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#### Library of the Year

The New Hampshire Library Trustees' Association selected Sunapee's Abbott Library as the 2015 Library of the Year. The public is invited to attend the presentation and take part in a celebration on Saturday November 21 at 11:00 am.



#### **NSDAR Good Citizens**

Mercy Hathaway White Chapter NSDAR chairman, Carol Carlson (c) introduced Bowman Ridinger, (l) a senior at Hopkinton High School and Eleanor Angus, a senior at Kearsarge Regional High School as NSDAR Good Citizens. Hillsboro-Deering's Leah Dunbar was unable to attend.



#### Deering couple honored

The Deering Association took time from their recent gathering to honor Larry and Pia Sunderland for their many contributions to making Deering a better place to live.



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Rep. David Pierce, (I) Chair of the John Stark Scenic Byway, shows Goffstown Selectmen the highway sign designed by JSRHS graduate and freshman at SNHU, Salem, Tucker Bowen (r) after being chosen as the winner of a contest.

# Fate still unknown

#### Like Charlie on the MTA, 1941 building in limbo

The fate of New London's 1941 building has been up in the air since the school closed in 2007. Several attempts were made in past years to establish a community center in the old Central School Building but funds for the project have come up short.

About 30 people took the tour of the building prior to a recent public hearing. A price tag of \$1-2 million dollars was given to make the building serviceable for roof repairs and upgrading the bathrooms for handicapped acces-

sibility. The building shares a wall with the SAU office, New London's Elementary School and fields used for elementary sports. David Kidder, who worked on the 1941 committee last year to get a community center established, feels the problems can be solved.

The Kearsarge School Board has no money to raze the building in the 2015-2016 or the 2016-2017 budget. Anyone wishing to get involved with the 1941 Building should contact the Kearsarge School Board.

#### Franklin teen arrested in Concord for pot & alcohol

Devin M. Hennessy, 18, of Franklin, was arrested for possession of drugs, possession of controlled drugs, unlawful possession of alcohol, and transportation of alcoholic beverages by a minor.

An officer saw a Subaru Forester with an expired inspection sticker on Storrs Street and pulled the vehicle over. Hennessy told the officer that he just registered the vehicle

but hadn't gotten it inspected yet. While speaking to Hennessy, the officer smelled marijuana in the vehicle and asked him to step out of the car. Hennessy then handed over a pipe to the officer.

A consent search revealed another pipe, an empty bottle of Mike's Hard Cherry Lemonade, and an unopened 1.75L bottle of Pinnacle Vodka.



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#### November 21, 2014

Goffstown Fire Dept seeks FEMA Grant New Boston Selectmen approve changes at transfer station Doctor's return sparks Ebola Virus concerns Rymes Oil buys bankrupt Fuller Oil

#### **November 22, 2013**

Hopkinton celebrates completion of Highway Garage Bennington burglar captured and released Mount Sunapee adds 52 new snow guns Joe Clement & Dave Barry in NHIAA Hall Of Fame

#### November 23, 2012

Newport teenager killed in Claremont ConVal staffer resigns after sexual assault arrest Henniker ZBA overturns wedding ban at Forster's Tree Farm Two Weare men arrested for Craigslist scam

#### November 25, 2011

Newport principal arrested for assault Heidi Welch to conduct Boston Pops New committee says Henniker is "open for business" ConVal graduate arrested for armed robbery

#### **November 19, 2010**

Bennington man injured in one car accident Hillsborough woman arrested for faking resume New Police Officer hired in Hancock Sunapee committee wants Riverway plot

#### November 20, 2009

Sexual assault arrest in Peterborough HD Schools join Special Olympics NH Clifford Avery Jr. denied parole Greenfield auctions off Carbee's Corner

#### November 21, 2008

Sean Powers remembered at academy graduation Historic Sunapee & New London properties recognized Antrim real estate taxes increased 18% NEC fraternity suspended after hazing incident

#### **November 23, 2007**

Senator John McCain visits Morse Sporting Goods NEC student recovering from injuries Bennington firefighters receive \$33,000 grant Peterborough Town Report is #1

#### **November 24, 2006**

SAU #34 budget tops \$900,000

Taxpayer unrest may force Gould Hill development
Cell phone flap benches NEC hockey coach
Free autographed books for Warner children

#### November 25, 2005

Dublin team rescues Mt. Monadnock hiker \$95,000 for Kearsarge roof repairs Sunapee accident closes Route 11 Henniker taxpayers facing major increase

#### Hillsborough officials join forces to combat drug & alcohol abuse

On November 15, 2015, a meeting was held at the Hillsborough Police Department to discuss the Heroin and Alcohol problem in Hillsborough, NH. Those present: Selectman Alan B. Urquhart, Chief of Police David Roarick, Office of Youth Services Peter Brigham, and Judy Fournier, a Certified MLADC (Masters License Alcohol and Drug Counselor). All members agreed that: "Drugs and alcohol do not discriminate."

The Chief maintains that Hillsborough has problems with towns of similar demographics. The Chief has available the services of the Street Crime Task Force, a viable tool for the interdiction. The Chief maintained there are two main problems in combating substance abuse: "People lack jobs and secondly, many people are transient and move from place to place due to a lack of a residence."

Peter Brigham has the capacity to address both juveniles and young adults through the diversion program. He noted three major issues: lack of jobs, lack of finding appropriate places for people to conduct community service hours and thirdly, more school participation in the community and school prevention programs.

Judy Fournier is MLADC Certified which allows her to conduct psychological assessments, testing, follow up treatment and referrals to those involved with substance abuse. This is a critical component for our limited community programs.

Of the many needs in addressing the Substance Abuse Problem the main overriding issue is the need for jobs. The town will need a program to seek out available jobs in the community. Due to the limited amount of jobs in Hillsborough, we will have to develop our own employment program. This will be similar to a

program called New Leaf, a nationally awarded program located in Nashua, NH. Because of the demographics of Hillsborough the Nashua program will be a modified to fit our needs. Those present suggested the possibility of a forum the discuss public issues concerning substance abuse and solicit any volunteers willing to help in prevention and combating substance abuse in our community.



Lou Ann Rousseau (I) and Shirley Hare (r) help partners Jim Lamothe and David Duboise cut the ribbon, officially opening Rimmon Heights Florist on Intervale Drive in Hillsborough. They are hosting an Open House on Saturday the 20th.

#### Authorities believe Antrim woman jumped from bridge

An Antrim woman was flown by helicopter to Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center in Lebanon Wednesday morning after she apparently jumped from a bridge on Elm Avenue.

Police are not identifying the 28-yearold woman at this time, said police officer John Giffin. She was in serious condition when police found her, he said. She appeared to have fallen about 25 feet to a rocky riverbed.

Campbell Pond is upstream and a

dam controls the flow of water. While there is sometimes water underneath the bridge, "unfortunately there were rocks underneath," Giffin said. "Right now it's very dry." The woman's father, of Antrim, reported her missing at 7:40 a.m. Authorities found her around 8 a.m. It is believed she jumped from the bridge around 3 a.m.

"There is evidence indicating that she probably jumped," Giffin said. Giffin said he did not know if her injuries were lifethreatening.



#### TAKE YOUR MEDICINE



There is conflicting evidence about whether digoxin, a drug that has been used worldwide for centuries to treat heart disease, might contribute to an increase in deaths in patients with atrial fibrillation (AF) or congestive heart failure (CHF). Now, the largest review of all the evidence to date, published in the *European Heart Journal*, shows that it is associated with an increased risk of death in these patients, particularly in those being treated for AF.

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration has approved Viekira Pak (ombitasvir, paritaprevir and ritonavir tablets co-packaged with dasabuvir tablets) to treat patients with chronic hepatitis C virus (HCV) genotype 1 infection, including those with a type of advanced liver disease called cirrhosis. Hepatitis C is a viral disease that causes inflammation of the liver that can lead to reduced liver function, liver failure or liver cancer. Most people infected with HCV have no symptoms of the disease until liver damage becomes apparent, which may take decades. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, about 3.2 million Americans are infected with HCV, and without proper treatment, 15-30 percent of these people will go on to develop cirrhosis

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration has granted accelerated approval to Lynparza (claparib), a new drug treatment for women with advanced ovarian cancer associated with defective BRCA genes, as detected by an FDA-approved test. Ovarian cancer forms in the ovary, one of a pair of reproductive glands where ova, or eggs, are formed. The National Cancer Institute estimates that 21,980 American women will be diagnosed with and 14,270 will die from ovarian cancer in 2014.

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Joanne Hughes (seated lower right) was joined by her family Sept. 16 at the Lake Sunapee VNA and Hospice Harvest Party. Hughes was received the inaugural "Joanne Hughes Volunteer Excellence Award."

#### VNA & Hospice honors Joanne Hughes At the Lake Sunapee Region VNA & Hospice Harvest Party,

At the Lake Sunapee Region VNA & Hospice Harvest Party, its annual summer fundraiser, the inaugural "Joanne Hughes Volunteer Excellence Award" was presented to a most deserving candidate: Joanne Hughes. Before moving to New Hampshire, Joanne was involved with an upscale re-sale shop in New Jersey that supported a health care nonprofit there. Her hope was to establish a similar venture in the New London area. A serendipitous meeting of one of its board members led Joanne to Lake Sunapee Region VNA & Hospice ... and the rest is history. The Renaissance Shoppe, located at 107 Newport Road in New London, opened in 2004 and has raised more than \$1 million to support the vital services of Lake Sunapee Region VNA & Hospice.

#### Franklin Christmas begins at the Studio

The studio in Franklin is only one day away from its Teddy Bear Tea and the Bears and friends are getting very excited to meet evervone. In fact, they have been talking to some of their friends and now they want to join in. So, through a generous donation from Sara Tracy and the Franklin Lions Club, we have several more bears available for adoption. Adoption fees for the Bears and friends range from \$3 to \$5.00. All animals selected for adoption before Saturday will have their adoption price reduced by 20% and the tea party would be free for the adopter and one guest. Those adopted on Saturday receive a 10% discount and a free tea party for two people. All are welcome to join us for tea with or without a bear. The cost for the tea party is \$5 per person plus tax, and includes a cup of tea, coffee or hot chocolate and a sweet treat. The adoption ceremony is scheduled for 3:00 pm when adoption certificates will be handed out. Come join us as we send our special friends to their forever homes. As we enter the Holiday season, the Studio has been the recipient of a number of beautiful Christmas items from a local estate. We have a wonderful selection of angels, Santas, nutcracker soldiers and beautiful ornaments. We also have several artificial trees for sale. We are now serving panini sandwiches. Coming soon we will offer homemade soup and chili. Watch our Facebook page for everyday specials. Make plans to come down to get your Christmas Tree hat to decorate for the Festival of Trees in support of our beautiful Opera House. Free admission to the event with the purchase of a hat. Decorate it, and you could win tickets to an upcoming Opera House event. Details at the store. We will be decorating wreaths on Saturday, Nov. 28. Check out the Facebook page for more details.

#### H-D School Board continues to favor new \$700,000 Alternative School

Former Alternative High School Director Stacy Vasquez and current Director Tim Carson gave the Hillsboro-Deering School Board a power point presentation highlighting the differences in keeping the school at the Deering Airport, relocat-

#### Peterborough woman helps

The National Law Enforcement & Firefighters Children's Foundation (NLEAFCF) today announced Maxine Dunn, of Peterborough, as a recipient of the group's

Scholarship. Maxine was one of 25 students from across the country to receive the award, which is based on academic merit and financial need. The recipients



are all children of a law enforcement officer or firefighter who was killed or permanently disabled in the line of duty. A Hartwick College Junior, Dunn is doing a study on anemia in children for a thesis to be completed in her senior year. The photo shows Maxine drawing blood from a child in a village in Thailand. Dunn, of Peterborough, plans on doing similar research in Jamaica in January 2016, which her National Law Enforcement and Firefighters Children's Foundation's scholarship helped make possible.

ing it to one of the three H-D schools or constructing a new \$700,000+ facility behind the High School. In making their recommendation, the pair used 13 criteria, including; accessibility, but separation from the High School, space for three classroom and two bathrooms, Kitchen space, Outdoor Space and "Location allows for preserving student dignity."

While the new facility meet all 13 criteria, using the current 3rd floor SAU

space met 9 of 13, Space in the Elementary School 8 of 13, Space in the Middle School 10 of 13, and Space in the High School 9 of 13. Strangely, keeping the school where it is met 12 of the 13, missing only accessibility to the High School.

Although no vote was taken, it appears the Board again favors the new facility which would add to the already projected \$1.50/\$1,000 increase in the school tax rate.



Detective Stacy Blanchette answers a question as Sgt. Art Merrigan looks on.

#### Bow Police address recent increase of criminal activity

Bow Police Detective Stacy Blanchette and Sgt. Art Merrigan hosted a public discussion of the recent influx of criminal activity in the Ridgewood Drive, Poor Richards Drive, and Betty's Lane neighborhoods. Held in a small conference room at the Baker Library, the room soon overflowed with curious neighbors anxious to hear how the police were handling the situation.

Blanchette and Merrigan answered questions and gave some advice on how homeowners could make their homes less attractive to criminals.

During a patrol through those neighborhoods a few days later, Merrigan noticed more exterior lights on than usual. "Thank-you for making it easier for us to see your homes," he said, "Keep up the good work."



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#### **Franklin Rotary Christmas Tree Sale**

Franklin High School National Honor Society members were 'hands on deck' (or trailer bed) to help unload 450 Christmas trees delivered from the Rock Farm in Bethlehem, NH. Proceeds from the sale help the Franklin Rotary Club support many local and area programs and charities. Some benefactors are Franklin High school students, recipients of scholarships for post high school study. The 'trees' go on sale at the AutoZone – Aubuchon parking lot on Central St., Friday, Nov. 27th. Helping us again with the sale are members of Franklin Scout Troop 61. Franklin Rotary has been the Troop's Charter Organization since the troop formed in 1928. Sale hours will be Thursday and Friday - 2:00 pm - 8:00 pm, Saturday and Sunday - 9:00 am. - 8:00 pm. We look forward to serving you 'at the lot' and thank you for your support.

#### **Antrim Festival Of Trees' Open House**

Antrim will kick off their 6th annual "Festival of Trees" with an Open House and Tree Lighting, November 28, from 10:00am-4:00pm at the James A. Tuttle Library, 45 Main St. Antrim, NH. Come and enjoy the sight of over 60 decorated trees, many wreaths and Holiday displays, and an exhibit of quilts on loan from the Monadnock Quilters Guild. Buy a raffle ticket to win an exquisite quilt made by Jim Burnam. Vote on your favorite tree, join in the scavenger hunt, play some games, and have refreshments throughout the day. Music will be provided by the esteemed Ray Sweeney on piano, and ukulele sing a longs by the Carolsome Caughey's. Caroling will begin at 4pm while we await the lighting of the tree, and the arrival of Santa by Firetruck. Children will have a chance to visit with Santa. Parents, don't forget your cameras. The FOT committee will also be selling their community calendars for \$5.00. The proceeds from this and the quilt raffle help to support the Festival of Trees, and allow it to be free of charge to all. The festival continues throughout the month of December, during library hours. For more info, follow us on Facebook or check out www. AntrimFestivalofTrees.org

## Goffstown Police Officer becomes couple's Guardian Angel

Last Saturday night, Goffstown Officer Scott Avedisian took a report from Genia Douidi who had \$200 stolen from the wallet she laid down for a minute while shopping at



the town's Family Dollar. Douidi placed her wallet on a store shelf while she made sure the gift she was buying would fit into a gift bag.

When she got to the register she realized her wallet was missing. Although she and store employees later found it hidden in a shelf, the money for the week's groceries and her daughter's preschool tuition was gone.

Within an hour, Officer Avedisian was at her doorstep, with a \$100 Hannaford gift card for Douidi and her husband, Allen. Douidi said he must be her Guardian Angle. Avedisian, an Iraq war veteran, has won praise in the past for his work. Three years ago, he received the police department's medal of valor for entering a burning building in an attempt to find and rescue residents.

Avedisian told the Union Leader that the best part of being a police officer is the help he provides to others. "Being a police officer, it's a privilege to help people," he said.



Weare Police Chief Sean Kelly answers questions regarding the State laws on Disorderly Conduct and noise complaints and on the proposed Weare Noise Ordinance.

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Peter Powers, Past President of the Hopkinton Rotary Club, accepted a banner on behalf of his club for placing third in the District for per capita giving to the Rotary Foundation.

#### **Hillsborough's Hazard Mitigation Plan**

The Town's Hazard Mitigation Committee will soon be meeting to begin its work to update the Hillsborough Hazard Mitigation Plan. Every 5 years, the Plan must be updated to ensure the Town's eligibility for federal disaster recovery and mitigation grant funding. The Committee will meet on Tuesday, November 24 at 3:00 pm at the Hillsborough Fire Station, 13 Central Street, Hillsborough. The draft Hazard Mitigation Plan Update 2016 is anticipated to be completed in spring 2016. All unique perspectives from engaged citizens, businesses, and organizations are invited to attend and participate in hazard mitigation discussion and decision-making. For more information, contact Laura Buono, Town Administrator at 603.464-3877 x222 or via email to laura@hillsboroughnh.net.

#### Stark wants a redesigned Report Card

Parents and students are encouraged to join the conversation about Competency Based Education and to assist in helping determine how best to share information about student progress (report cards). "As a faculty, we are trying to fully implement competency based instruction and assessments," said Principal Christopher Corkery. "We are continually reviewing and revising our practices and are by no means near an ideal solution. We would like to invite parents and students to join us for some shared reading about competency based instruction and assessments and about our present efforts to standardize reporting practices," said Principal Corkery. If you would like to help design a more more meaningful report card, join in the conversation on either of two dates: The evening of December 1 from 6:00 to 7:30 pm or the morning of December 9 from 7:30 to 9:00 am. Both events will be held in the school library. Please email JSRHS receptionist at sarah.glynn@sau24.org if you plan to attend so that read ahead materials may be shared with participants prior to the meeting.

#### H-D testing results are "disappointing"

Curriculum Coordinator. Dr. Kevin Johnson, briefed the H-D School Board on the results of the new "Smarter Balanced Assessments." Replacing the former NECAP, the new tests measure student achievement in math and english, grading them on four levels. Level 1. Minimal Understanding. Level 2. Partial Understanding. Level 3. Adequate Understanding and Level 4. Thorough Understanding. As with NECAP, H-D student performance rated below the state average in all areas, some substantially. Calling the results "Disappointing" Johnson and the three school principals were encouraged that the new reporting method gives them a more specific determination of where to make improvements.



The Goffstown Selectmen presented Board member Scott Gross of State Farm Insurance with a plaque in appreciation of the company's furnishing of the meeting room.

#### **Messenger Turkey Raffle Winners**

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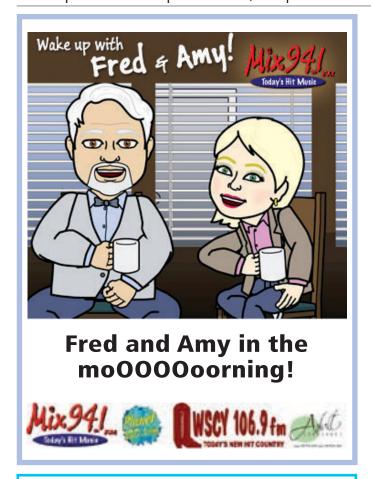
#### **Greenfield OK's fire truck replacement**

The Greenfield Select Board has authorized the Fire Department to purchase a 1993 ladder truck which was found by Fire Chief David Hall in Massachusetts. Town Administrator Aaron Patt reports that the owner and Hall have a "hand shake" agreement in place to purchase the vehicle for \$30,000. The truck has twice the water capacity with 15,000 gallons, and a ladder, which the department does not have. The ladder truck will be used to replace the 1985 fire truck, which is in need of major repair. Doug Batty of the Fire Department told the board that he is working on writing a grant that would pay for 95 percent of another new tanker, which would replace the town's 1988 tanker.

#### **Bow Police arrested a habitual offender**

Bow Police arrested Robert Whiteside, 38, of Concord and charged with felony habitual offender, disobeying a police officer, false reports to law enforcement, and unregistered vehicle. A Bow Police officer ran the plate of a 2000 Nissan Maxima that was driving on Route 3A that came back with a status of "sold" and unregistered as of July 31, 2015. After running his name with the NH DMV, the officer found that Whiteside was certified as a habitual offender in February 2010. He also had an active warrant by the Merrimack County Sheriff's Department for failure to appear in court, \$10,000 cash bail, and a \$250 cash warrant for non-appearance in court on a criminal trespass charge. Whiteside was held without bail and transported to the Merrimack County House of Corrections.



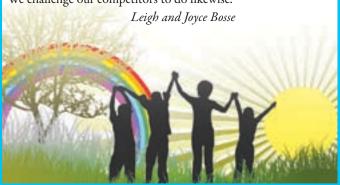


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Henniker's new Highway Garage.

# Henniker's new Highway Department Garage nearing completion

The selectmen and the employees of Henniker would like to again thank the surrounding towns, NHDOT and Rymes Propane & Oil for their generous and invaluable assistance with plowing and equipment after the fire. They would also like to thank the Highway Equipment and the Highway Building Committees for the tireless work they have done to put the fleet and garage back together. The Henniker Highway Garage has been under construction for a few months. The building has been erected, roofed, and insulated. The work for the radiant heat in the floor is underway. The concrete slab is projected to be poured on November 30th. Projected completion date for the garage is mid-January. The Highway Department has been rebuilding the fleet and will be ready for the first snowfall. The Town has purchased a new caterpillar grader, two new 10 wheelers, one new 6 wheeler, a used 6 wheeler, one new 6 wheel cab and chassis (using a rebuilt dump body). One of the trucks that was partially burned has been rebuilt with a new cab and nose. The guys are looking forward to the new facility and equipment. There will be a grand opening scheduled the end of January. Please stay tuned for updates on the town website www.henniker.org/general/page/ highway-department.

#### **New Arts Building planned at Colby-Sawyer**

Colby Sawyer College is getting a new arts building. The college's Board of Trustees approved the plans for the facility earlier this week. The 15,000 square foot space will be home to studios, a state-of-the-art black box theater and a fine art galleria with views of Mt. Kearsarge in addition to offices for faculty, storage space and out-door art areas. A final design will be presented in July of 2016 for the \$7 million dollar project. Construction is expected to start in August. Fundraising efforts will allow the college to complete the project without any new debt. The S/L/A/M Collaborative of Glastonbury, CT will design the building.

#### **Henniker Highway Superintendent resigns**

Henniker Road Agent/Superintendent Nate Hadaway sent his letter of resignation effective December 1 to the Board of Selectmen prior to their meeting on Tuesday. In his letter he cited that he was leaving to pursue opportunities to further his professional growth and spend more time with his family. The Board has asked Town Administrator Christine Trovato to advertise the open position and to convene a committee to review the applicants.

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#### **LETTERS POLICY:**

We will print signed letters to the editor on a space available basis. Letters should be no more than 250 words, typed or e-mailed. Letters must be signed but names may be excluded upon request.

#### **PHOTO SUBMISSIONS:**

We encourage individuals and groups to submit photos of their events or activities, either by mail or e-mail.

#### **CORRECTIONS POLICY:**

We strive every day to present full, fair and accurate news reports. We will correct, in this space, factual inaccuracies in our coverage. We encourage readers to tell us if we have made a mistake.

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# Publisher's Perspective by Leigh Bosse

#### **Even In Tough Times -We Can Still Give Thanks**

Maybe you feel you haven't got very much to be thankful for this year. What with the slow economic growth, unemployment, the emergence of Isis, the political corruption, the brashness of our youth, the moral decline and taxes, taxes, taxes.

But, take another look; at the sunshine dispelling the clouds. You still have the greatest gift of all to be thankful for: You still have belief.

Belief in God, who created the light, so you could see the wrong and do something about it. Belief in America, which still holds the torch of freedom high and carries it proudly around the world.

Belief in most people everywhere, who find happiness in kindness, and reward in helping others.

Belief in your own community, the beauty surrounding you on all sides, the pride that prods progress toward better living for all.

And belief in yourself, the example you set for others, the confidence you show in tomorrow, the rich inner life you find in Faith.

Yes, the good still overpowers the bad in this wonder filled world of ours. You can give thanks...with "Thanks-Living."



## **Letters to the Editor**

#### **Dear Editor:**

A huge THANK YOU to the Henniker Lions Club for their planting, maintaining, harvesting and delivering wonderful fresh vegetables all summer long to the Henniker Food Pantry from their Community Garden!! Such a large and productive garden was obviously a massive effort of many people putting in hours of labor but provided months of nutritious food that was welcomed by all the people coming to the pantry. The Henniker Food Pantry truly appreciates the Lions Club's achievement and energy this season! Thank you again!

Denise Getts, Director

#### **Dear Editor:**

On Tuesday, November 3rd, the members of the Bow Fire & Police Department, the Town Emergency Management Team, Bow Public Safety Supporters and members of the Bow community participated in a fundraiser at UNO's Pizzeria in Concord, NH. Thank you to the many supporters who ordered take-out and enjoyed an evening out for dinner with their family & friends!

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The Bow Public Safety Supporter group is happy to report that our UNO's event & raffle raised \$965.00. To date, a total of over \$7,000.00 has been raised. This includes all of this year's fundraising events and outright donations.

Anyone wishing to contribute to the

New Public Safety Building Fund may do so by sending their donation to the Bow Fire Department, 10 Grandview Road, Bow, NH. Checks can be made to the Bow Volunteer Fire Department with a notation in the memo line stating "New Public Safety Building Donation." Any donation amount is greatly appreciated.

More events are being planned ... Keep a watch out for our next fundraiser! Come out and support Bow's Emergency Responders!

Cindy Greenwood-Young, Bow



Sgt. Ryan Picard of the NH National Guard addresses an impressive Veterans Day assembly at HDHS.



# Henniker Community School Ambassadors of Kindness

All students at the Henniker Community School participated in the first ever Learning Community Meeting designed to let students showcase what they had learned so far this year with others in the school. The meeting also included recognition of student involvement in sports, clubs, and music as well as a presentation of AOK (Ambassador of Kindness) awards.

"I learned that working as a team can make things a lot better... I learned nature is a lot better when you stop and actually LOOK at it....I learned to never give up." These were just a few of the things 7th Grade students who just returned from Nature's Classroom at Sargent Center (NH) chose to share about the experience. Nature's Classroom, sometimes called Environmental Camp, is an opportunity for students to learn about natural science while working as a team. Other learning experiences shared by students at the meeting included 4th grade students talking about New Hampshire facts, second grade students singing the song, "Proud to be an American," and performances by a rock band.

The Ambassador of Kindness (AOK) Recognition awards were presented to students who were recognized by their teachers for epitomizing the meaning of AOK. Principal Karen Raymond and Dean of Students Matthew Colby read what was written about the student by a staff member and then presented students with a certificate. Recognized students were: Jordyn Case for always being willing to help others; Natalie Courser for being a kind friend, a model student, and an all-around gem; Addison DeCew, a kind, helpful, and proactive student who is dependable and always has a smile; Madison DeGray, for using her best attitude and applies her best effort on her school work; Evan Galliagan, who welcomed a new student to school and helped him to learn school procedures and practices; Anthony Hagar, who processed Box Tops for Education and earned \$1,000 for the playground fund; Hunter Patterson for being a helpful student and a good role model for others; Hailey Tilley for being a great role model who goes out of her way to help her friends; and Piper Twombly for being very kind and helpful to her classmates. Copies of the student certificates are posted outside of the HCS office as part of a new Ambassadors of Kindness mural.

The school will host another Learning Community Meeting on December 21.

# Messenger

#### Pick up your Messenger at:

Andover: Jake's, Circle K, Diner,

Antrim: Antrim Marketplace, Rick & Dianne's,

**Edmunds** 

Bennington: Albertos, Harris Convenience,

**General Store** 

**Bow:** Town Office, Mobil, Chen Yang Li **Bradford:** Bradford Marketplace, Bank, Post

Office, Appleseed

Claremont: Hannafords Market Basket

**Dunbarton:** Paige Corner **Elkins:** Post Office

Francestown: General Store

**Franklin:** Hannafords, City Hall, Franklin Savings Bank, Cumberland Farms, Pizza Chef

**Georges Mills:** Jake's Market **Goffstown:** Sully's, Sawyers, Vicksters, Village Trestle, Shell, Cumberland Farms,

China Gormet

Grantham: Rum Brook Market, Circle K Greenfield: Harvester Market Goshen: General Store, Lumber Barn Guild: Post Office, Wool Room Hancock: General Store, Fiddleheads Henniker: Harvester, Pharmacy, All In One Market, Henniker Farm Store, Edmunds

**Hillsborough:** Shaws, Post Office, Sweet Expressions, Sue's Diner, JD Foods, Lake Sunapee Bank, Santander, Bank of NH, McDonalds, Subway, Dunkin' Donuts, William's Store **Hopkinton:** Town Hall, Cracker Barrel

Jaffrey: Belletetes, Mr Mike's, Dunkin' Donuts Keene: Hannafords, Price Chopper Lebanon: Shaws (2), Price Chopper (2)

**Newbury:** Marzelli's, Bubba's, Post Office **Newport:** Shaws, Caronis Market, T-Bird,

Circle K, Quick Stop

New Boston: General Store New London: Hannafords, Colonial Pharmacy, MacKenna's, Jake's Market Peterborough: Shaws, Toadstool, Mr Mike's,

Hospital, Dunkin' Donuts, Brady's, Roy's, Nonnies

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**Rindge:** Market Basket, Hannaford **Sunapee:** Mini Mart, Pizza Market, Town Hall **Sutton:** Vernondale Store, Post Offices **Warner:** Market Basket, Foothills, Circle K

**Washington:** General Store

Weare: Town Hall, Dimitri's, Country 3,

Langtots, Coburn's Store **Wilmot:** Park & Go