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**2016 Ice Fishing Derby**  
A cold streak kept the ice firm for another successful Washington Fishing Derby. Bob Hofstetter photo.



**Hillsboro's Little Giant**  
The Union Leader ran a fantastic front page story on Hillsboro-Deering's Tristan Wilmott, which we have reprinted on page 19 with their permission.



On Sunday, February 14, Henniker resident Janice Walsh celebrated her 100th birthday with about fifty friends and family. Pictured is the birthday girl with her son & daughter-in-law, Jim & Mary Walsh of Henniker, grandchildren Brendan Walsh also of Henniker and Jim & Allie Walsh of Grantham, parents of great-grandchildren Shayla and Liam Walsh.

## Is SB2 right for Bow?

### *Petitioned article seeks School District voting change*

A petitioned article, sparked by the Concerned Taxpayers of Bow will appear on the Bow School District Warrant, asking voters to drop the traditional school district meeting and adopt the provisions of SB2 next year. At a public Hearing last Wednesday night attended by about 25 people, both sides of the argument were clearly drawn.

Under SB2, voters who attend a deliberative session in February can question and amend articles on the warrant. The fate of the article is then decided by ballot voting in March.

The traditional meeting format requires that questions, amendments and voting be done at one meeting. The distinction with

SB2 is that school officials must calculate a default budget, a figure that kicks in automatically if taxpayers vote the recommended budget down.

Proponents argue that SB2 allows more people to vote, including those who could not attend the traditional meeting. However, opponents counter by saying a voter who attends town meeting will be more informed on the issues than someone who is voting in an SB2 system on election day but did not attend the deliberative session.

The final SB2 decision will be made by ballot vote on March 8 during town elections. Bow's school district meeting is March 11 at 7 p.m. in the high school auditorium.



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## Yesteryear

Local history as reported in The Messenger

### February 27, 2015

Villa Augustina sold

Four running for two Bow Selectman seats

Franklin couple indicted for sex trafficking

New Boston Farmers Market expanding

### February 28, 2014

Snow load collapses Henniker roof

Ed Anderson names New London Police Chief

Goffstown boy gets bone marrow transplant

Bow voters asked to approve \$13.1 million safety complex

### March 1, 2013

Weare man indicted on 41 child pornographic charges

Contoocook man arrested after high speed chase

Newport Selectmen restore Recreation Department cuts

Wilmot Board hears neighbor's complaint

### March 2, 2012

Hopkinton teen fends off coyote attack

Newport's Mark Christensen resigns-paid settlement

Weare man arrested in Florida after being Googled

Warner Legionnaire is District 5 Commander

### March 4, 2011

Jesse Levine says "thank you and goodbye"

Woman upset with Francestown Police

New hearing on Antrim zoning changes

ATV's OKed on Henniker Class VI Roads

### February 26, 2010

Henniker may see taxes up 18.4%

New proposal for Bio-Energy facility

New London ponders recycling options

Bradford awards bridge repair bids

### February 27, 2009

New Director at White Birch Community Center

Pot misdemeanor becomes cocaine felony

Deering has its own "Bridge to Nowhere"

Hopkinton Superintendent resigns

### February 29, 2008

NEC Vice-President arrested for shoplifting

Money missing from Bennington Library

Hillsboro Police issue rabies warning

Antrim woman sets power lifting record

### March 2, 2007

Antrim man caught in cyber-sting

Greenfield girl killed-brother injured

NEC students survive icy plunge into Contoocook River

Kearsarge school officials admit mailing error

BIA names Hopkinton woman director

### March 3, 2006

Henniker candidates forum generates heat

Colby-Sawyer announced new President

Bennington woman charged with Nashua thefts

Jim Rymes granted permission to expand airport

## 21 DECA students from H-D qualify for International Competition

The New Hampshire DECA 59th Annual Career Development Conference was held at the Manchester Radisson Hotel. The Hillsboro-Deering DECA chapter has over fifty members this year, and twenty attended this year's competition. Out of the 20 students who attended, the team earned 2 chapter trophies, 20 medals and 10 plaques.

Hillsboro-Deering did so well this year that some students qualified twice in various events. Juniors Allie Lester and Tia Delampan both were elected to state office. Combined with the chapter's successful Virtual Business Season, twenty-two students are eligible to move on to compete at the International Career Development Conference in Nashville, Tennessee, from April 22 – April 27, 2016.

The students attending the International Competition include:

Nick Lester, Thomas Ferguson, and Ryan Gillett – Virtual Business Sports Management

Pano Galatas, Brandon Soules, and Matt Otten – Virtual Business Restaurant  
Kaelyn Snair, Jess Peschel, and Zach Urban – School Based Enterprise

Danielle Armstrong and Josh Marshall – Thrive Academy

Michael Carter – Quick Serve Restaurant Management

Samantha Audette – Hotel and Lodging Management – 1st Place NH

Meredith Denu and Shannon Thomes – Public Relations Project – 2nd Place NH

Kianna Carter and Colby Wilkens – Travel and Tourism Management Team – 2nd Place NH

Natasha Dahood – Financial Consulting – 1st Place NH

Reed Cullen – Human Resources Management – 2nd Place NH



Another outstanding job - Congratulations.

Tia Delampan – State Officer, Hospitality Professional Sales – 1st Place NH

Allie Lester – State Officer, Accounting Applications – 1st Place NH

The Chapter attained the Thrive level of Membership by DECA Inc., and for reaching the AIM for Outstanding Chapter level by New Hampshire DECA.

“We are really building on the strength of a solid junior team, many of which have been doing DECA since their freshman year. Their energy and excitement is getting other students interested in the program. I am truly amazed at the level of effort these students put into compete.

More than half of the group heading to the International competition are juniors and sophomores. It is promising to see that our young people recognize the need for solid financial and marketing skills to survive in today's economy, regardless of their occupational interests. I am very proud and lucky to advise these young professionals” said Mr. Marc Payeur, H-D DECA advisor.

DECA students will be selling Little Caesar's Pizzas as fundraisers to assist in getting to Nashville. If you want to find out more about DECA or want to help these students make it to Nashville, contact Mr. Payeur at 464-1205.



## Welcome New Readers!

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# TAKE YOUR MEDICINE



By SARAH CHAPIN

The results of a study presented this past June at the European League Against Rheumatism Annual Congress (EULAR 2015) show that diclofenac, naproxen and etoricoxib significantly inhibit ovulation in women with mild musculoskeletal pain. Of the women receiving NSAIDs, only 6.3 percent (diclofenac), 25 percent (naproxen) and 27.3 percent (etoricoxib) ovulated, compared with 100 percent of the control group. These findings suggest that readily available non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs) could have a harmful effect on fertility, and should be used with caution in women wishing to start a family.

Infants and children who are given prescription acid-reducing medications face a substantially higher risk of developing Clostridium difficile infection, a potentially severe colonic disorder. The findings, published recently in the online edition of Clinical Infectious Diseases, suggest that pediatricians may do more harm than good by prescribing these drugs for children who have non-specific gastrointestinal symptoms such as occasional vomiting. The rate of Clostridium difficile (often called C. diff.) infection in children is increasing, with a ten-fold rise from 1991 to 2009. For unknown reasons, the infection has recently emerged as a problem in relatively healthy children lacking traditional risk factors. C. diff. is a bacterium that can cause severe, even fatal, colonic inflammation. The most important risk factor for C. diff. infection is exposure to antibiotics. Antibiotics are thought to disturb the healthy balance of microbes in the intestinal tract allowing C. diff. to flourish.

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Jesse Levine receives the Raymond Burton Award.

## Levine presented the Burton Award

When Sullivan County Manager Jessie Levine first met Raymond S. Burton, the District 1 executive councilor was running for reelection and gave her a comb with his name on it. Levine thought the gift “the strangest thing,” but soon became a fan of Burton, who before his death on Nov. 12, 2013, was renowned for his constituent service and passion for the North Country. The longest-serving executive councilor in state history, Burton was also a 22-year member of the Grafton County Commission, on which he represented his hometown of Bath and a number of communities in the Upper Valley. Friends and admirers gathered last Thursday at Church Landing resort, where the Raymond S. Burton Legacy Fund held a reception to raise funds for several of the North Country charities near to Burton. Levine, who is battling ALS, was presented the Burton Public Service Award. She said Burton “has been an institution for as long as I can remember” and she was proud to be honored in his name.

## Deering man arrested for Domestic Violence

On February 19th, 2016: Officer Bell was called in to work several hours before his shift to respond to a Domestic Violence incident. Officers from Hillsboro and Antrim responded to assist until Officer Bell arrived a few minutes later. Following an on-scene investigation, Officer Bell arrested Thomas Marquis, age 35, of Hubbard Road, Deering, on charges of Domestic Violence Assault as well as on charges of Violation Conditions of Good Behaviour relating to his release on Bail for previous charges in another jurisdiction. He was later released on \$25K personal recognizance bail.

## Weare crash leads to negligent homicide

Benjamin Cook, 18, of Milford has been indicted for negligent homicide, aggravated driving while intoxicated and driving after license suspension, resulting from an early July crash on Route 114 in Weare that killed Trevor Gonyer, 17, of Dunbarton. Cook was the driver of a 1997 GMC truck that crashed with Gonyer and Aaron Hodgdon, of Weare, riding in the vehicle. The truck was involved in a high-speed chase, at speeds over 75 mph, with a New Boston police officer who attempted to pull the truck over after observing it with its taillights out. The pursuit continued nearly 2 miles into Weare. Each charge is a Class B felony, which carries a 3½ to seven year sentence. Cook failed to appear for his arraignment in Hillsborough County Superior Court last Friday.

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## 2/3 voter approval needed for Bow's Public Safety Building

Bow voters will try again this year to approve the construction and equipping of a public safety building. Last year's \$5 million bond request received a majority but not the 2/3 needed for passage. After a year of hard work by the town's Public Safety Building Committee, this year's bond proposal has been trimmed to \$3,992,958. Also on the ballot is a request for \$9,794,226 for general municipal operations, which both the selectmen and budget committee are recommending.

\$42,000 for developing conceptual building design, site plan options and cost estimates for the renovation of the Bow Community Building.

\$749,000 for the construction of a roundabout at the intersection of Logging Hill Road, Knox Road, White Rock Hill Road and Bow Center Road; \$300,000 from grants, \$449,000 from the Highway Construction Capital Reserve Fund.

Voters are being asked to approve \$410,000 for the following capital reserve funds:

- Municipal Buildings & Grounds \$135,000
- Public Works Equipment \$120,000
- Fire Truck \$45,000
- Fire Dept. Equipment \$42,000
- Police Dept. Equipment \$35,000
- Recreation Improvements \$20,000
- Recreation Dept. Equipment \$8,000
- Facilities Emergency Repair \$5,000

Voters will also be asked to approve existing capital reserve funds to as follows:

- \$110,000 for an excavator for the Public Works Dept.
- \$100,000 for the temporary repair of

the Birchdale Road Bridge.  
\$5,000 for an emergency genera-

tor for the public safety building with \$42,500 from the fund.



John Stark's 2015-2016 DECA Team.

### 9 from John Stark DECA to attend Internationals

John Stark Regional High School student members of DECA participated in the 59th annual DECA Career Development Conference at the Radisson Hotel in Manchester. Seventeen John Stark students competed against 500 other students from around NH.

The following John Stark students placed in their business category: Bryce Moser, first overall in Marketing Management, Alesha Kimball and Brett Schrankel, first in Business Services Research event, Warren Quinlan, second overall in Food Marketing, Quianna Willard and Cailee Green, second overall in Sports & Entertainment Team Decision, Caleb Morrison

and Robert Kram, second in the Hospitality Services Team Decision Exam, and Owen Payeur, third in Principles of Finance and Noah Payeur, third overall in Accounting Applications. These students are eligible to attend this year's DECA International Career Development Conference in Nashville, TN, in April.

Additionally, DECA Inc. recently recognized the John Stark Regional High School DECA chapter as a THRIVE Level Chapter, the highest level of chapter achievement in DECA. This is the second year in a row John Stark DECA has earned this distinction.

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Chef Gilbert Vidal showing (left to right) Megan Goudreau, Riley Zanella, and Zachary Hargreaves the final touches on a tarte aux fruits.

## A taste of French culture at John Stark

French II students from Stark Regional High School experienced a taste of French culture on a cross-disciplined fieldwork opportunity to work hand in hand with French bakery chef Gilbert Vidal at the Tuscan Kitchen and Market in Salem. "Bread is a symbol of France," said John Stark French teacher Patricia Chiquelin, "and understanding the culture of a language is integral to learning a language. This hands-on opportunity for students to learn about French baking with a French chef was both an impactful and a fun way to allow students to experience a bit of authentic every-day life in France without leaving New Hampshire," continued Chiquelin.

## Man seriously burned in Goffstown fire

A 27-year-old Suncook man was seriously burned while burning brush outside a home on Blue Jay Lane Friday morning, according to police and fire officials. Two men, who officials did not identify Friday, were attempting to ignite and burn two brush piles with gasoline, when one of the men was burned, according to a statement from the state fire marshal's office. The victim received second- and third-degree burns and was flown to Massachusetts General Hospital with serious injuries. The second man was not injured. Former Nashua Police Chief and Selectman Don Gross died in January at his Andover home from smoke inhalation caused by a brush fire that included the use of ignitable liquids near a flame.

## Bow planning for a Community Building

At Bow's Public Safety Building Committee meeting, each of the committee members who made presentations to different Town Organizations gave a brief synopsis and provided the Committee the most frequently asked questions. The most frequently asked question had to do with what will happen to the Community Building. Selectman Judd informed the Committee that there has been a Recreational Needs Committee working on what the Town would like and need. This Committee retained the services of Sherr McCrystal Paulson to evaluate the feasibility of rehabbing the Community Building. This year there will be a warrant article to pursue the rehab and estimate the cost of doing that.

# A dozen towns assist Goffstown in battling major fire

Firefighters from about a dozen towns battled a fire at an abandoned building for hours Sunday. Goffstown believed they had the fire under control around 5 p.m. Crews returned to the scene Monday to extinguish hot spots as smoke could be seen coming from the rubble.

The three-alarm fire destroyed a building on Mast Road, but firefighters were able to save parts of a Chinese restaurant next door. Reports indicate the blaze broke through the roof of the abandoned building, which was most recently occupied by the Jutras sign company. Witnesses said the building went up in flames in just minutes, and the Goffstown fire chief said it was one of the biggest fires the town has had in years.

There were reports of people smelling smoke from downtown Manchester. Embers started several minor roof fires nearby, which firefighters quickly put out. Fire Chief Richard O'Brien said firefighters received a report of ash falling at the Verizon. North Garden Chinese Restaurant is next door to Jutras, and the restaurant was full of people around 1:30

p.m. The building suffered smoke damage, and the vinyl siding was melted, but not destroyed. The state fire marshal is still investigating the cause of the fire. O'Brien

told WMUR TV-9 that "Being a vacant building, and nobody was in the building, we'll deem it 'suspicious' until we know otherwise."



The fire remains under investigation.

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# Newport Selectmen offset the School Board's \$318,000 increase

Last week Newport School Board member Shannon Howe, was successful in increasing the school's budget by \$318,000 on a vote of 71-29 at the Deliberative Session. If possessed along with three additional warrant articles at the annual voting session on March 8, the school tax rate is projected to increase by \$3.41 per \$1,000.

Thursday night the Newport Board of Selectmen unanimously voted to instruct Town Manager Shane O'Keefe to reduce the town's proposed operating budget by an identical \$318,000. For taxpayers reduction of \$318,000 represents a savings of 75 cents per \$1,000 of property valuation on the town's side of the overall tax rate.

Although O'Keefe is unsure where those savings will come from, those that are safe are the the recreation department, Richards Free Library and the \$250,000 in the budget allocated to street paving overlays, a program now in its fourth year. The town operating budget originally proposed by O'Keefe had a tax rate increase of 45 cents per \$1,000 or 3.0%. With the proposed \$318,000 cut, the town operating budget would actually end up 30 cents lower.

Newport voters will also decide four special warrant articles including Newport Circuit Court capital reserve fund, \$10,000; communications capital reserve, \$5,000; recreation capital reserve, \$20,000, and road reconstruction for Blueberry Ridge Road and

Barton-Whitney Road, \$388,480. The Board meets again on Monday, February 29th, to finalize the cuts. It will go to the Newport Budget Committee followed by a public hearing on March 7 and then to the Deliberative Session.



Mayor Ken Merrifield attended the Franklin Business & Professional Women's Dinner honoring "Young Careerist 2016" Angela Lynch.

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**Grade 12 Honors:** Dalton Allaben, Kaitlyn Andrews, Madison Beauchain, Jeffrey Bell, Kristian Blackford, Yizhe Chen, Madeleine Cheney, Madison Constant, Anthony Dal Pos, Zachary Daniels, Casey Day, Jillian DeLand, Keith Descoteaux, Joshua Ducharme, Henry Ess, Ethan Fargo, Ian Gillespie, Cody Hager, Anna Heindl, Nicole Hodgkins, Ryan Jaworski, Maxwell Johnson, Hadley Johnson, Robert Joscelyn, Caitlyn Keenan, Samantha Knapp, Michael Malette, Cameron Mayo, Justin McCully, Claire Murray, Amanda Murray, Michelle Neal, Alina Pinney, Sara Poole, Nicholas Powell, Corbin Provost, McKenzie Sawyer, Francesco Scali, Jacob Scott, Aditya Shah, Samrawit Silva, Kadin St. Germain, Naina Vig, Emma Walcott, Laura Zbehlik

**Grade 11 High Honors:** Kailey Andrew, Sara Anoli, Austin Beaudette, Kristen Benson, Duke Biehl, Saara Bliss, Noah Bult, Pavel Burke, Lucas Cohen, Sohani Demian, Eliorah Finkelson, Andrea Fortin, Nandita Kasireddy, Conner Lorenz, Hallie Lothrop, Joseph Lulka, Christopher Mead, Leah Mitnitsky, Emily Montebianchi, Samuel Neff, Bryce Northrop, Jack Olson, Ethan Paige, Annelise Papinsick, John Rich, Isabella Urbina, Sadie Warburton, Brendan Winch

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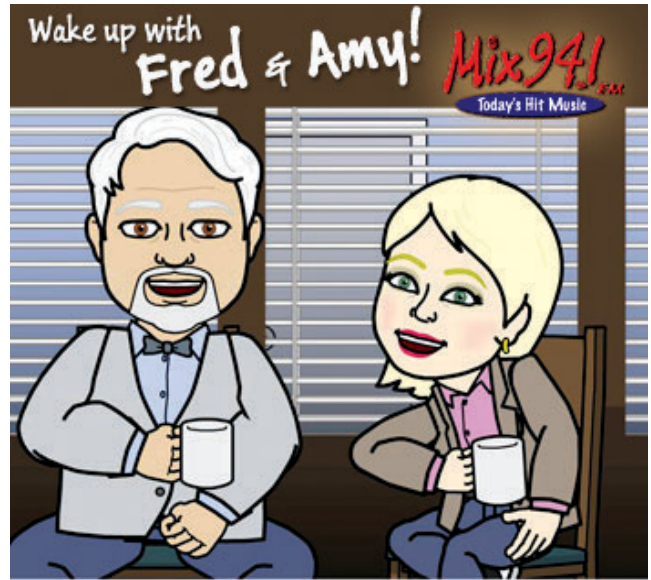


Hillsborough Police Chief David Roarick attended the Greater Hillsborough Senior Citizens luncheon and demonstrated "Project Life Saver" with the antenna which will pinpoint a person wearing a "life saver bracelet" in the event that they wander away.

### Captain Steckowych complimented

At Monday's Selectmen's meeting the following letter to Police Chief Robert Browne was read into the record "My name is Josh Gadbois. I've been a part time police officer for two years for Marine Patrol and I recently got hired full time by the Plymouth Police Department. I've been attending the 169th full time Police Academy and last week your Captain, Kerry Steckowych taught us arrest laws. I wanted to let you know that he is an extremely captivating individual when he was teaching our class and he had my full attention the entire time. I also want to let you know that I have an immense amount of respect for him despite the short time in the classroom I had with him. He was very passionate about police work and treating every person with respect regardless of what walk of life they come from. He was very motivating to me about battling complacency, avoidance of becoming a negative and complaining officer, as well as doing my absolute best every day that I sign on to my shift.

Captain Steckowych is the kind of police officer I desire to emulate and I hope to be as entertaining, intelligent, and compassionate as your Captain in my career. I hope that he continues to teach his class at the Police Academy for many more years."



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## Publisher's Perspective *by Leigh Bosse*

### Bow School District voters - please reject SB2

The Concerned Taxpayers of Bow have petitioned to place an article on the Bow School District Warrant calling for adoption of the SB2 form of voting, in place of the traditional meeting formula. I urge Bow voters to reject this proposal and not make the same mistake we made in Hillsborough. In Hillsborough the Town Meeting is run in the traditional format, while the School District is governed by SB2.

In the past several years, School District Deliberative Sessions have drawn about 40% of the number of people who attend Town Meeting. Thus Town Meeting voters are not only better informed, by listening to both sides of an issue before

voting, they are more numerous than their counterparts.

The major problem with SB2 is the provision of a Default Budget which is automatically adopted if voters reject the proposed budget. Our school district normally runs a large surplus. That surplus is included in the default budget alone with another increase to cover contractual costs. Thus, under SB2, the Default Budget provides an increase no matter how taxpayers vote. Once adopted, SB2 requires a super majority vote to end it.

SB2 was designed to increase voter participation - it not only failed, it deprives taxpayers of full control of the budget.

### What are the Board & Superintendent hiding?

Before beginning this Publisher's Perspective you need to know that I do not have all the facts and thus everything I write is subject to correction. However, the reason I do not have the facts is because the administration and school board refuse to release those facts.

Since the beginning of the year two popular and respected members of the Hillsboro-Deering staff, Elementary Principal Mark Campbell and high school teacher and Future Business Leaders of America advisor Joe Walker, have left quickly and quietly under unexplained circumstances.

Last Thursday Campbell cleaned out his desk and left the school before the end of the day. Unconfirmed reports indicate it was a result of a confrontation with Superintendent Robert Hassett. Officials refuse to state the reasons or circumstances of his departure, other than to say he "resigned." In response to The Messenger's Right to Know request, we were told that Campbell's salary will continue through March 31st and his health insurance through June 30th. Why? When someone quits, or is fired for cause his or her salary and benefits cease immediately. Why is Campbell being paid beyond his departure date?

Walkers's case is more troubling. Like the Dixie Tromblay case a few years ago,

Walker departed hastily amid rumors of sexual impropriety. (Again I must caution that this is only rumor, but a failure to disclose by the administration leads to speculation and rumor.)

In response to The Messenger's Right To Know request, we are told only that he too "resigned" on June 30, 2015. In exchange for resigning mid year, Walker's pay (\$7,786.80) and reimbursement for health care expense (\$6,500.00) will be paid through the end of the school year. He will also receive and ADDITIONAL PAYMENT of \$25,000. I suppose taxpayers should be grateful in that Tromblay was paid \$60,000.

If those rumors are true, the administration and school board have not only disrespected district taxpayers, they may have also violated the law by failing to report that activity to the proper authorities.

When The Messenger continued to press for the complete stories on these three "resignations," we were sent the complete Campbell and Walker agreements which still lack the reasons for their "resignations." The documents indicated that Campbell's was a "Settlement Agreement" which was completely typed and signed the day he left, and Walker's indicated he was "withdrawing his grievance." The full truth is yet to be learned.



## Letters to the Editor

### To The Editor:

Vote No for Age Discrimination in Henniker

Henniker Planning Board Zoning Ballot Question #3, if approved, would allow somewhat higher density housing projects than are currently allowed. This seems reasonable, more people, no more land, we need denser housing options. The problem is that people younger than 55 would not be allowed to live in these projects, including even the child of an aging senior in need of living assistance.

Fifty-five is the new forty for many of us, as our older citizens are healthier and far more active than people of the same age fifty years ago. People seventy and older are running 5K races and skiing. But, there are those younger than 55 who sometimes need special accommodations. Other than restrictions imposed to ensure the safety of children, the Town has no business deciding who can, and cannot, live anywhere based on age. That would be age discrimination. Vote "No" on Question #3.

**John V. Kjellman, Henniker**

### Dear Editor:

At Goffstown's Town Meeting, March 8, Goffstown voters will get to voice their concerns regarding the influence of big money and SuperPACs on NH elections. Submitted by petition, Article 24, calls for a government of the people, by the people and for the people, and lists six specific reforms that are needed to restore democracy to the citizens. Among these are a call for full transparency of campaign donors and enforcement of existing campaign finance law, as well as ending gerrymandering of voter districts.

Campaign finance reform was the number one issue on the minds of voters this past primary season in NH. Across the nation, and across party lines, an overwhelming majority of all voters agree that the Citizens United decision is negatively impacting our democracy.

69 NH towns, and 16 US states have already passed similar resolutions. Article 24 is an effort to build on that momentum. There have been several attempts at legislation in the NH State House; the most recent, SB136, being only narrowly defeated after multiple votes in the House.

The intent of the Article is to send a message to the State legislature that it is time for them to support concrete legislation

to reform our campaign finance laws, and enforce the existing ones. Voters in at least six other towns, including Antrim, and three NH cities will be voting on similar resolutions.

**Barbara Schult, Goffstown**

### To the Editor and all Hillsboro Voters:

On your ballots this year you will find a plethora of Zoning amendments most of which are innocuous or even needed corrections. One however, Article 9, stands out as something that we should think long and hard about before heading to the polls. This article will prohibit conversion of any street level commercial unit into a residential unit anywhere in the Central Business District which stretches from the Armory to Grimes Field.

While the supposed intent behind this article of promoting business in the downtown may be understandable, the result will be the opposite of that intended. Aside from philosophically preferring to let property owners do what they want with their property and the fact that it covers far more property than it needs to, I would suggest that this article won't even accomplish what its proponents desire.

The choice isn't between having a business or a residence in these units as the articles proponents would suggest but is actually between having something in them or having vacant storefronts. If there are businesses wanting to move into these units they are free to do so now. Reality shows us that is not happening. This article is not going to solve the problem of an empty downtown. While a residence may not be the preferred use of these properties, if an owner can make a conversion and find a tenant, then that would seem better than having the property stay vacant.

One can understand the frustration of the planning board and citizens in general that the downtown continues to struggle. Enacting this regulation, however, is not going to solve the problem but just make it worse. I urge you to not add another coffin nail to our downtown, Vote No on article 9.

**John Segedy, Hillsborough**

### To the Editor:

To all residents of Bradford you need to get out to Vote Your Vote Counts. If you do not do this you will be saddled with

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## Letters to the Editor

A \$900,000.00 debt for the next thirty years. Your taxes will not rise this year but will start next year. We have been voting NO on this since 2007, we voted no in 2013, 2014, 2015. In 2014 we gave the THRC \$95,000.00 to repair the Town Hall roof as it turned out the whole roof did not need repair as the THRC stated only the back half cost of \$17,500.00. The THRC lied to us and took the money and did as the THRC wanted. The Police station was taken off, the vault removed the bricks around the vault removed and since that was done the Integrity of the floor needs to be addressed by putting in the full foundation. The THRC has paid Kelly Gail \$49,224.36 for plans.

Vote no on article 6 we do not need to give them more money to squander. As of Saturday February 20 the THRC had a meeting at KRES and there were no new plans no costs no RFP's and no cost for the operating budget after the Town Hall is done. Town meeting is not the time to present these items it should have been done months ago. We have paid out four different architects for this building no more. No Means No RSA 32:10. Last year the Monday after Town Meeting the Selectmen voted to put the Town Offices back into the Town Hall \$7,000.00 was spent and they could not put the offices back in because of rules from the LCHIP grant and the Fire Marshals Office. Vote NO on ARTICLE 7. The Selectmen want to put the offices back and then move them out again when they redo the building and then move them back in after. Vote NO on ARTICLE 3.

If work is done with money that we have not approved we can go to the State with RSA 32:10. this is our town the people's town not just a few. The selectmen need to do what the people want to do, not what they want. No means no, our board of selectmen were voted in to serve the towns people.

If you do not get out to vote it is your fault that your taxes are not being spent the way you want.

Let's take back our town. vote, vote, vote  
**Marlene Freyler, Bradford**

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**Dear Editor:**

The following FAQ's have been prepared in anticipation of the March 8 town meeting. What is the Water & Sewer Commission? The commission is a three-member commission elected by the voters of the

Town of Hillsborough, each commissioner serving a three-year term. The commission oversees the operation of the town's 1 million gallon per day drinking water treatment plant on Loon Pond and the drinking water distribution system, as well as the town's wastewater collection system and 475,000 gallon per day wastewater treatment plant on Norton Drive. How many people use these systems?

There are 901 water users in the towns of Hillsborough and Deering and 993 sewer users in the Town of Hillsborough.

How often does the commission meet? The commission meets twice a month; on the second Thursday to address the sewer system and on the fourth Tuesday to address the water system. During calendar year 2015 the commission spent 54 hours at these meetings. During this same time period the Selectmen, who also meet twice a month, spent 52 1/4 hours in meetings, according to minutes posted on the town website.

Are the commissioners paid? Each commissioner receives \$2,000 per year, the same amount paid to the Selectmen. What is the commission budget?

The proposed water budget for fiscal year 2016 is \$695,850. The proposed sewer budget for fiscal year 2016 is \$681,704. The water and sewer systems operate entirely on revenue received from the users in the form of water and sewer billing.

How many employees does the commission have?

The commission currently has three full-time employees; an administrator, a wastewater treatment plant operator and an assistant wastewater treatment plant operator. The wages, insurance and other benefits for these employees are paid from the water and sewer operating budgets.

Commissioners Wiegelman and Sieg recently completed the state's small water system operator training program and received their Grade 1A operator licenses. As Grade 2 and Distribution System licenses are required for the Hillsborough water system, WSO Plus of Henniker is currently contracted by the commission for the daily operation of the water treatment plant and distribution system.

The commissioners ask for your support in defeating Article 26 at the upcoming 2016 town meeting.

**Peter D. Mellen, Chairman**



Students in the James Faulkner Elementary School's Before School Program are creating community through artful, positive murals. Fourth grade student Elizabeth Bodnar chose a mural with a message from the book *The Crayon Box That Talked*. At the top of the mural, crayons name every teacher and staff person in the school. The bottom of the mural shows crayons naming all the students who chose to participate in the project. In the middle of the mural, there is a sentence from the book which reads, "We are a box of crayons, each one of us unique, but when we get together, the picture is complete." Jackie Stetser photo.

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On Tuesday, February 16, as part of the Indie Lens Pop-Up documentary screening and discussion series, co-sponsored by New Hampshire Public Television, Peterborough Community Theatre, and Mariposa Museum, former Black Panther Party member Omar Barbour participated in a Q&A session at Peterborough Community Theatre after the screening of "The Black Panthers: Vanguard of the Revolution."



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# Stark students studying Middle East geopolitic and culture

Ninth grade students at John Stark Regional High School attended a special presentation by Dr. Rachel Lehr just prior to winter break. Dr. Lehr earned her PhD in linguistics from the University of Chicago writing a descriptive grammar of Pashai, a minority language spoken in eastern Afghanistan. For more than 20 years, Dr. Lehr has examined the languages and cultures of central and south Asia while living and working in the region.

She currently teaches at the State Department. Dr. Lehr began her talk by sharing the Islam greeting, "peace be upon you" and the response, "and upon you in peace." She went on to share many of her personal experiences, photographs, and artifacts from the region with the students. An item of particular interest was her burka.

Dr. Lehr explained who and why it was worn, for both cultural and religious reasons, and went on to demonstrate how it is worn. The 9th grade students in John Stark Humanities classes have spent the

last month studying the geopolitic and culture of the Middle East. This visit was an opportunity to enrich their classroom study of the region.

Dr. Lehr, who lives in Warner,

NH, also helped found Rubia, an organization that promotes women's empowerment through education and income generation from the sale of their heritage handwork.



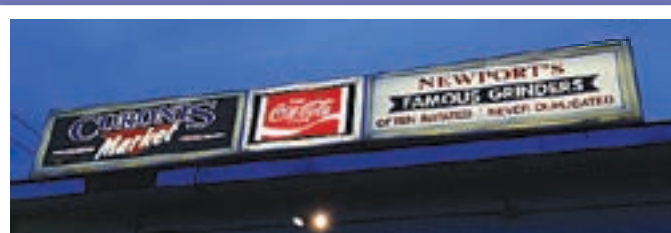
Dr. Rachel Lehr demonstrates the various ways a burka is worn and in what circumstances.

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Katelyn Pinter (front) and Madison Porth, both in 5th grade, took on a Rube Goldberg challenge. They made the easy task of pouring cereal more difficult, slower, and more complicated by using a series of levers, tracks, etc. They commented that they wanted a challenge this year and just pouring cereal from a box is boring.

## Invention Convention at Center Woods

The third annual Invention Convention held in mid-February, brought 46 students from both Center Woods Elementary and Upper Elementary Schools to the multipurpose room at Center Woods to present their inventions. The three categories of inventions were: general (solves everyday problems), challenge (best utilizes the wheel), and Rube Goldberg (a complicated machine that accomplishes a simple task using a chain reaction. All inventions were judged by a panel of 15 community members. The Invention Convention is part of The Young Inventor's Program administered by The Academy of Applied Science in Concord, NH.

This year's winners:

- Kindergarten General category – Grace Meisser—The Cleaner Upper
- Grade 1 General category – Molly Heath—Helping Hand Challenge category – Carter Geddes—The Ninja Mover
- Grade 2 General category – Eliana Mears—The Eraser Loop Challenge category – Isabella Donnelly—To Do Wheel
- Grade 3 General category – Hailey Duval & Ryan Mucci—Safety Backpack Challenge category – Sadie & Claire McCallum—The Amazing Curb Climber
- Rube Goldberg – Haley Stafford—Haley's Hydration Station
- Grade 4 General category – Fiona Winsor—Temper Cat
- Grade 5 General Category – Sophia Pollard and Gracie Bowmar—Sporty Specks Band Challenge category – Rose Kosciuszek—The Bluster Duster Rube Goldberg – Jackie O'Donnell—Long O'Clock Student Choice awards
- 1st place – Carter Geddes—The Ninja Mover
- 2nd place – Sadie & Claire McCallum—The Amazing Curb Climber
- 3rd place – Haley Duval & Ryan Mucci—Safety Backpack

The Young Inventors' Program (YIP) project-based learning encourages critical thinking, and introduces the basic principles of design thinking through out-of-the-box problem solving, leading youth in the creation of their own invention. This year's corporate sponsor, Kronos, supplied Center Woods schools with the Young Inventors' Program kits that contained all the necessary supplies for teachers to use with students for an Invention Convention.

## Tristan makes up in spirit and determination what he lacks in height

Height is an asset for a basketball player, but it's not a big deal for the boys on Hillsboro-Deering High School's junior varsity team. This year, the Hillcats welcomed Tristan Wilmott to their team. This freshman, who turns 15 in April, stands out, but it's not because he towers over his teammates.

Tristan is 3-foot-5, weighs 42 pounds, and wears a size 1 shoe. He's so small that his team had to special-order a uniform with his No. 1 because none of the uniforms on hand would fit him.

But despite his small stature, caused by a rare disorder, Tristan isn't one bit intimidated when he's up against 6-footers on the court. He's just used to it. "I understand," he said with a grin, "a lot of people are taller than me."

Tristan's coach and teammates agree that what he lacks in height he makes up in spirit on this team that hasn't won a game all season.

In many ways, Tristan and his team have shown that sometimes the real winners are the ones who lose.

"He definitely raises the spirits of everybody on the team," said coach Andrew Jones. He's been in games where we've been down by a lot, and then at the end Tristan goes out and everyone on the bench is cheering and he's taking shots and they're hoping they go in, and it's just an explosion when he does make it.

"A lot of teams, when they're down by that much, no one cares anymore and they're just waiting for the clock to run out." Tristan's journey to the basketball court has been tough.

At age 4 he was diagnosed with a condition called mulibrey nanism — an extremely rare genetic disorder that causes significant growth failure and other abnormalities affecting the heart, muscles, brain and eyes.

Doctors told his mother, Jessie, that he's one of about 115 people in the world known to have the disease; most are Finnish.

As a young child, Tristan, who grew up in Hillsboro, underwent two open-heart surgeries and numerous biopsies as doctors tried to figure out why he wasn't growing normally.

Tristan wasn't expected to live very long. His mother said doctors thought he might make it to about 2 or 3.

He was sent to Walt Disney World through the Make-A-Wish Foundation when he was 5.

Tristan seemed to beat the odds after the wish was granted. He hasn't been hospital-



Fourteen-year-old Tristan Wilmott, center, joined Hillsboro-Deering High School's junior varsity basketball team this year. He was born with a rare condition that limited his growth, but it didn't stop him from becoming one of the team.

ized since then, and he remains in good health.

The 10 medications he once took are now down to just a growth hormone shot.

"I'm not religious in any way," his mother said, "but something happened." Tristan was always interested in competitive team sports, but his mom was hesitant.

"I've played sports. I don't sugarcoat things with him. I make him aware of his limitations. I just didn't think it was a good idea," she said. She thought individual sports would be better. Tristan took karate lessons for about five years until his instructor was killed in a motorcycle accident. Though Tristan avoided team sports for years, the Hillsboro-Deering High School athletic director encouraged him to play. Friends also told him to give it a try.

Even with that encouragement, Tristan's mother wasn't sure it was a good idea; she feared some wouldn't want him on the team. Tristan took it all in stride when he tried out.

"I either made it or I didn't make it," he said. "I wasn't really nervous." He was psyched to land a spot on the team and has tried his best, scoring a total of 14 points this season. While the team may have lost every game, Tristan tries to look on the bright side. "We're getting close," he said. Winning is always nice, but at the end of the day, Tristan said, "It's all about having fun."

The team has one more chance to win when it plays its last game Friday at Kear-

sarge Regional High School. As the season nears an end, Tristan's mom has learned that letting him play was the right decision.

"They've all been great," she said of the players and fans. "They've really encouraged him. He gets cheered on a lot. He's got his own little cheer section. The girls love him."

Opposing teams have also encouraged him and helped him out on the court, especially the players from Stevens High School in Claremont; he scored six points in a game against Stevens.

"It's fun. I like getting points and making everybody happy," Tristan said.

His coach admitted that he was concerned about Tristan's safety early on, but that hasn't been an issue so far. Jones said he has no regrets about putting him on the team. And the team has learned an important lesson in acceptance.

"He's energetic, definitely. It's always good to get him in in the last few minutes to get some points. He's taught us how to really work as a team," said teammate Sam Taylor, 17.

Freshman Kyle Bergstresser, 15, has known Tristan since preschool. "He's a positive guy," he said.

Once the basketball season ends, Tristan plans to take snowboarding lessons at Pats Peak, where his mother works.

He's also considering other team sports. "I'm planning on playing soccer and football next year," he said. Mom isn't sold on the football idea. "We'll see," she said, laughing.

## Area Police Chiefs & School Superintendents discuss opioids

School superintendents from around the Southwest region of New Hampshire recently participated in a panel discussion about the current opioid crisis in New Hampshire and how it impacts schools and student education.

The discussion revolved around three major areas— what is an opioid by definition, how did the problem escalate to its present level, and what resources are available to schools to help combat the problem.

Consistently the police chiefs spoke of the need for community wide efforts to address the opioid issue, repeating several times that schools, parents, towns, police, social services and others need to work together to open up the lines of communication about the problem. “We’re not arresting our way out of this problem,” said Sunapee Police Chief David Cahill. “We need everyone to join together to get this solved,” he continued.

Another underlying theme of the discussion was that for schools, student drug use is not the major source of the problem, but students with addicted parents or siblings that have no stable home base. “We have a whole generation of kids with horrible lives coming into school trying to learn,” said Superintendent Dr. Middleton McGoodwin of Claremont.

Another problem for schools is trying to find ways to support the growing number of grandparents now caring for school age children who are in their care because the parents are unable to do so. “We have 100 sets of grandparents raising kids in my district,” said Mascoma Regional Valley Superintendent Patrick Andrew, “and we have no social services for them.”

“This was an important initial conversation, the topic is being discussed across

the state by school leaders,” said SAU 24 Superintendent of Schools and Chairperson of the Southwest Region Superintendents of the NH School Administrators Association Dr. Lorraine Tacconi-Moore. “We know this is not a problem that the

schools can solve alone and on-going conversations with law enforcement and other community leaders will continue. Our greatest challenge is identifying resources to help our students,” continued Dr. Tacconi-Moore.



L-R: Hillsboro Chief David Roarick, Claremont Chief Alexander Scott, Henniker Chief Ryan Murdough, Mont Vernon Chief Kevin Furlong, and Sunapee Chief David Cahill.

## Colby-Sawyer works with Franklin's PermaCity Life

The Colby-Sawyer College Board of Trustees approved a three-year Bachelor of Science degree in community-based sustainability that will launch in fall 2016. The major was developed as a result of an innovation grant that the college received from the Davis Educational Foundation.

Through hands-on courses and a unique partnership with Franklin-based nonprofit PermaCity Life, students will have the opportunity to develop relevant skills for creative and complex problem solving, work directly with regional stakeholders and potential employers, and do their part to help create a resilient, vibrant, diverse and sustainable community in Franklin, N.H.

New Hampshire’s smallest city is on the cusp of a sustainable revitalization and, thanks to this community-based collaboration between local organizations and Colby-Sawyer, students are positioned both to learn from and contribute to that effort. The major is complemented by a broader campus-wide program called the Sustainable Learning Initiative (SLI) at Franklin Falls, which offers students in every discipline experiential learning opportunities to explore, design and develop sustainable solutions to real and evolving community needs. The initiative is intended to be flexible and modular, allowing faculty to tailor an existing assignment to focus on an aspect of the city’s revitalization.

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**SAU #1 PRESCHOOL CHILD CHECK**

The ConVal School District Special Education Dept. will be holding a Preschool Child Check Clinic for 3 and 4 year old children living in the towns of Antrim, Bennington, Dublin, Frankestown, Greenfield, Hancock, Peterborough, Sharon and Temple on Tuesday, March 8, 2016 at the Antrim Elementary School at 9:00 a.m. Snow date is Thursday, March 10, 2016.

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



## New plans calls for curbing, parking and sidewalk improvements

At Tuesday's Hillsborough Seletmen's meeting Town Planner Robyn Payson introduced Mike Tardiff of the Central New Hampshire regional Planning Commission and Mike Vignale of KV Partners. The two have been working on a plan to improve

parking, traffic flow and pedestrian safety on Depot Street.

They presented a plan about featuring increased angling for the parking spaces which provides a wider travel lane. Also featured are additional curbing and more

defined sidewalks.

Also discussed was approaching the Valley Bible Chapel for a shared parking arrangement for its lot which abuts the town parking lot. Phase I is budgeted at \$27,000, and Phase II at \$15,000.

### PUBLIC NOTICE WINDSOR SCHOOL DISTRICT TOWN OF WINDSOR

The Windsor School Board and the Town of Windsor will hold their Annual School District and Town Meetings on Tuesday, March 8, 2016 at the Windsor Town Hall. The school district meeting will begin at 6:30pm with the town's annual meeting immediately following.

Check out next weeks Messenger for statements from candidates for town and school offices!

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**Boys Sports**

**BASKETBALL**

**Bow 55 Mascenic 34:** Bow led by just a single point at halftime, but turned up its defense in the second half, thanks to the play of Shane Wunderli.

**Kearsarge 53 Sanborn 38:** Trent Noordsij's double double (23 points, 16 rebounds, 8 assists) led the way.

**Pelham 75 Hopkinton 56:** Cam Cyr finished with 15 points for Hopkinton and Rob Wilkerson scored 12 in the loss.

**Kearsarge 54 Mascoma 29:** Tom Johnson scored 18, Tayler Mattos 14 and Zach Mattos combined 12 points with 12 rebounds.

**Hopkinton 60 Fall Mountain 35:** Hopkinton built an early lead and never looked back, getting all 12 players into the game and on the scoresheet.

**Hopkinton 80 Hillsboro-Deering 37:** A 32-9 second quarter sealed the Hillcats' fate. Cameron Cyr led all Hopkinton scorers with 23 points, while Zach Rowell scored 10 points for H-D.

**Bow 76 Hillsboro-Deering 19:** Bow jumped out to a huge first-quarter lead and never looked back en route to the rout.

**Sunapee 53 Derryfield 32:** Matt Tenney was honored prior to the game for scoring his 1,000th career point last week. Derryfield scored the first basket of the game, but Sunapee countered, scoring 14 in a row and led 17-6 after the first quarter.

**Milford 72 ConVal 50:** Kirk Palladino and Ryan Banuskevich led the Spartans with 20 and 18 points, respectively.

**Merrimack Valley 58 Conval 47:** Down 52-30 at the end of the third ConVal made a good comeback in the fourth, outscoring MV 17-6, but ultimately fell short.

**John Stark 54 Merrimack Valley 40:** The Generals took a 28-18 lead into halftime. MV senior Ian Curtin scored eight of his 12 in the second half as the Pride made a push, but it wasn't enough.

**Sunapee 84 Epping 72:** Issaiah Chappell scored 33 points to lead the Lakers to its 13th win of the season. Sunapee led by just two after the first quarter and extended that lead to five at the half, 44-39.

**Goffstown 58 Souhegan 46:** Casey Gervais scored 19 points and Rob Girardin added 15 for Goffstown which led 38-35 before pulling away in the fourth quarter.

**Franklin 66 Campbell 49:** Dana Bean had 29 points, and 17 rebounds while Kenny Torres added 27 points in a convincing win.

**HOCKEY**

**Oyster River 2 Goffstown 1:** After two scoreless periods, Oyster River scored two goals in a span of 16 seconds. Noah Charron of Goffstown tallied a power-play goal with 9:53 left. Goffstown's Colin Holt turned back 12 shots.

**Goffstown 5 Hollis/Brookline- Derryfield 4:** Noah Charron and Tyler Riendeau each scored a pair of goals.

**Bow 2 Spaulding 1:** Brendan Ulrich broke a 1-1 tie in the first period to help the Falcons finish the regular season at the top of the Division II standings.

**INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONS**

Will Austin of Sunapee won state titles in Division IV slalom and ski jumping, and also won two Skimeister gold medals.

Maddie Ausin of Sunapee won a state title in Division IV slalom and finished second in the Skimeister standings.

Stephan Nix and Tyler Sharron of Newport, Ben Widmann of John Stark, Patrick Kaplin of Franklin and Max Johnson of Bow were wrestling champions in their respective divisions.



## Boys Sports



**Edmunds Ace Hardware's Henniker Huskies Squirt team** tied with the Kearsarge Squirts on 2/20/16. It was a tough start when Kearsarge scored 3 goals in the first period. Kiernan King scored with assist by Ethan Guevin. Henry Powell with a Hat Trick plus an assist and Avery Condon held strong on offense with one goal and 2 assists. Bobby Arnold with the final goal to tie up the game in the last few minutes with a final score 6:6. Strong offense noted by Harold Stokes who was named Player of the Game! Goaltending by Gregory Watson.

**Edmunds Ace Hardware's Henniker Huskies Squirts** played their final game of the season on 2/21/16 to determine placement in the Tier 5 Granite State League. The Huskies entered Lee Clement Arena in the #2 spot and defeated the NHE Eagles 6:2 to take First Place for the season. This was quite monumental as The Husky Squirts had a rough season last year but have worked so hard to achieve greatness! Goals scored by Bobby Arnold, Kiernan King, Gavin Nestler with assist by Ethan Guevin, and Avery Condon with a Hat Trick. Defense was phenomenal with some great plays by Gabriel Ouellette, Boden Cyr and Joey Ouelet. Offensive line with Kade Fletcher was strong. Player of the Game for skating hard and going for the puck at every turn was Ethan Guevin! Goalie, Paulo Vazquez held back the Eagles with some of his best goaltending this season!

## Ausbon Sargent acquires Andover land

The Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust closed on the McLeod property in East Andover on January 21, 2016. This brings the total number of Ausbon Sargent protected properties to 138 properties, comprising 11,091 acres of land in its 12-town area of operations.

The JD McLeod Company, Inc. donated this 24.7-acre parcel of land, in fee, to Ausbon Sargent. The McLeod land donation represents the fourth property that Ausbon Sargent owns. Full ownership, also referred to as fee simple ownership, is a method of protecting land when the landowners no longer want to own their land, but it has conservation value and provides a public benefit. To further explain this concept, Executive Director of Ausbon Sargent, Debbie Stanley, shares, "Although Ausbon Sargent typically uses conservation easements as our primary method to conserve land, the McLeod's outright land donation highlights that we can accept ownership interest in land. When Ausbon Sargent owns land, we pay taxes on the property and we manage the property consistent with our mission. The JD McLeod Company was most generous and we hope that other Andover landowners will follow their wonderful example of land conservation." The McLeod property is a valuable addition of protected land. This mostly forested property is highly ranked for wildlife habitat and has extensive water resources including a perennial stream that flows through a wetlands area along the western boundary of the acreage. The McLeod property also has nearly 900 feet of frontage on the scenic Northern Rail Trail which was created from the rail system of the, now defunct, Northern Railroad. The Rails to Trails Conservancy in Washington, D.C. has added the 52-mile Northern Rail Trail in Grafton and Merrimack Counties to its list of "100 Top Trails in the U.S."

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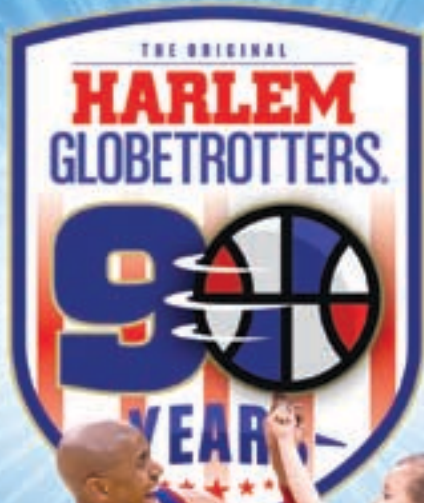
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## Girls Sports



The H-D 7-8 girls who took first place in Merrimack Valley Division 1. Henniker 33-32 in the title game.

### BASKETBALL

**Winnisquam 57 Franklin 52 OT:** Division III Preliminary Down 40-27 going into the fourth quarter, Franklin could have easily given up. In a matter of minutes, Franklin had ripped off an 11-0 run and cut the lead to just two points. Mackenzie Weatherbee led the Golden Tornadoes with 16 points, scoring nine in the fourth quarter and overtime. Marsh finished the night with 12 points and Caplan.

**Campbell 53 Franklin 16:** Campbell toppled Franklin behind Emma Rousseau with 15 points.

**Bow 50 Hillsboro-Deering 14:** Lea Crompton led the Falcons with 13 points as this one was all Falcons from start to finish. Bow will receive a bye in the first round of the D-III.

**Fall Mountain 59 Hopkinton 36:** Amelia Thomas scored a season-high 8 points, but the Hawks couldn't find a way to overpower the Wildcats on the road.

**Kearsarge 40 Mascoma 25:** Devi Kraushaar scored 10 points, a 23-point second quarter was the difference for Kearsarge.

**Merrimack Valley 48 John Stark 30:** The Pride used a balanced team effort to win its ninth straight game.

**Merrimack Valley 65 ConVal 39:** Merrimack Valley extended its winning streak to eight straight games, keeping hold of the No. 2 spot in the Division II standings.

**Pembroke 52 ConVal 35:** The Spartans in a one-sided battle with the Cougars.

**Goffstown 40 Souhegan 34:** Molly McQueeney and Katie Howe each scored 11 points on three 3-point field goals for the Grizzlies.





## Girls Sports

### Mount Royal Academy are JV Champs

The Lady Knights of Mount Royal Academy finished their 2016 season with the school's first ever high school championship. The girls' basketball team won the 2016 Granite State Conference Junior Varsity tournament down at Pittsfield Middle High School on February 23rd. MRA entered the tournament for the second consecutive season as the number one overall seed (12-3). The Lady Knights finished the season at 14-4 overall, as they were able to put last year's defeat in the championship game behind them, proving to be strong contenders even though MRA is the smallest school in the entire NHIAA.

MRA defeated Moultonborough (6-4) in the semi-final game by a score of 30-25. Tenacious defense, strong rebounding, and a dominating fourth quarter (15-4 run) solidified MRA's return to the championship. Jacinta Hogan scored 9 points in the decisive final quarter, giving the Lady Knights just the spark they needed.

The championship game featured the top two seeds, as MRA played an unfamiliar foe, the Epping Blue Devils (8-3). Epping was skilled at all positions, and their fast paced offense was difficult to handle. There were eight different scorers for the Lady Knights, and although the Lady Knights never trailed, it was a particularly competitive matchup. MRA started the game on a 10-0 run, but after the Blue Devils settled down, the teams exchanged baskets for the duration of the game. The final score was 48-42, as the Lady Knights clamped down on defense in the final minutes of the game.

Marilyn LaRose was named to the All-Tournament Team because of her excellent all-around play. She was tough on the glass, scored critical baskets, and racked up several assists by drawing opposing defenders and dishing to open teammates.

Cheyenne Bentley was also named to the All-Tournament Team, largely because of her defensive prowess. She likely led the tournament in rebounds and blocked shots, and her offensive put-backs kept the pressure on for the Lady Knights.

Alexis Matte was named Most Valuable Player for the tournament, and she also won the 3-point challenge. Her ball hawking skills on defense, outside shooting, and command of the offense set the pace for the Lady Knights.

After another successful season, the Lady Knights look to the future, with a young core and a very coachable group of girls eager to learn and work hard for the sake of a greater good.



Front Row – Teresa Bellino, Amy Alterisio, Hannah Everitt, Adrianna Kenyon, Alexis Matte, Hannah Fraioli Back Row – Asst. Coach Sue LaRose, Marilyn LaRose, Sophie LaRose, Jacinta Hogan, Cheyenne Bentley, Erin Diebold, Naomi Nelson, Coach Derek Tremblay.

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## PUBLIC NOTICE WASHINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Washington School Board will hold their Annual School District Meeting on Saturday, March 5, 2016, at 2:00 pm in the Washington Elementary School Multi-Purpose Room.

## PUBLIC NOTICE HILLSBORO-DEERING SCHOOL DISTRICT

To the residents of the School District in the towns of Hillsboro and Deering qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet in each town, on Tuesday, March 8, 2016, to vote, by official ballot, on the election of officers and on all warrant articles. Voting shall take place at the following locations and times:

**For Deering Voters:**  
Deering Town Hall – 11:00 am to 7:00 pm

**For Hillsboro Voters:**  
Hillsboro-Deering Middle School Gym – 7:00 am to 7:00 pm

## TOWN of HENNIKER Planning Board

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Town of Henniker Planning Board will hold a public hearing on 3/9/2016 at 7 pm at Town Hall, 18 Depot Hill Rd, Henniker NH.

**Case: 2016:02** – Proposed site plan application for the construction of a 6,250 square foot structure along with associated parking, Owner/Applicant: 72 Old West Hopkinton Road, LLC, Map 1 Lot 550D, Zoned RN Residential Neighborhood. **Public Hearing and Application Acceptance.**

**Case: 2016:03** – Proposed lot line relocation between two adjoining properties, Map 2 Lot 189-6 & Lot 190, 250 & 262 Maple Street, Owner/Applicant: Robert & Alyssa Brust and Patash, LLC., Zoned CM Median Commercial. **Public Hearing and Application Acceptance.**

**Case: 2016:04** – Proposed site plan application for a two story, 2,872 square foot addition to the existing veterinary hospital, 262 Maple Street, Applicant/owner: Robert & Alyssa Brust, Zoned CM Median Commercial. **Public Hearing and Application Acceptance.**

**Site Plan Review Regulation:** Amend Article V Standards of Review, by adding new Section 203-31A, Agritourism Uses. The addition of Agritourism uses may have the potential to generate increased impacts that did not previously exist. In reviewing such uses the Planning Board has the authority to establish reasonable limits to the Agritourism operation as it relates to the specific uses size, scale, number of potential participants, frequency of activity and hours of operation. The Planning Board also has the authority to establish such reasonable conditions as are necessary to carry out the spirit and intent of these Regulations.

Copies of all materials are available for review at Henniker Town Hall during normal business hours. Members of the public are welcome to attend the public hearings.



The Hopkinton Selectmen recently served breakfast at the Slusser Center.

## Jury favors Weare Police in a lawsuit

A jury has vindicated the Town of Weare and two of its police officers, ruling in their favor in a lawsuit filed by Shane St. Onge claiming the use of excessive physical force during an arrest. St. Onge had been arrested for burglary while inside a Weare auto repair shop two years ago. He pled guilty and served time in jail for the break-in, but then sued the Town of Weare and arresting officers, Kim McSweeney and Ken Cox.

## Goffstown PD & St Anslem cooperating

Goffstown Police Chief Robert Brown met with the Selectmen Monday evening to brief them on a new joint project with Saint Anslem College. Browne reported that the College is applying for a 100,000 per year grant over three years to improve the college and community's response to sexual assault and domestic violence cases.

The town bears no financial responsibility as the grant will cover all expenses. Goffstown Police will commit to attending a series of training conferences over the course of the grant.

The Board gave their full approval to participation in the project.

## The Great Franklin Bench Project

This summer when the weather turns warm, Franklin residents will be able to sit outside and enjoy the sunshine, thanks to 5 new benches courtesy of Choose Franklin, an inclusive citizen's group focusing on promoting Franklin and a generous private donor. Philip Morse, an internationally known New Hampshire designer, has been commissioned to produce 5 stripped down park benches to be placed in various locations in downtown Franklin. The simple, clean lines of the benches will provide a "canvas" for local designers to showcase their ideas and art, with artists being selected through a competition that will choose which designs will be produced.

Here's how it works – There will be 2 categories:

"High School Competition" - The Sophomore, Junior and Senior High School students at Franklin High School will select a design to represent their class in the "High School Competition." The class whose design is judged to be the best will be awarded \$250.00 toward their selected class activity.

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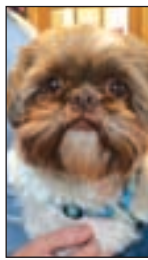
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# Events: Community Bulletin Board

## SATURDAY FEBRUARY 27

**THE SRK GREENWAY:** Snowshoe or whatever works 10-miles to Lucia's Lookout on Sunapee-Pillsbury Ridge from Andrew Brook Trail and Lake Solitude in Newbury. Gerry Gold (526-2857).

**HOPKINTON PROGRAM:** The Little Nature Museum is sponsoring, "Wind, Water, Fire, and Ice," from 1:30 - 2:30pm at the Community Room, Hopkinton Town Library, 61 Houston Drive, Contoocook with Dave Anderson, Director of Education and Volunteer Services for the Society for the Protection of NH Forests. Dave has worked for the Forest Society for 2 1/2 decades. The program is free; donations are appreciated.

**JUNIOR POLICE OFFICER MORNING:** At The Sunapee Police Station 10:00am - 11:30am Spend the morning at the Sunapee Police Station and participate in all kinds of activities. Bring your deductive reasoning skills to solve a crime, learn about fingerprinting, get a behind-the-scenes tour of the station & more. Enjoy snacks and a story, too. For students in grades 2 through 5. Space is limited, so contact the library to reserve your spot.

**POTLUCK:** The Countryside Trail Riders, a group of local equestrians, is holding its mid-winter potluck from 11am-2pm at the Baldwin Center, Fox State Forest, site of the 2016 Susan G Komen 'Ride for the Cure NH.' All are welcome. FMI, call Ann at (603) 478-1178.

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## SUNDAY FEBRUARY 28

**ASK A MUSLIM ANYTHING:** At All Saints' Episcopal Church at 12 noon, the public is invited to "Ask a Muslim Anything." The Reverend Jamie Hamilton will moderate a discussion between Robert Azzi and all who attend. No topic is off limits and it will be an opportunity for the Monadnock community to engage in conversation about identity, interfaith relations, international affairs and Islamophobia.

**BAND CONCERT:** The Kearsarge Community Band will be presenting their annual "(almost) March Madness" concert at 2 pm at the New London Outing Club. There will be marches of all kinds by everyone from Sousa to John Williams and from several countries including Germany and Mexico. Also featured will be five (5) of our favorite conductors taking a turn at the podium. Concert is Free and open to the public.

## TUESDAY MARCH 1

**ADULT COLORING:** 6:30 pm - Unwind and relax at Fuller Public Library in Hillsboro with the newest fad

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**REBECCA RULE:** Join the Antrim-Bennington Lions for a talk entitled: Moved and Seconded: Town Meeting in New Hampshire by Presenter Rebecca Rule 7:00 - 8:00 pm at the First Presbyterian Church, Main Street, Antrim.

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

## THURSDAY MARCH 3

**BOOK DISCUSSION:** Fuller Public Library's Book Group meets at 7pm to discuss The Art Forger by B.A. Shapiro. Refreshments will be served.

## FRIDAY MARCH 4

**SUMMER MUSIC:** The Center for the Arts and Summer Music Associates are delighted to announce a collaboration to present "A Taste of Summer Music" from 5:00 to 7:00pm at the First Baptist Church in New London. Attendees will hear the music of Ashima Scripp, Cellist, and Olga Patramanska-Bell, violinist in live performance.

**DEERING MUSICAL SOIREE:** 7pm, the Deering Community Church will host its Annual Musical Soiree. Featured performers include Heidi Welch, guitar, Leah Dunbar, piano and marinba, Sissi Shattuck, singer, and others. The evening is free of charge with donations appreciated to support our music

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program. The Church is located on Route 149 in the center of Deering.

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER:** Join people from 170 countries in the world in celebrating this event. This year's program is written by women in Cuba. Our local celebration, planned by seven churches in the area will be held this year at Weare Friends (Quakers) that has a sister-relationship with churches in Cuba. Location: 529 Quaker St, Henniker 6pm - Potluck including Cuban dishes 7pm - Service- A donation will be collected that will benefit projects around the world and locally in NH.

**BIG BANDS:** A night of Swing and Big Band Music 7pm, Tall Granite Big Band will present a program of classic and contemporary jazz in the Henniker Community School Café. The evening starts at 7:00pm with a free swing dance lesson provided by professional instructors, followed by live music from 8:00-9:30pm. There will also be plenty of seating available for those who would rather enjoy the show concert-style. All proceeds from the bake sale during the show and donations at the door will benefit the HCS music department. This event is being made possible through a generous donation by Robert and Rebecca Maccini.

## SATURDAY MARCH 5

**THE SRK GREENWAY:** Sutton Conservation Commission easy hike and wildlife tracking in South Sutton in Webb-Crowell Forest. Leader is Dave Anderson

(927-4279).

**THE SRK GREENWAY:** ASLPT short Walk/snowshoe 1-3pm. on Wendall Marsh properties in Sunapee.

**SPAGHETTI DINNER:** 5 to 7pm at Intervale Pancake House sponsored by Henniker Trail Travelers. \$7/ adults, \$5/10 and under.

**SNOWSHOE WALK:** from 1-3, Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust will host a snowshoe walk throughout newly conserved Wendell Marsh North and South properties in Sunapee, NH. All participants should meet at the sewer treatment plant on Treatment Plant Rd. off Rte.11 in Sunapee by 12:45 pm. We will carpool to the start of the hike on Ryder Corner Rd., and snowshoe down to the treatment plant for refreshments in the Break Room. Participants are invited to take a tour of the plant led by the plant superintendent. After, we'll carpool back up to our cars. Please RSVP by March 4 by contacting Kristy at Ausbon Sargent at 526-6555 to reserve a spot.

**TUNES AND TALES:** A Fun Way to Encounter Wildlife. The Little Nature Museum is sponsoring, "Tunes and Tales – A Fun Way to Encounter Wildlife" on Saturday, from 1:30 – 2:30pm at the Community Room, Hopkinton Town Library, 61 Houston Drive, Contoocook with award-winning environmental educator, journalist, and song-leader, Ruth Smith.

**CONTRA DANCE:** The Monadnock Folklore Society presents the Peterborough, NH First Saturday Contra

Dance featuring Lisa Greenleaf with the band Notorious: The dancing begins at 8:00pm. The dance also hosts a free jam session for beginning and intermediate musicians at 6:30pm and a workshop for new dancers at 7:30pm. Admission is \$10 or \$7 for students and seniors. The dance takes place in the historic Town House in Peterborough,

## SUNDAY MARCH 6

**THE SRK GREENWAY:** Nathan Richer (763-2127): In Springfield near Star Lake Farm. X-C ski or hike 6-miles on SRK Greenway from NH 114 to Deer Hill and back (M).

**HENNIKER PROGRAM:** The Tucker Free Library Sundays at the Library Lecture Series will be featuring a program on stone wall buildings from tradesman Kevin Gardner starting at 2pm No advance registration is required for this free program. For additional information contact us at 428-3471

## MONDAY MARCH 7

**SPORTS SCIENCES SYMPOSIUM:** Colby-Sawyer College hosts the Exercise and Sports Sciences Symposium Athletes First: Components of Effective Coaching at Wheeler Hall in Ware Student Center. The event runs from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Lectures are free and open to the public with a reservation required by Friday, Feb. 26. Lunch with presenters and Exercise and Sports Sciences faculty is also available for a cost of \$12.50.

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# Obituaries: Friends & Neighbors Remembered

## Melody P. (Chippy) Dumais

DEERING - Melody Pauline Dumais (Bumford), 79, died February 21, 2016 at Concord Hospital with her family by her side after fighting a courageous battle with cancer. Melody was born in Hillsboro on Sept. 13, 1936. She was the daughter of the late Walter G. Bumford and Gladys P. (Blanchard) Bumford. She was predeceased by her baby son David M. Dumais, her sister Valerie Emery and her brother Clifford (Bobby) Bumford both from Deering. Survived by her husband who were married for 60 years, Donald W. Dumais of Deering, NH, her son William W. Dumais and his wife Debby of Hillsboro, NH, her daughter Diane L. Graziano and her husband Kyle of Hillsboro, NH, Donna L. Grady and her husband Martin of Contoocook, NH, Deanna P. Cote and her husband Michael of Hillsboro, NH. She is also survived by her brother Walter (Jr.) Bumford and his wife Cynthia of Henniker, NH, one aunt Marjorie Bumford Perry of Antrim, NH. She leaves behind eight grandchildren, eleven great, great grand children as well as many nieces, nephews and cousins. In lieu of flowers a donation can be made to the Deering Rescue Squad, Box 166, Deering, NH 03244, or Hillsboro Rescue Squad, P.O. Box 350, Hillsboro, NH 03244, or Payson Cancer Center, 250 Pleasant St., Concord, NH 03301.



## Tyler J. Frost

GOFFSTOWN - Tyler J. Frost, 35,

died Feb. 15, 2016. Born in Concord, he was a lifelong resident of Goffstown. He was predeceased by a brother, Tristian C. Parker. He is survived by two sons, Kohen R. "Barton" Frost of Goffstown and Tatum T. Barton of Dunbarton; his parents, Omer TL Barton of Loudon and Patricia L. Pare of Goffstown; stepfather, Raymond Pare of Goffstown; brother, Daniel Barton of Portland, Maine; maternal grandfather, Ralph B. Lucier of Concord; several aunts, uncles and cousins. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Wounded Warrior Project.

## Claudia Mae (Sudbury) Grant

ANTRIM - Claudia Mae (Sudbury) Grant passed away on January 28th,

2016. She was born on September 25, 1922 daughter of Gordon F. and Grace (Thompson) Sudbury. She was predeceased by her sister Gwen Cutter and brother Gordon Sudbury Jr., her son Claude Grant, daughter Janet Rice, great grandson Joshua Rice and husband Kenneth Grant Sr. She is survived by her children Kenneth Grant, Jr. and wife Alva, James Grant, Terry Grant, June Fitzpatrick, Julie Kimball and husband William. She has 14 grandchildren, 24 great grandchildren and 5 great great grandchildren. She was proud to have five generations.



## Katherine B. Hartnett

GOFFSTOWN - Katherine B. Hartnett, 90, of Goffstown, died Feb. 17, 2016, at Birch Hill Terrace after a period of

declining health. She was born in Rockport, Maine, May 12, 1925, the daughter of Everett and Elizabeth Libby. She was predeceased by her husband of 41 years, Arthur J. Hartnett Jr., who died in 2011, and by a niece, Susan Duhaime Sibille. Family members include a sister-in-law, Elizabeth "Bette" Duhaime of Manchester; nephews, Stephen Duhaime and wife, Susan of Hector, NY, and Pierre Sibille of Boca Raton, FL; nieces, Judith Ross and husband, Christopher of Hartland, VT, Cynthia Duhaime-Londberg and husband, Robert of Los Angeles, CA, Patti Wade and husband Steven of Concord, and Diana Duhaime of York, Maine; many grand-nieces, grand-nephews, and her Birch Hill Terrace family. Memorial donations may be made to the Birch Hill Terrace Benevolent Fund, 200 Alliance Way, Manchester, NH 03102, or St. Paul's United Methodist Church, Ruth Douglas Fund, 335 Smyth Road, Manchester, NH 03104.

## Robert John Tracy

FRANKLIN - Robert John Tracy, 92 of Franklin, and Venice, FL passed away in Venice, FL Wednesday, Feb. 17, 2016. He was born Oct. 15, 1923, in Franklin, the fourth of seven children of William D. Tracy Jr. and Twila (Morse) Tracy who divorced when he was 4 and was then raised by his stepfather, Lougee Lapage and mother Twila who had four children together. Robert is survived by his sister, Ruth Valley of Laconia; sister-in-law, Ruth Lapage Laughy of Sanbornton; four children, Michael Tracy of Dedham,



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MA, Maureen Tracy and partner, Kerie Kenison of Dover, Susan Tracy and partner, Al Robertson of Tilton and Kevin Tracy and wife, Nora of Dover. He also is survived by two grandchildren, Patrick Thurber and wife, Mariah and Andrew Thurber and wife, Tina; as well as four great-grandchildren, Riley, Bryce, Brady and Avery Thurber, all of Franklin. Robert was predeceased by three of his children, Linda Tracy Thurber Morton, Timothy Tracy and David Tracy. He was also predeceased by nine of his siblings, Muriel Tracy Sweeney, William Tracy III, Marjorie Tracy Terrault, Marion Tracy Gilbert, Charles Tracy, Helen Lapage Gilbert, Enid Lapage, Robert Lapage and Richard Lapage. In lieu of flowers donations made be made to the Linda Tracy Morton Scholarship Fund at Franklin Savings Bank, 387 Central St., Franklin, 03235.

## Richard A. Purpura

DEERING — Richard A. “Dick” Purpura, resident of Deering, died Feb. 14, 2016, after a courageous battle with lung cancer. He was married to Roberta (Prue) Purpura for over 50 years. He was the second son of George and Ida Purpura, born in Hanson, MA, in March 1937. In addition to his wife Roberta, he is survived by his children, Robert and wife Carol of Dracut, MA; daughter Rebecca and son Tony of Deering; lifelong friend/son Charles Baker and wife Carol of Deering; and grandsons Dominic



of Raymond and Michael of Dracut, MA. He was a beloved family member to brothers Mick and wife Alice, and George; sisters Annette and Barbara; and many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his brother, Bill.

## Richard T. Coughlin Sr.

GOFFSTOWN — Richard T. Coughlin Sr., of Goffstown, passed away peacefully on Feb. 20, 2016, with his loving family by his side. He was born March 23, 1938, in Manchester, to John J. and Madeline (Tinel) Coughlin. He is greatly mourned by his wife Lorraine, his children and a legion of grandchildren. He leaves behind a brother, James Coughlin, and his wife, Janet; and his sister-in-law, Margaret Coughlin. His family takes great comfort knowing he is resting peacefully with the Lord.

## Narda A. (Porter) Smart

HILLSBORO - Narda A. (Porter) Smart, 68, of Hillsboro, NH died February 22, 2016 at Hospice House in Concord, NH. She was born May 6, 1947 in Kennebunk, Maine to the late William E. & Lucille E. (Curtis) Porter. She was also predeceased by her husband, Gordon C. Smart who died in 1999; a daughter, Lori J. Rios; a sister, Wilda Porter; and grandchild, Savannah Logan. Survived by 2 sons, Jeffrey S. Smart of Townsend, MA, Gordon W. Smart of Antrim, NH, Jasen E. Smart of Concord, NH, 1 daughter, Amy L. Smart of



Allendale, PA, 1 brother, Donald G. Porter of Ormond Beach, FL, 3 sisters, Melba Butler of Louisiana, Cara Mcneese of New Jersey, Beverly Michaude of Lunenburg, MA, 12 grandchildren, Maggie, Lindsey, Jeffrey, Liam, Ella, Bruce, George, Molly, Alison, Porter, Carlie, Shane. Donations may be made in her name to the Narda Porter-Smart Memorial Fund at [www.crowdrise.com/nardaportersmartmemorialfund1/fundraiser/maggiesmart](http://www.crowdrise.com/nardaportersmartmemorialfund1/fundraiser/maggiesmart)

## Maydra Smith

NEWPORT — Maydra “Sue” Smith, 75, passed away suddenly Monday, Feb. 22, 2016, at Valley Regional Hospital in Claremont. She was born May 17, 1940, in Newport, to the late John Milton and Beatrice Elizabeth (Putnam) Blackington. She was predeceased by her parents and by her very special friend, William Roach of Sunapee. She is survived by sons, Mel E. Smith and his wife, Tara, of Granby, Connecticut, Donnie E. Smith of Newport; daughter, Audra (Smith) Callanan and her husband, Sean, of North Reading, Massachusetts; grandchildren, Alyssa and Ethan Smith, Griffin, Carter and Beckett Callanan; a brother, Milton J. Blackington and his wife, Sandra, of Sunapee; and many members of her extended family. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Newport Thrift Shoppe or Newport’s Richards Free Library.



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## Hazel Johnstone wins John Stark Poetry Competition

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finalists were Hazel Johnstone, Katie Nitzschke, Sarah Wagner, and Gretchen Wagner. In addition to the performances by John Stark students reciting celebrated poems, John Stark student pianists Denali Smith and Rachel Weidman provided musical entertainment. John Stark, science teacher Christopher Clauss from the New Hampshire Poetry Slam Team performed "Growing on Stone."

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**\$3.99** lb

**DELI**



**DELI SLICED, DELUXE Boar's Head HAM**

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