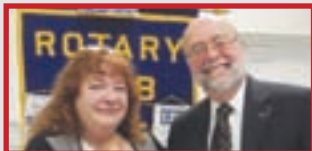


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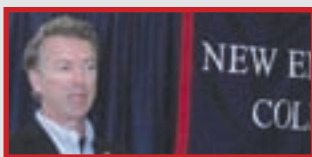
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Rash of opiate deaths

NH's State Medical Examiner Dr. Thomas Andrew recently briefed the Henniker Rotary Club (top photo) and Hillsboro Lions Club (bottom photo) on the rash of opiate related deaths in New Hampshire.



They keep coming

Republican presidential candidates continue to visit the state. Recent stops include Jeb Bush in New London, (top), John Kasich in Newport (center) and Rand Paul in Henniker (bottom).



Horrific Franklin crash

Woman airlifted to hospital with 'serious' injuries

It took Franklin firefighters about 50 minutes to cut the roof off the vehicle before the woman driver could be airlifted to a hospital with serious injuries after a “horrific” head-on crash early last Friday morning. The woman was driving a compact car that collided with another woman driving an SUV on South Main St. Fire Chief Kevin LaChappelle reports that the crash remains under investigation. The driver of the compact car was seriously injured, though he wasn't sure how badly. The driver of the SUV was

not seriously injured, he said.

LaChappelle called it “a horrific crash,” saying, “The dashboard was in her lap when we got there. The car was demolished, it was not recognizable.” The road was closed and traffic was diverted via Old South Main Street. A total of 14 fire department personnel worked at the scene with the assistance of police and the city's highway department, while officials from the state's Department of Transportation assisted with the road closing.

New Boston native, Jack Ballard dies in one-car crash

Jack Ballard, 28, of New Boston died in a car crash early Sunday morning. He was an assistant head of circulation at St. Anselm College's Geisel Library. Ballard died from injuries received when his car struck a tree on River Road at about 1:30 a.m. Police Chief James Brace said that Ballard was driving west in his 2002 Saab when the car veered off the road and struck a tree. The accident

occurred in an area of River Road, which is also known as Route 13, near Byam Road. A driver passing by came upon his car and found Ballard inside, and called 911. Fire department rescue teams tried to revive him, but they were too late, because he had very serious injuries. Brace said the investigation is still ongoing, but appears to have occurred because of his car's speed.



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Troopers stop man doing 101 mph in Bow
Federal Grant helps New Boston Fire Department
Fire in unoccupied Newport home termed "suspicious"

November 8, 2013

Barn Playhouse abutters complain of noise
Henniker PTO treasurer arrested for embezzlement
Andover woman's conviction for embezzlement upheld
Henniker seeks to coordinate delivery of human services

November 9, 2012

Attorney General rules murder-suicide in Weare
ConVal paraprofessional arrested for sexual assault
Newport facing shortage of cemetery space
Plans for new Warner Fire Station in limbo

November 11, 2011

Newport names Paul Brown Town Manager
Antrim voters reaffirm support of wind energy
No new cruiser for Wilmot Police Department
Bradford's Battles Farm sells conservation easement

November 12, 2010

Four arrested in major Hillsborough drug bust
New London Selectmen adopt health care plan
Art thieves hit Peterborough galleries
Sunapee Selectmen hear budget requests

November 6, 2009

New Boston couple left homeless after fire
Job swap made at Hancock Town Offices
Weare Police make major cocaine bust
Hopkinton to auction Columbia Hall

November 7, 2008

Supreme Court overturns Henniker Zoning decision
NH Forest Society honors Deering's Jonathan Dawson
Contoocook Legion honors WWII & Korean War veteran
Windsor business fined \$100,000

November 9, 2007

Kearsarge Middle School to open March 3rd
Henniker Library to unveil the Walter Robinson Collection
Spike mat ends three-town hot pursuit
Hillsborough grave robbery draws national attention

November 10, 2006

Two NEC students arrested for rape of another
Three area towns considering Reverse 911
Drug raid at H-D Alternative School
Hopkinton man pleads guilty to pornography charges

November 11, 2005

Carl Hill inducted into NHIAA Hall of Fame
Man's remains found in Hopkinton woods
Stark's students may face drug-sniffing dogs
New Kearsarge Middle School to be built in Sutton

Policy on religion, politics, sexual orientation & activity, drug use fails

At Monday's Hillsboro-Deering School Board meeting members hit an impasse in attempting to adopt a new policy on non-academic surveys or questionnaires designed to elicit information about a student's "social behavior, family life, religion, politics, sexual orientation, sexual activity, drug use, or any other information not related to a student's academics."

Other policies, dealing with Video & Audio Recording on School Property, School Bus Safety, Audio & Video Surveillance on School Buses and contents of Minutes easily passes on unanimous 5-0 votes, but the board could not reach a majority for this one.

A motion was made to amend the policy by providing an opt-in provision for parents of children up to 16, as opposed to the current opt-out provision. The amendment failed 2-3.

1941 Building Public Meeting

The Kearsarge Regional School Board has announced that it will hold a public meeting to discuss the fate of the 1941 school building. The meeting will be held on November 12th at 6:30 p.m. in the Kearsarge Learning Center on Cougar Court. The New London Selectmen had requested such a meeting before any final disposition was decided on. The Board of Selectmen and the public has been invited to participate.

School Board Chair Ken Bartholomew reported that the district is moving ahead with plans to reroof the cafeteria and two classrooms only, and welcomes comments and suggestions as to the uses of the remainder of the facility.

Next, an amendment was moved to require that all parents opt-in before a questionnaire of survey could be issued. That also failed 2-3. Finally a motion was

made to pass the policy as presented. Not surprisingly that also failed 2-3, sending the matter back to the Policy committee for further review.



(L to R) Bristol Chief Mike Lewis, Officer Jonathan Ciavola, Dispatcher Ethan Ballin, Officer David Gotthardt and Franklin Chief David Goldstein.

Bristol Police Chief commends three from Franklin

At Monday's Franklin City Council meeting Bristol Police Chief Mike Lewis attended to express his and his department's thanks for the assistance given by two Franklin officers and a dispatcher in bringing a dangerous situation to a swift conclusion.

On August 30th the Bristol Police responded to a reported armed robbery. Reports indicated that the suspect left a bomb at the store and had threatened the lives of employees. When Bristol

Police put out a call for assistance from other agencies, Franklin officers David Gotthardt and Jonathan Ciavola, assisted by Dispatcher Ethan Ballin immediately began searching for the suspect, and within hours, located and arrested him without incident.

As a token of appreciation, Chief Lewis presented each with a framed Certificate of Commendation before a standing ovation by the City Council and those in attendance.

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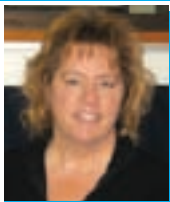
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BY SARAH CHAPIN

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration today approved the first generic versions of Abilify (aripiprazole). Generic aripiprazole is an atypical antipsychotic drug approved to treat schizophrenia and bipolar disorder. Schizophrenia is a chronic, severe and disabling brain disorder. About one percent of Americans have this illness. Typically, symptoms are first seen in adults younger than 30 years of age. Symptoms of schizophrenia include hearing voices, believing other people are reading their minds or controlling thoughts and being suspicious or withdrawn. Bipolar disorder, also known as manic-depressive illness, is another brain disorder that causes unusual shifts in mood, energy, activity levels and the ability to carry out day-to-day tasks. The symptoms of bipolar disorder include alternating periods of depression, and high or irritable mood, increased activity and restlessness, racing thoughts, talking fast, impulsive behavior and a decreased need for sleep. All atypical antipsychotics contain a warning alerting health care professionals about an increased risk of death associated with the off-label use of these drugs to treat behavioral problems in older people with dementia-related psychosis. No drug in this class is approved to treat patients with dementia-related psychosis.

In a study of 1,964 patients with multiple sclerosis (MS), extending the dose of natalizumab from 4 weeks up to 8 weeks was shown to be well-tolerated and effective in patients, and resulted in no cases of the potentially fatal side effect progressive multifocal leukoencephalopathy (PML). The findings were presented at the American Academy of Neurology Annual Meeting.

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The Community of Goffstown is much cleaner thanks to the efforts of three Goffstown organizations that all performed their Adopt-A-Spot activities on the same day. Members of the Goffstown Community Emergency Response team (CERT) cleaned up their adopted stretch of Mast Road on Saturday. The team met up by the high school and picked up trash and litter on both sides of the road from the high school to Mountain Road, removing several bags of trash from the roadside.

Donation upgrades Goffstown firearms

Goffstown Police Chief Robert Browne informed the Selectmen that he relies on his firearms instructors and has been approached about implementing optics for the rifles. There is a cost of \$490 each. One officer had his own and encouraged Chief Browne to try it. He did so and saw definite value. This officer, an instructor, reached out to his sources for the possibility of demoing one with the possibility of purchase in the future. This company offered to donate five of those Aimpoint optics to the Department. He thinks they could save lives and reduce liability. It is a fixed scope and the lighting is adjustable. You aim your red dot where you want to hit and it will hit it. And they are free. The Board unanimously approved the donation.

Dunbarton Police investigating burglary

Police in Dunbarton are investigating a burglary at a garage that occurred Sunday morning. Investigators said the garage in the area of Clinton Street near the Bow town line was burglarized at 4:24 a.m. A large amount of high-valued tools and an ATV were taken. Police said it is an active investigation. Authorities are looking for a small pick up truck in connection to the burglary. You are asked to contact police if you see anything suspicious in the area.

More pay for Greenfield police & firefighters

The Greenfield Police and Fire Departments are each asking for pay increases in the new budget. The Fire Department has requested \$5,000 to split among volunteers responding to calls in town. The Police Department has requested \$10,000, which would be split between full-time officers Glenn Roberge and Jonathan Quigley. Police Chief Brian Giammarino said he was proud to work with both of them, and believes Fire Chief David Hall justifies more money for volunteers because he built up the staff over the past year, and he wants to make sure that volunteers remain happy. The selectmen made no decision that night.

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NH Audubon Society honors Jane Doherty of Goffstown

At its 101st Annual Meeting, New Hampshire Audubon announced its 2015 conservation award winners: The Tudor Richards Award was presented to Jane Doherty of Goffstown. The award recognizes an individual who has worked tirelessly and effectively for conservation in the Granite State.

Whether indoors or outdoors, in the halls of government or within the walls of a church, with young people and seniors, Jane has dedicated herself to fostering a better understanding of wildlife and the environment and bringing about needed environmental policy change. She represented the Environmental Responsibility Committee of the Episcopal Diocese of New Hampshire at hearings in the state house and Washington DC, where she was often a "lone voice in the wilderness." Jane has also conducted volunteer bird surveys,

helped as a weekly Volunteer Naturalist for NH Audubon since 1980, and served on the organization's Environmental Policy

Committee. She has incorporated her love for the environment into many facets of her life and freely shares that love with others.



Jane Doherty received her 2015 Tudor Richards Award from Larry Sunderland.



Cupola to be reinstalled

The conversion of Hillsborough's famous Dutton Twin Houses into the Bara Dental Complex is nearly complete. The cupola is scheduled to be reinstalled atop the new center section on Monday, November 9th between 9-10 a.m. For safety reasons, please observe from across the road.

Greenfield exploring alternative ambulance service

Peterborough Fire and Rescue, which also serves Dublin, Hancock, Greenfield, Frances-town and Sharon has announced that the fee for all five towns will increase from \$227,370.82 last year to \$368,994.51 this year. Peterborough will see the smallest percentage increase in cost at 51.24 percent over last year, while Sharon will see the largest percentage increase at 92.49 percent. Greenfield has the second-highest

percentage increase at 83.19 percent. In light of a proposed increase from \$32,956.05 to \$60,373.81 Greenfield officials have decided to search for an alternative service. One option is off the table as Fire Chief David Hall informed Select Board that "We're not ready to start our own ambulance service right now for a number of reasons, and I think that we would need to partner with another town to make it feasible."

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Sunapee Police Officers Tim Therrien and Adam Lantigne delivered over 300 lbs. of candy to the residents of Central Street. This year, the Sunapee Police Benevolent Association assisted Kelly Petrin, the founder of the candy drive, in collecting candy. Special thanks to Kelly Petrin and her family who started the candy drive several years ago when Central Street became Sunapee's "Halloween Central." With the closing of Central Street to vehicular traffic, it became a safe place for Sunapee families to enjoy the Halloween tradition of Trick or Treat.

Judge reaffirms his Francestown decision

Judge Philip Mangones of Hillsborough County Superior Court North has upheld his decision from September, that a two-day delay to release Francestown's unsealed minutes was not "unreasonable," and that the Select Board did not violate its guidelines when it agreed by consensus, not majority vote, to sign a contract. The court denied all but one of the plaintiffs' requests, ordering Francestown to unseal minutes from three meetings.

Help stock the Hopkinton Food Pantry

Help stock the Hopkinton Food Pantry for the upcoming winter. This Saturday, the Hopkinton Cub Scouts, with the assistance of the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, and the Hopkinton Lions Club, will kick off the annual Scouting For Food Drive by leaving food drive flyers at houses in town. On Saturday, November 14th, Scouts will pick up food donations between 9:00 a.m. and noon. Please leave donations of non-perishable food items (please NO glass containers or expired food) in a plastic bag(s) and leave it out at your mailbox by 8:30 a.m. Last year, Hopkinton Scouts collected over 5000 items of food!

Dunbarton accident caused by a moose

Stark Highway in Dunbarton was closed for about an hour Tuesday night after two vehicles crashed during an accident involving a moose. Upon arriving on scene, the moose was found to be seriously injured and lying in the middle of the roadway. Police reported that a Subaru Outback, being driven by a Concord man, had stopped in the road facing southbound after seeing two moose in the road, when another vehicle, a Hyundai Accent, being driven northbound by a Penacook woman, allegedly struck one of the moose sending it into the Subaru. Neither driver was injured, but the moose had to be put down.

Henniker Selectmen hears complaints over condition of Class 6 Roads

A Mink Hill Road resident's complaint about increased problems caused by ATV and other recreational vehicle traffic on this Class 6 road brought out a contingent of local ATV riders to the Henniker Selectmen's meeting to discuss the problem.

Resident Bill Goss said that the problem was not limited to Mink Hill but was common to all class 6 roads. He stressed that the majority of damage was being caused by dirt bikes and two wheel drive vehicles. He reminded everyone that a Class 6 Road can not be maintained by the town, it is up to homeowners like him to do so.

ATV Club President Jim Morse agreed and reported that his club has put up speed signs and repaired damaged sections of roads. He reminded the assembled that the club is happy to repair the roads, but strangely enough, the better the road, the more use it generates.

Leon Parker has had similar problems on his road, arguing that the problem is not with the responsible club members assembled, but with unaffiliated riders, many from out of state.

Selectman Leo Aucoin also men-

tioned erosion as the major cause of dirt road deterioration. Chair Kris Blomback stressed that the Board was sympathetic to

the problem, and other than restricting use of the roads, was open to suggestions as to how to remedy the problem.



ATV riders came out in force to discuss problems with Class 6 roads.

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Second one-pot portable meth lab discovered in Franklin

For the second time in 10 days, a team of law enforcement professionals was called to Franklin to help local authorities dispose of a very dangerous “portable” meth lab. A hiker found a single-bottle, “one-pot” methamphetamine lab while walking on the Northern Rail Trail early Monday evening.

Not knowing what it was, the hiker brought the bottle to his home’s parking lot at Revere Place, and then called police. According to Sgt. Daniel Ball, officers from the State Police bomb squad spent three hours “neutralizing” the bottle by pouring a liquid inside, rendering it safe to touch and move.

Bow man faces multiple charges

Christopher Cote, 33, of Bow, was arrested and charged with driving after revocation or suspension, disobeying an officer, felony reckless conduct, felony possession of a controlled/narcotic drug, possession of drugs in a motor vehicle, reckless operation, and unregistered vehicle violation. Bow Police patrolling Route 3A came across a VW traveling north on the highway displaying an expired inspection sticker and no front plate.

If found, bottles should be left where they are and police should be called. “These bottles are extremely, extremely flammable,” Ball said. “People need to be extremely careful with these things; they can actually blow up in your hand. On Oc-

tober 21st, a Drug Enforcement Administration clandestine lab team was called to a wooded area near Spring Street after a resident walking near the street noticed “one dozen suspicious- looking bottles” and reported them to police.



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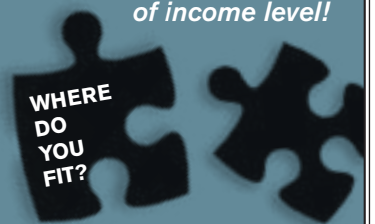
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Marjorie Porter presents Phil Harvey with his award.

Historical Society honors Phil Harvey

The 2015 recipient of the Coralie Hansen/James Marvin Award was presented to Phil Harvey by Interim President, Marjorie Porter at the Annual Meeting of the Hillsborough Historical Society (HHS). He also received a Citation from Governor Maggie Hassan. Phil graduated valedictorian of his class from Hillsborough High School, graduated from Keene Teacher's College, Tufts University, and received his doctorate from U-Conn. He was a Lt. Col. in the Air Force and served in both WWII and the Korean Conflict. Since, he moved back to Hillsborough in 2006, he has beautified the Water Street neighborhood and Mill Street District and Kemp Park Development and served one term in the NH Legislature and at 93 years young, has written a book titled, "Memories of a Native Son."

Franklin Savings Bank's \$5,000 grant

Jeffery B. Savage, President & CEO of Franklin Savings Bank, announced today that the bank presented \$5,000 to the Network for Educational Opportunity to support their K-12 Education Scholarship Program, which awards grants to New Hampshire students who are struggling in their current learning environment. A NEO scholarship assists parents by providing the financial assistance needed to enroll their child in an educational setting that will keep them moving forward. "This is the type of program we like to support based upon the knowledge that scholarships provide an immediate impact on a child's education," said Jeffery B. Savage. "Providing the support needed to empower a parent to make the best choice for their child's education will change their child's life and future for the better."

New Police Officer joins Sunapee Dept.

Sunapee has a new police officer. Officer Robert Riessle was sworn in at Monday night's Select Board meeting. Chief David Cahill said that although police departments throughout the country are having trouble finding recruits for one reason or another, Officer Robert Riessle was an easy find. Riessle was a Lieutenant-EMT-1 with the Sunapee Fire Department and will attend the Police Academy in January. Chief Cahill says Riessle is a good community member. Officer Rob Riessle is replacing Officer Adam Lantiegne who has been with the department for 5 years. Officer Lantiegne will be joining a family business and his last day with Sunapee Police is December 31, 2015.



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Lead, follow, or get the **** out of the way

That old saying seems to apply to the Town of Hillsborough's internal politics in more than one way.

Recently Selectman Alan Urquart suggested a way to encourage owners of unkept and run down buildings to spruce them up. He stresses that his suggestions were not set in stone as he just wanted to get input from his colleagues and town's people.

Over the weekend, Hillsborough

celebrated another successful Pumpkin Trail where area businesses provide treats in Butler Park for young and old alike. For The Messenger, Joyce and I gave away about 500 cups (8 gallons) of cider. In its second year, this fantastic community program is just another initiated by Recreation Director Peter Brigham.

Thanks and praise go to Alan and Peter. It's too bad neither can get any support from the other Selectmen.



The Granite YMCA broke ground recently on a state-of-the-art Youth and Teen Center at its Allard Center of Goffstown facility. Part of the YMCA's two-pronged approach in support of area youth and teens, the new Center for Youth and Teen Leadership will offer hundreds of youth and teens in the area free access to a range of vital programs.



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SAU #24 teachers, administrators and para-educators attend workshop

The more than 400 teachers, administrators and para-educators within SAU 24 attended a full day workshop on November 3. This day of learning, collaboration, and leadership was held at John Stark Regional High School in Weare. SAU 24 is comprised of the five schools within the school districts of Henniker, Weare, John Stark, and Stoddard.

Opening remarks by Superintendent Dr. Lorraine Tacconi-Moore were followed by the keynote address given by Dr. Pamela Clark. The focus of the day: Educator Student Learning Objectives (ESLOs) as instruments for meaningful professional growth and enhanced student learning.

Following the keynote address, para-educators participated in four rotating workshops in Literacy, Mathematics, Behavioral Techniques, and Section 504.

Teachers and administrators continued working in groups with Dr. Clark and school-level facilitators to develop a deeper understanding of ESLOs and to practice writing Educator Student Learning Objectives. Dr. Clark has been involved in education in New Hampshire for over 35 years. In addition to being an independent

educational consultant and facilitator, she is an adjunct faculty member of Plymouth State University.

“It is always exciting to have our faculty come together as a community of learners,” said Superintendent Dr. Tacconi-Moore. “Designing learning objectives to measure student growth was formally embedded in the teacher evaluation systems last spring. This criteria will continue to make positive

impacts for student learning,” she continued. Presenters included Susan Deece, Math Coach and Consultant; Rick Nannicelli, Principal of Marlborough (NH) School and adjunct faculty at Keene State; Ed McCaul, also adjunct faculty at Keene State and former special education teacher, and Pam Shepard, a long-standing professional in SAU 24 who most recently served as assistant superintendent.



SAU #24 Superintendent Dr. Lorraine Tacconi-Moore addresses the assembly. Bronda Crosby photo.

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