7 rebounds.

BOYS' HOCKEY

Manchester West 6 ConVal 5 (OT) The loss spoiled a fantastic performance by Cougar Keeper Sean Stinehour who recorded 57 saves. Trailing late, Zach Makey's goal forced overtime, but a win was not in the cards.

John Stark/Hopkinton 8 Kearsarge 1 Cooper Bourque tallied a pair of goals to lead the domination.

Exit 9 Alternative Workshop in Warner

Warner officials will host their second Exit 9 Alternatives Workshop at the Town Hall on Tuesday January 22 at 7 PM.

New Boston officials plan for the future

New Boston voters will be asked to appropriate $900,000 for the purchase of land and buildings located on Map 6, Lot 40 (51.84 Acres) and Map 6, Lot 45 (109.760 Acres) and to authorize the issuance of not more than $800,000, with the remaining $100,000 to be withdrawn from the Conservation Fund. Officials say the land is available now in a down market and is centrally located and easily accessed. Although there is currently no immediate plan for its use, New Boston will need land for future use and this is an excellent location to have available as these needs arise.

Sunapee man nominated to Liquor post

Governor Maggie Hassan has nominated State Liquor Commission Chairman Joseph Mollica of Sunapee for another term. The Executive Council must vote next month on whether to confirm Mollica, who has been on the commission since 2010.

Warrant articles for two Weare bridges

Jan Snyder told the Weare Selectmen that she received a price of $675,000 for the bond for the Peaselee Hill bridge. She said that originally the town bonded for $1 million, which included this project and once the project is done on Peaselee Hill it will be all used up. Ms. Snyder said that there is $121,000 of the town's portion left. $806,000 will be coming back from the State of NH, with $516,000 coming up front. They can borrow as they go along. Ms. Snyder will prepare the wording for the warrant article. The other bridge would be $59,000 from the town. A total of $938,000 would cover both projects. There will be one warrant for the Peaselee Hill Bridge and then another warrant article to include the other bridge.

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SATURDAY, JANUARY 19

S-R-K GREENWAY HIKES: Andy Hager (526-2846) Cross-country ski on logging road from Wilmot to Bunker Place in New London. 4 mi. For experienced x-c skiers. (M)

FREE FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT: Come watch the family move "Where the Red Fern Grows" on the big screen downstairs at Smith Memorial Congregational Church (big white church in the center of Hillsboro with the town clock in the steeple). Admission is free. The movie begins promptly at 7pm. Complimentary popcorn and drinks will be served. All are invited.

HANCOCK'S HIGH PEAKS: Join Brian Bishoff and Russ Daigle to climb the eastern faces of Skatutakee and Thumb Mountains. A moderately strenuous, 5-mile hike. Come enjoy the recently improved view of Mount Monadnock from the Thumb Mountain ledges. Bring water and lunch, and meet at the Harris Center's upper parking lot at 10am. Back by 3pm.

KIDS' X-C SKI DAY: Pine Hill XC Ski Area trailhead, 1am- noon. Free trail pass for kids under 13 years. Free X-C ski lesson. Info: 381-8685.

SUNDAY JANUARY 20

REPUBLICANS MEET: The Hancock Republican Town Committee (HRTC) will meet at 4pm in the Daniels Room at the Hancock Library. All registered Republican Hancock residents are invited to attend this meeting for the purpose of electing Officers for the 2013 & 2014 term, considering the need for amendments to the bylaws to be proposed and voted upon at two later meetings, and to conduct new business that may come before the committee. Park at the rear of the library and along designated street locations. Please honor restricted and retail parking areas.

MONDAY JANUARY 21

MEMORY IMPAIRMENT: Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association is offering a free presentation "Amid Two Worlds: Caring for Someone With Memory Impairment" at 11:30am at the White Birch Community Center, 51 Hall Avenue in Henniker.

TUESDAY JANUARY 22

RELAXATION TECHNIQUES: Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association is offering a free presentation "A Picture Worth 1,000 Words: Relaxation Techniques Using Your Mind" at 1pm at St. Mary's Parish, 36 Church Street in Hillsboro.

SATURDAY JANUARY 26

S-R-K GREENWAY HIKES: Nick Baer (526-8233) Bog Mountain fun family hike. Children's activities along the way include animal tracking, games and hot cocoa at the summit. Starting at Stearn's Road, the hike will finish at the Wilmot Library. 3.1 miles (M)

HARRIS CENTER: Track Those Animals - Family Program. Join Harris Center naturalist Susie Spikol Faber and several middle-school helpers on Saturday, January 26th for a morning of mammal tracking. Meet at the Happy Valley Preschool, 132 Gulf Road in Peterborough, at 10am. Back by 11am. For more information contact Susie Spikol Faber at 525-3394 or spikol@harriscenter.org.

TOM RUSH: Peterborough Folk Music Society welcomes this remarkable man and musician back to Peterborough where he is known and loved. Peterborough Players Theater, Peterborough at 8pm. Tickets $30 advance/$35 day of concert.

MOVIE NIGHT: (It's Free) Madagascar 3 (Rated PG). Join us at 6pm at the Slusser Senior Center. Popcorn and drinks available for purchase. Brought to you by The Hopkinton Parks & Recreation Dept.

SUNDAY JANUARY 27

HARRIS CENTER: Beaver Brook Falls, an easy, short hike (or snowshoe, depending on conditions) to Beaver Brook Falls - a good location for animal signs. Led by Brian Bishoff and Denny Wheeler. Meet at the Keene Recreation Center on Washington Street in Keene at 1pm. Back by 2:30pm.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1

AUTHOR READING: 3pm, Deidre Currier will read from her new book Tales From the Tub: Growing Old is for the Brave at the Richards Free Library. The admission is free. Contact person: Andrea Thorpe at 603-863-3430.

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 2

S-R-K GREENWAY HIKES: Dave Anderson (763-5958) Dave's Winter Wildlife Tracking snow shoe hike

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TOWN OF DEERING
762 Deering Center Road
Deering, NH 03244

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The Deering Planning Board will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, February 13, 2013 pursuant to RSA 231:158; PSNH will be trimming trees and removing brush beneath a proposed distribution power line on Wolf Hill Road, Deering. The meeting will be at 7:00 PM at the Deering Town Hall.

TOWN OF ANTRIM
PUBLIC NOTICE

Police Station Informational Meeting

There will be an Informational Meeting on Wednesday, January 23, 2013 at the Antrim Town Hall starting at 7:00 PM for everyone to see the design progress of our new Police Station.

CONVAL PRESCHOOL CHILD CHECK

ConVal School District Special Education Dept. will be holding a Preschool Child Check Clinic for 3 and 4 year old children living in the towns of Antrim, Bennington, Dublin, Francestown, Greenfield, Hancock, Peterborough, Sharon and Temple on Tuesday, January 29, 2013 at the Antrim Elementary School at 9:00 a.m. Snow date is Thursday, January 31, 2013.

The purpose of the clinic is to identify 3 and 4 year old children who need further evaluation/consideration for special education services. Parents who have concerns about their child's speech, language, or overall development (cognitive, motor, social or play skills) should call 924-7503 X2031 to register for the clinic. Pre-registration is required. Child must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian. Vision and hearing will also be screened.

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ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

The Town of Deering is accepting applications for a Volunteer/Part-Time Fire Chief. This individual will be responsible for planning, organizing and directing the operations of the Fire and Rescue Department, its staff and equipment. The Town of Deering is an Equal Opportunity Employer. The salary for this position is $10.00/hour. Contact Craig Ohlson, Town Administrator for further information and application. Deering Town Hall, 762 Deering Center Road, Deering, NH 03244 or call (603) 464-2746. Applications must be received by Friday, February 1st, 2013.

Events: Community Bulletin Board

will take place on the lower slopes of Sunset Hill in Newbury. Dave promises to teach tracking patterns and natural history for common local wild mammals. 2 miles. (E-M)

NATURE MUSEUM: The Little Nature Museum presents the first program of its Winter/Spring Program series on Saturday, February 2nd, from 1:30 - 2:30pm at the Community Room, Hopkinton Town Library, located in Contoocook, NH. Dr. Richard Boisvert, state archeologist, will present "Finding the First Granite Staters." Information from recent excavations will be presented illustrating what has been found and how it was discovered. This illustrated program is free; donations are appreciated.

CONTRA DANCE: The Monadnock Folklore Society presents the Peterborough, NH First Saturday Contra Dance on February 2, featuring Steve Zakon-Anderson calling with the band "Trip to Nelson." The dancing begins at 8pm, with an optional workshop beforehand. Admission is $8 or $6 for students and seniors. The dance takes place in the historic Town House in Peterborough, NH at 1 Grove Street.

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 5

LEGION MEETS: Antrim's American Legion Post 50 will hold its monthly meeting at the post home at 7:30 pm. All members, veterans and guests are welcome.

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 9

S-R-K GREENWAY HIKES: Brian Faughnan (526-7838) Snowshoe over winter trails in Wilmot's Patterson Road area. Refreshments afterward at the Faughnans. 3 miles. (M)

FUND RAISER: The effects of Hurricane Sandy are still present in the devastation of people's homes and lives in the New York and New Jersey areas. Help has been slow in getting to the victims and their families. So Reggie Gerbert and Gene Gould decided to try and do what we could to bring some relief to even a few of the people it has affected: on Febuary 9th, at 7pm at the Hillsboro United Methodist Church there will be a benefit concert. Gene Gould and Reggie Gerbert will host a fun time of song and fellowship with other local artists. A love offering will be taken and sent via UMCOR1 the United Methodist Committee on Relief. So please join us for an evening of fellowship and caring. Hope to see you there.

FELLS PROGRAM: Out and About for Preschoolers: A Look at Where We've Been, 11am-noon. Explore the placement of eyes on various animals and insects, and then take a walk Backwards. Create a painting of this new way of viewing the natural world. Member child and care givers free, non-members $5. Advance registration requested.

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 16

S-R-K GREENWAY HIKES: Peg Bastien (456-2347) Snowshoe in Warner's Chandler Reservation up to the old fire tower. Some trails are rather steep. (M)

FELLS PROGRAM: Family Snowshoeing and the Art of Tracking, 1-2:30pm. Imprints in the snow record the movements of even the smallest creatures. On this walk we'll read tracks and signs that tell stories about the movements and activities of those who passed unseen, but left a fascinating winter tale. Fells Members free, nonmembers $5 per family.

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 17

BISHOP'S VISIT: Hillsboro United Methodist Church - We are pleased to have Bishop Sudarshana Devadhar, Bishop of the New England United Methodist Church as our special guest and speaker at morning worship at 10am. Please make a special point to come and meet Bishop Devadhar, and bring a friend, too.

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 20

ANTRIM GRANGE: The February 20th program is entitled "The Grange and Gridlock in Washington" and will be presented by Antrim resident, Dr. Stephen Ullman. All programs will be held at the Antrim Town Hall and begin at 7:00 p.m. Refreshments will be provided by members of the Grange.

PUBLIC NOTICE
Washington School District

FILING FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICES

Persons interested in being a candidate for the following school district offices may file for these positions starting on January 23, 2013. The deadline for filing is 5:00pm on February 1, 2013. Persons wishing to file should contact the Town Clerk, Sandra Poole at the Washington Town Office, 495-3667 (Thursday 1:00-8:00pm, Friday 9:00am-3:00pm) or at 495-7879 after 6:00pm.

2 School Board Members - 3 year term
1 School Board Members - 1 year term
1 School District Moderator - 1 year term
1 School District Clerk - 1 year term
1 School District Treasurer - 1 year term

WARRANT ARTICLES

Persons wishing to submit warrant articles for inclusion in the 2013 Washington School District Warrant must submit such warrants to the School Board, or one of its members, no later than February 7, 2013, at 5:00 p.m. Persons wishing additional information may contact the Superintendent of School's office at 464-4466.

PUBLIC NOTICE
Windsor School District

WARRANT ARTICLES

Persons wishing to submit warrant articles for inclusion in the 2013 Windsor School District Warrant must submit such warrants to the School Board, or one of its members, no later than February 10, 2013, at 5:00 p.m. Persons wishing additional information may contact the Superintendent of School's office at 464-4466.

FILING FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICES

Persons interested in being a candidate for the following school district offices may file for these positions starting on January 23, 2013. The deadline for filing is 5:00 p.m. on February 1, 2012. Persons wishing to file should contact Darlene Cuddy, 478-0431.

1 School Board Member—3 year term
1 School District Treasurer—1 year term
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1 School District Clerk—1 year term
1 School District Auditor—1 year term

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PUBLIC NOTICE
Hillsboro-Deering School District

FILING FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICES

Persons interested in being a candidate for the following school district offices may file for these positions starting on January 23, 2013. The deadline for filing is 4:30 pm on February 1, 2013. Persons wishing to file should contact the Superintendent of School's office at 464-4466.

1 School Board Member—3 year term; At Large seat
1 School Board Member—3 year term; Deering seat
1 School District Moderator—1 year term

The Deering Fire Auxillary hosted a spaghetti supper fundraiser on Saturday.

Weare Board asked to support cable TV

Steve Flanders asked the Weare Selectmen if they would put an article on the warrant for the Cable Committee, as someone needs to come in and do the programming and keep the cable channel up and running. Heleen Kurk told the Board that they are requesting $24,000, which represents approximately 33% of the $73,674 revenue this year from franchise fees. There are 2,383 subscribers, which have decreased 200 since 2009, but the revenues are up due to higher charges. The person would be part-time to run the cable channel under the direction of the Cable Committee. Without having someone there who knows what they are doing and is committed, the money spent on equipment does no good.

Vice Chairman Richard Butt said he can't support someone being paid $24,000 a year, because he is not sure if it is needed without having proper training of the volunteers. Chairman Tom Clow explained that this is public comment and the Board will take in the information and discuss it as a Board. If the Board does not decide to put the article on the warrant, a petition article is an option.

Fall Foliage Committee needs volunteers

The Warner Fall Foliage Festival committee will be hosting a community-wide meeting at the Warner Town Hall on January 29, 2013 at 7 P.M. The purpose of the gathering will be to determine the future of the festival, given the increasing challenges facing the 65-year-old nonprofit organization.

At issue is the lack of volunteers willing to become year-round board members and the deterioration of the festival infrastructure. Over the years, fewer and fewer area residents have come forward to volunteer as board members, and currently, the board doesn't meet the bylaw requirement of 10 members. In addition, major electrical projects must be completed before the 2013 festival.

What can be done to ensure the future of the festival? The public is invited to share their ideas at this meeting. Please join us. Anyone who would like to show support or share ideas in advance of the community meeting, please contact outgoing president, Sherry Thomas at 545-8654.

Bennington budget up only slightly

Bennington voters will be asked to approve an operating budget of $1,523,579, up $13,794, over 2012's budget of $1,509,748. With capital reserve funds and warrant articles, the total is $1,700,879, a 0.92% percent tax increase.

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The towns of New London, Newbury and Sunapee are happy to welcome Norm Bernaiche back as their joint assessor.

Forest Society preserves Washington acres

Committed community members raised funds to purchase two parcels of land in Washington that together form the new, 313-acre Farnsworth Hill Reservation, donated to the Society for the Protection of N.H. Forests at the end of December and open to the public for hiking, hunting, wildlife viewing, snowshoeing, cross-country skiing and other non-motorized pursuits. The reservation is located above Millen Lake, close to the Forest Society's Ashuelot River Headwaters Forest and within the critical corridor between the protected lands surrounding Pillsbury and Mt. Sunapee state parks to the north and the Andorra Forest to the south.

Community members, led by John Brighton and Jim Crandall, worked to protect the land after hearing the former owner's plans to subdivide and develop it. The Millen Lake Association contributed $25,000 in a matching grant while more than 80 individuals and organizations contributed to the purchase of the two parcels."The Washington Conservation Commission also played a significant role in advising on this purchase and helped by contributing $20,000 towards the transaction and stewardship costs," said Brian Hotz, senior director of strategic projects with the Forest Society. "The Forest Society served as fiscal agent for the local fundraisers, orchestrated the transactional aspects of the project and raised $30,000 towards the fundraising goal." Brighton said contributors were committed to keeping lands open for community members to enjoy. "It's really one of those things where I grew up with it as a young kid, and you want to see other young people coming along be able to have experiences with trees, animals and quiet," he said.

Henniker Board continues budget cutting

Representatives of Henniker's Tucker Free Library met with the Selectmen Tuesday night hoping to restore $5,000 to their budget as recommended by the Budget Committee. The trustees had originally requested a $15,000 increase over last year. Attempting to hold the line, the Selectmen trimmed the request by $7,500, but concerned that the cut may result in a reduction of hours of operation and of other services, the Budget Committee recommend restoring $5,000 to the Library budget. While praising the Library's efforts, Selectmen Blomback, Aucoin and French felt taxpayers were overburdened and sacrifices had to be made by all departments. Ron Taylor favored restoring the funds. The Board did accept the Budget committee's suggestion of further cutting the highway department budget $2,500, a reduction to the Executive Department budget by $710 and reducing the Code Office budget to $4,000.

Head brewer James Moriarity and owner Dave Currier inspect the recipe for their beer at the Henniker Brewing Company.

New building for New England College

New England College will soon break ground on a new facility for students pursing business degrees. The project is part of a campus improvement plan designed to provide opportunities to update technology, offer more classroom space, and eventually hold a state-of-the-art theater for political debates and special events. New England College has hired nationally renowned Boston-based architectural firm, Sasaki Associates, Inc. to lead in the design and construction of the business school. Inspiring, creative and fresh designs are a hallmark of Sasaki projects. "We chose Sasaki because their designers create plans that reflect aesthetic value while accomplishing the core purpose of the new building," explains Michele Perkins, President of New England College. "Each project is designed to be an enduring addition to the landscape – blending with natural surroundings yet standing out with its own unique design." "We are acutely aware of the need to balance the needs of our College and the best interests of the town of Henniker," says Perkins. "We are confident Sasaki will help us achieve that balance as we strive to improve our programs for students and faculty." The new facility will replace the existing building located at the corner of Depot Hill Road and Circle Street. Phase one, set to begin fall of 2013, will provide new classroom spaces, computer rooms, faculty and staff offices and learning spaces. Phase two will include a so-called "black box" theater; a flexible space which can be used for political debates, theater productions and special events on campus.

Selectmen cut Conservation Commission

Town Manager Donna Nashawaty gave a presentation on the 2013 Sunapee town budget and operating budget process. The operating budget for 2013 general government is $4,521,156. Additional operating budget for enterprise funds-water/sewer/hydroelectric is $1,548,170. The total for warrant article #12 is $6,069,326. The default budget is $6,021,716.

The Sunapee Selectmen unanimously approved the Library Bond, the Highway & Transfer Equipment Capital Reserve, the Town Bridges Capital Reserve, and the Maintenance Town Buildings Fund Capital Reserve. The Board tied 2-2 on supporting the Conservation Commission Fund. After some discussion, the Board agreed to accept a suggested amount of $25,000. It was noted that the Conservation Commission can go with the warrant article of $45,235, but the Board of Selectmen will not recommend it.

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- 221 Lake Shore Drive; land and building; $150,000; Eileen Zeindlhofer Trust to Susan McCandless
- 96 Fisher Road; land and building; $150,133; Morgan Stanley ABS Capital to Ryan and Larisa Trexler

DUNBARTON

- Holiday Shore Drive; land and building; $115,000; 26 Holiday Shore Drive to Theresa Burke and others
- 166 Concord Stage Road; land and building; $203,933; George McHugh to Daniel and Mallory Rygiel

GRANTHAM

- Mark N. & Susan J. Devost to John & Ruthann Buchanan, land and buildings at 685 New Aldrich Rd., $373,200.

LEMPSTER

- CWABS, Inc. to Andrew P. & Kimberly Jordan, land and buildings on 2nd N.H. Turnpike, $42.800.

HENNIKER

- no address given; land and building; $64,000; Diane Mathews to Jason Clement
- Deer Run Road; land and building; $213,400; Ruth Brown to Christopher and Margaret Costanzo
- 81 Cressy St.; land and building; $162,000; Charles Freeman to Robert Crooker III
- 97 Juniper Kloge; land; $124,000; Charles Still Jr. to Kathleen Vananglen Trust

HILLSBOROUGH

- 6 Hill St.; land and building; $50,000; Nationstar Mortgage LLC to David Stevenson
- 235 Jefferson Drive; land and building; $124,750; New Century Home Equity Loan to James Hume
- Bridge Street; land and building; $50,000; David Stevenson to Charles Kelley
- 25 Woodlawn Ave.; land and building; $41,000; Christine Devito to Bruce French
- 2nd NH Turnpike; land and building; $112,533; Jerimiah and Allison Johnson to K. Bennett LLC
- Sunny Ridge Road; land and building; $20,000; Kirk Warren Drewry to Daniel and Maura Fino

HOPKINTON

- Little Tookie Road; land and building; $124,000; Pia Bickford to Scott and Amy Miller
- Robert Gould Road; land; $135,000; Ruth Pratt to Erick Leadbeater

NEW LONDON

- Rowell Hill Road and Route 114; land; $229,000; James and Colleen DeAngelis to Thomas and Lynne Doolittle
- 379 Brookside Drive; land and building; $330,000; George Keyes Trust to Sandra and Karl Schmid
- Little Sunapee Lake; land and building; $1,790,000; Colin Waldron 2003 Trust and others to Leatherwood Family LP
- Old Main Street; land and building; $375,000; Carina Tan and others to Leverett and Linda Yates Flint
- Herrick Cove; land; $934,800; Edith Menkart Qualif Per Res Trust to Brett and Amy Kozlowski
- Unit 20 Seasons at Lake Sunapee; condo; $295,000; John Gallin to Claudia and Philip Koerner
- 742 Seamans Road; land and building; $308,000; Juilet Robbins Price to Tracy Prescott Living Trust
- Unit 3 Lyon Brook Apartments; condo; $145,000; Elisabeth Manning Trust to David Bowen Trust and others

NEWBURY

- 25 Newbury Heights Road; land and building; $122,000; Edward Dill and others to Gregory Sysyn and others
- 238 Bay Point Road; land; $338,533; Stephen Manzi to Craig and Jennifer Lockwood
- Blodgetts Landing; land; $80,000; SAJP LLC to S&G Trust

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■ Leonard A. & Lisa A. Pollari to Berean Baptist Church, land and buildings on John Stark Hwy., $130,000.

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■ 2 Whittemore Road; land and building; $164,000; Kathy Rayno to Robert Kelley

SUNAPEE

■ Dana J. & Heather L. Smith to Susan D. & Norman W. Smith Jr., land and buildings on Bradford Rd., $168,333.
■ Helen Corrigan to Kimberley A. Hayden, et al, condominium unit 1 at Russell Place, $125,000.
■ Oakwood Park, Inc. to Leslie & Wendy Dunnells, land and buildings at 14 Sargent Rd. $105,000.

SUTTON

■ South Sutton to Melvin Mills Highway; land and building; $275,000; Norman and Margaret Forand to Bruno and Marilou Steblai

WARNER

■ Main Street; land and building; $70,000; Robert Egan to Kenneth Milender

WEARE

■ 93 Colby Road; land and building; $199,000; Dennis Proulx to Anthony and Jennifer Miller
■ 12 Peacock Hill Road; land and building; $201,000; Walter and Linda Nekoroski Jr. to Peter and Hailey Stockhaus
■ Unit 19 Lake Shore Village Resort; condo; $170,000; Dale and Susan Dowdie to Lake Shore Village Realty

WEBSTER

■ Blackwater River; land and building; $48,000; Robert and Eric Phillips and others to Charles and Joyce Rose

WILMOT

■ Route 11; land; $75,000; S. J. Corporation to Brian and Victoria Tilton Family Trust

ANDOVER

■ 197 Old College Road; land; $400,000; Bruce and Susan Cassella to Kurt Weber and others
■ North Street; land and building; $129,000; Christopher and Heidi Clasby to Brooks and Jennifer Emeny II
■ 129 Boston Hill Road; land and building; $160,000; Jonathan and Brandy Collette to Stewart Randall and others

BRADFORD

■ 16 High St.; land and building; $135,000; Alexander and Arthena Stewart to Robert DiGregorio and others
■ 718 West Road; land and building; $257,000; Joseph Torro to David Moffitt and others
■ 111 Massasecum Road; land and building; $213,000; Robert Foley to Michelle Ramsey and others

DEERING

■ 2804 2nd NH Turnpike; land and building; $140,000; David and Ann Crowley to John Paul and others
■ 309 E. Deering Road; land and building; $173,000; Robert and Mary Prescott Trust to James and Gary Stein

DUNBARTON

■ 30 Long Pond Road; land and building; $289,933; Lori Davis Family Trust to William Kurth
■ 260 Stark Highway North; land and building; $215,000 D&C Transportation Inc. to Heavens Trailside Mart LLC

HENNIKER

■ 167 Highland Drive; land and building; $219,933; Stephen and Christine Danforth to Steven and Monica Prevost
■ 193 Tanglewood Drive; land and building; $184,933; Craig Webb and others to Matthew and Emily Jones
■ 114 Western Ave.; land; $530,000; Carol Ericson Trust to Marc and Linda Houle

HILLSBOROUGH

■ 118- W. Main St.; land and building; $140,000; Armand Anctil to Barbara Colbath
■ no address given; land and building; $19,000; Sandra Paine to Keith and Gisele Hathaway
■ 34 Boulder Road; land and building; $154,933; Deborah Jones to Sarah Ann Dunn
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Obituaries: Friends & Neighbors Remembered

Elinor H. Vaillancourt

HILLSBOROUGH - Elinor H. Vaillancourt of Hillsborough, NH died at home on January 9, 2013. Elinor was born in Henniker, NH in 1917 to parents Wilbur and Emily (Wells) Parmenter. She was predeceased by her husband, George J. Vaillancourt; her grandson, Brett Travis Vaillancourt; her sister, Frances Bennett; and her brothers, Norman Parmenter and George Parmenter. Elinor is survived by her son, Timothy Vaillancourt; daughter, Faith V. Stuart and husband, John H. Stuart; grandchildren, Erika A. Stuart and husband, Jonathan Feinstein, James A. Stuart and fiancé, Jean Ann Falls; great-grandchildren, Daisy and Calder; as well loving nieces and nephews. Contributions in her name can be made to Hillsborough Historical Society, PO Box 896, Hillsborough, NH 03244 and/or Meals On Wheels, PO Box 910, Merrimack, NH 03054-0190

James F. O'Hayer

NEW LONDON - James F. O'Hayer died Friday, Jan. 11, 2013, at New London Hospital in New London following a brief illness. He was 96. Mr. O'Hayer was born Dec. 6, 1916, in New York, NY. He was the son of the late James L. and Lorraine O'Hayer. He is survived by his wife, Joan; their son, Denis and his wife, Lisa Allen of Atlanta, GA; daughter, Eileen Towne of Plymouth; grandson, William Towne of Burlington, VT; and granddaughter, Kathleen Towne of Plymouth. He was preceded in death by his parents; his brothers, Robert and Edward O'Hayer; and his sister, Corrine Nussbaum. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to any of the following: Alzheimer's disease research, Catholic relief services or Loaves and Fishes through Our Lady of Fatima Parish.

William Bruce Mann

HILLSBOROUGH - William Bruce Mann was born on January 22, 1945 to Douglas and Doris (Fish) Mann in Framingham, MA. He was predeceased by his parents and sister, Judy Donnellon. Bruce is survived by spouse, Mary (Maria) of 17 years of marriage; two children, Kimberly (Mann) DiMasi and Justin, from first marriage to Cleo (Mann) Malcolm; a brother, Rocky; four grandchildren; a nephew; and other family and friends. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be given to Manchester Community College, Student Veterans Funds at 1066 Front Street, Manchester, NH.

Richard Therriault

DEERING - Richard Therriault, 72, died at home, with his wife by his side, on Jan. 6, 2013. Richard was born in Manchester, March 24, 1940, to Eva (Brisson) and Wilfred Therriault. Richard is survived by his wife of 52 years, Caroline; two sons, David Therriault and his wife, Sandra of Milford and Mark Therriault and his wife, Beth of Hillsborough; grandchildren, Amanda, Noah, Abby and Hannah; and two step-grandchildren, Madison and Jamie; and his only sibling, his older brother, Leo Therriault of Georgia. We will all miss him very much. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to Concord VNA.

Evelyn Saggiotes

NEWPORT - Evelyn Saggiotes, a resident of John Whitaker Place, Penacook, passed away Wednesday, Jan. 9, 2013. Evelyn was born in Newport, the daughter of the late George and Mary Karras. She was predeceased by her husband, Soterios (Sam) Saggiotes. Family members include son, Arthur Saggiotes and wife, Rebecca of Elverson, PA; daughter, Georgia (Saggiotes) Scott and her husband, Robert of Newport; son, Dr. Charles Saggiotes and wife, Anne of Bow; grandchildren, Katherine (Saggiotes) Boling of Fort Worth, TX and her husband, BJ, Christopher Saggiotes of Elverson, PA, Ashley Scott of Boston, Aleksey Scott of Newport and Max Saggiotes of Bow; and two great-grandchil-

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dren, George Samuel Boling and Carson Rebecca Boling. She was predeceased by her sister, Elaine Evangelou of Concord. Memorial donations may be made to the Newport Richards Free Library, 58 N. Main St., Newport, NH. 03773.

Isabel Edna (Switzer) Smith

HENNIKER - Isabel Edna (Switzer) Smith of Henniker, NH, passed away at her home on the morning of January 10th, 2013 at 83 years. She was an amazing mom of six girls, Grandma to 3 and Great Grandma to 9. As a young bride, she was a nurse. In Concord, NH, Isabel worked at Mahfuz Rug Gallery, Havenwood Nursing Home, and Saint Paul's School. In Henniker, Isabel worked for the White Birch Community Center, and she cared for many ailing Henniker residents. In lieu of services, donations may be made to the SPCA animal shelters or to Alzheimer's research.

David Worden

HENNIKER - David Worden, 76, of Henniker, NH died Saturday, January 12, 2013 at Epsom Manor in Epsom, NH. He was born December 4, 1936 in Hanover, NH to the late Rufus And Ethel L. (Smith) Worden. David graduated from Newport High School and attended UNH. Survived by his 1 daughter, Tracy Worden and her partner, David Gates, of Allston, MA; 1 sister, Frances Louden of Newport, NH; 1 niece, Gina Grantham of Newport, NH; and a special friend, Nancy Foley of Henniker, NH. He will be sadly missed by his family and friends. Burial will be in spring in North Newport Cemetery.

Alice L. Kerr

BELLOWS FALLS – Alice L. (Bingham) Kerr, 91 year's young, a life time resident of the Bellows Falls VT. area, died peacefully Saturday morning, January 12, 2013 at her granddaughter's home in Claremont, NH, with the love of her family surrounding her. Alice was born on March 2, 1921 in Bellows Falls VT, the daughter of the late Carrol Bingham and Eva (Fuller) Bingham. She was predeceased by her son, Earl (Squirt) Simonds in 1991, a daughter, Earline French in 2005 and her great-great-grandson, Hunter Dashnaw in 2010, her twin brother, Carrol Bingham Jr., as well as her sister and three other brothers.

Survivors include her son, Carrol (Soupy) Simonds and his wife, Dee of Bellows Falls, VT; a step-son, Edward Kerr Jr. and his wife Jean of Contoocook, NH; and step-daughter Margery Allen of NY. Her grandchildren include Ralph Simonds and his wife, Laura of Morrisville NC, Karen Simonds of Claremont, NH, Stewart Raymond and his wife, Sabrina of Springfield, VT, Julie Raymond of Springfield, VT, Kristi Chesley of Bellows Falls, VT, and Michael Simonds and his wife Samantha of Chester, VT; as well as her step-grandchildren, Amanda, Paige, Heather, Karla, Johnny, Kelly and Shelly. Alice was a great-grandmother of 16, with 17 step-great-grandchildren and a great-great grandmother of 20, with numerous nieces, nephews and cousins. In lieu of flowers, memorial contribution can be made to Kurn Hattin Homes for Children, PO Box 127, Westminster, VT 05158.

Janet V. Smith

PETERBOROUGH - Janet Vera (Borey) Smith, 77, died Dec. 30, 2012, following a brief illness. She was born April 4, 1935, in Gardner, MA, the eldest of three sisters, where she grew up and graduated high school. She is survived by three children, Robert Hamilton and his wife, Heidi and their children, Annika, Lars and Tristan of Greenland; Meg Thomas of Concord, and her children, Josh and Ben Ratliff; Sean Thomas and his wife, Peggy and their children, Levyn and Tyler of Glenwood Springs, CO; two sisters, Linda Joyce of Kittery, ME, and JoAnne Davidson of Hampton; and many nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by one son, Mark Thomas. In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to: Monadnock Chorus, PO Box 218, Peterborough, NH 03485.

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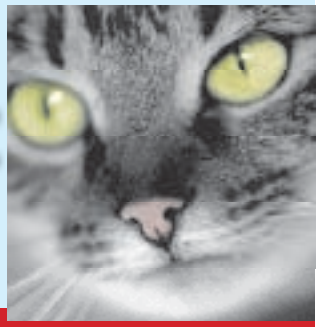

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