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1,000 Books Challenge

Alexia received her own tote bag from

New Boston's Whipple Free Library for reaching the 500 book milestone in the 1,000 **Books Before** Kindergarten Challenge.



In the Olympic Spirit

8th grader Abby Guillemette starts off a

relay team in the plunger race during Weare Middle and Center Woods Upper Elementary School's Olympicthemed Spirit



Week. Student teams took the Gold and Silver while the faculty took the Bronze. Bronda Crosby photo.

8th Rotary Penny Sale

Plans for the Newport Rotary's 8th

Annual Penny Sale are well underway, according to Bruce

Jasper,



Chair of this year's event. "We're excited to announce the date, Saturday May 12, for this year's event, our major fundraiser of the year." Many prizes have already been donated.

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Richards Library won 1st place in the Small Float division of Newport's Winter Carnival Parade. Paul Howe photo.

Default budget defaulted

Court orders Town of Weare to delete nearly \$60,000

The Town of Weare has been ordered to remove just under \$60,000 from its proposed default budget after a Superior Court Judge ruled on Tuesday the money wasn't allowed to be included. The ruling results from a suit brought by Rep. Neal Kurk, a member of the town's finance committee, against the Board of Selectmen. The money covered eight new contract items, including \$14,052 for the Town Administrator's new contract, \$6,041 for the Police Chief's new contract, \$16,817 for the Police Prosecutor's contract and \$14,594 for an Assessing Contract. In all, these expenses totalled \$59,864.

The Court agreed with Kurk's Attorney

who argued that these funds or increases which were put in both the proposed operating budget and default budget, after the last town meeting deprived voters the opportunity to weigh in on whether they were in favor of the increases.

Because these raises were not presented to voters at the last town meeting, Lehmann and Kurk argued they could not be part of the default budget, although they will be in the proposed operating budget as the selectmen have already agreed to the new contracts, it is unclear how they will be funded if the proposed budget is defeated. See related story on page 3.

Three men arrested for Hillsboro vehicle break-ins

Three individuals have been arrested in connection with the rash of car break-ins that occurred in the downtown area of Hillsboro. A considerable amount of stolen property was recovered as a result of the investigation. Arrested were: Jacob Morrissette, 19, of Hillsboro, Stone Cooper, 18, of Manchester, and Matthew Cotoni, 18, of Manchester.



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March 3, 2017

Epsom man guilty of Federal firearm charges
Unlucky Loudon resident backs into police cruiser
Tilton man indicted for trying to steal an ambulance
Franklin sex offender arrested in Bow

February 26, 2016

Weare crash leads to negligent homicide charge
A dozen towns assist at Goffstown fire
Colby-Sawyer works with rankling PermaCity life
Area Police Chiefs & School Superintendents discuss opioids

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

H-D qualifies 25 DECA students for International Competition

A very young but strong Hillsboro-Deering DECA team had great success at the recent New Hampshire DECA 6th Annual Career Development Conference. It was held Wednesday, February 14 through Friday, February 16 2018, at the Manchester Downtown Hotel in Manchester, NH.

The Hillsboro-Deering DECA chapter has over fifty-five members this year, and twenty attended this year's competition – eight of which were Freshmen. The team included: Bayley Adams, Chloe Braun, Emma Breed, Kianna Carter, Emma Curley, Kaylea Davison, Miranda Feighery, Thomas Ferguson, Austin Gallagher, Gunner Hagstrom, Serena Havunen, Nick Lester, Cassidy Marshall, Josh Marshall, Alexis McClure, Louis Nordlund, Kimberly Rodier, Zachary Urban, Rachel VanOlmen, and Colby Wilkens.

Out of the 20 students who attended, the team earned 2 chapter trophies, 14 medals and 12 plaques – including one for the 1st place in NH Quiz Bowl team. Hillsboro-Deering did so well this year that some students qualified twice in various events and all 20 competitors became eligible to compete at the International level. Junior Kimberly Rodier was re-elected to state office. Combined with the chapter's successful Virtual Business Season, a total of twenty-five students will be competing at the International Career Development Conference in Anaheim, California, from April 20 – April 25, 2018.

The following students will be attending the International Competition: Nick Lester, Thomas Ferguson, and Ethan Blevins – Virtual Business Sports Management; Gunner Hagstrom, Nathan McGillicuddy, and Max Costello – Virtual Business Sports Management Zoe Galatas

and Miranda Feighery – Virtual Business Restaurant Management; Zachary Urban, Dustin Vancleave, and Caitlin Greene – Virtual Business Retail Management; Kaylea Davison and Alexis McClure – School Based Enterprise; Bayley Adams – Thrive Academy.

Louis Nordlund – Ignite Academy Kianna Carter and Colby Wilkens – Travel and Tourism Management Team – 1st Place NH. Josh Marshall – Human Resources Management – 1st Place NH; Kimberly Rodier – State Officer Academy, Public Relations Project; Emma Breed – Public Relations Project; Austin Gallagher – Automotive Services – 2nd Place NH; Cassidy Marshall and Chloe Braun – Creative Marketing Project - 2nd Place NH Rachel VanOlmen – Start-up Business Plan – 1st Place NH; Serena Havunen – Entrepreneurship Promotion Project - 1st Place.



Hillsboro-Deering's 2018 DECA Team

Weare Select Board to appeal default budget ruling

Chairman Tom Clow opened Monday's Weare Select Board meeting by thanking Police Chief Sean Kelly and his officers for their handling of the recent incidents at John Stark High School.

The first item on the agenda was a discussion of how to deal with the recent court decision ordering the town to remove nearly \$60,000 in line items from the town's default budget. Town Administrator informed the Board that in revising the default budget, several line items that were larger in the current budget than in the

proposed were increased in the revised default budget. As a result, after making the ordered deductions, the new default budget is set at \$5,997,600 or only \$489.00 less than prior to the lawsuit.

Despite the resulting minor reduction, Board members were dissatisfied with the Court's ruling, saying it left much confusion over the handling of default budgets under the SB2 authorizing statute. Therefore, with member Jack Meaney vacationing in Florida, the Board voted 4-0 to appeal the decision.



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Ibuprofen is associated with increased blood pressure and hypertension compared to celecoxib in patients with osteoarthritis or rheumatoid arthritis and increased risk of cardiovascular disease, according to a study published in *EHJ*. Nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs), both non-selective and selective cyclooxygenase-2 (COX-2) inhibitors, are among the most widely prescribed drugs worldwide, but are linked with increased blood pressure and adverse cardiovascular

events. Indeed, 19% of the U.S. population use at least one NSAID on a regular basis, including 30 million Americans with osteoarthritis, of whom more than 40% also have hypertension. NSAID labels include warnings about potential increases in blood pressure but there is little data on the effects of individual drugs. Maintaining or achieving blood pressure control in patients with arthritis and concomitant hypertension (treated or untreated) could avoid more than 70,000 deaths from stroke and 60,000 deaths from coronary heart disease each year, making it important to investigate the effects of various NSAIDs on blood pressure.

Liraglutide injection, a prescription medication used to treat type-2 diabetes and obesity is associated with marked slowing of stomach emptying and is an effective weight loss therapy. These are the findings of a randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled study by Mayo Clinic researchers published in *The Lancet Gastroenterology & Hepatology*.

A new review published in *Photodermatology, Photoimmunology and Photomedicine* highlights the potential of nicotinamide (Vitamin B3) for preventing skin cancers, including melanoma in high-risk individuals. Nicotinamide can help reduce or reverse DNA damage inflammation, and immunosuppression caused by ultraviolet radiation.

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Brendon Kelleher from Sunapee feeds the evaporator wood at the Harding Hill Farm's sugar house in Sunapee last week. Paul Howe photo.

Boscawen's Homestead Inn lacks funding

Boscawen's Homestead Inn may be the next victim of lack of funding in NH's fight against the opioid crisis. Support for recovery housing is one of the weakest areas in the state's response to the opioid crisis. Officials expect that will change, but it might not be soon enough to save the Homestead Inn. For the two dozen men who live at the Inn, it is the best home they have ever had, with sobriety and accountability. Kristine Paquette, who opened the Homestead Inn five years ago as the opioid crisis escalated, believed the state would eventually provide some funding to recovery housing, after having invested millions of dollars in treatment. "We need treatment," she said, "But after treatment, where are they going to go?" State officials recognize that the highest risk for relapse comes when someone in recovery gets out of a correctional facility, a hospital or treatment, and while a regulatory framework is in progress, the plan is to support recovery housing.

New Principals named at Kearsarge Schools

Superintendent of Schools Winfried Feneberg, with the support of the School Board, has announced the appointment of two new elementary administrators for the 2018/2019 school year. Christine Downing will begin as the Sutton Central School Principal/District Elementary Curriculum Director. Christine brings 25 years of diverse experience in education to our district. She holds a Master's Degree in Education and will complete a CAGS program in Educational Leadership this year. Andrew Chouinard will also join our district as the KRES at Bradford Elementary Principal. Andrew holds both a Teacher and Principal certification and will earn his CAGS in Educational Leadership this year. Andy has served for the last six years as the Assistant Principal in the Derry Cooperative School District. Prior to that, he was employed at the Deerfield Community School both in the classroom and in administration.

Bow Community Building stays for now

The Bow Selectmen said they decided to withdraw the warrant article that would have raised \$106,700 for the project in order to figure out better what the next steps should be. However, a petition warrant has been submitted that would raise \$100,000 from the capital reserve fund to help cover some of the repairs in the building. Fire Chief Mitch Harrington said that a new fire alarm system is on the top of the list of temporary measures that would increase safety, as well as removing some of the flammable items in the building.

Warner man arrested for witness tampering and conspiracy

David Pook, 47, of Warner, a teacher at the Derryfield School has been charged with witness tampering and conspiracy in the midst of an investigation at another school. He was charged with two counts of witness tampering and two counts of conspiracy to commit perjury.

The Attorney General's Office said the charges were based on evidence gathered during its investigation into St. Paul's School. Pook taught at St. Paul's School for eight years but left under questionable circumstances in 2008, investigators said. He has been employed at the Derryfield School since 2009.

Officials said the investigation focused on Pook's relationship with a female St. Paul's student while he was a teacher at St. Paul's. Pook and the former student were called before a grand jury, and based on that testimony and other evidence, arrest warrants were issued for Pook, officials said. Attorney General Gordon MacDonald said his office began investigating St. Paul's School last year after reports of sexual assaults by teachers and the conviction of a student for sexual assault. No details were released about the allegations

that led to the charges. The names of the former student and other witnesses are being withheld for 90 days to protect the integrity of the investigation, officials said. Pook is scheduled to be arraigned March 15.



State Representative Gerald Griffin briefed the New Boston Selectmen on the status of House Bill 413, which if passed would restore some state money to the Retirement system for municipal employees.



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Congratulations to all Jr. & Sr. Goffstown Girls Parks & Recreation Basketball Participants. Jr. Girls Championship game: Team Villanova: Brooke Baines, Sophia Dery, Morghan Dodge, Isabella Foot, Katie Horton, Sydney Lavoie, Evelyn Lewis, Ella Manney, Leah Mark, Isabella Mcintyre, Gabrielle Millas, and Sophie Roussel; Coach Mike Baines, Damian Millas Sr. Girls Championship game: Team Fever: Kendall Dubois, Jillian Grant, Brea Hampton, Jaiden Lacerte, Faith Morley, Camryn Sweeney, Lillian Trnka, Alyssa Vougias; Coach Chavez Hampton, Talena Fluker.

Dunbarton man facing multiple charges

Robert Sylvia, 51, of Dunbarton is facing multiple drug related charges following a search warrant that was executed at his home. He is being charged with possession of anabolic steroids, possession of alprazolam (Xanax) and possession of anabolic steroids with the intent to distribute, all felonies. He is also being charged with default or breach of bail conditions. Dunbarton Police Officers and Special Agents from the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) found large quantities of anabolic steroids, drug paraphernalia and supplements used to enhance or facilitate the use of anabolic steroids during the execution of a search warrant. Police seized in excess of 450 pills as well as a large quantity of liquids, powders and syringes.

Newport art students' work on display

The following Newport students participated in the Ava Gallery's tenth annual "Best of the Upper Valley High School Art Exhibition." The ten students selected by juror and retired art professor from Plymouth State University, Elizabeth D'Amico are:

Ryan Blackden for his silver gelatin black and white depth of field photo; Selena Clough for her pencil value drawing;

Kyle Fish for his mixed media;

Nathan Stark for his value ink painting of landscape including rocks; Maia Brow for her digital color photo;

Kayla Hoisington for her digital color photo;

Quin Johnson for his black and white;

Angela Woolbert for her silver gelatin black and white spray developed photo;

Shelby Anne Petrin for her mixed media collage;

Ethan Trombley for his environmental watercolor painting.

Boscawen jail converted to Reentry Center

Officials gathered in Boscawen Monday for the grand opening of the Edna McKenna Community Corrections Center, which will house Merrimack County's Successful Offender Adjustment and Re-entry (SOAR) program in the newly-renovated 68-bed transitional center, located on the site of the old jail. Minimum-security inmates will be offered inpatient treatment, and housing for work release. In addition to classrooms, a dining hall and a visiting area, the facility provides segregated living quarters for up to 34 men and 34 women.

Belmont man faces multiple charges after high speed chase

John Chapman, 30, of Belmont, was taken into custody at gunpoint by Meredith Police Monday night after he crashed his black Nissan sedan on Dewpoint Lane in Center Harbor.

He has been arrested on three counts of being a felon in possession of a weapon, reckless operation, conduct after an accident, criminal mischief and disobeying a police officer. Meredith Police had been questioning Chapman after a clerk at the Cumberland Farms Store on Route 3 reported an occupied car had been parked for a long time and appeared suspicious. After speaking with Chapman he abruptly

Sprinklers extinguish fire

Peterborough Firefighters responded to Pheasant Wood Center in response to a fire alarm. When they arrived, they observed water running out from under the door to the first floor maintenance room and smoke could be smelled on the first and second floors. A single sprinkler head had activated and extinguished the fire, which was caused when an electric fan caught fire and ignited combustibles.

backed up, hit an unoccupied Meredith cruiser and sped off.

Police gave chase, but suspended the pursuit when they reached speeds of up to 87 mph and radioed dispatch that they had lost sight of the vehicle. A short while

later, police spotted Chapman's car and he again tried to flee and crashed into an underground utility box. He was taken to the Belknap County Jail and held overnight pending arraignment in Belknap County Superior Court.



Weare Police Chief Sean Kelly (r) welcomes his newest Officer, Chad Averill, as proud dad, Ken looks on. Chad is a John stark graduate and is a few credits shy of his Associates Degree at NHTI.



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Marylee Gorham of the NH Humane Society was the speaker at the Tilton-Northfield Rotary Club meeting at Onions Pub.

Concord Chamber honors area students

The Greater Concord Chamber of Commerce has selected these students for Capital Area Student Leadership 2018: Miah Boucher, Merrimack Valley High School; Logan Cassin, Merrimack Valley High; Lara Chern, Bow High School; Colby Malcolm, Hopkinton Middle High School; Cassidy Considine, Merrimack Valley High; Sanne Doneski, Hopkinton Middle High; Cordell Drabble, John Stark Regional High School; Emma Galonski, Merrimack Valley High; Elizabeth Guertin, Bow High; Evelyn Hatem, Bow High; Addison Hodge, Merrimack Valley High; Shannon Luby, Bow High; Katelyn Meserve, Hopkinton Middle High; Cameron Morse, John Stark Regional High; Christopher Seaver, John Stark Regional High; Sydney Stockwell, and Hopkinton Middle High.

64 bed Peterborough detox facility proposed

Steve Ryan of Francestown, a real estate developer, presented the Peterborough Planning Board plans for a 64-bed detox center behind the Peterborough Shopping Plaza at a recent preliminary consultation. A preliminary consultation is a non-binding meeting between developers of a potential project and the Planning Board to identify any potential issues prior to an official application being submitted. The proposed detox center would be built on a strip of land behind the Peterborough Shopping Plaza, between Rite Aid and the Dunkin Donuts. As proposed, the two story, 30,000 square foot facility would have 32 beds for medical detox, and 32 for the step-down process. It would be manned by between 60 and 70 full-and part-time employees, and provide services for both men and women over the age of 18, and accept both Medicaid and private insurance.

Chief briefs the Board on school lockdown

Tilton Police Chief Robert Cormier briefed the selectmen at the recent Middle School lockdown incident where a parent was upset with the school. He dispelled the rumors of any gun or bat involved, and confirmed the kids were not in danger. The Chief noted texting between students becomes a problem with misinformation being translated. There will be an after action meeting to discuss the best way of messaging parents and others who need to be informed.

Sons of American Legion support OSCATS

The Sons of the American Legion Squadron 59, recently presented a check for \$400 to the Hillsboro-Deering High School's robotics team for their upcoming season. Team 6762 OSCATS is participating in the FIRST Robotics POWER-UP competition. The team is made up of approximately 10 high school students interested in robotics and other S.T.E.M. fields.

Andover may use Franklin instead of New London for EMS coverage

Greg Stetson spoke to the Andover Select Board about the issue of emergency medical call coverage. Currently, Andover contracts with New London to take Andover's calls from approximately 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. daily. One of the issues with New London is the response time length for Andover residents due to the wide range of area coverage that New London provides to other communities outside Andover.

Kinney spoke to New London about increasing their coverage times for Andover, but at this time, New London is not willing

Smoke detector alerts occupants

Smoke detectors alerted the Weare homeowner who promptly called 9-1-1. Weare Firefighters responded quickly and were able to contain the fire damage to a small portion of the finished basement in just under an hour. Weare Fire Chief Robert Vezina credits working smoke detectors for alerting the sleeping occupants. Early notification and a quick response resulted in rapid control of the fire. The fire was caused by a defective dehumidifier.

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to increase their availability. Franklin is the backup, but when two out of their three EMS personnel scheduled are taking care of Andover, it leaves Franklin with only one EMS person available for Franklin. Presently, Franklin's Fire Chief is willing to speak about options with Andover to help with Andover's coverage. At this time, the options are: For daytime only coverage, the yearly cost is \$50,000.00. For full time coverage, the yearly cost is \$95,000.00. For this year, because Franklin's fiscal year starts in July, the cost would only be for half a year. Last year, with the daytime coverage, Franklin received \$12,500 for Andover's calls.

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Mike Wayne, candidate for Bow Select Board, speaks at the annual Candidate's Night at the Baker Free Library. Over 65 residents attended the event, which features all those who filed to run for elected office in town. Eric Anderson photo.

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Around the Towns



These kids enjoyed the Valentine's Party at the Goffstown Public Library.



New Boston Recreation has announced that registration for this summer's Camp Coolio is now open.



Henniker Community School 4th grade students Ryan Bonilla, Auryannah Moore work a created model that demonstrates energy transfer. Caroline Morono photo.



First grade students Jayden Valles and Lea Arzzia show off their 100th day shirts at Weare's Center Woods Elementary School. Katie Cyr photo.



Goffstown Rotary Club President Michele Sheppard (r) welcomes Micaela Elechko (l), the club's newest member.



Workmen apply the finishing touches to the addition to Putnam's Restaurant in Goffstown.

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Bow High School recently held a Military Appreciation Night.



Cub Scouts of Hillsborough's Pack 73 participated in their "Bridging" ceremony from Cub Scouts to Boy Scouts at their Blue & Gold event. (L-R) Chase Twombley, Raymond Goren, Peter Beane, Dylan Czyzewski, Logan Lane, Michael Wojcuilewicz and Jacob Audette. Missing from the picture is Joseph Furtado.



The Henniker 5/6 girl's rec basketball team won the Championship against a very skilled and determined Bow team 11-5. Front row-Adelaide Meehan, Berkeley Newcomb, Maggie McGinty, Olivia Courser. Back row-Jim Necomb, assistant coach, Alexis Spaulding, Caitlin Ellias, Gianna Fournier, Juel Ferreira, Kevin McGinty, coach, Rachel Berube.



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Publisher's Perspective by Leigh Bosse

It's Time for Ben Fortner To Resign

Henniker voters are faced with a difficult decision. With Bob French not running for re-election, three worthy candidates are running for the two open seats on the Board of Selectmen.

Current Chair Kris Blomback is running for re-election and deserves another term. He runs a fair and open meeting, giving all sides the opportunity to air their views. Kris hates controversy and works tirelessly to see if a consensus can be reached.

Former Selectman Scott Osgood, cured from the health issues which sidelined him in the past, is anxious to reclaim a seat on the Board. Scott's calm demeanor and analytical mind set a good tone for the meetings. He too welcomes a full discussion of all the issues, and encourages participation by the public.

Stephanie Payeur has given the town valuable service chairing the Economic Delelopment Committee and the Budget Advisory Committee, and serving on the OHRV Committee. It was Stephanie's initiative which resulted in the live streaming of the Selectmen's meetings.

This is, however, a problem with a solution. Last year, Ben Fortner burst on the scene, being elected as a Selectman. Recently, however, he has disappeared and neglected his obligations by failing to appear at meetings.

Fortner needs to resign his seat NOW. If he does, the newly elected Select Board can name the third place candidate to fill out his term. If he does not, there are two alternatives, neither of which is advisable. 1. The Board could continue shorthanded until his term expires; or, 2. The Board could petition the superior court to remove him, equally undesirable and expensive.

Henniker deserves to have its full Board up and running from day one. Come on Ben, do the right thing-resign.



Common Sense Conservative

By JP Marzullo

Another attack on our children by a mentally deranged individual and we continue to say it is a gun issue; it is a mental health issue. Who in their right mind is going to go into a school, a church or a business and kill people? Think about that for a minute. The FBI knew about this person, he was expelled many times from school and was considered a risk. Yet, no one did anything about it. Why didn't social workers or a psychiatrist deal with his problem? Oh wait; maybe it actually was since they gave him drugs to help him. Psychotropic drugs, really? Have you ever listened to the side effects of common drugs on TV most of them say things like, you may experience depression or have thoughts of suicide. There are more but too many to list but you get the point. There are groups blaming the NRA and their members, saying that they have blood on their hands for the murders at Parkland, FL. That's like saying the AAA is responsible for people killed by drunk drivers or those speeding. Lets stop making this political, the bodies weren't even cold and people were once again screaming for gun control. Is that really the way to fix this problem? I think not! You may have

guessed by now that I'm a supporter of our 2nd Amendment, but I'm certainly concerned about the killings that have occurred, like at a Country Music event, a Gay night Club and of course the schools. I ask you again do you really think for one minute that those who killed these innocent people were sane? It is not the fault of those owning guns it is the failure of our society to recognize and treat mental illness and those on the verge of it. Lets have an honest discussion about what to do and keep politics and emotions out of it. The media decided to interview students who just experienced a horrible situation watching their friends shot down by a killer and them running for their lives. It is disgusting that a reporter would want to sensationalize this tragedy and I'm sure these students will do the TV talk show circuit as well, and we as a society accept it. We can point fingers at the police, the sheriffs, the FBI, the teachers, and the parents for this. It is something that all of us regardless of political Party should be concerned with. There are already laws on the books regarding guns but we must enforce them, adding more laws does nothing. One last point, do you really in the deepest depths of your soul believe for one minute

that if guns were taken away from the law abiding citizens that evil people would not be able to get them? We need an open and honest discussion about what to do not simply saying we need gun control. Lets talk about why violence has increased over the years, is it violent movies, songs, or video games? Why isn't anyone addressing that? Is it because of the money that is generated from them? We don't need protests and marches, media hype and demands by politicians to discuss this, we need common sense. How about sitting down over a cup of coffee with our neigh-

bors, community leaders, and educators to figure this out as responsible citizens of our great country? We all want for our students, families and friends to be safe and not worry about being at a restaurant, movie or church and having a mentally deranged person come in and shoot everyone. Lets address the problems leading up to these violent actions. Heck, I'd even been willing to facilitate it. My 2nd Amendment rights are important to me, and I've never had to use my firearm to defend myself or my family but if I had to, I would



Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

The New London Conservation Commission is asking voters to support placing a conversation easement on a plot of town land acquired in 2016 that is part of the Pleasant Lake watershed.

The proposal for the property along the eastern side of Pleasant Street is one of several items up for vote at New London's annual town meeting on Wed., March 14. The meeting is set to take place a day after town elections.

The town purchased the property, which totals about 27 acres, in June 2016 using capital reserve funds set aside for protecting open space. The terrain is a mix of undeveloped forest and wetlands. It runs for about 550 feet along the east side of Pleasant Street and extends to properties on Seamans Road.

The Pleasant Street East parcel serves as a buffer for Pleasant Lake. An environmental survey last year confirmed there is a good deal of water on the site; about one quarter of the property is classified as wetland. The land drains into Red Brook and from there into the 602-acre lake.

"By protecting the land, we can help protect Pleasant Lake," said New London Conservation Commission Chairman Robert Brown. "Placing an easement on this property also makes good on the promise we made to voters when we sought their approval to purchase the land. We said wanted to conserve it and this designation would help us do that."

A conservation easement wouldn't diminish New London's tax base because the town already owns the land.

Adding the designation to the Pleasant Street East site would bring it more in line with that of a 19.2-acre property on the opposite side of Pleasant Street that the town also acquired in 2016. Of that, 16.2 acres are under a conservation easement. The remaining three acres are zoned commercial. Brown

said there are no plans for using that portion of the west parcel.

Preserving Pleasant Street East in its current state would advance the town and state's shared goal of safeguarding open space. Brown said the move also would help maintain the serenity of the popular Kidder-Cleveland-Clough trail system that cuts along the west side of Pleasant Street.

The Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust, which holds an easement on the west side of Pleasant Street, has agreed to accept a conservation easement on Pleasant Street East if voters approve the designation.

An easement would limit what could occur on the land though it wouldn't prevent the town from finding uses that carry a low environmental impact. Brown said, however, there are no plans for the land and that the foremost concern is protecting the area.

The conservation commission paid for the purchases of Pleasant Street East and Pleasant Street West using its land-acquisition funds. The intent was to preserve a natural setting close to Main Street and to manage the flow and quality of water bound for Pleasant Lake.

The Pleasant Street acquisitions were part of three purchases totaling more 55 acres that the New London Conservation Commission made in 2016 under its mission to secure areas with high environmental and recreational value. The third acquisition was of land adjacent to Clark Lookout on Davis Hill Road near the New London Park & Ride west of I-89 exit 12. The purchases, which voters approved in March 2016, were the first for the New London Conservation Commission in eight years.

Those interested in the New London Conservation Commission's work can visit its website at nl-nhcc.com.

Robert Brown, Chairman

Messenger

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High School Sports



Hopkinton (17-4) will face No. 5 Conant (17-4) in Saturday's championship game at 4 p.m.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

DIVISION III PRELIMINARY

#6 Hopkinton 45, #11 Inter-Lakes 25: The Hawks turned an eight-point lead at halftime into a 20-point margin of victory. **#5 Conant 45, #12 Newport 40:** The Tigers girls basketball team was eliminated from the Division III tournament suffering defeat against Conant, 45-40. Newport finishes their overall season at 10 and 9.

#3 Newfound 72, #14 Franklin 22: Reigning D-III Player of the Year Ashlee Dukette paced the Bears with 25 points, 11 rebounds, five steals and four blocked shots.

#4 Sanborn 55, #13 Belmont 42: Julianna Estremera scored 27 points as the Raiders gave Sanborn an initial scare, but the Indians went on a surge late in the second half to take a 27-20 lead into the break and pulled away from there to avoid the upset.

DIVISION III QUARTERFINALS

#6 Hopkinton 33, #3 Newfound 31: Taylor Signor iced the game at the free-throw line in the fourth quarter as the Hawks punched their ticket to the final four.

DIVISION III SEMIFINALS

#6 Hopkinton 49, #2 Gilford 25: Led by a tough defense and double-digit scoring from Maurgan McGrath, Taylor Signor and Amelia Thomas, No. 6 Hopkinton chalked up another upset with a convincing 49-25 victory over No. 2 Gilford .

DIVISION II PRELIMINARY

#8 Bishop Brady 58, #9 Bow 41: The Falcons lost in the first round of the Division II tournament Tuesday night.

#11 Pembroke 42, #6 Goffstown 38: The Spartans took to the road for their first-round matchup and came away with the upset win to advance.

#3 Hollis-Brookline 45, #14 Merrimack Valley 29: Trailing by eight at halftime, Merrimack Valley managed to cut the deficit down to four points in the third quarter, but couldn't rally all the way back in this first-round playoff matchup.

#13 John Stark 43, #4 Pelham 41: The Generals completed the biggest upset of the first round, taking the lead on a late 3-pointer from Emily Patten and holding on for the win.

#2 Lebanon 55, #15 ConVal 27: It was a valiant effort for the Cougars but the Raiders were too strong.

DIVISION IV PRELIMINARY

#6 Woodsville 64, #11 Sunapee 37: The long domination by the



High School Sports

Laker girls has ended.

#7 Mount Royal 38, #10 Newmarket 33: The Knights capped their first playoff appearance in grand style.

DIVISION IV QUARTÉRFINALS

#2 Hinsdake 41, #7 Mount Royal 17: The Knights were outscored 21-6 in the first half and managed only three points in the final quarter.

BOYS BASKETBALL

DIVISION IV PRELIMINARY

#2 Pittsfield 95, #15 Wilton-Lyndeborough 34: Cam Darrah had 28 points, 8 assists, and 7 rebounds as the Panthers opened the playoffs with a 57-12 lead at halftime.

#10 Epping 65, #7 Mount Royal 52: The seventh seeded Mount Royal Academy Knights struggled for a majority of the first period. **Regular Season Final Game**

Hillsboro-Deering 55, Franklin 43: Zach Rowell scored 15, Ben Ketterer 12, and Elijah Winters 10 as the Hillcats picked up their first victory of the season.

The Thrill Of Victory-The Agony Of Defeat

America celebrates its winners. Olympic Champions. Super Bowl, World Series, or March Madness, down to the high school level and below to youth sports. We crown our winners with trophies, plaques and medals as we celebrate their glories.

It was only a year or so ago that this paper's pages were dedicated to salutes of both the H-D girls and boys soccer teams as they moved up through the tournament ranks.

This year was completely different, there will be no trophies or plaques as the boys' basketball team suffered a 1-17 season while the Girls went 0-18.

It is very easy to ride the momentum of a powerful, winning team, knowing the odds are you are going to win the next game. It takes a special person, with pride, spirit and determination to pull up those shorts, and lace up those sneakers knowing you are not competitive and will probably lose the next game too.

Such were our Hillcats athletes this season. They fought hard, gave their all and left it all on the court, game after game, disappointment after disappointment. They carried themselves with dignity and pride, which reflected well on them, their school and this town

Their seasons lacked a "W" but in our hearts they are winners.



The Bow Memorial School boys' basketball team went 4-0 to win the Division I seventh- and eighth-grade Northeast Winter Championship.





HILLSBORO-DEERING MIDDLE SCHOOL

8th Grade High Honor Roll: Haylay Berry, Adreanna Carroll, Jaedin Chacos, Emily Ferguson, Arianna Hargreaves, Louis Iadonisi, Emily Jankowski, Alycia Keane, Serenedy Kelley, Hope Kennedy, Kimberly Nadeau, Lillian Neily, Madison Podsadowski, Sophia Queen, Rose Rioux, Irena Rose, Summer Shifflett, Emily Wilkens

Honor Roll: Jack Blevens, Chase Carter, John Dalphond, David Denslow, Larrissa Doe, Thomas Doyle, Camron Garcia, Skye Goudreault, Dylan Gramitt, Kylon Greene, Cameron Gregoire, Isabelle Hollenbeck, Matthew Hunt, Abigail Johnson, Eva LaValley, Abigail Macdonald, Alaina McGillicuddy, Chelsea McLemore, Jordan Mulliner, James Murdough, Cameron Parker, Kelsey Powell, Brian Roy, Kristina Shampney, Tate Sheehan, Amanda Shortt, Sarah Silipigni, Abigail VonDette

7th Grade High Honor Roll: Megan Belanger, Hailey Cloutier, Katie Connarn, Zack Coombs, Emma Davison, Courtney Ford, Emily Howell, Alexis Ledvina, Madison Ledvina, Danielle Pellecchia, Peter Seymour, Payton Twombley, Josephine Vassar **Honor Roll:** Ella Austin, Devin Barrett, Kassidy Bienvenu, Jacquelyn Bourgeois, Noah Cate, Natasha Chouinard, Samuel Davis, Cooper Dean, Devin Dumais, Hannah Edwards, Liam Greene, Haley Hathorn, Tyler Howse, Damien Laporte, Dalton Leavitt, Emily Martins, Bradley O'Brien, Hannah Putnam, Audrey Queen, Richard Robbins, Max Rocha, Richard Rose, Jayden Stevenson, Madison Tash, Aidan Turner, Baylee Wyman

6th Grade High Honor Roll: Abigail Benn, Signy Burke-Smith, Abagail Carroll, Megan Denslow, Michael Denslow, Claire Doyle,

Daniel Franklin, Elysia Hagstrom, Benjamin Hartford, Morocco Hess, Alyssa Kelley, Madison Lane, Tyler Marx, Ryleigh McFadden, Ethan Powell, Kaiya Richard, Crystal Rocha, Eva Sarapin, Kennedy-Lynne St.Onge, Isabel Swirko

Honor Roll: Ethan Benn, Victoria Berrocales, Mackenzie Borowiec, Dylan Braun, Abbigail Breed, Barbara Brien, Noah Carter, Benjamin Chadwick, Gavin Coombs, Brady Curley, Alex Davy, Addison Dillon, Emma Donahey, Caleb Dumais, Mason Ferwerda, Emily Ford, Mackenna Goulette, Aden Henry, Aiden Johnson, Noah Johnson, Paige Kelly, Kara Kopf, Michael McCaffrey, Savannah McDaniel, Erin McGillicuddy, Logan Miller, Blayne Neily, Loni Newcomb, Kyle Nickulas, Delia Patten, Ariana Pendleton, Emily Pinkham, Ethan Ruff, Jason Sanborn, Rosemary Shifflett, John Van Hart, Savannah VanCleave

GREAT BROOK SCHOOL

Grade 8 High Honors: Maeghan Baribault, Willow Baribault, Kayla Bishop, Zackery Boyd, Jocelyn Coty, Molly Dishong, Alana Edwards, Madeline Faber, Sarah Holdredge, Owen McGuire, Riley Momenee, Oren Robblee, Haley Serafine, Madeline Shippee, Priscilla St Pierre, Alec Stetzer, Jaimini Viles

Honors: MaKenzie Anderson, Shawn Barilani, Logan Burnham, Zander Carignan, David DeShane, Jordan Drummond, Addison Evans, Chloe Griggs, Corey Guzman, Kyle Howe, Elizabeth Jessie, Rebecca Kulbacki, Sabrina Leahigh, Quinten Mose, Mary Quintanilha, Loraine Rupp, Conor Simmons, Angel St Pierre, Olivia Thompson, Maximus Vassar, Emily Waniski, Riley Woodbury

Grade 7 High Honors: Cheyenne Austin, Harrison Bernier, ▶







William Bishop, Christine Broderick, Tyler Christophers, Chelsea Cilley, Lydia Cleveland, Nico Colon, Shona Cousens, Jake Daniels, Nicole Davison, Annabelle DeLisle, Addison Dodge, Cameron Earle, Jessica Gershfield, Matthew Hadley, Eliza Harris, Wubalem Harrison, Allison Hodgen, Isaac Hons, Hayden Kaltsas, Ethan Kinney, Quince Kirtland, Zachary Lachapelle, Noah Lambert, Raiven Lewis, Mikala Mackesy, Ethan Marony, Justin Norton, Dylon Pelletier, Natalie Preble, Makenna Proctor, Charles Quintanilha, Abigail Shumway, Kevin Simmons, Ava Solod, Caroline Stultz, Colby Sullivan, Donovan Sweeney, Dominic Trodella, Katelyn Vasco, Amylynn Wheeler, Laramie Wilson, Jamie Wood, Richard Woodin

Honors: Faith Bourque, Lucas Gregory, Matthew Hardwick, Abigail Kamieniecki, Nicholas Lawrence, David McBroom, Anjali Singh, Mattison Visingard

Grade 6 High Honors: Hannah Beisang, Gillian Bouthillette, Autumn Charron, Jennae DeShane, Makaela Drummond, Luis Hernandez II, Hannah Leahigh, Aidan Learn, Abigail Lussier, Gabrielle Ramsden, Beatrice Robblee, Ryann Shippee, Adyson Spiller, Shaelan Stetzer, Aryanah Vayens, Evalyn Whiteley **Honors:** Charles Austin Jr., Kilee Benotti, Aiden Demetrion, Broden Frosch, Justin Hafford, Natalie Hardwick, John Harris, Wyatt Harty, Tasha MacNeil, Owen Palmer, Ivy Polttila, Andrew St Cyr, Jason Way, Uilliam Wilmoth

SUNAPEE MIDDLE HIGH SCHOOL

Grade 12 High Honors: Jacqueline E. Balch, Nicholas C. Ducharme, Eliana Marie Falleur, Uzma Malik, William Anderson Palin, Cade M. Robinson, Benjamin van Paassen

Honors: Madeline M. Austin, Matthew Joseph Clay, Mary Elizabeth Coverdale, Emily L. Devore, Mary Katherine Moynihan, Aubrey Abigail Porter, Suzanne Elaine Rickard, Christina Slavin, Ana Gabriela Villarreal

Grade 11 High Honors: Elizabeth Kathleen Bennett, Carson Thielicke Garland, Star Alexandra Lucas, Nicole Jocelyn Malanga, Blaise Xavier O'Mara

Honors: Jacob Michael Austin, Grace Emma Clay, Hannah Elizabeth Cooney, Ryan Patrick Halpin Fleury, William Patrick Keegan, Erin Elizabeth Moynihan, Matthew Richard Nangeroni, Emma Elizabeth Platt, Abigail Olivia Rowell

Grade 10 High Honors: Skylar Lauren Hathorn, Olivia Simone Johnson, Elizabeth Chantal Nichols, Anastasia Lee Page, Tess Elizabeth Palin

Honors: Amita Lynn Ayer, Zachary Charles Belisle, Madeline O'Regan Blewitt, Anthony Joseph Borelli, Zackary Allen Bourque, Quinlan Thomas Fair, Elizabeth Suzanne Frederick, Madison Ann Giberson, Abby Rose Hanson, Jenna Kate Levasseur, Jacob Dylan Sarnevitz, Cameron Michael Summerton, Maria Julia Villarreal

Grade 9 High Honors: Noell Lison Bergeron, Isabella Renae Falleur, Harper Jackson Flint, Lilliana Mary Gurney, Alexa Faith Jenkins, Riley Warner Kelleher, Sean Patrick Moynihan, Mikayla Mary Passage, Johanna Grace Roth, Paul S. Smith III

Honors: Alexis Morgan Bonfiglio-Eaves, Jackson Morse Cooney, Sarah Elisabeth Golubiewski, John Luke Groton, Andrew Richard Nichols, Fiona Favaloro Nolan, Abigail Faith Pollari, Parker Adam Reed







Grade 8 High Honors: Bryce Nicholas Ashley, Saylor Thielicke Garland, Marley Rae Ann-Dawn Mozzetta, Molly Mulcahey Reed, Jackson Clark Scheele, Jacob Carroll Stoughton

Honors: Ethan Eulys Belvin, Meredith Whiting Blewitt, Maddox Stephen Cahill, McHale Kennedy Cahill, Andrew Michael Clifford, Charles Rupert Dalton, Kai Thomas Deyett, Tucker T. Deyett, Cole Steven Fair, Jake John-Randall Galloway, Lyla Virginia Holobowicz, Sophie Brooke Hubert, Eric Robert Nangeroni, Vanessa Renee Pollari

Grade 7 High Honors: Jonah Scott Flint, Samuel David Flint, Elizabeth Katherine Harrell, Emma Therese McNally, Cameron Alan Messenger

Honors: Miranda Hazel Andersen, Nicholas Charles Belisle, Nonah Rose Karol Dowsett, Brie Elizabeth Hughlock, Maggi Elizabeth Levasseur, Daisy May McFarland, Carter Michael McGinley, Krista Cecilia Miner, Nicholas Andrew Pollari, Melanie Erin Reed, John Patrick Shottes, Brynn Elizabeth Smith, Allison Marie Tschudin, Elizabeth Mae Tschudin, Matthew Robert Tachudin, Alexandra Marie Villers

Grade 6 Honors: Alexandra Maryville's, Sophia Abbott Bourque, Isabelle Marie Correa, Robert David Flater, Benjamin P. Gross, Julia Margaret Koumrian, Delia Jane Leslie, Ian Matthew McNally, Lucien Knight Osborne, Addy Michelle Pifer, Grace Mae Prunier, Annaliese Doreen Rowell, Emily Leigh Sevene

NEWPORT HIGH SCHOOL

High Honors Grade 9: Mia Caccavaro, Matthew Jachim-Gallagher, Jenna Maheu, Abigael Rasmussen, Adriano Urista, Bryce

Willey, Amanda Woodsum

Honors: Gavin Callow, Melanie Coleman, Jacob Cross, Chase Hamilton, Kirsten Hurd, Jagger Lovely, Ryder Lovely, Sean Moody, Morgan Oakley, Tanner Proper, Cassandra Raineault, Morgan Roberts, Kailee Sarno, Joshua Sharron, Arianna Short, Emily Sturtevant, Max Wadensten

High Honors Grade 10: Alexandra Armstrong, Cameron Hall, Mason Martell, Aimika Randall, Natasha Whipple, Jasmyn Wilkinson

Honors: Cory Bowie, Batuhen Boztepei, Alyssa Burr, Anna Caron, Adam Daniels, Austin Maloor-Juneau, Kayla Murphy, Kelci Page, Reuben Joshua Relente, Alexandni Richardson, Ty Ripley, Tony Sanville, Ethan Trombley, Alicia Truell, Michael Wilkinson, Angela Woolbert, Cassandra Yeingst

High Honors Grade 11: Victoria Burrotigh, Kaitlin Carroll, Benjamili Gallagher, Alia Gonzalez, Libby Tremblay

Honors: Hunter Boardman, Catherine Boles, Kristie Clingenpeel, Selena Clough, Selena Coronis, Marisa Cota, Megan Howard, Abigail Lussier, Ayesha Nezamabadi, Michael Osgood, Alexis Page, Abigail Paquin, Jolie Sanborn, Maria Wallace

High Honors Grade 12: Molly DiPadova, Makayla Frye, Kendall Hamllton, C. J. Howe, Alexis Hurd, Victoria Marino, Anna Pysz, Kennedy Pysz

Honors: Jeramhia Bedell, Anna Caccavaro, Cayse Elliott, John Gervais, Keagan Halleck, Hannah Johnson, Kristopher Mampe, Haley McNamara, Dylan Palmer, Hailey Perry, Olivia Rasmussen, Kyle Rositer, Matthew Saliriardi, Juleigha Sanville, Rachel Stark, ▶







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FRANKLIN HIGH SCHOOL

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Honors: Kayla Alvarez, Brigham Bardellini, Hannah Bergeron, Elizabeth Beveridge, Lindsey Borges, Autumn Brown, Molly Brown, Mary Bunker, Cianna Carey, Calee Carleton, Jordan Carter, Morgan Carter, Jessica Cilley, Kaylyn Cushman, Kyle Davis, Courtney Defosses, Felicity Defosses, Kyra Doane, Anna Doherty, Ryan Donahue, Connor Donisi, Justyce Duclos, Zachary Dunham, Danielle Emmett, Emma Fife, Corey Fisher, Jordan Foote, Jessica Fragose, Jacob Gagnon, Chandler Glover, Mackinley Goldthwaite, Felicity Goodsell, Elizabeth Goss, Addison Granger, Braden Gutkowski, Logan Hannigan, Hailey Haskins, Ryley Haskins, Luis Hernandez, Mikala Ireland, Maxwell Joyce, Mackenzi Kidder, Chandler LaBrecque, Taylor LaPage, Taryn Laramie, Kyle Lavoy, Devon LeBlanc, Giovanni Lemon, Brittanny Levinge, Gerald Marcoux, Cassidy Mazur, Aarionne McMahan, Paige Menard, Tyler Mussey, Corey Nelson, Andrew Obara, Audrey Paquette, Garrett Pelletier, Shayne Perry, Simon Pitman, Gavin Riley, Makayla Sanchez, Andre-Arna Saucier, Courtney Schuster, Christian Shepard, Ryan Smith, Breanna Stockbridge, Halie Turner, Mackenzie Weatherbee, Jacob Weaver, Jillian Wood.

BELMONT HIGH SCHOOL

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Honors: Bryanna Berry, Jacob Blackey, Abigail Camire, Riley Carbone, Jessica Dion, Emily Drouin, Emily Elliott-Lucas, Vincent Fleck, Taylor Harrison, Jeffrey Hutchins, Jessica Hutchinson, Umut Karadaban, H La Vallee, Jordyn Lavallee, Kyle Minery, Matthew Pluskis, Emeli Reed, Ellis Roundy, Josephine Scarponi, Grace Shaw, Bryan Slater, Chloe Sottak, Brianna White, Noah Witham, Meagan Wong Achievement Roll Keagan Berry, Jacob Bowser, Dunia Brackeniers, Maeve Burwell, Kacey Didonato, Hunter Dupuis, Willow Farley, Marc Forgione Jr., Connor Gagne, Nathan Hardy, Matthieu Laplante, Taylor Murray, Robert Skaff, Adam Sojka, Brian Trottier, Emily Vachon

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Annual Newport Rotary Club Penny Sale

Plans for the Newport Rotary Club's 8th Annual Penny Sale are well underway, according to Bruce Jasper, Chair of this year's event. "We're excited to announce the date – Saturday, May 12th – for this year's event, our major fundraiser of the year. Our partners are back – with Dan Cherry as MC for the evening. "During the next two months' Rotary members will be contacting area businesses asking for their support. In addition to the 300 prizes we will raffle that evening Rotary members are already selling tickets for a cash prize we will award as the finale that night. One thousand dollars will be raffled that evening (\$1200 if you are present) as the first prize for this portion of the penny sale. A second prize of \$500 (\$600 if present) will also be given away," Jasper explained. Rotary President Peter Martin added "We will draw three rounds of prizes Saturday evening and will give away 100 prizes in each round. Tickets will cost \$1.00 each, \$5.00 for six, \$10.00 for 12, and \$20.00 for 25 and all tickets for each round will be placed in a tumbler. When a ticket is drawn the individual holding the ticket will win the prize for that numbered item and then the ticket is returned to the tumbler and is eligible to be drawn again."



Obituaries: Friends & Neighbors Remembered

Elizabeth F. Brickett

HAMPSTEAD - Elizabeth F. Brickett, 87 of Hampstead, NH died Wednesday,

February 21, 2018, at Hillsboro House, Hillsborough. She was born in Candia, on December 14, 1930, a daughter of the late Perry E. and Esther (Evans) Little Sr. and had been a lifelong resident of Hampstead. She is



survived by three sons, Ronald Brickett and his wife Carol of Kingston, Douglas Brickett and his wife Susan, and Daniel Brickett, all of Hampstead; her daughter, Rev. Janice Howe and her husband Rev. Peter Howe of Hillsborough; two sisters, Fran Russell and her husband John, Middleborough, MA, Susan McGiven and her husband Fran, Braham, Minnesota; one brother, Perry E. Little Jr. and his wife Anna Marie, Middleborough, MA; nine grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by sisters Evelyn Hudson and Mary Kalitka. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Hampstead Congregational Church UCC, 61 Main Street, Hampstead, NH 03841-2035.

Mark D. Ashton

BRADFORD - Mark D. Ashton died

peacefully Sunday, Dec. 3, 2017. He was born on March 2, 1945, in Cincinnati to William Aloysius and Edythe Joan (Hendrickson) Ashton. Mark leaves his children, Christopher and wife,



Erica, Kenneth and partner, Lisa and son, Harrison and Karin and husband, David; and two grandchildren, Charles and Ella. He also leaves his siblings, Elizabeth Mauceri, Rosemary and William Ashton and their families. He is predeceased by his parents and twin brother, Peter. In lieu of flowers donations can be sent to Veterans For Peace or Wings of the Dawn.

Harold "Chuck" G. Manning Jr.

NORTHFIELD — Harold "Chuck" G. Manning Jr., 71, a longtime resident of

Northfield, died suddenly on Tuesday, Feb. 20, 2018, at Concord Hospital in Concord following a lengthy illness. Chuck was born in Laconia Sept. 3, 1946, son of the late Harold G. Manning Sr. and Rachel V. (Poire) Man-



ning. He leaves his wife of 30 years, Janis L. (Chamberlain) Manning of Northfield: his sons, the Rev. Scott Manning and his wife the Rev. Toni Manning of Tilton, and Dana Decormier and his wife Laurie of Tilton; his daughter, Michelle Florio-Manning and her partner Heidi of Tampa, Florida; grandchildren, Jennifer, Sarah, Elyssa and Ian Manning, Olivia, Jack and Emily Decormier, Tyanne Martin, and Michael and Nathaniel Florio; brothers, Steven "Skip" L. Manning of Strafford, and John W. Manning of Gilmanton sisters, Bonita "Bonnie" V. Wickner of Safety Harbor, Florida, and Susan J. Wyley of Clearwater, Florida; and numerous generational nieces, nephews and cousins. It was Chuck's wish that flowers be omitted and donations in his name

be sent to either, the Building Fund, First Baptist Church of Sanbornton, P.O. Box 80, Sanbornton NH 03269-0080, or the Make-A-Wish Foundation of New Hampshire, 814 Elm St, Suite 300, Manchester, NH 03101.

Lucille M. (Cook) Keyser

FRANKLIN – Lucille M. (Cook) Keyser, 85, formerly of Franklin, died Wednesday,

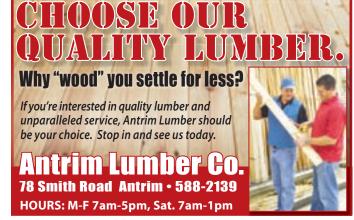
Feb. 21, 2018, at the Merrimack County Nursing Home in Boscawen. She was born in Metairie, LA on July 24, 1932, the daughter of Otho H. and Gladys (Sherrill) Cook. Her husband, Ronald, died in 2013. She is also



predeceased by a son, Tom; a granddaughter, Melanie and her parents. Members of her family surviving include; six children, Joseph W., Robert E., and Jack H. Keyser, Edith C. Vittum, Naydine O. Keyser and Audrey M. Keyser; 11 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; a brother, Otho "Sonny" Cook; three sisters, Kathleen Nix, Beverly Blankenship and Geri Stockstill; nieces, nephews, sisters and brothers-in-law. Memorial contributions may be made to Merrimack County Nursing Home, 325 Daniel Webster Highway, Boscawen, NH 03303.

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Events: Community Bulletin Board

SATURDAY MARCH 3

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SCHOLARSHIPS: The Weare Police Association is offering a college scholarship to a graduating high school senior, who resides in Weare, and is interested in a career in law enforcement. Those interested in applying shall complete the application and drop off all documents no later than April 12, 2018, at the JSRHS School Counseling Center.

SUNDAY MARCH 4

BUFFET BREAKFAST: Wilmot Volunteer Fire Department, 1 Firehouse Ln 7 AM - 10 AM Join us for breakfast! We'll be serving scrambled eggs, sausage, bacon, home fries, french toast, baked beans, fruit, coffee, juice, and milk. Adults: \$10 • Children \$5 • Please Do Not Park on Route 11

TUESDAY MARCH 6

LEGION MEETS: American Legion Post 50 will hold their monthly meeting at the post home

on West St. at 7:30 PM. All members, veterans & guests are welcome.

WEDNESDAY MARCH 7

WOW CHURCH: Wednesdays of Worship (WoW Church!) at Hillsboro United Methodist Church! Please come at 6:30 for supper and WoW Church starts at 7:00! This time of weekly family fun and worship is for ANYONE-especially if "normal Sunday church" does not fit your schedule or structure. WoW Church is rather unstructured and definitely NOT normal!

SOIL BUILDING: We are Garden Club- Anne Wirkkala, Master Gardener, will lead a discussion on Soil Building immediately following an ice cream social for new and returning members at 7 PM in the Sawyer Room of the Weare Public Library, Paige Memorial Lane in Weare center. The meeting is free and open to the public. For details, contact wearegarden@gmail.com.

HILLSBOROUGH SENIORS: Camerata New England This program sponsored by the Walker Lecture Series consists of national and international artists who perform extraordinary Chamber Music. Departing Shaw's 6:30 p.m. Transportation fee \$5. The event is FREE of charge. Call Linda Kowalski at 603-464-5264 to reserve a seat.

THURSDAY MARCH 8

END OF LIFE: It is always difficult to discuss end of life. The Wilmot Community Association (WCA) will make it easier by hosting a workshop and panel on this difficult but important topic. The program will begin at 5:15 p.m. with light refreshments on at the Red Barn, 64 Village Road. The workshop is part of the Chief

David White Safety and Wellness Series.

COACHING CLINIC: WAC is offering a baseball coach clinic to be taught by the John Stark Varsity Coach Dennis Pelletier from 7-8 in the Weare Middle School Gym. Dennis will cover the progression of hitting and throwing mechanics and will give ideas for drills. The baseball program is in need of coaches, this is a great opportunity to find out how to get involved. Bring a glove if you have one in case there is time to practice some of what Dennis taught.

H-D PLAYGROUND: 5:30-6:30pm at HDES Media Center/ Library Goal is to brainstorm fundraising ideas & discuss our next steps for raising funds to support replacing our playground. Those looking to assist or learn more about our playground needs and plans are welcome to attend.

FRIDAY MARCH 9

HILLSBOROUGH SENIORS: Road Trip to Keene GHSS is changing it up and is headed to Keene, NH to check out Aldi, Walmart and any other places of interest. Lunch will be up to the participants. Leaving Shaw's at 10 a.m. Cost \$7. Call Linda Kowalski @ 603-464-5264. (Snow date 3/23)

SATURDAY MARCH 10

FULLER LIBRARY: S.T.E.A.M Series of programs for kids! Saturday March 10: DIY lightbulbs and batteries, Saturday March 17: Build a Robot Wobblebot, Saturday March 24: Make it Rain, snow and tornado INSIDE! Each event is one hour from 11am-12pm at the Fuller Public Library. Please register by calling the library at 464-3595.

Town of Hillsborough NH LEGAL/PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given in accordance with RSA 676:7 that the Hillsborough Zoning Board of Adjustment will hold a public hearing on an application submitted by Michael and Pamela Pascale (Map 11D Lot 266) for a "Special Exception" as specified in Table 4 Chart of Uses for "Light Industry" in the Rural Zone. The applicant is seeking to construct a "Solar Farm" on their property. The hearing will be held on Monday, March 12, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at the Hillsborough Town Office Meeting Room at 27 School Street, Hillsborough, New Hampshire.

Anyone with questions about this application should contact Robyn Payson, Planning Director at 603-464-7971

Hillsborough Zoning Board of Adjustment Case No. 2018-001

PUBLIC NOTICE HILLSBORO-DEERING SCHOOL DISTRICT

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The Washington School Board will hold their Annual School District Meeting on Saturday, March 10, 2018, at 2:00 pm in the Washington Elementary School Multi-Purpose Room.

PUBLIC NOTICE WINDSOR SCHOOL DISTRICT TOWN OF WINDSOR

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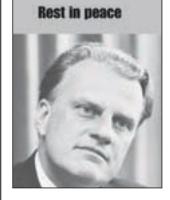
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