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Kearsarge bomb threat

A bomb threat was found in the Kearsarge Regional High School bathroom

Friday morning. The note said, "School will blow up at noon on 3/4/16." The building was evacuated. Students were taken by bus to



the Kearsarge Regional Middle School. State Police EOD did search the building with a bomb dog. This is an ongoing investigation. If you have any information pertaining to this incident please contact the Sutton Police Department 603-927-4422.



Washington kart racer

An eight-year-old kart racer from Washington is a finalist in the Search for a Champion Contest. Joel Belanger has been kart racing since he was five and was selected as one of the 25 finalists out of 200 entries nationwide. Joel, who races at Claremont Speedway, is officially now sponsored by Champion spark plugs and has a \$1000 sponsorship; he is hoping to win the \$10,000 grand prize from the contest.



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An overflow crowd made up predominately of Prospect Street residents attended Monday's Franklin City Council meeting to support reclamation and repaying of their street (See related story below).

Firing Range takes fire

Franklin couple complains of excessive use & noise

Although repair and repaving of their street was the major topic at Franklin's City Council meeting, one Prospect Street couple used the public comment section to raise another and file a complaint. The couple, who have lived on the street for 16 years, complained that since the City reauthorized the lease with the Franklin Targeteers in 2013, their lives have been disrupted and their home unlivable because of the frequent and excessively loud sounds of gun fire from the shooting range.

Unfortunately for them, the room was

filled with both members of the Targeteers and Prospect Street homeowners, none of which shared their concerns.

Several residents said they have heard gun fire but it did not disturb them. Range members stated that the range had been in place for 31 years and they have never received complaints. Many pointed out that the problem was not with the range or its members but with illegal partying, shooting and setting off fireworks down the street from the range. Members invited the couple to come to a meeting and discuss their concerns.

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Seven NEC students arrested for hazing Coffey challenges selectmen over renovation costs Injured Antrim EMT asks town for help Lady Hillcats complete 18-0 season

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March 16, 2007

Hillsborough approves sewer treatment plant upgrade Andover voters nix school bond Weare Judge resigns to serve in Iraq Kearsarge student arrested again

March 17, 2006

Bradford Selectmen lose their insurance benefits Hopkinton rejects \$4.5 million senior center Warner ZBA Chair issues an apology Windsor meeting to be filmed

Hillsborough voters support the Sewer & Water Commissioners

Hillsborough residents approve most of the town warrant article by nearly unanimous voice vote, including the proposed \$6,904,845 operating budget. Blessed with a \$1.2 million General Fund Balance, voters easily approved funding new or existing Capital Reserve Funds for purchases from the surplus, including:

\$40,000 park maintenance and repairs \$30,000 sidewalk maintenance & repairs

\$35,000 Highway Dept. equipment \$60,000 Smith house maintenance & repair \$100,000 Town building maintenance \$20,000 bridge repairs \$50,000 ambulance Purchase \$75,000 Police dept equipment \$25,000 Transfer Station equipment \$10,000 Cemetery maintenance

Two proposals were defeated; \$60,000 for new Grimes Field bathrooms, and \$15,000 for a new Youth Work Program. Most believed it was a good program which lacked specifics. It was defeated by a vote of 48 yes to 62 no.

The Fire Department fared well, gaining approval for an \$850,000 ladder truck and \$246,00 for new air Pacs.

Defeated last year, after a long contentious debate, an \$8,000 contribution to Hillsborough Area Senior Services passed unanimously Tuesday night.

The most debate was reserved for an article, sponsored by the selectmen, abolishing the Sewer & Water Commission, transferring its functions to the selectmen. Town Administrator Laura Buono and the three selectmen told residents the change was requested in order to improve communication between departments while expanding the town's water and sewer capacity, a position that found little support among the voters.

Resident Doug Hatfield summarized the feelings of many when he said "I've heard it time and time again. If it's not broken, don't fix it." After a long debate the article was soundly defeated by a 132 no to 21 yes ballot vote.



Boys from troop 73. Sean Austin, Kyle Gamache, Joshua Gamache, Ken Veitch and Quinn Erickson. All working on their citizenship merit badge at the Hillsboro town meeting. Having fun while learning a good civics lesson.

Newport School District voters defeat budget & raises

Newport voters turned out in force to defeat the proposed operating budget seeking \$17,592,889 by a vote of 643 no - 270 yes. The default budget of \$17,274,889 will triger a school tax increase of \$1.50 per \$1,000 of property valuation.

Superintendent Gallagher said this will result in about \$1.6 million to cut from the budget; \$800,000 coming from the operating budget and another \$800,000 from personnel. In addition

to the defeat of the operating budget and pay raises, voters also rejected a request for \$71,721 to help finance the SAU operation without Croydon as a partner. That vote was 643-209.

Voters did support Article 7 providing for Newport's withdrawal from School Administrative Unit 43, and the Newport-Croydon Tuition Agreement for the purpose of educating Croydon students in Grades 5-12 in Newport public schools for a three-year period beginning July 1.



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Contrary to prior assertions, cholesterol-lowering statin drugs most likely do not cause short-term memory loss, according to a study of nearly one million patients. Limited previous studies and some ory lapses after taking popular lipid-lowering drugs (LLDs) called statins, said Brian L. Strom, chancellor of Rutgers Biomedical and Health Sciences (RBHS) and lead study author. The result has been that some people have stopped taking their statins, in-appropriately. About 610,000 people die of heart

disease in the United States every year — that's 1 in every 4 deaths, according to the Center for Disease Control. One in four Americans over age 45 takes statins, drugs that inhibit a liver enzyme that controls the synthesis of cholesterol and lowers LDL, commonly known as "bad cholesterol." Statins have proven very effective at lowering high cholesterol, one of the major risk factors for heart disease, and preventing heart attacks and death. If a statin drug alone is not effectively reducing cholesterol numbers or a patient doesn't tolerate the drug, nonstatins are often prescribed, Strom said. The study, published in The Journal of the American Medical Association — Internal Medicine, compared new users of statins with people not taking statins. New statin users also were compared to a second control group — patients taking nonstatin LLDs —which had not been done before. More patients taking statins indeed reported memory loss in the 30day period after first taking the drugs, compared to non-users, the study found. The same, however, was found with the nonstatin LLDs.

New research published in United European Gastroenterology Journal suggests that supplementation with vitamin D may impact on the intestinal barrier dysfunction associated with Crohn's disease, and could have a role in the treatment of the condition.

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The cast during a dress rehearsal.

John Stark students "ALL Shook Up"

The Stage Company at John Stark Regional High School will present All Shook Up, the musical inspired by and featuring the songs of Elvis Presley written by Joe Dipietro. Showtimes: Thursday, March 17 through Saturday, March 19 at 7 PM and Sunday, March 20 at 2 PM. Admission is \$5 for students and senior citizens, \$7 for adults. Tickets will be available at the door. You may also call ahead for reservations at 603-529-1601.

All Shook Up takes place in the '50s in a small town somewhere in the Midwest. The town is full of dull people who don't understand how to have fun—that is until Chad, a roustabout who goes from town to town looking to have some fun and meet new people, shows up. When Chad arrives the whole town gets caught up in his passion for music and love. Follow Chad and others through the town's rockin' 24 hour journey. All Shook Up includes such songs as Jailhouse Rock, Let yourself Go, A Little Less Conversation, and more.

The cast of All Shook Up includes: Nancy Gregory, Justin Purington, Ronal Hallee, Lizzie Poehlman, Madison Poitrast-Upton, Nic Zerbinopolos, Mikayla Caterino, April Goodwin, Robert Blouin, Karter Martin, Rachael Wrzeszcz, Devon Lizotte, Collin Ashtolz, Brian Parker, and Allison Grenier.

The ensemble (townspeople, back-up singers and dancers) includes: Tori Bamford, Jessica Bedard, Travis Brown, Evelyn Cameron, Caleb Delgado, Caleb Morrison, Deric Farris, Josh Gagnon, Cassie Gibbs, Nate Hamann, Lily Hamel, Micaela Hopkins, Kathryn Janelle, Spencer Janelle, Hazel Johnstone, Sami LaLiberte, Alex Love, Tian Quinn, Sara Lyons, Megan Newhall, Asha Ohira, Darla Testino, Denali Smith, and Riley St. Amand.

All Shook Up is stage managed by Melanie Gardiner, Chloe Labrie, and Trinette Hunter. Additional student crew members include: Jillian Palmacci, Alex Marko, Will Sweeney, Travis Borruso, Megan Newhall, Nancy Gregory, Jessica Bedard, Elza Brechbuhl, Madeleine Gardner, Fallon Hawkes, Natalie Hoffman, Abigail Larkin, Robert Mallett, Chloe Streitburger, Sami LaLiberte, Mikayla Caterino, Rachael Wrzeszcz, Alyssa Robichaud, Jack McCallum, A.J. Johannisson, Kacie Palmacci, Alex Marko, Tian Quinn, Tyler Bossart, Zachary Campbell, Alex Christian, Patrick Higginbottom, Dylan Marcoux, A.J. Nelson, and Jack Schuirmann.

Hopkinton taxpayers nix \$7,000 for RedHawk's Football

Discussion of a \$7,000 item dominated the debate on the \$18.6 million budget for almost an hour at Hopkinton School District Meeting last Saturday. The School Board and Administration proposed including \$7,000 to support the Hillsboro-Deering/Hopkinton RedHawks Football Team, while the town's budget committee opposed it. The \$7,000 would have covered transportation expenses and coaching costs. Supporters said that they would continue fundraising and seeking volunteer donations for equipment and gear.

Budget Committee Chairwoman Janet Krzyzaniak warned that approving \$7,000 today would lead to contributing increasing amounts in the future. Some residents also discussed the chance of young football players getting concussions and Krzyzaniak said she was more concerned with the health of the players than the school's liability and cited evidence showing young football players with a prevalence of concussions.

Another resident admitted concussions are a serious concern, but said local teams go to lengths to keep players safe. In the end, the program failed by a vote of 163 yes to 193 no.

The budget committee's recommended budget of \$18.6 million eventually passed after an amendment to subtract \$153,157. Voters then approved collective bargaining increases to the school's support staff and janitorial staff, as well as allocations to various capital reserve funds on a voice vote.

But before the meeting concluded,

Dennie Yianakopolos said the team would still play next year. "We are going to play football, and we are going to work like hell to raise a lot more money," she said.



Hopkinton's School District budget discussion was dominated by one \$7,000 item.

Weare voters support highway garage reject cruisers

Weare residents rejected a request for five new police cruisers to replace older ones in the department's fleet, the vote was 768-631. They also rejected, 892-493, a new contract between selectmen and the police union.

The two-year deal called for increased salaries and benefits, costing the town \$25,346 in the first year and \$30,538 in the second. The finance committee did not support this agreement, saying it is not

consistent with the raises for other town employees.

Voters did approve \$1.36 million to be issued through bonds for construction of a new public works facility. The article required a three-fifths majority and passed. Weare School District voters approved a new teachers' contract, 788-608, as well as a new contract with the support staff. The \$14.6 million operating budget passed by a 818-572 margin.



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Visitors at the Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum enjoy a taste of maple sugar while sap boils over an open fire.

Kearsarge Maple Festival held in Warner

On March 19 & 20, the town of Warner will hold its annual Kearsarge Maple Festival, and this year's event is expected to be bigger and better than ever. Maple lovers are invited to start off each day with a pancake and eggs breakfast at the United Church of Warner from 7:30-11. On Saturday from 10-4, the NH Telephone Museum will offer sugar on snow, as well as free admission to the museum. Sugar on snow is an old fashioned spring-time treat, still loved by New Hampshire residents. On Sunday from 10-4, visitors will learn how Native Americans made maple sugar at the Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum. They will also hear an Abenaki sugar story and see antique tools used in the harvest. On the same grounds, the Little Nature Museum will offer free maple activities and prizes the kids are sure to enjoy. Nine sugar houses in Warner and Webster will offer free tours & samples of fresh maple syrup both days from 10-4. Visitors can see how sap is collected and made into syrup. They may chat with the maple producers and learn how maple sugaring has changed over the years.

Registration for 3 on 3 Basketball Team

Registration is now open for the 16th annual Crispin's House 3-on-3 Charity Basketball double-elimination tournament that will take place on Saturday, March 26, at Goffstown High School. Age divisions range from grade 3 to adult, and players of all abilities are encouraged to participate. Registration forms are available at the schools and at Goffstown Public library, and online at crispinshouse. org. Anyone interested in becoming a sponsor of the event is welcome. Contact any Crispin's House board member or call 497-3499. Advanced registration is \$15 per player under age 18, and \$35 per player, 18 and older. The registration fee is \$5 higher on the day of the tournament. Those who register before March 16 will receive a free team T-shirt. Crispin's House operates programs for youths within the greater Goffstown community, which includes Goffstown, New Boston, Weare, Dunbarton and Francestown.

Goffstown town school budgets approved

Goffstown voters are apparently content with the way the town and school are being run. They approved the \$19,839,912 Town Budget by a vote of 1149-786. The School Budget was approved 1209-732. The Collective Bargaining Contract with the town's firefighters passed 1364-586 and the Collective Bargaining Contract with the teachers was approved 1209-733.

New London voters approve \$7.8 million budget and K-9 Unit

New London voters approved the full warrant, including a \$460,000, 10 year bond measure for four large capital projects. Those projects include closing a sewer lagoon, replacing a red-listed culvert, building a sand and salt shed, and installing a new GIS tax mapping system. The measure passed easy on a vote of 230-4.

Prior to the meeting Police Chief Ed Anderson was unsure of the Department's request to establish a K-9 Unit. Although the measure drew some discussion, it also passed easily.

The unit is to be funded entirely through grants and donations, and has become more imperative as the department responds to more and more drug complaints, the select board said. The article also drew a pair of defeated amendments, one requiring that the dog is donated to its handler once it retires, and another to allow students to name the canine. The Chief reported that the dog comes already named.

Also approved was the \$7.08 million operating budget, up 3.8% from this year's, including \$80,000 to cover

potential employee raises resulting from a wage and salary review now underway. No one spoke out against any of the budget items. The Conservation Commission was granted approval to purchase two parcels of land along Pleasant Street for \$250,000, to be paid for from existing town conservation funds.



Fellow Selectmen Nancy Rollins (I) and Janet Kidder (r) presented outgoing Selectman Peter Bianchi with a plaque in recognition of his many years of service to New London.



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Computer Lab with parents and students trying out Smarter Balanced and NWEA Practice Tests, Chromebooks, and various iPad apps. Kristen Pratt photo.

Parents visit Center Woods Elementary

Parents came with students to the Center Woods Elementary School on March 2 to see what is new in math, reading and technology at their school. Parents and students also had the opportunity to try out Smarter Balanced and NWEA Practice Tests, take tours of the school, and try out a variety of math, reading, and technology activities.

Goffstown's SpringFest set for April 9th

Celebrate SpringFest 2016! Please join us at Goffstown High School on Saturday, April 9th for a fun and exciting day. We have something for everyone. A Kids Carnival featuring bounce houses, slides, jousting, laser tag, face painting and much more. A Food Court where you can enjoy a wonderful lunch or snack served by many local restaurants and bakeries. A business and vendor exposition with over 70 booths offering product demonstrations, free samples and discount coupons. A community group area showcasing all that Goffstown has to offer. This year we've added a money booth. See how much money you can "catch" for some great prizes. And you won't want to miss out on our Silent Auction area where you can take home some awesome deals on products and services. Admission is \$3 for adults, children 12 and under admitted free. Look for \$1 off coupons in local newspapers, and in local businesses.

The Goffstown Lions Club in partnership with the Goffstown Economic Development Council have been sponsoring SpringFest (formerly the Business Expo) for six years. SpringFest is a community fun day for Goffstown and our surrounding communities. After a long winter, SpringFest offers friends and neighbors the opportunity to have some fun and meet some of their local business owners and community groups. "Last year's SpringFest was an overwhelming success. We had well over 2000 attendees and the event was packed," says Scott Gross, this year's SpringFest Coordinator. "There's no doubt that our Kids Zone (Carnival) area was a significant reason we had a huge crowd. It was great to see so many families enjoying the fun activities and delicious food, and our local businesses were delighted to see so many in attendance."

Andover voters defeat noise ordinance

Andover voters passed a \$1.61 million operating budget, which was up \$134,000 from this year's. Also approved was a request by the fire department to lease and outfit a four-wheel drive forestry truck. They also overwhelmingly defeated a proposed noise ordinance noise which would have chiefly banned excessive sounds between the hours of 10 p.m. and 7 a.m. but not before the debate turned into a shouting match between resident Todd Adams and moderator Dan Coolidge.

After four defeats, Bow Public Safety Building Project approved

Persistence finally paid off as voters approved Bow's Public Safety Building project Wednesday night, after four consecutive years of defeat. The vote of 428-128 easily exceeded the two-thirds majority required to approve the bond. During that time, the project's cost has been reduced from more than \$6 million to the \$4.3 million bond proposed this year. Officials stressed that \$182 was additional taxes a family owning a \$300,000 home would have to pay for the public. Just prior to balloting, resident Jean Rich urged support for the project, saying, "This is a really small difference, and to put this on hold once again would be such a waste of time for so many people who have worked so hard on this."

Voters defeated an article requesting a \$749,000 roundabout at the intersection of Logging Hill Road, Knox Road, White Rock Hill Road and Bow Center Road, \$449,000 of which was to come out of the town's capital reserve fund for road improvements. Chuck Douglas proposed using the \$449,000 for the public safety building, but others felt the money should remain in the road budget.

Also approved was the town's \$9.8 million budget and reduced tax rate, which drew

loud applause after the vote was taken, to the surprise of Moderator Peter Imse, who said, "I've never heard anybody clap for the budget."



William Perry of the Bow Men's Club presents a silver bowl to Bow's "Citizen of the Year" Paula Bourassa.

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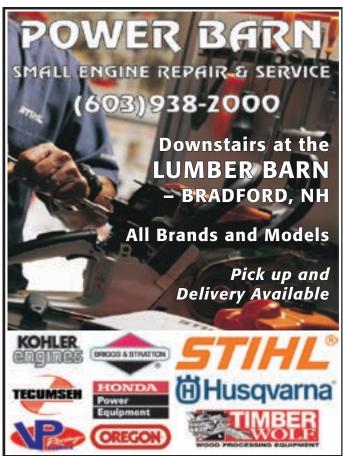
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Bow and Dunbarton voters reject SB2

Bow School District voters decided to keep the traditional format for the district meeting, easily defeating a petitioned article seeking to adopt SB2 by a voter of 661 yes to 790 no. Approval of SB2 would have required a 60 percent majority. Proponents of of SB2 say it allows residents a greater amount of time to come to the polls and vote at their own convenience, while opponents complain that it requires a deliberative session, where business items can be changed and altered by just a handful of people. SB2 was also defeated for both the town and school district in Dunbarton. The town by a vote of 197-589, with 458 votes needed to pass, and the school district by vote of 202-544; where 448 votes were needed to pass.

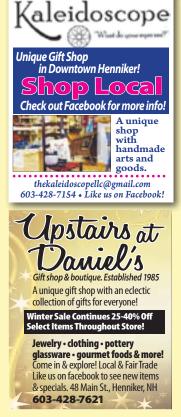
New Boston voters reject most articles

New Boston voters defeated virtualy everything on the town's warrant, including an operating budget of \$4,697,523, triggering the default budget of \$4,501,864. Also defeated was \$110,000 for the Fire Department Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund, \$19,500 for producing three separate professionally prepared cost estimates for three fire station options, and \$196,300 for replacing the radio building and antenna tower at the cul de sac on Ridgeview Drive.



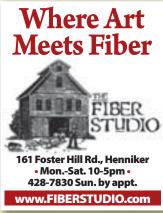
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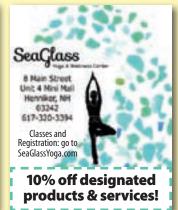






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| Budget Committee (2) | | Brian Garland | 640 |
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| Mrk Zankel | 426 | Janice Bettencourt | 341 |
| Richard Horner | 253 | Heather Furlong | 622 |
| Janet Kryzaniak | 360 | School Board | |
| Avia Nestler | 353 | April Royce | 560 |
| Library Trustee | | Spec Bowers | 77 |
| Erin M Venden Borre | 232 | Paul Manson | 280 |
| Nancy Skarmeas | 356 | Zoning Board (2) | |
| Cemetery Trustee | | Aaron Simpson | 595 |
| Pamela Demag | 283 | William Larrow | 449 |
| Debbie Augustine | 334 | George Neuwirt | 391 |
| NEWBURY | | Water & Sewer Commissione | r (3) |
| Selectman | | Charles Smith | 238 |
| Richard Wright | 221 | Ted Gallip | 708 |
| Joy Nowell | 258 | Peter Hill | 512 |
| NEW BOSTON | | Paul Manson | 451 |
| Selectman | | Gunter (Dundee) Nestler | 341 |
| Rodney Towne | 610 | SUTTON | |
| Dwight Lovejoy | 267 | No Contested Races | |
| Fire Ward (2) | | WARNER | |
| Brandon Merron | 470 | Selectman | |
| Dick Moody | 653 | Peter Anderson | 170 |
| Dale Smith | 557 | Kimberley Brown Edelmann | 120 |
| NEW LONDON | | John Dabuliewicz | 246 |
| Library Trustee | | Budget Committee (2) | |
| Andy Padden | 227 | Martha Bodnarick | 281 |
| Annie Beck | 350 | Michel Cutting | 301 |
| Nancy Mahar | 248 | Jonathan Lord | 293 |
| Adrienne Neary | 135 | WASHINGTON | |
| NEWPORT | | No Contested Races | |
| School Board (3) | | WEARE | |
| Linda Wadensten | 654 | Selectman | 40.4 |
| Timothy Renner (write-in) | 74 | Jonathan Osborne | 404 |
| PETERBOROUGH | | James Ashworth | 195 |
| School Board | 246 | John(Jack) Meaney | 446 |
| Kristen Reiley | 346 | Jim Leary | 164 |
| Quenten Butch Esty | 324 | Treasurer | |
| School Board (2) | 120 | Jan Snyder Tina Connor | 577 |
| Jerome Wilson | 128 | | 621 |
| Richard Dunning | 539 | Library Trustee | 246 |
| Thomas Kelly Kevin Rushalko | 238 | Mark Carey Brenda Cannon | 346 681 |
| Edward "Sean" Ryan | 151 158 | WILMOT | 001 |
| SUNAPEE | 130 | Selectman | |
| Selectman (2) | | Gary Palumbo | 117 |
| Charles Smith | 119 | Nicholas Brodich | 187 |
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Publisher's Perspective by Leigh Bosse

Our educational system lacks accountability

Last week I highlighted the extraordinary teachers we have at the Hillsboro-Deering Schools. Those teachers need to be well compensated and respected for their talents and dedication.

Unfortunately, we also have some mediocre and underperforming teachers. The same is true in any job or profession, be it doctor, lawyer, mechanic, clerk or janitor. Some have special talents and give total commitment and maximum effort to everything they do. Others, do just enough to get by.

American public education has deteriorated over the last decades to the point where we trail all but the most underdeveloped countries in preparing the next generation for leadership. Math, reading and science achievements in particular pale in comparison with the rest of the world.

There are several reasons for this national decline;

* Schools are being asked to do much more than educate our children to read, write, calculate, and think for themselves.

* Two generations of parents have defaulted their responsibilities to the schools, which now must provide before and after school childcare, and provide breakfast for those parents that can't do it themselves.

* A special education system that requires a disproportionate share of limited tax dollars be spent on a small number of disadvantaged students. Certainly these students deserve our attention and help, but requiring that \$400,000 be spent on one child when \$15,000/child is allocated to educate the remaining students is just wrong.

*Teachers' Unions and politicians who oppose vouchers and merit pay to support mediocracy and sub performing schools.

*Continually changing standards from the New Math to No Child Left Behind, to Common Core.

These factors all contribute to the decline of American education, but what is more disturbing is the continuing poor performance of Hillsboro-Deering school compared to others in the area.

This poor performance is not just reflected in test scores. Our son Grant graduated from HDHS in 1990 so I attended the graduation. A week later, with my wife and both boys, we ate at Diamond Acres, where the young girl who waited on us was one of Grant's classmates. This recent graduate could not tally the column of four meals and four drinks. She had to add two items together for a subtotal, then add the next and so on. Bringing that forward to today, a local restaurant owner advertised for help. She received 32 applications, all HD graduates. She could not hire any of them as none could do the math. One even asked what 1/2 of 60 is.

I can only attribute this to a lack of accountability, by the administration and school board.

Last year I had a conversation with a few of H-D's exceptional teachers. In addition to not having a contract, their major frustration was a total lack of teacher evaluations to distinguish the good from the bad. There was no distinction between their performance and those who were either unqualified or unmotivated. Both are simply labeled 'satisfactory' and rehired.

When asked about poor test scores in the past, board members have cited the economic disadvantages of Hillsboro. So many of these students come from poor families, they said.

That reasoning is both inaccurate and insulting. These economically challenged students excel in band and chorus in regional and national performances under Heidi Welch's direction. Those disadvantages don't prevent our DECA students from shining in state, national and international competitions under Marc Payeur's leadership. There is hope. Recently the HD Teachers Union and the administration have agreed to a new professional evaluation system, which should give a more accurate account of a teacher's effectiveness. I would go so far as to offer an additional level to that evaluation - the students.

Think back to your time in school. You knew the good teachers from the bad, the ones who challenged you and the ones that let you slide. In the private sector if you constantly fail, you get fired. The same accountability needs to be brought to education.



New London Elementary School students led the Town Meeting In The Pledge Of Allegiance and The National Anthem.

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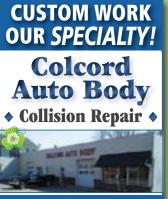




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Warner's 100-kilowatt solar array falls five votes short

At Wednesday's annual meeting, Warner officials failed to convince voters to support a 100-kilowatt municipal solar array. The vote was 139-77; but the measure needed 144 votes to pass.

The project would have cost about \$365,000, but only \$10,000 would have come from taxes. The town anticipated using federal grants and a \$75,000 rebate from the state Public Utilities Commission. It would have been constructed near the transfer station in 2016, and officials argued the town would see savings in the very first year of operation.

A similar array is planned for the Warner Village Water District; whose residents did approve a \$3.03 million operating budget, which was up about 2% from last year, and a roundabout near Exit 9. They placed \$100,000 into a capital reserve fund for a new fire station, which could be built at 148 N. Main St. for that project, if the town can acquire that property.

Town Administrator Jim Bingham estimated that the entire warrant could add

nearly \$1 per \$1,000 of assessed property value to the town's portion of the tax rate,

meaning the owner of a \$200,000 home would pay an additional \$200 to the tax bill.



George Hottozks speaks to the audience about Warner's warrant article to build a solar array.

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Bradford Town Hall restoration falls five votes short again

Once again the vote was close, but not close enough as Bradford voters defeated a proposed \$1.3 million renovation of the Bradford Town Hall for the fourth time. Again, a majority approved the project by a vote of 179-101, but fell five votes short of the 185 needed for 2/3. The overflow crowd took over an hour to discuss the merits of the historic building and whether it was worth a \$975,000 bond with \$325,000 more in donations and grants.

Resident Mike Elms' main objection was the cost and its impact on taxes. "It's a great, historical building," he said. "But, my taxes were up \$2,000 last year. It's unsustainable." Restoration Committee member Claire James said that the issue is that the minimum required repairs for code compliance cost \$400,000. "If you're paying so much for historical purposes, why don't you make it functional?" she said.

Discussion then shifted to a second, big ticket warrant article; a \$475,000 pumper truck for the fire department, \$386,800 of which would be bonded. Bradford Fire Department treasurer Chris Frey's amendment to reduce the cost by \$50,000 was approved on a voice vote. Fire Chief Mark Goldberg fielded a number of questions about the cost, and whether a smaller pumper could be purchased, since a full-sized one currently can't access every property because of private bridges and difficult driveways. Goldberg said that the full-sized pumper was required by the department. "The minis do not have enough room for the equipment," he said. The article failed, with 125 opposed to 72 in favor. Voters did approve \$1.98 million budget by voice vote.



Bradford Fire Chief Mark Goldberg speaks in favor of purchasing a new pumper truck for the Fire Department.

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Henniker School District voters came with their wallets open

Henniker School District voters adopted a \$7.5 million budget, rejecting an amendment that would have cut \$200,000 from the total. In fact, the voters approved all but one article on the warrant. The only article defeated was #5, which was a backup if the teacher support staff contract article failed. After more than an hour of discussion, the budget was approved with its \$125,567 increase from this year, reflecting an estimated tax impact of \$12.77 per \$1,000 of assessed property value. Officials explained the increase is due to losses in revenue, mostly a \$43,218 cut in adequacy aid from the state, a loss of \$64,148 in building aid, and the unreserved fund balance is down \$159,430.

The School Board received support from former school board member Caleb Dobbins. "These people (the school board) do everything they can to keep your taxes down. When the state cuts funding and we have to deal with it locally, do we cut education? Is that what we do?"

Jennifer McCort presented the amendment to cut \$200,000. The district is making a final \$200,000 bond payment this year, and McCort believes that taxpayers should feel the relief of the bond being paid off. "I know we have a reduction in revenue from the state, but when a house or business has a reduction in revenue, they have to cut back," Mc-Cort said. Her amendment failed, 84-55, before the budget passed 93-42.



Jennifer McCort of Henniker questions the Henniker School Board about the paraprofessionals' 3-year contract.











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Proctor Academy's girls' varsity basketball team traveled to Noble and Greenough School for the NEPSAC Class C Championship Sunday afternoon against #3 seed Lexington Christian Academy. Less than 24 hours after an epic upset over #1 seed Kimball Union Academy, the Hornets were eager to earn their first NEPSAC Championship since 2008. With hundreds of Proctor fans in attendance, the girls did not disappoint, and walked away with a 61-45 win and smiles on their faces!

#1 SUNAPEE 66 #2 LITTLETON 62 DIVISION IV CHAMPIONSHIP

When Littleton came out shooting 67% for a 42-31 lead at the break, it looked like the Lakers' dream of a repeat championship was not to be. The Crusaders scored the first five points in the third to go up 47-before Lexi Hamilton led the Lakers' comeback for their second consecutive championship and 48th consecutive win. Trailing by 10, the Lakers scored the final 8 points in the third to cut the lead to 55-53. Sunapee took its first lead since the first quarter when Katie Frederick put back an offensive rebound and scored to make the score 57-55. With the scored tied at 59, Frederick tallied twice to make it 63-59. Littleton cut it down to 63-62 with 1:14 remaining, but Hamilton knocked down 3-of-4 free throws, Sunapee forced two turnovers and collected an offensive rebound to kill more time before time finally ran out. Lexi Hamilton led with a game-high 31 points, including 18 from beyond the three-point line. Katie Frederick finished the game with 14 points, 19 rebounds and six blocks.

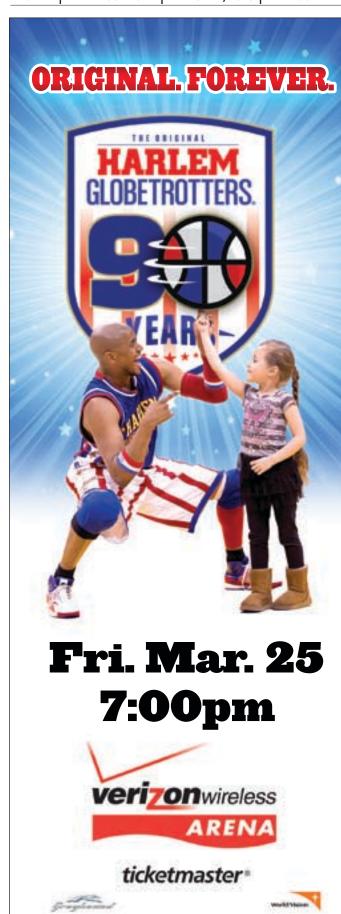
#7 GOFFSTOWN 54 #2 MERRIMACK VALLEY 42 DIVISION II QUARTERFINALS

The two teams pressed, ran and scrapped through the first half and most of the third quarter, until the Grizzlies built a 10-point lead late in the third and the cold-shooting Pride never got closer than seven points after that. Goffstown held a 32-26 advantage in total rebounds and a 12-7 edge in offensive rebounds. The Pride shot just 11-for-27 from the line, but trailed by just one at halftime, 22-21. Center Siobhan Pelletier led Goffstown with 13 points and five rebounds, while Sarah Doherty and Molly McQueeney had 10 each.

#7 GOFFSTOWN 37 #3 LEBANON 35 DIVISION II SEMIFINALS

Sarah Doherty's last second basket lifted seventh-ranked Goffstown past third ranked Lebanon 37-35 in the Division II semifinals. The Grizzlies rallied from a nine point fourth-quarter deficit, advanced to the state final on Friday at 7 p.m at SNHU for the second straight year. Goffstown will face Hanover, a 44-40 upset winner over previously unbeaten Portsmouth in Monday's second semifinal. Tied at 35-35 Goffstown took possession with 21 seconds after a traveling call, enough time for Doherty to score.







DIVISION III SECOND ROUND

#3 Kearsarge 83 #19 Campbell 45

Kearsarge took a 20-7 lead after the first quarter, but Campbell hit six 3s over the second and third quarters and scored the first six points in the third to cut Kearsarge's lead to 35-29. The Cougars then outscored Campbell 48-22 in the second.

#6 Franklin 46 #11 Laconia 44

Dana Bean had 16 points, and Kenny Torres 5 points, to lead Franklin. The Golden Tornadoes held a two-point lead at the end of every quarter and made enough plays to hold off the Sachems. Torres hit a big 3 to give Franklin some cushion against a Laconia comeback.

#4 Winnisquam 41 #20 Bow 39

The underdog Falcons played their best and, after upsetting No. 13 Sanborn in the first round, nearly pulled off another one, but the potential buzzer beater missed its mark, giving the Bears the win. Winnisquam held a 14-12 lead after the first quarter and a 26-20 lead at halftime. The Bears maintained their lead, taking a 34-31 lead into the fourth quarter, but the Falcons fought back and nearly pulled it off.

#5 Hopkinton 54 #12 Prospect Mtn. 41

The Hawks held a 39-28 lead heading into the fourth quarter and survived the Timberwolves cutting the lead to seven points with 1:16 left in the game, but the Hawks made a couple baskets and hit five of six free throws down the stretch to secure the win.

DIVISION III QUARTERFINALS

#3 Kearsarge 48 #6 Franklin 47 (OT)

The Cougars thought they had won in regulation, as their fans rushed the court, only to find out that a foul had been called sending Dana Bean with no time left. Trailing 46-45, Bean had two foul shots to send Franklin to the semifinals. Bean nailed the first one but missed the second after Kearsarge Coach Nate Camp called time out. Trent Noordsij finished as the game-high scorer with 18 points, while Taylor Mattos had 14.

#5 Hopkinton 57 #4 Winnisquam 55

Nick Meserve finished with 17 points and 17 rebounds, none better than when he put back an offensive rebound as the buzzer sounded to give the Hawks a wild 57-55 win. Winnisquam's Mike Buxton had just tied the game, 55-55, with a 3-pointer with 10.8 seconds left on the clock. The Hawks pushed the ball over halfcourt and called a timeout with 3.8 seconds left to set up the final play. Kevin McGrat took the shot, which missed, but Meserve was there for the rebound.

DIVISION III SEMIFINALS

#1 Pelham 57 #5 Hopkinton 42

Pelham's Keith Brown, the reigning D-III Player of the Year, scored 8 of the game's first 10 points, including two 3s, as Pelham raced out to a 10-0 lead. Hopkinton responded with a 9-3 run, with four of those points coming from Nick Meserve, and trailed by just five, 15-10, after one. The Hawks went cold in the second quarter and went into the locker room trailing, 30-16. Cam Cyr scored 8 of Hopkinton's next 10 points cutting a 35-18 Pelham lead down to 37-30 in the third, Robert Wilkerson (seven points) helped. Hopkinton trailed 47-40 in the fourth, but Brown answered with four quick points.

#3 Kearsarge 34 #2 Conant 31 (OT)

The Cougars' Zach Mattos hit a bank shot with 30 seconds left in regulation and sent the game to overtime and Kearsarge scored four of its six overtime points in the first 1:30 of the extra period to earn its largest lead since the first quarter, at 32-28. The Orioles closed to within a point inside of 30 seconds with a 15-foot jumper, but Trent Nordsij hit two free throws with five seconds to go to ice the victory. Mattos led Kearsarge with 10 points to go along with 14 rebounds and



four blocks for Kearsarge, which will head to its first final since 1999.

DIVISION II PRELIMINARY

#4 Milford 58 #13 Goffstown 57

Down two in the waning seconds, a Goffstown player drove to the basket and was fouled. He made the first free throw, but missed the second, and Goffstown grabbed the rebound and missed a short shot that would have won it. Rob Girardin scored 16 points to lead No. 13 Goffstown and Casey Gervais added 12.

#6 Hollis/Brookline 30 #11 John Stark 29

Nick Fothergill's lay-up with six seconds left carried the Cavaliers past the Generals. Egan Nickerson gave John Stark a 29-28 lead with 18 seconds left on a 3-point shot. Nickerson led No. 11 John Stark with 14 points and Fothergill had 13 in the win.

DIVISION IV QUARTERFINALS

#5 Groveton 80 #4 Sunapee 71 (2OT)

The Eagles led 56-47 approaching two minutes to play before Sunapee charged back. Isaisa Chappell collected a steal and scored, followed by back-to-back three-pointers by Matt Tenney to cut the lead to 56-55, with 1:19 to go in regulation.

After Groveton hit two free throws to make it 58-55 Chappell came up with another steal at half court, drove down and tied the game with an old-fashioned three-point play, hitting a layup and then the free throw with just 16 seconds left. Groveton missed its final shot and the game went to overtime. In overtime the Lakers found themselves behind by three with 32 seconds to go, 67-64. Cade Robinson, who hadn't yet attempted a shot, drilled the game-tying three with 22 seconds on the clock. Austin Leblanc gave Sunapee a 71-69 lead with 2:20 to go in the second overtime, but from then on, it was Groveton that was able to hit the shots. The Eagles hit 9-of-10 free throws in the final two minutes of the second overtime.

HOCKEY

Goffstown 2 Windham 1 (OT): In overtime, Max Lajeunesse scored an unassisted goal for the Grizzlies (10-7-1) against the Jaguars (10-6-1). Goffstown took the early lead on a goal from Noah Charron, assisted by Sam Greenwood and Colin Burke, but Windham tied it in the second period.

SKIING

Sunapee junior Will Austin finished the season by winning the Eastern Regional Giant Slalom, which puts him at the top of the GS ranks among all high school boys in the region, including Delaware, Virginia, Maryland, Wisconsin, Maine, Vermont and others.



A record crowd packed the hall for Newbury's Town Meeting Wednesday night.

Receptionist/Office Assistant - Hillsborough

Upton & Hatfield is seeking a full-time receptionist/ office assistant in our Hillsborough office.

This person will be responsible for reception duties as well as general office assistance. Candidate must have a professional demeanor, be able to get along with varied personalities, be organized and possess good written and verbal skills. MS Office experience required. We offer competitive benefits.

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mmiller@uptonhatfield.com.

TOWN OF HENNIKER NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Historic District Commission Tuesday, March 22, 2016

9 AM at Henniker Town Hall

The Henniker Historic District Commission will hold a Public Hearing on **Tuesday, March 22, 2016 at 9:00 AM** at Henniker Town Hall relative to an application for Certificate of Appropriateness submitted for the Town Hall front doors.

Hillsboro-Deering Cooperative School District INVITATION TO BID

Hillsboro-Deering Cooperative School District is requesting bids for District for grounds maintenance of lawn areas, planting beds, field grass, and several miscellaneous grounds keeping services. Areas to be maintained include the Hillsboro-Deering Elementary, Middle and High Schools. Specifications are available on the web at www.hdsd.org under Offices/Business Office. To qualify for bidding all bids shall be due by Thursday March 24, 2016 at 2:00 p.m. in the SAU #34 office at 78 School Street, 3rd Floor, Hillsboro, NH. A mandatory bidders meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 16, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. at the SAU #34 offices at 78 School Street, 3rd Floor, Hillsboro, NH. If you cannot attend the bidders meeting, please call the Business Office. If a contractor would like to inspect the jobsite, please contact James Bailey, Facilities Director at 464-1141.

Please submit sealed bids to:

Jean Mogan, Business Administrator, SAU #34, 78 School Street, P.O. Box 2190, Hillsboro, NH 03244 (603)464-4466

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Events: Community Bulletin Board

SATURDAY MARCH 12

IRISH CHURCH SUPPER: South Congregational Church Newport 5:30-7PM Adults/\$15 at the door Children/\$8.

YARD SALE: Franklin Baptist Church 9am-2pm Proceed benefit one heart mission.

CORNED BEEF & CABBAGE SUPPER Two seatings: 5:00 & 6:30 pm No charge; donations accepted. Hillsboro United Methodist Church, For reservations, please call 464-3056 or 478-5572.

THE SRK GREENWAY:George Beaton (938-2637): In Bradford hills a snowshoe hike to special spots on Rowe Mountain. (M)

SUNDAY MARCH 13

THE SRK GREENWAY: Annual Meeting & Pot-Luck dinner & Guest Speaker. Call Jean LaChance (ph 927-4345) soon to ask about dinner contributions. Stone wall builder and writer Kevin Gardner will talk about the history and styles and construction of New England's thousands of stone wall miles while building a stone wall. New London, Our Lady of Fatima Church meeting hall.

TUESADAY MARCH 15

REPUBLICANS MEET: The Contoocook Valley republicans meet at the Deering Town Hall at &PM The Public is welcome.

GRANGE SPEAKER: The Joe English Grange #53 of

New Boston, invites the public to listen to our guest speaker, Melvin Murrel. He is the President of the NH Aqua Culture Association and has a fish farm in Deering. The Joe English Grange meet in the upper level of the New Boston Town Hall at 8:00pm refreshments will be served.

WEDNESDAY MARCH 16

FELLS PROGRAM: Winter Mammal Tracking and Wildlife Ecology 1–4pm (Snow date: March 23) (Postponed from February 24) February begins the breeding season for many wild mammals! Learn animal tracking tips and who is most active in the winter woods during this workshop led by Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests' Dave Anderson. Fells or SPNHF members \$16, non-members \$20. Limit 20; advance registration required. To register, call 603-763-4789, x 3.

THURSDAY, MARCH 17

MAPLE SUGARING: The Wilmot Community Association (WCA) will host "Backyard Maple Sugaring for Beginners" a free workshop at 6:30 p.m. at the association's Red Barn, 64 Village Road. Refreshments — with an emphasis on maple products — will be served. Members of the audience will be eligible to win a pint of New Hampshire maple syrup. To register, please send an email to wca@tds.net or call the WCA at 526-7934.

FRIDAY MARCH 18

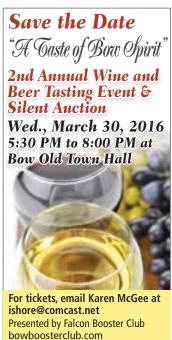
CABIN FEVER SINGALONG: Are the walls closing in? Come to the Cabin Fever Singalong at Fuller Public Library in Hillsboro from 7-9 pm for an evening of music and fun! The Bible Hill Boys and their musical friends will perform.

BIRDS, BATS AND BUTTERFLIES: A "Speaking for Wildlife" Presentation by Ruth Axelrod University of New Hampshire Cooperative Extension 7:00pm. Elementary School, Francestown, NH Program is free and open to the public A non Profit Program. Not a Conval School System sponsored event.

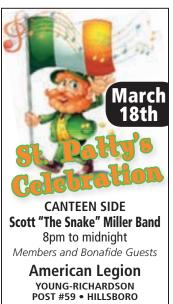
SATURDAY MARCH 19

MOVIE NIGHT: Come join us for the family movie night to see the film Jumanji. Robin Williams, Kirsten Dunst and Bonnie Hunt star in this phenomenal adaptation of the award-winning children's book. Admission is free and complimentary popcorn and a drink will be served. The doors open at 6:30 PM and the movie begins at 7pm. Hope to see you all there!

WINE & CHEESE PARTY: and Silent Auction The Pillsbury Free Library Circle of Friends is giving a Wine & Cheese Party with Silent Auction on Saturday evening, March 19, from 5-7 pm at the Library. All proceeds from the Silent Auction will benefit the renovations of the historic library building. Tickets are \$10 per person and will be on sale at MainStreet BookEnds and the Pillsbury Free Library. If you have something you would like to donate, or if you would like to be a sponsor for this event, please contact Joan







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Warren at 456-3664.

FLEA MARKET: Cabin Fever Flea Market from 9 am -3 pm at the American Legion Post #9. Currently GHSS is seeking interested vendors for this event. The fee is \$15 per table and space is limited so reserve today. Call Marie Mogavero at 464-4726 or 724-5272 to reserve a table and/or for more information.

SUNDAY MARCH 20

EASTER EGG HUNT: 1:30 Rain or Shine (or snow) at the Friendship House. Sponsored by the South Newbury Union Church Come meet the Easter Bunny Crafts, Face Painting, Cookies and Juice Bring a basket to gather your eggs. Take all the pictures you want with the Easter Bunny, no charge.

PALM SUNDAY: at South Newbury Union Church: 9:30 worship to include a Palm Processional involving children. Any child is welcome to participate.

THURSDAY MARCH 24

KOMBUCHA! at 7:00pm at the Hancock Town LibraryStop spending \$4.00 a bottle on your favorite Kombucha and learn how to make this new drink that's all the rage! Kombucha is any of a variety of fermented, lightly effervescent sweetened black or green tea drinks produced by fermenting the tea using a "symbiotic 'colony' of bacteria and yeast" (SCOBY). Diane Goff of Antrim began research on how to make Kombucha due to poor gut health and on the advice of a health professional. She has been making

the drink for a year and loves to share what she's learned. Free and open to all.

THURSDAY'S CHILD: 5:30-9pm at the Coach House Restaurant supports local community non-profits one plate at time by donating 50 percent of the evening's net proceeds to the designated organization. Join us for divine dining on March 24 to benefit The Fells—tables fill fast, so don't delay, get your friends together and reserve now. Call 603-526-2791.

MAUNDY THURSDAY: at South Newbury Union Church: 6:00 light supper with a service commemorating the last hours of Jesus' life following. Takes place in the Friendship House.

CELEBRATE SPRING: at Fuller Public Library's Annual Seed Swap and Garden Forum at 7pm. Bring extra seeds to share. Master Gardener Tom Kamberis will be on hand to answer your gardening questions.

BOW COMMUNITY FORUM: from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the Library's upstairs meeting room. Building Permit Process: Learn everything you need to know about permitting in Town for all sorts of structures, and have the opportunity to ask questions of Bruce Buttrick, Code Enforcement Officer. Don't get caught permit-less for a home improvement project.

SATURDAY MARCH 26

EASTER EGG HUNT: Sunapee Recreation will host its annual Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, March 26th @ Sunapee Harbor Please arrive early as parking is limited.

Hunt will begin promptly at 11:00 Please bring your own basket!! open to kids ages 9 yrs old and younger 2000+ eggs are filled with toys! and lots of candy too! Come see the Easter Bunny.

SUNDAY MARCH 27

EASTER SUNDAY: at South Newbury Union Church: Sunrise worship atop Mt. Sunapee begins at 6:30, lift service 6 – 6:25.

EASTER SUNDAY: at South Newbury Union Church: 9:30 worship in our church: Resurrection celebration featuring Pastor Keller leading worship, Grant Croft accompanying on keyboard and Corbin Montminy playing the trumpet.

SATURDAY APRIL 2

BBQ COOKOFF: At newport's Veteran's club cash prizes in three categories Chicken, Pork, Beef. Blind judging at 5pm.

MONDAY APRIL 4

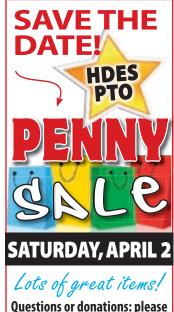
LINEC: Classes for seniors and older adults on the campus of New England College in Henniker. Topics include: film, science, opera, literature, religion, history and current events.

TUESDAY APRIL 12

POTLUCK DINNER: 7pm - Mont Vernon, NH Fire Department Hosted by New Boston/Mont Vernon Lions. Public welcome.







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Obituaries: Friends & Neighbors Remembered

Everett M. Kittredge

BRADFORD — Everett M. Kittredge, 83, of Old Warner Road, died Saturday, March 5, 2016 at Hospice House in Concord, NH. He was born in Glen Cove, Long Island, NY on January 16, 1933, the son of Ralph M. and Beatrice A. (Burnham) Kittredge. He was predeceased by his wife of 53 years, Mildred L. (Ingalls) Kittredge in 2010, and their daughter, Katherine A. Kittredge in 2014. Members of his family surviving include a son, Kerry M. Kittredge of Warner, NH; two daughters, Karen J. Kittredge of Arlington, MA and Kimberly S. Kittredge of Philomath, OR; and three grandchildren, Cassandra, Cameron and Rob. Memorial contributions may be made to the Bradford Rescue Squad, P.O. Box 381, Bradford, NH 03221.

Elizabeth Sanders Trayner

NEW LONDON – Elizabeth Sanders Trayner, 100, of Shaker Street, died

Tuesday, March 1, 2016 at her home. She was born in Chicago, on April 24, 1915, the daughter of Charles John and Elizabeth Dow (Sanders) Trayner. She is survived by friends and neighbors. Memorial contributions



may be made to Our Lady of Fatima, 724 Main St., New London, NH 03257 or to the Upper Valley Humane Society, 300 Old Route 10, Enfield, NH 03748.

Jimmie D. Pursellev Jr.

WEARE — Jimmie D. Purselley Jr., age 63, passed peacefully Wednesday, March 2,

2016. He was born in Fairfield, California, son of the late Jimmie D. Purselley Sr. and Mary (Gentile) Purselley. He is survived by his loving wife, Cheryl (Morton) Purselley. She was the love of his life for 33 years; his three sons, Jimmie D. Purselley III of Brookfield, CT, Jason L. Purselley of Oakland Park, FL, Jacob A. Purselley of Wilton, NH; two grandchildren, Kaine and Arya Purselley; great grandchild, Kaleia Purselley; and his sister Sandra Purselley. Services will be held at the convenience of the family and will be private.

Joan Elliott

BOW — Joan Elliott, 71, died on Feb. 27, 2016, at her home after a valiant fight against cancer. Born Feb. 23, 1945, she was the daughter of Frank and Yvonne Zielenski. She was predeceased by her parents, her brother, Frank Zielenski, and her husband, Richard Elliott. She is survived by her sister, Carole Viens; her children, Brenda (Elliott) Naone and Norman Elliott; daughter-in-law, Shirley Elliott; and her eight grandchildren, Kristin, Alyssa, Alex, David, Evan, Karly, Madison and Riley.

Raymond R. Caron

HILLSBÖROUGH — Raymond R. Caron, 71, of Hillsborough, formerly of Manchester, died February 18, 2016 in Ft. Myers, FL after a long illness. He was born in Manchester on January 4, 1945 the son of Raymond W. and Mildred M. (Mitchell) Caron. Members of his family include his wife of 46 years, Jeanine "Jean" (Verville) Caron, his daughter Micheline Peterson and her husband Robert, all of Hillsborough;

his son Raymond W. Caron and his fiancée Jennifer Donovan of Epping; his grandchildren Nicholas Peterson of Hillsborough and Emily Donovan and Ryan Donovan, both of Epping; his three sisters Elaine Landry and her husband Bob of Roanoke, VA, Phyllis Gagnon and her husband Roland and Leslie Tsiorbas and her husband Dennis; his two brothers Denis Caron and Marc Caron and his wife Pam, all of Manchester; as well as many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Esther Jane (Loveless) DuBois

ANTRIM - Esther Jane (Loveless) DuBois, 91, of Antrim, and formerly of Flo-

rissant, CO and Central Islip, NY passed away Mar. 2, 2016. She was born to parents Howard Charles and Mary Edith (Richardson) Loveless of Ithaca, NY and is preceded in death by her husband, Roy Louis



DuBois Sr; her sons, Roy Louis DuBois Jr. and Donald Edward DuBois; sisters, Myrtle Warner and Mildred House; brothers, Howard and Robert Loveless. Esther is survived by her loving sons, Howard Keith (Alicia) of Barrington, NH and Robert John (Patricia) of Divide, CO; her five grand-children, Daniel Robert, Laura Elaine, Neil Alyn, Thomas Edward and Cory Ryan; her sister, Marseille Jenkins (Harold) of Apache Junction, AZ her sister-in-law, Mildred Zebrowski (Albert) of Chino, CA; and many nieces and nephews. Memorial contributions may be

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made in Esther's name to the Alzheimer's Association.

John A. Trovato Jr.

HENNIKER – John A. Trovato Jr., of Henniker, formerly of Revere, MA, died

Friday, March 4, 2016. Beloved son of the late John and Anne (Massiello). Dear brother of Barbara Goldstein and Joanne Trovato both of Revere. Loving uncle of Robert White of Revere, Barbara Anne Walker



and her husband, Michael of Groton, Walter White of Revere, Michael Trovato and his wife, Johanna and the late Christopher White. Cherished grand-uncle of John Walker, Michael Walker 4th, Jake Walker and Elaina Trovato. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the doctorswithoutborders. org or USO.org.

Edith 'Edie' H. Duval

GOFFSTOWN — Edith H. "Edie" Duval. 65, of Goffstown, NH died peacefully on March 7, 2016, surrounded by her family at the Catholic Medical Center. She was born in Nashua, NH on May 10, 1950, and was the daughter of Major Edison Little and Marion C. Marier. Family members include her beloved husband of 43 years, Donald Duval of Goffstown, NH; her two daughters, Jennifer M. Duval of Goffstown, NH and Tiffany A. Duval of Weare, NH; her step-son, Donald Duval Jr. of Colorado; three grandchildren, Mack, Chloe, Harrison and a fourth grandchild to be born soon; her sister, Debbie Audette of Goffstown, NH; her two brothers, Dana Little of California and Rich Little

of Goffstown, NH; several nieces, nephews and cousins. Memorial donations may be made in her memory to St. Jude's Children's Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105 or to the American Heart Association, 2 Wall St., Manchester, NH 03101.

Michael Ryan McNally

HILLSBORO - Michael Ryan McNally, 56, passed away on March 8, 2016 at Hospice House in Concord, NH. Born November 2, 1959 in Peterborough, NH, he was the son of Joanne Duggan McNally and George A. Mc-Nally. He is survived by his mother, Joanne Duggan McNally of Hillsboro; sister, Patricia Parenteau and brother in-law, Stephen Parenteau of Hillsboro; nephew, Stephen Parenteau of Peterborough and nephew, Bryan Parenteau of Hillsboro. He was predeceased by his sister, Anne McNally, brother, Thomas McNally and his father, George McNally. Services will be Friday, March 8, 2016 at 10am in St. Mary's Church in Hillsboro NH. In lieu of flowers the family suggests that memorial contributions be made in Michael's name to Muscular Dystrophy Association, Inc., 360 Route 101, #5 Bedford, NH 03110.

William L. Hurd

NEWPORT - William L. "Bill" Hurd, also known to many as Bobo, passed away

peacefully Monday, March 7, 2016, at his home in Newport after fighting a courageous battle against cancer. He was born April 12, 1948, in Newport, to Ernest and Maxine (Boutwell) Hurd. He is survived by his



wife of 40 years, Sherri (Clarke) Hurd, their

son, Ryan Hurd and wife Brandi and their two daughters, Alexis and Kirsten, daughter Corina Hurd and her children Michaela, Jeremy, Stephen and Moriah and daughter Michelle Truell and husband Bruce, and their two daughters, Ashlev and Alicia. He is also survived by his sisters, Priscilla Nichols of Orangevale, California and Elaine Gebo of Newport; and his brother, Richard Hurd and wife Dona of Newport; along with many very special nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his parents, Ernest and Maxine; and brothers, John, Robert and Preston. Bill was a very caring family man. His final days were spent with dignity and pride in the knowledge of how greatly he was loved.

Barbara Elliott

CONTOOCOOK - Barbara Elliott, 75, of East Penacook Road died on Monday, March 7, 2016 at Health South in Concord. Born in Groton, VT on Aug. 17, 1940, the daughter of the late Chester and Marion (Phelps) Elliott. In addition to her parents she was predeceased by her maternal grandmother whom she shared a very special relationship with, Violet Phelps and her maternal grandfather Clarence Phelps and many aunts and uncles whom she adored. She is survived by her life partner of 45 years, Janice Pembroke and their dog, Taylor of Contoocook; her sister, Sharon Rogers and her husband, Steven of W. Newbury, VT; nieces and nephews, Tammi Parker and her husband Lester of S. Ryegate, VT, Christine Rogers Smith of W. Newbury, VT, Buck Rogers and his wife Katie of West Point, NY, Noelle Beyer and her husband, James of Marshall, MN; and many grand nieces and nephews and longtime friends. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to a charity of one's choice.





Legion Post #50 sponsors Hancock boy in Oratorical Contest

The New Hampshire American Legion Junior Oratorical Contest was held Saturday, March 5th at Post 23, Milford. This year's contestant was Oscar Bernier, an eight grade high honor student at Great Brook Middle School. Oscar is the District 2 candidate sponsored by the Myers-Prescott-Olson Post 50, Antrim, NH.

Oscar is the son of Jean-Pierre and Kristen Bernier of Hancock. He spoke with excellent knowledge on the First and Second amendments demonstrating his understanding of these important amendments to the U.S. Constitution. Post 50 is proud to have sponsored Oscar and give him their sincere congratulations for his excellent speech and the time and work he did to qualify.

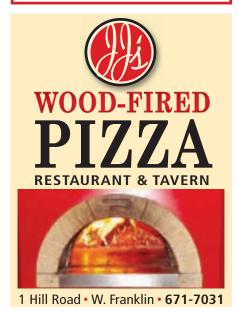


Left to Right: (Back Row) Paul Comeau, Dist 2 Cmdr, Tony Pereira, Youth & Children Chairman Post 50, Wayne Thomas, Post 5 Cmdr, Ed Laford, Dist 2 Vice Cmdr, Bob Ballentine, Post 23 Cmdr, (Front Row) Barney Barbera, Dist 2 Financial Officer, Oscar Bernier, GBMS Student, Stephen Roy, Post 50 Cmdr, Jim Ward, Dist 2 Adjutant. Submitted by Virginia Pereira.















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