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## Golden Trowel Award

Jo Brown proudly displays the Golden Trowel Award presented to The Franklin Studio in recognition of the major renovations recently completed. Keep your eye out as they expand.



## NSDAR aids Veterans

Stephanie Talbot from Brattleboro, VT, a member of Reprisal Chapter NSDAR of Newport, NH, spearheaded the collection of personal care items like. shampoo, powder, lotions, toothpaste, toothbrushes, mouthwash, combs, shaving cream, razors, deodorant, pens, pencils, hot drink cups, magazines and puzzle books. These are for the WRJ VA Hospital and Care Unit in White River Junction, VT.



## National Geographic Bee

Grade 6 student Owen Jones won the HCS competition of the National Geographic Bee on January 28. Eve Caplan, of grade 8 was the runner up. The next step for Owen will be to take the state geography bee qualifying test. State winners participate in the national championship in Washington, DC.



H-D teachers and staff showed their colors (red) at Monday's Deliberative Session.

## H-D budget cut \$445,000

### *School Board proposes last minute reduction*

The Hillsboro-Deering School District's proposed operating budget was cut by \$445,000 during Monday's deliberative session but it was not from any taxpayer revolt.

To the surprise of many, the Board itself opened the meeting by offering an amendment to trim \$445,000 from its \$21,005,677, budget, reducing it to \$20,560,677.

Vice Chair Steve Hahn explained that \$415,000 came from savings in the Student Services line, which includes Special Educa-

tion expenses and \$30,000 in anticipated savings from lower fuel prices. Once passed, a further amendment by John Segedy to cut an additional \$60,000 was defeated by voice vote.

Articles seeking approval of the SAU #34 budget of \$1,020,109 and a new three-year teachers' contract were passed along without comment or debate. Ballot voting is scheduled for March 8th at the H-D Middle School and Deering Town Hall.

## New Principal named at Glen Lake School

The Goffstown School District has announced that Kathy Stoye will be the new principal of Glen Lake School, replacing Leslie Doster after she retires on June 30, 2016. Mrs. Doster has been the only principal of Glen Lake School since it opened in 2006.

Brian Balke, Superintendent of Schools shared, "Mrs. Doster has been a wonderful principal and leader of Glen Lake School. We

will miss her dearly and wish her the best in her retirement."

Mrs. Stoye has been with Mrs. Doster since the first day at Glen Lake. In addition to her ten years as a kindergarten teacher at Glen Lake School, Kathy also worked as a readiness teacher, director of a private pre-school/kindergarten, district family literacy coordinator, and Title I reading teacher.



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**Yesteryear** Local history as reported in The Messenger

### February 6, 2015

Fire destroys Henniker Highway Garage  
 Bow investigating a dozen car break-ins  
 Petition to withdraw Peterborough from ConVal  
 H-D DECCA receives highest recognition again

### February 7, 2014

Little discussion, no debate at New Boston session  
 Police Department funding dominates Weare session  
 Electrical fire destroys Frankestown home  
 New London Hospital CEO says Fire Chief is misinformed

### February 8, 2013

Voters slash \$1 million from H-D School Budget  
 Sunapee teachers to pay 20% of health insurance  
 Bradford voters face choice of Town Hall locations  
 Newport voters approve flat budget - small tax rate decrease

### February 10, 2012

Antrim Wind Energy's application filed  
 2% raises for Hillsborough non-union staff  
 Steve Smith is Newport's Distinguished Citizen  
 John Stark budget reduced by \$737,331

### February 11, 2011

Marcinkus forced out by School Board  
 ConVal Board cuts budget  
 Newport to replace its Town Manager  
 Firefighters can't save Henniker house

### February 5, 2010

New Boston weapons confiscated  
 No pay raises for Weare teachers  
 New London Winter Carnival accident  
 HD High School bomb threat

### February 6, 2009

Antrim considers regulating windmills  
 Hopkinton Selectman Chair asked to resign  
 New Dean of Students at NEC  
 Henniker woman selected to lead Rotary District

### February 8, 2008

Paul Plater discovers error, saves taxpayers \$336,000  
 HDHS DECA Chapter receives national honor  
 Greenfield man charged with sex crime  
 Teen injured at Mount Sunapee

### February 9, 2007

Stephen Fritz resigns as NEC president  
 New Middle School increases Weare budget  
 Kearsarge Ski Team remains undefeated  
 Where is ConVal Asst Superintendent Paul Bartolomucci?

### February 10, 2006

Bio-Energy lays off 20 and delays startup  
 Three hurt in New London fire-explosion  
 Group opposed Bradford Town Hall  
 Warner facility selected for EPA Award



# Franklin man rescues his infant son and daughter from fire

Although he rejects the title, fellow tenants are calling John McCormack a hero for saving his son and daughter from a fire on the building's second floor last Thursday afternoon. McCormack, 32, who lived on the second floor with his wife and two children, has a disability that causes him to hobble. Nevertheless, he managed to grab his infant daughter, took her downstairs and handed her to a neighbor before going back to save his son. His wife, who had just gotten home from a surgery, also got out safely.

Fire Chief Kevin LaChapelle said the two-alarm fire started in the back porch area of 36 Elkins St. It was reported just after 2 p.m.

When fire crews arrived they tried to stop the spread of the flames, but the old building was so heavily damaged that LaChapelle termed it "a total loss."

A firefighter suffered an ankle injury but it was not serious.

Tenants are being given housing by the Red Cross, they said.

Two investigators from the state Fire Marshal's Office arrived late in the afternoon, and began the work of finding the cause of the fire. It was the third apartment

building to be destroyed by fire in the city in recent months. Two buildings on nearby

School Street burned in the fall and last summer.



Neighbors are calling him a hero.

## Geographic Bee Winners

Rupert Dalton, a sixth-grade student at Sunapee Middle School, won the school competition of the National Geographic Bee on Thursday, Jan. 21 and a chance at a \$50,000 college scholarship. The school bee, at which students answered questions on geography, was the first round in the 28th annual National Geographic Bee. Other school finalists include: runner-up Robert Carney, Bob Cabral, Quinn Fair, Sean Moynihan, Parker Reed, Jacob Stoughton and John Stoughton.

## Board approves K-9 Unit for New London Police

By Heather Dion, Messenger Intern

The New London Selectmen met with the Conservation Commission and the Recreation Commission to approve the Conservation's request of \$300,000 from the Mary Haddad Trust to purchase 9.5 acres of property for the Conservation Commission. The voting was unanimous amongst the Conservation and Recreation committee with the Selectmen voting 2 to 1 in favor of the request.

The Selectmen heard the report on the research of the New London Police Department getting a K9 unit. The team stressed

how a dog would work in active situations and help not only in New London but other surrounding communities. The Board's concerns were cost, which the Department plans to cover both for purchasing the dog as well as the training through donations and grants. Chief Ed Anderson stressed that this would be beneficial for the town. The selectmen approved the plan, again on a 2-1 vote opposed. The selectmen also approved to accept two pieces of property donated by the Shean family to the Evergreen Property Point. This protects the waters as well as the loons of Little Sunapee.



## Welcome New Readers!

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Osborne Hall after completion c. 1920-21; vehicle is probably that of Albert Farmer, Sr.

## South Weare Improvement Society's 100th

February 25, 2016, marks the centennial of the incorporation of the South Weare Improvement Society (SWIS). Frank L. Eastman, Mabel D. Eastman, and Allen W. Sawyer met at the office of Louis B. Wyman in Manchester on February 24, 1916, to draw up the document of incorporation, and it was signed by the Secretary of State the following day. Osborne Memorial Hall is now open throughout the year, thanks to the new heating system. Rent this ample space with a stage and accessible bathrooms for your special occasion. Bingo will resume on Saturday, March 19, and SWIS will participate in the Town Wide Yard Sale on Saturday, June 4. Since this is a banner year for the South Weare Improvement Society, please watch for a special event to mark the organization's 100th anniversary.

## Cornerstone & Dream Keepers Awards

The Goffstown School Board is pleased to announce this year's winners of the Cornerstone and Dream Keeper Awards. The Cornerstone Award is presented by the Goffstown School District to recognize a staff or community member working within our schools who has demonstrated outstanding achievements in support of student learning. The Goffstown School District seeks to recognize individuals whose service has been truly outstanding to the overall educational climate of the school district and who exhibits commitment, good human relations skills, loyalty, dedication and good organizational and work habits.

### THE 2016 CORNERSTONE AWARD WINNERS ARE:

Mrs. Leslie Doster, Principal of Glen Lake School

Mr. David Bousquet, Principal of Bartlett Elementary School

The Dream Keeper Award is presented by the Goffstown School District to recognize people or organizations that truly have gone the extra mile to make the Goffstown dream of providing a superior education a reality. The Goffstown School Board has established the Dream Keeper Award to recognize exceptional service to our school district.

The 2016 Dream Keeper Award winners are:

Mike and Patty Shearin – Goffstown Grizzlies Lacrosse

## Two Deering men arrested for assault

Deering Police have arrested John Bourque, age 48, and Joseph Smith, age 57, of Camp Road, Deering, NH, for Simple Assault and Criminal Threatening. They were bailed and released pending arraignment in District Court.

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## Bow Selectmen trim \$597,803 from proposed Operating Budget

The Bow Selectmen met Tuesday evening with sharpened pencils, ready to trim their proposed budget before submitting it for review by the Budget Committee.

The Fire & Rescue budget was reduced by \$37,095 even after adding a new Fire-fighter/EMT position. The savings result from a realignment of personnel and creating two Deputy Chief positions.

Eliminating Dispatch by joining the Merrimack County Sheriff's Service eliminates four positions, and reduces that budget from \$438,923 to \$128,215, a savings of \$310,708.

Staying with Health Trust, but changing insurance plans results in an initial savings of \$336,987, but after deducting a \$2,080 administrative fee and placing \$84,000 in a Health Reimbursement Account, the savings are reduced to about \$250,000. Although employees would share in premium savings, and the \$1,000/\$3,000 deductible would remain the same, they would pay more for co-pays and prescriptions.

To offset this, the Board had established a 3 year plan to reimburse deductibles from the Health reimbursement Account. In year one, 100% of an employees deductibles would be reimbursed, 90% in year two and 80% in year three. To be

### New Boston campground death

Officials were investigating an untimely death in New Boston Tuesday. The New Hampshire Attorney General's Office, New Hampshire State Police and New Boston Police were called to the Friendly Beaver Campground Tuesday morning. An autopsy will be performed Wednesday to determine the cause and manner of death.

eligible, employees would be required to sign up for Health Trust's Wellness Program in which they can receive cash for taking a health survey and having

an annual physical exam. As a further recognition, the Board voted unanimously to fund a 1% cost of living increase for all full-time employees.



Goffstown Select Board Chair Peter Georgantas administers the oath to new Tax Collector Stephanie Beaudoin as the rest of the Board looks on.

## Weare School District voters content with budget

Only about 40 voters attended the Weare School District's Deliberative Session Tuesday night, where each of the 9 articles were sent to the ballot with few questions and no amendments. The proposed operating budget of about \$14.62 million represents only a 0.1 percent increase with a default budget of \$155,000 less.

As part of the District's five-year technology plan, the budget includes \$72,100 for 30 Chromebooks.

Article 4 asks voters to approve the two-year agreement with the Weare Education Association, calling for an increase

in salaries and benefits for teachers of \$205,914 in 2016-2017 and \$204,265 in 2017-2018.

Article 6, is a three-year agreement with the Weare Educational Support Staff union, costing \$38,602 the first year, \$37,138 the second year and \$30,364 in the third year.

Article 8 funds \$25,000 to be added to the Special Education Expendable Trust Fund, and Article 9 would add \$25,000 to the School Building Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund.

Ballot voting is March 8 from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at Weare Middle School

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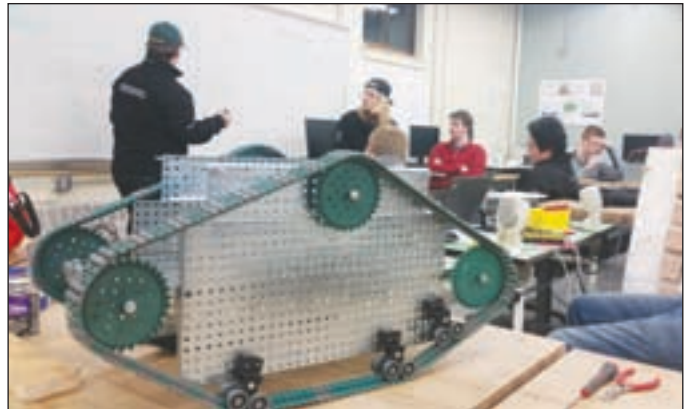
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The Osram Robotics Team, Team 1922, made up of students from John Stark Regional High School and Hopkinton High Middle School, at work recently discussing team strategy. (See vex robot in foreground.) The team is in the middle of their build season, and during this 6 week period, students work on prototypes, programming a possible robot, wiring electrical boards and planning out the financials of the project. The team is looking forward to competition season which begins at UNH Durham on March 25 and 26.

## Trio of area schools receive State Grants

The New Hampshire State Council on the Arts has announced that three area schools have been awarded grants through its Artist Residencies in Schools and Youth Arts Project Grant programs.

The NHSCA's Artist Residencies in Schools grants fund artist residencies that bring juried teaching artists into classrooms and public schools, supporting creative learning and skills development in the arts. Programs receiving 2016 New Hampshire Artist in Residency grants are:

- Antrim Elementary School: artist residency with Mark Ragnese to create an animal habitat mural
- Maple Street with Harold Martin Elementary Schools, Hopkinton: artist residency with Liz Van Saun to create a mosaic mural
- Conval Regional High School, Peterborough: artist residencies with multiple artists.



Bruce Barnes and Jefferson Brechbühl are delighted to become residents of Henniker along with their daughter Elza who has enrolled as a sophomore at John Stark Regional High School. They are coming directly from Washington, D.C. They recently became the new owners of the Colby Hill Inn in Henniker.



# Newport School District budget increased by \$318,000

By Heather Dion, Messenger Intern

Newport School District voters came to their Deliberation Session in a generous mood Tuesday evening. Faced with a proposed Operating Budget of \$17,274,889 which would lead to a tax increase of 1.50/thousand, school Board member Shannon Howe's amendment to add \$318,000 passed easily by a vote of 71-29. The new proposed budget of 17,592,889 will be on the ballot in March.

Voters will also be asked to support Article 4, a collective bargaining agreement between the Newport School District and the Newport Teacher's Association to increase the salaries and benefits for teachers, in the amount of 220,521. The tax impact of this would be .52/thousand.

Article 5, the Newport Support Staff agreement would increase the salaries and benefits for the current staffing level of para-educators. It carries a tax impact of .48 cents/thousand.

Article 6 authorizes the district to educate Croydon students in grades 5-12 in Newport's public schools for a period of three years, beginning in July of 2016 and

ending in June of 2019.

Articles 7 and 8 both have to do with the School Districts plan to withdraw from SAU 43. This requires a 3/5ths vote. Should article 7 pass the District will raise the sum

of \$71,721 dollars for funding a Superintendent and business services for the Newport School District. Should article 7 not pass, article 8 will not be necessary. The tax impact for this article would be a .17/thousand.



Wildlife Adventures from Rochester presented a live animal show during Bow's Winterfest on January 31st. Eric Anderson photo.

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# John Stark students, faculty & staff at Boston's Symphony Hall

More than 60 John Stark students, faculty and staff members spent an evening at Symphony Hall in Boston recently to see a performance of L'Orchestra National de France, an orchestra that is considered France's musical ambassador. This cross-disciplined cultural trip was comprised of half French students and half music students. "The world language department at John Stark was very excited to be able to collaborate with the music department to offer students an authentic, 21st century

learning experience outside of the classroom. For JS French students, this learning experience was a perfect example of competency based education, as students had the opportunity to meet multiple learning targets within all five world language competencies," said John Stark French teacher Madame Patricia Chiquelin.

Madame Chiquelin was able to get tickets for students and staff at a great discount by working with Celebrity Series of Boston, an organization that believes in the power of excellence and innovation in the performing arts to enrich life experiences, transform lives, and build better communities.

## Speeding leads to drug arrest

A Franklin NH woman was arrested for possession of methamphetamine shortly after 1:00 am on Thursday. Lebanon Police say that they stopped Shannon Lundy, 31, for speeding on I-89 and observed signs of possible drug use. During an investigation and search of her car, police found methamphetamine and buprenorphine. Lundy was charged with two class B felony counts of Possession of a Narcotic Drug. Lundy was held on cash bail and was arraigned this morning in the 2nd Circuit Court, Lebanon District, where bail was continued in the amount of \$2,500 Cash or Surety.



JSRHS French II students Emma Trumble and Casey Arnold at Symphony Hall in January.

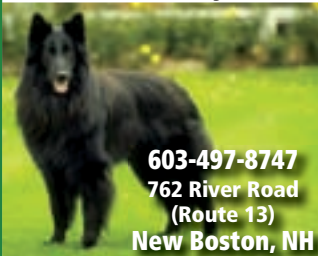
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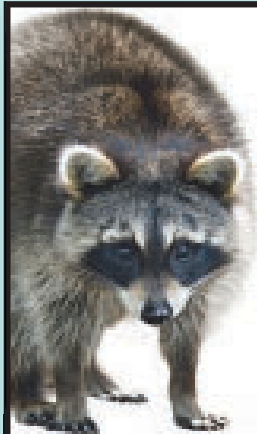
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## Peterborough Police respond to threats at ConVal High School

Peterborough Police responded to ConVal High School last Friday, as requested by SAU officials following several text threats aimed at some students and staff at the high school earlier in the week. Superintendent.

Brendan Minnihan released a letter to parents regarding threats to “a small

number of students and staff at the high school.”

“All affected students, parents and staff have been notified,” he wrote. “Precautions are in place for their personal safety.

At this point, I can tell you that law enforcement is aware of those individu-


als responsible for this safety concern, and that the individuals are not presently attending school in the district. There is no known broader threat to our general student population or staff.” Authorities have identified three local teens who are being investigated by Peterborough and Hancock police.

## Hoops For Hunger Games

Franklin High School will be sponsoring a Hoops For Hunger Week for the week of February 8. Anyone that donates a non-perishable food item at the February 10 boys home game against Hillsboro-Deering or at the February 12 girls home game against Kearsarge will get free admission. Cash donations will also be accepted. The event will be hosted by the FHS Student Athletic Leadership Team (SALT) and the proceeds will go directly to the Twin Rivers Food Pantry in Franklin. Items needed are: peanut butter, jelly, tuna, soups, pasta, canned goods and fruits/vegetables....please no glass. Please come join us for some exciting basketball and donate to a worthy cause. JV games start at 5:30 and varsity games follow at 7:00.



Runners begin the Freezin for a Reason Underwear Run during New London Winter Carnival January 28. Paul Howe photo



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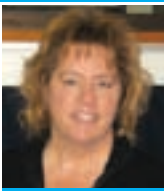
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BY SARAH CHAPIN

Statins' success in reducing atherosclerosis-related events has elevated the medications to wonder-drug status, with some researchers advocating for their wider use as a preemptive therapy for cardiovascular disease. Using statins, however, can have side effects, including memory loss, muscle problems and increased diabetes risk, according to a study in the *American Journal of Physiology—Cell Physiology*.

It may be better for patients to resume taking their blood pressure medication sooner after surgery than previously thought. A new study published in the *Online First* edition of *Anesthesiology*, the official medical journal of the American Society of Anesthesiologists® (ASA®), found resuming angiotensin receptor blockers (ARBs), common medications used to treat high blood pressure, within two days after surgery decreased death rates in the first month following surgery.

Anticholinergics could delay the recovery of brain injury patients, according to research published in *Brain Injury*. Prescribed for up to 50 per cent of older people, medications with anticholinergic properties are used to treat a broad range of common conditions including bladder problems, depression and insomnia. Anticholinergics are already known to have side effects such as temporary cognitive impairment, dizziness and confusion. But their effects on people with pre-existing brain and spinal injuries have not been investigated until now. Medications with anti-cholinergic properties are often used on neuro-rehabilitation units to manage symptoms from urinary incontinence to pain.

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 Riley Ellis of Goffstown has earned Highest Honors  
 Shayla Fontaine of Goffstown has earned High Honors  
 Kathleen Greenan of Goffstown has earned High Honors  
 Christopher Grinley of Goffstown has earned High Honors  
 Trevor LaBrie of Goffstown has earned High Honors  
 Eric Macdonald of Goffstown has earned Highest Honors  
 Duncan McGeehan of Goffstown has earned Highest Honors  
 Andrew McKim of Goffstown has earned Honors  
 Michael O'Donnell of Goffstown has earned Highest Honors  
 Sarah Piet of Goffstown has earned Highest Honors  
 Brianna Stoye of Goffstown has earned Highest Honors  
 Stasia Swiadass of Goffstown has earned Honors  
 Justin Poisson of Goffstown has earned High Honors  
 Joseph Garron of Goffstown has earned High Honors  
 Molly McKay of Goffstown has earned High Honors  
 Rejoice Dhliwayo of Goffstown has earned Honors  
 Nicholas Zylak of Goffstown has earned High Honors  
 Brennan Pouliot of Goffstown has earned High Honors  
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 Rebecca Philibert of Goffstown has earned High Honors  
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 Jacklyn Trexler of Dunbarton has earned Highest Honors  
 Jessica Scharf of Greenfield has earned High Honors  
 Emma Downing of New Boston has earned High Honors  
 Tyler Gagnon of New Boston has earned Honors  
 Matthew Gately of New Boston has earned Honors  
 Cassie Mullen of New Boston has earned Highest Honors  
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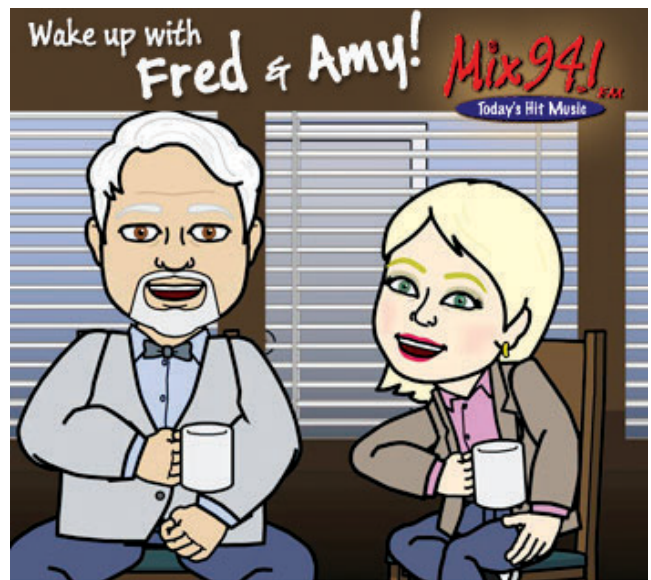
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## Letters to the Editor

### To The Editor:

A letter from American Water Resources (1025 Laurel Oak Road, Voorhees N.J. 08043) or American Water Resources of New Hampshire (1420 Discovery Pkwy, Alton, IL 62002) has been sent out to residents in Franklin, NH relative to each property owner's responsibility to maintain their water service pipe line from the curb stop located at the City property line to your building.

This company has nothing to do with the City with respect to having authorization of enforcing City Ordinances, nor are we associated with them in any way. Furthermore the City has not contracted with them or instructed them to send out such a notice. The City also does not endorse or recommend them in anyway.

Although this is true under City Code, if such a leak should ever be discovered on your property or if your service line fails you would be contacted by the Franklin Water Department or you should report the leak to the Franklin Water Department at 603-934-4103.

The intent of this company appears to be motivated towards attempting to sell you an insurance policy that you would pay to them if such a failure ever occurred. I would disregard the letter.

Again, the City does not require such insurance, nor is American Water Resources endorsed by the City Water Department and I just wanted to make residents aware of this letter.

**Brian Sullivan,**

**Director of Public Works**

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### Dear Editor:

I would like to thank all the people who have been taking such good care of me since Bob passed away in 2013.

Debbie and Dave Archambault have done so much for me I don't know where to begin, there is no end to their caring and concern. Jeannine Aucoin and Judy Flanders are always ready with a ride anywhere I need to go and Debi Flanders keeps me looking younger than I am at "Hair with a Flair" so that when I tell people I'll be 91 years young in a couple of weeks they gasp in disbelief.

Dr. Belsom gets a big thank you. He has been taking care of me for 31 years and brought me successfully through some life threatening situations, and is the main

reason why I'm still here.

Many "thank yous" to all the rest of my friends in Henniker too numerous to list but you all know who you are and who make every day I'm lucky enough to live here. A joy and a delight!!

**Sincerely,**

**Joyce Gosse, Henniker**

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### Dear Editor:

I remember receiving "Letters to the Editor", when publisher/editor of our local, monthly newspaper. The publication was started to allow residents a voice in local politics and issues. Being heard, passes ideas and listening to all the ideas creates logic. Listen to Bernie Sanders and logic prevails. Actions of corrupt financial institutions, problems with our educational and healthcare systems, lack of "cost of living paying" jobs and all the issues which face everyone are being addressed by this intelligent, politically tested, logical individual. These are the reasons that I support/campaign for him.

His campaign is the reinforcement of the idea that things can change, when involved. We are living an historical, non-violent social revolution, in which everyone should participate. Imagine having elections by the people, for the people, instead of elections by the few, for the few. Attendances at Bernie's rallies are overwhelming and his citizen supported/funded campaign is remarkable and unique. Bernie is not out to publicize himself, but his ideas. Here is the candidate who is 100% funded by the people, not corporations and political PACs.

I am a retired, 64 year old, middle class, kidney transplant recipient, Epileptic white male. I like to educate myself on issues which impact everyone's lives. What the majority chooses is what we all experience. Those experiences are what we live and learn from. Let's learn from the past, insure a bright future for everyone and vote for Bernie Sanders. Join the movement, feel the logic.

**Richard Senor, Warner**

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### Dear Editor:

I would like to respond to the letter from Mary Lou Lannon on Jan.22,2016. All her figures are correct and precise. The total number of students in Hillsboro High School is 409. Which



gives a student to teacher ratio of 10.6. Common sense would tell you that many kids don't want to fail. My guess is that teachers just aren't doing their job. But we keep giving them a raise which this year is totaled out at \$163,286.00 I'm thinking rather than hand out raises we should start a pay for performance program. With a + or - % on the base pay. The way it is now is like paying for a car that doesn't run anymore. Thank you Mary Lou for all your work. Help is on the way!

**Everett EB Chamberlain, Windsor**  
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**To The Editor:**

Public schools were meant to educate our children so they could become valued members of society. They were set up to hire well educated people who could teach our children subject matter that we could not because of our lack of education or lack of time because of our work schedules. As a society we set up and elected school boards to ensure that the schools were doing the job they were being paid to do.

I learned in high school that the public school system has the same rights and responsibilities as parents while the children are in the care and custody of the school system. So while the parents have the ultimate responsibility to teach their children proper behavior and encourage good work ethics, the school has the responsibility to continue and advance these virtues. This is accomplished by continuing the basic rules of expecting good behavior and punishing bad behavior and rewarding exceptionally good behavior~ such as doing volunteer work in the school or community or extra work in homework~ to better understand the material currently being taught. The job of the school is not to make students "feel good". One cannot "give" self esteem~ it must be earned.

In recent years state and federal governments have been trying to rate teachers and school systems by adopting standardized tests for students. One can argue about the quality of these tests but they do give the public an ability to examine their school systems compared to other systems in their state or country.

Our school children have been tested over the past few years and even though there were different tests ~ the results were the same ~ our students were testing below average in every test and in some cases, well below average. So we start to think about the reasons for these results. Is the school system being starved financially? Hardly ~ the money the good

people have approved for the school has been overly generous ~ in fact~ when you divide the proposed budget of \$21,817,543 divided by 1223 students the result is \$17,839 per student and that includes K through 12. The proposed budget does not include warrant articles. The state of NH figures lists state average as \$13,627 per student and lists Hillsborough cost as \$15,538. I consider the difference to be fuzzy math. Could our problem be a lack of teachers or classes too big? Hardly~ the number of teachers to student ratio is almost ten to one. Is it the quality of the teachers?, I don't think so, I have been told by an impeachable source, my wife~ that there are many fine teachers at the school. Yet we still have a problem that is perplexing. The blame for this lies with the administration and its leader, the superintendent. The school board is also partly to blame for not seeing the problem and dealing with it.

The school board and the superintendent seem more intent on creating a football team that the voters rejected by a margin of 3 to 1 and trying to hide the real cost of this endeavor from the voters instead of just making the case for a team. They are trying to do the same with the Alt school plans. They were correct that the alt school belongs on school property, after all, they are our children who need special help and must eventually learn to assimilate with their classmates in school or out. We currently have plenty of room on campus facilities, and should make that attempt. We owe them our best efforts, and the opportunity to assimilate.

I think the school board needs to set proper priorities, high educational standards ~ being the first and most important one and then we can discuss other wants by the superintendent and board.

I feel that the budgeting process the superintendent uses is flawed and would like to see zero based budgeting employed instead of gross taking of tax money and whatever we can't find a way to spend, we'll return. I believe the school could function with \$3,000,000.00 fewer dollars than it is asking for, however, without having access to the inner workings of the school budget, I would ask the people to vote on March 8th and consider cutting the proposed school budget by \$2,000,000.00. I feel that they can easily function at that level with proper priority spending.

**Jim Fedolfi, Hillsborough**  
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## Goffstown Police confiscate credit card skimmer @ Irving Circle K

The Goffstown Police Department took possession of a credit card skimming device from the Irving Circle K Gas station located at 277 Mast Road in Goffstown. The homemade skimming device was found connected to the card reader inside the gas pump by a service technician doing maintenance work on the pump. Through the investigation it has been determined that the affected pump was Number 6.

This pump displayed a "card read error" when customers tried to use their credit/debit cards prior to its being taken offline. It appears the device was placed

### N.H. Department of Education approves SAU#43 withdrawal

On Tuesday, the NH Department of Education approved the withdrawal plans for the Newport and Croydon school districts withdrawal from SAU#43. Each school district will present warrant articles for the withdrawal at their Annual School District Meeting. Newport will vote on Tuesday, March 8, and Croydon will vote on Saturday March 12. A 3/5 vote is required for the article to pass in each district.

on the pump on January 23, 2016.

The Goffstown Police are urging anyone who may have recently used a credit or debit card to purchase gas at the Irving Circle K to check their bank and credit card statements for any transac-

tions that may have occurred without their knowledge.

This investigation is ongoing and anyone with information regarding this is asked to please call the Goffstown Police Department at (603) 497-4858.



Newport NH has been designated a Heart Safe Community. EMS Captain Kenneth Carleton looked into the Heart Safe Community Program about a year ago and decided to try for the award. Nick Mercuri, NH Bureau Chief of Emergency Medical Services presented the Newport Fire and EMS with the award.

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## Goffstown resident offers thanks and praise to Fire & Police Officers

Goffstown Selectman Chair Peter Georgantas said he wanted to read a letter he received from Dave French while the Fire and Police Chiefs were both present.

It states, "I just wanted to take some time to thank your staff for the outstanding service provided to me last Saturday, I am alive today due to their quick thinking. As you are aware, I suffered a severe heart attack, although I am not sure, but I believe it was EMT Jubinville who saw the situation and directed the ambulance to CMC as opposed to Elliot Hospital. Because he realized the danger I was in, the police officer who attended me also took care of Libby, my wonder dog, was great. The officers involved were Jackie Pelletier and David Oslin. He told the officer he was sure that other members of the staff were present. Too often we take both life, for granted, as well as the people who serve our community in positions of public safety. I just want to commend all of them and would like them to be acknowledged by both of you as well as the Board of Selectmen."

Georgantas said he hopes the Chiefs

relayed the information, and on behalf of the Board of Selectmen, he asked the

Chiefs to tell them it was an outstanding job and thank you.



H-D's DECA store again achieved Gold Level Re-certification this year and will be recognized at DECA's International Career Development Conference in Nashville, Tennessee. Natasha Dahood, Matt Otten, Sam Taylor, and Kaelyn Snair with the assistance of their advisor Marc Payeur. The school-based enterprise at Hillsboro-Deering High School has operated for 17 years and is to be commended for this achievement.

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**BASKETBALL**

**Kearsarge 52 Hopkinton 34:** Zach Mattos's double double led the attack with 24 points, 16 rebounds, and 5 blocks. Hopkinton got 11 points and 11 rebounds from Henry Yianakopolos.

**Hinsdale 90 Newport 53:** Newport worked its way to a 13-10 lead late in the first quarter but playing without starting seniors Chris Perry and Jesse Stiffler, they couldn't sustain it.

**Windsor 80 Newport 44:** Up by 14 at halftime, Windsor pulled away to win its 13th consecutive game and improve to 15-1. AJ Wood paced the Tigers with 13 points.

**Franklin 80 Gilford 72:** Kenny Torres scored a game-high 31 points, including the 1,000th point of his high school career, to highlight Franklin's victory. Torres scored his 1,000th points on a free throw with two minutes to play.

**Sunapee 88 Nute 49:** Issaiah Chappell scored 22 points and Ben Robinson grabbed 13 rebounds to lead Sunapee.

**Sunapee 70 Epping 47:** Matt Tenney had 11 of his game-high 26 points in the first period to set the tone.

**John Stark 59 ConVal 47:** Drew McQuarrie had 12 points, 17 rebounds, and 6 steals to lead the Generals who led only 20-19 at halftime.

**Kearsarge 64 Mascoma 37:** Tom Johnson scored 18 points, Trent Noordsij 17, Joe Storozuk 13 points, and Zach Mattos 12 points in a dominating win.

**Sanborn 50 Bow 37:** Nate Alford scored 16 points and Adam Nelson 10 in the loss. A cold third quarter really hurt the Falcon's chances.

**Stevens 84 Hillsboro-Deering 62:** Brandon Rodier scored 26 points and Zach Rowell 23, but the young H-D squad couldn't overcome a 62-38 deficit heading into the fourth quarter.



Sunapee laker Ben Robinson looks for an opening to shoot during a home game against Epping on January 29. Sunapee won 70 - 47. Paul Howe photo.

**HOCKEY**

**Bow 4 Goffstown 2:** Doug Champagne scored twice and Ryan Tobeler added one to overturn a one-goal deficit. Josh Connor scored a shorthanded goal for Bow. Nick Nault scored both goals for Goffstown.





## Boys Sports



**Edmunds Ace Hardware's Henniker Huskies Squirts** defeated the Keene Squirts at the Keene Ice Arena on 1/30/16. Aiden Chicoine with the first goal and the last goal of the day. Strong offense by Bobby Arnold, Avery Condon, and Henry Powell who all scored and 2 goals scored today by Gavin Nestler. Thaddeus Maughan hustled hard! Arnold, Condon, Boden Cyr and Aubrey Niemela with assists. The final score 7:4. Goal tending by Paulo Vazquez. Colton Murphy showed his Husky pride with some of the best defense to keep the puck in the zone and was also named Player of the Game.

**Edmunds Ace Hardware's Henniker Huskies Squirts** defeated the Concord Squirts in our home rink at Lee Clement Arena on 1/31/16. Paulo Vazquez in net for the second time this weekend and held strong between the pipes, only allowing in 3 goals. For the Huskies, Bobby Arnold started the game off in the first 2 minutes with a goal. Henry Powell with a goal and Avery Condon scored with assist from Powell to end the first period. Kiernan King came out strong in the second period scoring with an assist by Gavin Nestler. Powell scored again in the second with assist by Condon, and Condon scoring again in the third to end the game with a final score 6:3. Can we say CA-POW? Avery Condon with such strong offense and charging for the puck to assist the defense as well...very deserving of Player of the Game.

**The Tooky Mills Henniker Huskies Mites** participated in a few Cross Ice games this past weekend. It is possible that the teams facing off against the Huskies in the Dover games were expecting to have an easy time with the Huskies, but they were very wrong to discount the extra small Mite team. Even if the teams could have fought back against the strong daily scoring of #6 Jackson Lochmandy, they could not get much past #27 Liam Gagne in net. In fact, the entire team played incredibly well. #12 Remy Colon showed major improvement with various opportunities to score. #9 Bishop Benham wowed the crowd with some impressive stick and puck handling. #4 Evenlyn Hopper, #7 Brie Cyr and #2 Jeffrey Irizarry moved the puck all over the ice and kept the opposing team's goalies on their toes. Overall it was a great show for the Huskies in Dover.

### JOHN STARK SCHOLAR/ATHLETES

John Stark Regional High School proudly announced 21 senior student athletes have earned the NHIAA Scholar Athlete Award and were honored at a ceremony at the Capital Center for the Arts on February 1. The student scholar athletes are: Elizabeth Brandt, Kelsey Dobbins, Hannah Erskine, Danielle Galli, Allison Grenier, Madeline Ishak, Hazel Johnstone, Elizabeth Neal, Hannah Nelson, Baylie Phinney, Katherine Waligura, Jacob Blanchette, Jackson Easter, Ryan Gordon, Zachery Hamilton, Jason Innerfield, Cody Ledoux, Sawyer Lemay, Brandon Loiselle, Steven Medvetz, and Brandon Zogopoulos.



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**Girls Sports**



Newport's Kennedy Pysz keeps the ball from Kearsarge's Devi Kraushaar as she drives to the basket. Newport won in overtime 50 - 47. Paul Howe photo.

**BASKETBALL**

**Sunapee 82 Epping 34:** Up by 10 in the 2nd, the Lakers shut Epping out the remainder of the quarter and led 50-16 at halftime. Katie Frederick led the way with 24 points and 16 rebounds. Lexie Hamilton scored 14 points and collected 10 assists. Faith Larpenter had nine points and 10 rebounds.

**Sunapee 73 Nute 54:** Faith Larpenter led the way with 17 points and seven rebounds. Katie Frederick and Sydney Clark each scored 14 points. Frederick recorded 13 rebounds and Clark had nine. Lexi Hamilton and Mary Grzanna had 10.

**Newport 46 Hinsdale 35:** Newport closed the first quarter out on a 10-0 run and never trailed again. Alexis Hurd and Kyrstin Kibbey each scored 10 to lead the Tigers.

**Bow 51 Belmont 18:** Lea Crompton had 13 points and three assists, and Taylor Darrell collected 12 points and two assists to highlight Bow's victory.

**Bow 53 Sanborn 28:** Taylor Darrell scored 13 points and Lea Crompton added 10 to help Bow to a 53-28 victory over Sanborn in Kingston on Thursday night.

**Stevens 23 Hillsboro-Deering 14:** H-D held Stevens to 23 points, the lowest total for any opponent this season, and was in the game until the end, losing by nine points, the closest they've been this year.

**John Stark 43 ConVal 22:** Jillian Douzanis led the Generals with 17 points.

**Portsmouth 52 Goffstown 36:** Jess Edmonds scored a team-high eight for Goffstown (6-5). Hannah Larochelle and Sofia Piriz each scored six for the Grizzlies.

**NORDIC SKIING**

On Tuesday the ConVal Nordic team traveled to Strafford, Vermont to compete in a 4.5K freestyle race hosted by Lebanon for the CVC region. The meet, originally slated to take place in Plainfield, NH and relocated to VT. due to lack of snow, consisted of three laps of a 1.5 K course laid out on an open hillside. The snow was soft, making control challenging, and there were numerous falls. Skiing for the ConVal boys team was Eddie Pope. Skiing on the girls side were co-captains Sawyer Cawthern and Fenia Benet-Higgins, Schuyler Michalak, Clare Veverka, Bronwyn Tyler-Wall, and Sage Cawthern. Top finisher for the girls was Schuyler Michalak, coming in sixth place overall. The Nordic team travels to White Mountains Regional High School on Saturday to compete in the second NH Coaches Series race.





Hopkinton residents turned out in force for a budget committee hearing.

### Budget Committee cuts Redhawk funds

A packed house listened to Hopkinton's Budget Committee reports and recommendations during Wednesday's public budget hearing. The Selectmen presented their budget, followed by a presentation of the \$3.4 million bond article to raise money for a new track and field complex and then the School District budget. As expected, the most controversial item was the track and field warrant article. Scott Zipke of Hopkinton presented the article stressing both safety concerns of the current track and economic growth for the town, as a better complex with lights would bring in more spectators. Many people spoke against it as being too expensive and a luxury rather than a necessity, while others felt it was worth the money to have such an asset to the town. Several abutters expressed dismay that they had not been approached by the committee prior to the formation of the plan. Also at issue was a \$7000 item in the School Board budget for football, which was opposed by the Budget Committee. Many people spoke in favor of the inclusion to be able to make football a varsity sport. The Selectmen's budget, including warrant articles would raise taxes by \$.19/1000 and the School District by \$.0245/1000. If the track and field warrant article passes, the first payment wouldn't be due until 2017 and the first payment would increase the tax rate by \$.48/1000 and decreasing during the life of the bond. The Budget committee unanimously voted not to support the track and field article. The School District meeting will be held on March 5, the voting for elections on March 8 and the Town meeting on March 12.

### Henniker School Budget is up \$125,567

The Henniker School Board held a Budget Workshop Wednesday evening before a large group of interested residents. The proposed operating budget now stands at \$7,516,841 which is an increase of \$125,567, of 1.7% over the current budget. The figure is aided by the elimination of a \$205,625 debt payment as the final payment on a bond was made in the current budget. The figure does not include year-three teachers' salary increases, but does not include \$19,776 needed to fund the new Support Staff Agreement if that Warrant Article passes. Also contemplated is a Warrant Article of \$45,000 toward a new playground. Major repairs budgeted include: \$25,000 to replace a fire panel; \$25,00 to clean the sprinkler system; \$26,000 for roof repairs; \$17,500 to repair dormers and \$12,500 to repair air conditioners in the computer lab, library and office. The Board also received the first report of its committee charged with designing an in-school special education program which could reduce the need for future out-of-district placements.

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Jeb Bush talks with Ruger employee Adrian Perry from Henniker during a campaign stop at the gun factory in Newport, (left photo); John Kasich held his 90 town meeting in Newbury on Tuesday morning February 2, (right photo). Paul Howe photos.

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## SATURDAY FEBRUARY 6

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**FREE MITTENS AND HATS:** If you are in need of warm hats and mittens come to Smith Church and help yourself to the hat and mitten tree. Please use the side entrance. You can come any time the church is open. There are hats, mittens and gloves for all ages.

**HEART MONTH:** Volunteers for the American Heart Association will be celebrating American Heart Month by knitting and crocheting red hats for all babies born at Lakes Region General Hospital's (LRGH) Family Birthplace in February. LRGH is participating in the Association's Little Hats, Big Hearts program, which raises awareness of heart disease, the number one killer

of Americans, and congenital heart defects, the most common type of birth defect in the country.

**HANCOCK PROGRAM:** From 11:00am - 12:30pm at the Hancock Town Library.

**Writing Workshop:** What's the story your life longs to tell? This program is free and open to all thanks to the Friends of the Hancock Town Library but you MUST register ahead of time. Please stop by the library or call us at 525-4411. We will need at least four participants in order to hold the class. Snow date is Saturday February 27.

**OPEN DOOR:** The Open Door Coffeehouse, 7 pm in the vestry of Smith Church in downtown Hillsborough. February is our annual Ladies' Month, and not to be missed. Lisa Greenleaf, Lizz Ferdina, Laura Troian, Leah Dunbar on marimba, and the annual appearance of The Bible Hill Babes. And after intermission, the extremely wonderful and popular Nice & Naughty. Coffee, tea, hot chocolate, delicious snacks and a wonderful audience. Be there at 7 sharp to see the Bible Hill Babes latest fashion styles.

**GRAND OPENING:** Please join us in celebrating the grand opening of the new Henniker Highway Garage at 209 Ramsdell Road on Saturday, February 6, 2016 at 1:00pm. Take a tour of the new highway garage and view the new highway

trucks and equipment. Refreshments will be served. In the case of inclement weather the grand opening will be Sun., Feb. 7, 2016 at 1pm.

## SUNDAY FEBRUARY 7

**PANCAKE BRUNCH:** Deering Community Church will hold a pancake brunch at 11:30 AM. It is free and the public is invited to share in this traditional way of marking the beginning of Lent. Come and enjoy this early acknowledgement of Shrove Tuesday, (the day before Ash Wednesday). Call 464-5643 for more info.

**ODDFELLOWS BREAKFAST:** to support "Goffstown Destination Imagination" Odd Fellows Benefit Breakfast from 8:00 - 10:30 am. The "All You Can Eat" breakfast consists of Scrambled eggs, pancakes, French toast, home fries, sausage links and patties, bacon, hash and baked beans. Wheat and white toast, coffee, tea and OJ. Cost for the breakfast is \$6 for adults, \$5 for seniors (65+), \$4 for children and \$20 for a family.

**TUCKER FREE LIBRARY:** Meet Bob and Tug at the Tucker Free Library! NH Humanities Speaker Bob Cottrell will be at the Tucker Free Library in Henniker, at 2 PM, presenting his program "Harnessing History: On the Trail of the NH State Dog, The Chinook!" Bob, an owner and authority on the Chinook, will share with the audience the story of this rare and famous dog breed that was established right here in northern New England.

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## **MONDAY FEBRUARY 8**

**VFW MEETS:** Brown Knight Memorial VFW Post 8268 in Bennington meets @ 7pm on the second Tuesday of each month. If you would like to become a member please join us at a meeting or go to [www.vfw.org](http://www.vfw.org) for information.

## **TUESDAY FEBRUARY 9**

**LIVING WELL:** Learn how to manage your symptoms with the "Living Well- Better Choices, Better Health" workshop presented by LRGHealthcare. A free six-week workshop will be offered on Tuesday's at Franklin Regional Hospital. Those attending the workshops will apply skills for living a full, healthy life with a

chronic condition, learn to set weekly goals and develop a practical step-by-step plan for improving health and quality of life. Weekly topics include healthy eating, physical activity, relieving stress, pain and fatigue management, and more! For more information or to register for this upcoming workshops, please call LRGHealthcare Education Services at 527-7120.

## **WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 10**

**ANDOVER PROGRAM:** A workshop on "Talking the walk -- discovering Andover's hiking trails" will be offered at 7 p.m. in the library of the Andover Elementary and Middle School (AE/MS) in Andover, Open to the public at no charge. Attendees will then share information about additional local hiking opportunities. The ultimate goal of the workshop is to combine the information collected in the session into a single document or website for the use of all area hikers.

## **THURSDAY FEBRUARY 11**

**BOW COMMUNITY FORUM:** from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the Library's upstairs meeting room. Candidates "Meet & Greet": Meet the 2016 candidates for elected town offices, including Budget Committee, Select Board, School Board, and Library Trustee. \*\*The Library will be asking all candidates who file for a position to provide background info so that a handout is available at the Library and on the Library's web site for interested voters.\*\*

## **SATURDAY FEBRUARY 13**

**ITALIAN NIGHT:** Italian Night Buffet & Chocolate Lovers Fair 5:00-7:00 p.m. Come to the Hillsboro United Methodist Church, 16 Henniker St. for an Italian buffet and a chocolate dessert. No charge; donations accepted. Enjoy additional chocolate goodies, including chocolate fountain items, for a donation. Make a craft or Valentines. Jewelry will be available for purchase. All donations will benefit the summer Adventure Camp and Faithseekers youth group.

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# Obituaries: Friends & Neighbors Remembered

## Martin L. Gross

NEW LONDON — Martin L. Gross, of New London and Ocean Ridge, FL, died on Tuesday, Jan. 26, 2016, in Ushuaia, Argentina, following a stroke suffered en route to Antarctica. He was 77 years old. Martin's adventures began in New York City where he was born on Oct. 22, 1938.



Martin is survived by his wife, Deirdre Sheerr-Gross, of New London; his brother, Woolf Gross (spouse Lucy), of Arlington, VA; a nephew, William Gross, of Arlington, VA; two cousins, John and Charles Gross, both of New York City; and his brother-in-law (affectionately referred to as "hermano west"), Hugh McCrystal (spouse Polly). In honor of Martin's extraordinary service to his community, donations can be made to the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation (on whose Board he served for many years), to the Capitol Center for the Arts, to New Hampshire Public Radio, or to the charity of one's choice.

## Frederick Jache

WEARE — Frederick Jache, 55, passed away at his home on Nov. 3, 2015. He was born on Dec. 3, 1959, to Edward and Joanne (Polar) Jache. He is survived by his brother, Donald Jache of South Carolina, and his nephew, Christopher Jache, of Manchester. Frederick was predeceased by his brother, Paul Jache. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Manchester VA Medical Center, 718 Smyth Road, Manchester, NH 03104.

## Timothy M. Bacon

HOPKINTON — Timothy Mather Bacon, 53, of Hopkinton, passed away peacefully surrounded by love at his home on Tuesday, Jan. 26, 2016. Tim was born in Concord on Sept. 13, 1962, to Neale Joyce Bacon of Sutton Mills and Richard Mather Bacon (deceased). In addition to Sara, Katrina, Cassandra, Kaitlin, his mom Neale, brother Jamie and sister Caroline, Tim is survived by his nephew, Tyler James Bacon, of Woodside, CA; niece Emily Neale Bacon of South Berwick, Maine; and uncles and aunts, George and Eugenia Fayen of Hamden, CT, and Russell and Hunter Burt of Virginia Beach, VA; and numerous cousins. Tim was predeceased by his father, Richard Mather Bacon. Tim requested that any donations in his honor be made to two organizations that have special meaning to his family: The Life is Good Kids Foundation, committed to helping kids heal from early childhood trauma, spreading optimism to those who truly need it the most: <https://www.lifeisgood.com/tim>; The Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, in memory of Timothy Bacon, to support Dr. Amanda Redig's Research at Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, P.O. Box 849168, Boston, MA 02284 or via [www.dana-farber.org/gift](http://www.dana-farber.org/gift).

## Lise M. Young

GOFFSTOWN — Lise M. Young, 74, passed away Jan. 30, 2016, surrounded by her loving family. She was born in Sherbrooke, Quebec, Canada, on Dec. 30, 1941, a daughter of Edouard and Laura (Boutin) Gilbert. She will be deeply missed by her four loving children, Daniel Richard, Linda Ryan and husband David, Robert Richard

and wife Tammie, and Marlyne Stevens and husband Glenn; 10 grandchildren; five great grandchildren; four siblings, Bertrand Gilbert, Diane Tessier, Suzette Gilbert and Michel Gilbert; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins. She was preceded in death by her loving husband of 19 years, Walter Young, and five siblings. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Home Health and Hospice Care, 7 Executive Park Drive, Merrimack, NH 03054. Please visit [www.goodwinfh.com](http://www.goodwinfh.com) to sign the online guest book.

## Cecille R. Taylor

FRANKLIN — Mrs. Cecille R. Taylor, 95, a resident of Franklin, died at The Golden Crest Saturday, Jan. 23, 2016. She was born in Palmer, MA on July 24, 1920, the daughter of Arthur and Florina (Therrien) LaFortune. Family members include three sons, Mark A. Taylor of Philadelphia, Jeffrey A. Taylor and wife, Tara of Hill and Paul W. Taylor and wife, Shirley of Danbury; grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband, parents, and three sons, Wayne M. Taylor in 2000, Peter R. Taylor in 2004 and Robert J. Taylor in 2015. Donations in memory of Cecille may be made to Franklin VNA and Hospice, 75 Chestnut St., Franklin, NH 03235.



## Sara 'Teri' Valgean

GOFFSTOWN — Sara "Teri" Valgean, 87, of Goffstown, passed peacefully on Jan. 29, 2016, at home with her son and

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daughter-in-law by her side. She was born in Brooklyn, NY, on June 25, 1928, the daughter of Antonio and Maria Lorefice. She was predeceased by her late husbands, Bradford T. Herrick Jr. and James Valgean; her son, Bradford T. Herrick III; a sister, Matilda "Tilly" Lorefice; brothers, Paul Lorefice and Charlie Lorefice; and nephew, Anthony Garafolo. Family includes her son, Thomas Anthony Herrick and his wife, Michelle of Goffstown; a sister, Connie Johansen of Florida; nieces, Patrice Lorefice, Therese Rota, Lynda Lorefice-Daniels, Gina Lorefice and Mary Hall-Arel and her husband, John; and nephews, Paul Lorefice Jr. and his wife, Maria, Mathew Solomeno, Johnny Rota, Darren Johansen and Steven Lorefice, all of New York and New Jersey; several stepchildren and stepgrand children of Orange County, CA; and many close family friends of New Hampshire, Mas-

sachusetts, Ohio, California and Florida. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the American Cancer Society or a charity of your choice.

## Lavina C. Dearborn

HENNIKER - Lavina Angelette Majorie (Colburn) Dearborn, 84, of Henniker passed away January 31, 2016 at her home after a long illness. Lavina was born in Henniker, NH on February 12, 1931, to Edgar F. & Marjorie (Ellison) Colburn. Family members include son, Mark Dearborn, Hooksett NH, Randall Dearborn and wife, Darcie of Weare, Stacey Dearborn and companion, Danielle of Manchester, Brian Dearborn and wife, Sue of Gladewater, TX; daughters, Kellirose Lacroix and husband, Denis of Weare, Juanita Dearborn and husband, John of Weare; 11 grandchildren, 6 great grandchildren, and 1 great great grandchild. In lieu of flowers the family

requests donations be made to the Weare Rescue Squad, 144 Stark Hwy., Weare, NH 03281, or The Henniker Rescue Squad, 216 Maple St., Henniker, NH 03242.

## Anita Lahey

BOW - Anita Lahey, 74, died Sunday, Jan. 31, 2016, at the Birches in Concord. She was born in Adams, MA, daughter of the late August and Helen (Filiere) Boibeaux. She was predeceased by her husband, Michael T. Lahey. She is survived by a daughter, Mary Lahey of Concord; a son, David Lahey of Bow and his wife, Michelle; two granddaughters, Charlotte and Madelyn Lahey. Donations may be made in Anita's memory to the Pope Memorial SPCA, 94 Silk Farm Road, Concord NH 03301.



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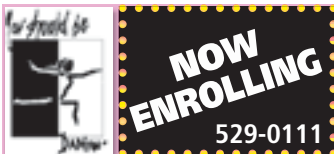
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