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Homefront Inside!

Sad Day For Boomers

Those of my generation will be sad to learn that longtime Boston TV personality and entertainer Frank Avruch, who was the star of the popular children's TV program "Bozo the Clown," has died. He was 89. Avruch played Bozo the Clown from 1959 to 1970.



Art in The Classroom

John Stark Advanced Painting student Noah Young and Assistant Principal Desrosiers discuss Monet on a recent visit to the Currier Museum of Art in Manchester. Sara Coulters Photo.



Police visit Boy Scouts

Henniker Police Sergeant Martin and Officer Mitchel recently visited the Boy Scouts who were thrilled to sit in the cruiser.



Hopkinton Easter Egg Hunt

The Hopkinton Recreation Department and Committee volunteers hosted another great Easter Egg Hunt last Saturday.



Anyone driving by the Henniker Community School or walking to school has commented about their positive experiences with Susan Nickerson, the crossing guard assigned by the Police Department. Nothing stops Susan's cheerful attitude, not rain, snow, wind, or windchill! HCS honored Susan at their all-school assembly as an Honorary Ambassador of Kindness (AOK). During the year, Henniker students are recognized for their acts of kindness.

\$20 million donation

Sunapee man endows Virginia Tech program

A Sunapee man has made the largest-ever gift to Virginia Tech's Honors College. David Calhoun's \$20 million donation supports the beginning of a new collaborative learning program. The emphasis of the Calhoun Honors Discovery Program will be equipping graduates with knowledge and skills to succeed in a complex and dynamic society.

Calhoun's gift endows \$15 million to help recruit and retain Discovery Program participants, which ultimately will benefit

200 Honors College students each year. The additional \$5 million of Calhoun's gift will be used to develop and teach the curriculum of the Discovery Program and to launch the Calhoun Center for Higher Education Innovation. Calhoun, senior managing director for Blackstone and former CEO of Nielsen, said his gift reflects gratitude for Virginia Tech's formative role in his life, and his desire to make higher education more accessible and effective. He is a member of the Tech class of 1979.

Franklin's Most Promising Downtown Development

The City of Franklin has been selected as an editor's pick for Most Promising Downtown Development in New Hampshire Business Review's 2018 BOB Awards, which honor the best of business in New Hampshire in over 90 categories.

"We are honored to be recognized by NH Business Review for the tremendous movement to revitalize our downtown," Acting City Manager Judie Milner said.

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March 31, 2017

Sunapee refused to appoint runner-up to fill vacancy
Sex offender escapes, caught in Tilton
Several towns aid Deering in battling Driftwood Island fire
Chichester family loses home to fire

March 25, 2016

Huge crowd gathers to honor Henniker's Rick Hall
New principal at Bartlett Elementary School
Commissioner approves Sunapee's Development Plan
Work well underway at Bow's Public Safety Building

March 27, 2015

Bow voters reject Public Safety Facility again
Confessed quadruple arsonist gets only 100 days
Angry bus drivers confront Newport School Board
Hopkinton Selectmen seeking volunteers

March 28, 2014

16-year-old snowboarder injured at Crotched Mt.
High praise for New London's new Police Chief
Hubert's Department Stores donate 100 pairs of boots
Antrim paramedic pleads guilty to pair of felonies

March 29, 2013

Newport shooting range faces three appeals
Six teacher layoffs included in Hillsboro-Deering reduction
Hopkinton residents oppose expanding Transfer Station
Second federal suit against Weare Police Department

March 30, 2012

No kids allowed at Hopkinton Senior Center?
Drug sweep at Newport Middle-High School
No change in recount of Sunapee Library Bond
NEC faculty gives \$100,000 to avoid layoff

April 1, 2011

12 hour police standoff in Newport
Fish & Game honors Galpin
New London adopts beach use regulations
Andover man wins John McCrillis Award

March 26, 2010

Man pleads guilty to killing Andover baby
Newbury will consider single stream recycling
Sutton firefighters honored for service
ConVal school bond recount fails

March 27, 2009

Deering Police investigate Longwoods thefts
Hillsborough fire destroys house and machine shop
Antrim cell tower stirs debate
Newbury juror found in contempt

March 28, 2008

Aucella charged with theft of funds
Antrim Historical Society may acquire church
New London roundabout scheduled
Attorney General joins Windsor tax investigation

Three people die in Hillsborough and Peterborough head-on collisions

Two people are dead as a result of a head-on collision last Friday on Route 9, near Breezy Point in Hillsborough. Police, Fire & Rescue personnel arrived about 9 a.m. to find that a box truck heading east had crashed into a van heading west. A DART helicopter was initially requested, but canceled when it was determined that both the van driver, Kiefer Koester, 27, of Manchester and the box truck driver, Scott Duguay, 29, of Weare, had died from their injuries. The crash remains under investigation. Traffic on the road was limited for several hours after the crash.

In Peterborough, Michael LeBlanc, 35, of Richmond was killed in a head-on collision about 8:15 a.m. last Friday morning on Route 202. LeBlanc was driving a 2000 Honda sedan north on Route 202

when he crossed into the oncoming lane and crashed headlong into a 2016 Honda SUV driven by Edward Wright, 67, of Peterborough.

Wright and his passenger, Jean Wright, were taken to Monadnock Community

Hospital in Peterborough to be evaluated. The accident occurred in the area of Long Hill Road near Performance Health & Fitness. Route 202/Jaffrey Road was closed until about 11:30 a.m. The accident remains under investigation.



Both drivers were pronounced dead on the scene of this Hillsborough head-on collision.

Antrim trio face felony charges

Geneva Niskala, Kayla Phillips, and Shawn Lagasse, all from Antrim, are each facing a felony-level charge after they allegedly moved a Bennington man's body while he was overdosing on heroin behind the Antrim Town Hall.

Reports indicate that Phillips called 911 to report that someone was overdosing on September 14th. Cpl. Ethan Vaillancourt responded, and found Thomas Belcher, 30, overdosing on heroin.

First responders were able to revive Belcher with Narcan. The trio is charged with removing Belcher's body from the area where he overdosed in order to avoid an investigation. Belcher was also arrested for being a felon in possession of a dangerous weapon. In February, Belcher had been charged with possession of crack cocaine in Hillsborough.

H-D Kindergarten Preschool Lottery and Open House

Hillsboro-Deering Elementary School will accept registrations for Kindergarten Registration and the Preschool lottery for the 2018-2019 school year, Monday, April 2, 2018 through Friday, May 4, 2018. Registration applications can be picked up at the HDES office. Children who reside in the towns of Hillsboro, Deering or Windsor and who will be three or four years of age on or before September 30, 2018, are eligible for the preschool lottery. Preschool screenings will be scheduled for the end of May and beginning of June. Preschool placement will be announced by the end of June and any additional openings will be filled using

a waitlist process. On Wednesday, May 16, 2018 there will be a Preschool Open House, 4:00pm to 5:00pm. Also on Wednesday, May 16, 2018 there will be a Kindergarten Parent Information Night at 5:00 p.m. at the school. A typical preschool day will be discussed and parents will be provided a tour of a preschool classroom, followed by a question and answer period. In order to facilitate discussion, we respectfully ask that this evening be an ADULT ONLY event, as no childcare will be available. If you have any questions, please call Danielle Parenteau, Preschool Facilitator, at (603) 464-1208 or dparenteau@hdsd.org.

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(L-R) Winners of The American Legion Department of New Hampshire's annual oratorical contest: Matthew Hennig, third place; Hana Testerman, first place; and Rohan Kumar, second place. Department Commander Dave Meany stands at right. (Courtesy Photo)

Loudon girl wins Legion Oratorical Contest

The American Legion Department of New Hampshire's 2018 oratorical contest was held March 10 at St. Anselm College. The contestants are given a choice of three topics on various articles of the U.S. Constitution. Each must prepare an oration in advance and speak without notes for 8 to 10 minutes. In the second round of competition, each is assigned a topic and is given 5 minutes to prepare before speaking for 5 to 8 minutes. This year's New Hampshire winner was Hana Testerman, a home-schooled senior from Loudon. Testerman won \$1,000 from the department and an automatic \$1,800 for the first round of the national contest. She will receive an additional \$1,800 for the subsequent rounds she completes at the national finals, which will be held in Indianapolis in April. Second place went to Rohan Kumar, a junior at Nashua High School South. Third went to Matthew Hennig, a senior at Newport High School.

Bow gardener takes 1st at Boston Show

Bow Garden Club member Susan Johnson was awarded a first-place blue ribbon award for the creative floral design she entered in the 2018 Boston Flower and Garden Show on March 16th. Johnson's entry was within the class "Small Ones" and was a petite design titled "Make Way for the Ducklings." The design was composed of miniature exotic orchids and "devil's claw," a dried plant material. Petite designs can be no more than 5 inches in height, width or length. Johnson is a National Garden Club-accredited flower show judge and served as Bow Garden Club's president from 2015 to 2017.

Chichester resident jumps to safety

A Chichester resident who jumped from the second floor during an early morning fire last Thursday was taken to Concord Hospital. Firefighters responded to a Dover Road residence at 2:30 a.m. to discover a person had leapt from the house to escape the fire. The blaze was quickly extinguished; and the scene was cleared by 4 a.m. The Red Cross is helping two adults who had been displaced by the fire. The New Hampshire Fire Marshal's office and Chichester Fire-Rescue determined the cause of the fire to be accidental.

Domestic dispute results in arson charge

Zachary Sweeney, 26, of Weare was arraigned in Hillsborough County Superior Court on a Class B felony arson charge, along with three misdemeanor counts of criminal mischief. Police responded to a report of a domestic dispute in Nashua where a female resident told police Sweeney had damaged several of her items, including lighting one of them on fire.

TAKE YOUR MEDICINE



BY SARAH CHAPIN

In a study in *Mayo Clinic Proceedings*, researchers found that individuals with lower levels of calcium in the blood are more likely to experience sudden cardiac arrest (SCA) than those with higher calcium levels. Sudden cardiac arrest is fatal for over 90% of patients, and more than half of men and close to 70% of women who die of SCA have no clinical history of heart disease prior to this cardiac event. It is one of the leading causes of death in the United States and kills more people than any single cancer. Many patients who suffer SCA would not be considered high risk under current guidelines.

Rivaroxaban plus aspirin improves survival and reduces stroke and heart attack in patients with stable coronary or peripheral artery disease, according to a new study published in the *New England Journal of Medicine*. One third of the 55 million deaths in the world each year are from cardiovascular causes. Patients with known coronary or peripheral artery disease are at risk of death, stroke and heart attack. The treatments tested were rivaroxaban 2.5mg twice daily plus aspirin 100mg once daily and rivaroxaban 5mg twice daily, each of which were compared to standard therapy with aspirin 100mg once daily. The primary endpoint was a composite of cardiovascular death, stroke or myocardial infarction. On February 6, 2017 the Data Safety Monitoring Board recommended that the rivaroxaban and aspirin arms be stopped because of a clear superiority of the combination of rivaroxaban and aspirin over aspirin alone. The results indicate that the addition of rivaroxaban to aspirin, compared with aspirin alone, reduced cardiovascular death, stroke, or heart attack by 24%, and improved survival by 18%. Rivaroxaban 5mg twice daily was not superior to aspirin alone.

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Psychiatric patient walks out of hospital, drives off in stolen truck

A 28 year old, female psychiatric patient slipped out of Monadnock Community Hospital's emergency room about 12:15 p.m. Tuesday, stole a hospital pickup truck and drove off.

According to Peterborough Police Chief Scott Guinard, Monadnock Community Hospital staff reported that a patient had left the emergency room and was seen on surveillance video getting into a hospital-owned vehicle and leaving the campus. Police said she was still wearing hospital attire when she left. The patient was located in Nashua Wednesday

Warner man's sentence increased

Ricky Flanders, 50, of Warner, will serve a minimum of 20 years in state prison after a three-judge panel increased his sentence at the request of prosecutors. He was convicted of eight counts of aggravated felonious sexual assault for assaulting the boy multiple times. He was initially sentenced to a minimum of 12½ years for raping a boy he knew at gunpoint, which prosecutors said was too lenient given the severity of Flanders's crimes.

afternoon, after the truck was found at the Amherst Walmart. The Hospital released a statement saying, "Monadnock Community Hospital is grateful for the support and diligence of the Peterborough Police Department, state agencies and the com-

munity following the safe return of the patient. As (Tuesday's) events occurred, we began our review of current protocols in place, and will continue to support the police during their investigation of the events that occurred.



Public Works Director Benji Knapp (r) recently gave a tour of the new Weare Highway Garage.

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Newport native Bill Bartlett will share his Iditarod experiences with the Newport Historical Society and the general public on April 10, at 6:30-8:00 PM, in the Richards Free Library ballroom. In 1980, Newport helped support his trip to Alaska to run the famous Iditarod Dog Sled Race. Since 1980, Bill and Heidi Bartlett have owned and operated Bartlett's Blueberry Farm. This program is free; and light refreshments will be served.

Former Dunbarton official arrested again

Merton Mann, 74, of Dunbarton has been arrested and charged with felony indecent exposure and prohibited use of his computer. Dunbarton Police Sgt. Chris Remillard and Detective Laura Cattabriga are investigating the matter. A former Selectman, Mann was indicted in 2013 and later convicted on a felony theft charge regarding money that was taken over a 4-year period from the Dunbarton Historical Society. Mann was recently re-elected to a 3-year term on the Dunbarton Cemetery Board of Trustees, a position officials removed him from until he repaid \$14,500 in restitution.

Newport man and woman sent to jail

Antwan Brown, 27, of Newport was sentenced to four and a half to 12 years in prison for leading a drug enterprise. Brown pleaded guilty to the charge in exchange for a plea deal. As part of Brown's sentence, he is ordered to participate in a drug treatment program. He also faces \$620 in fines now and \$620 in fines, suspended for 12 years. Prosecutors agreed to drop several sale-of-crack-cocaine charges. Crystal Porter, 37, also of Newport was sentenced to three to seven years in state prison on two counts of conspiracy to distribute crack cocaine. She also received a suspended sentence of up to seven years on another count of conspiracy to distribute crack cocaine.

Northfield man's 2nd trial put on hold

Brian Watson, 53, formerly of Northfield, currently serving 15 years in prison for selling the drugs that resulted in a fatal overdose, won't face trial on related charges until the New Hampshire Supreme Court rules on his appeal. A one-time Little League coach, Watson was convicted in January of selling the fentanyl that killed 21-year-old Seth Tilton-Fogg in April 2015 in Tilton. The state and the defense previously agreed that related charges of possession of fentanyl and possession with intent to sell within a school zone, could be combined for one trial.

Dunbarton man arrested for family assault

Dwayne Demers, 46, of Dunbarton has been arrested after police say he attempted to strangle a family member at his home. Demers has been charged with second-degree assault, a Class B felony, and domestic violence assault, a Class A misdemeanor, following the alleged incident on Sunday. The victim, an adult male family member, sustained injuries to his neck and face. His identity is being withheld at the request of the family.

ConVal students suspended after staging gun control walkout

About 100 ConVal High School students were recently given detention for their Enough is Enough gun control walkout last week. The students served two detentions each, one for each block of instruction missed. Detentions were only given to students who had left campus that day, not to any of the students who took part in the school authorized 17-minute walkout in the parking lot in memory of the 17 people who

died in a Parkland, Florida school shooting on Valentine's Day.

The detentions were given to students who walked off campus after that 17 minutes of silence and proceeded to the Peterborough Town House for a rally and speeches, before walking to the town library to write letters to their legislators advocating

stronger gun control.

Hancock's Anna McGuiness, 17, one of the organizers of the protest said students had been warned there would be consequences if they walked off campus. "I wasn't surprised," she said. "My discussions with administration made it clear to me that there would be discipline after the walk out."

John Stark High Kicks Butts

Last Friday Mr. and Mrs. ButtMen tried to take over the atrium and lunch room at John Stark Regional High School but they were beaten back by over 400 students taking the pledge to either stop or never start smoking. New ButtMen puppets were introduced this year designed and built by Natalie Lessard and Ken Beauchemin of Weare. This is the 7th year that JSRHS has participated in National KICK BUTTS Day. John Stark students who took turns playing the ButtMen included Marcus McFall and Rachel Wrzeszcz. Alchemists Workshop of Henniker produces this event at schools, libraries and churches all over NH.



About 100 ConVal High School students who protested for stricter gun laws last week served detention for skipping class this week.

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The charred remnants of the barn and a burnt out pickup truck are all that remained after a Sunday fire that destroyed much of the Bow Center Road property.

Barking dog alerts sleeping family of fire

A dog is being credited with alerting a family to a three-alarm barn fire in Bow early last Sunday morning, allowing them time to escape. Fire officials say a father and his two children were sleeping inside a home on Bow Center Road when a barking dog woke them up. Crews from 12 towns responded to the scene just before 1:30 a.m. as flames spread from the barn to the home. The Bow Fire Department said the barn is a total loss. The family was displaced by the fire. The cause is under investigation.

Voters OK sale of Belmont's Gale School

Restoration of Belmont's old Gale School took another step toward fruition when Shaker Regional School District voters approved the sale of the district-owned building to the nonprofit Gale School committee for \$1 in a convincing 620-130 ballot vote. Persistence apparently pays off, as the community has been working to preserve the landmark since it closed in 1984. In 2017 the school board put out a request for proposals for ways to remove the building from school property and offered \$70,000 to help in relocation, to be paid upon complete removal of the structure. Save Our Gale School was the sole bidder. A purchase and sale agreement was made in January, and voters last week gave their approval. Save Our Gale School is looking for grants and donations to help in acquiring a new site and moving the huge building.

Hancock driver falls asleep at the wheel

Both drivers survived a two-car collision on Route 202 near the Bennington town line last Thursday. Reports indicate that Dudley Baker, of Hancock, was driving a Subaru Forester when he crossed the center line and struck the side of a silver 2010 Toyota driven by Clement Martel, of Washington. Baker admitted that he had fallen asleep at the wheel, leading to the accident. Both drivers, as well as Martel's passenger, were checked out at the scene, but none reported any injuries.

Boscawen voters support Penacook Rescue

Boscawen voted to approve a \$90,450 contribution to the Penacook Rescue Squad's emergency medical services toward the rescue operations provided to the town. Voters zipped through the 15-article warrant, approving a \$3.68 million operating budget, banking \$185,000 into previously established capital funds to ensure the future of police, fire and highway equipment, and okayed keno.

Heavy winds topple New Boston's champion black birch tree

Submitted by Gail Parker

For two centuries the woods above the South Branch of the Piscataquog River have nourished and protected a certain black birch tree. In the 1900's the birch was noticed by loggers and a few residents familiar with the area. The woodsmen did not cut down the monster, deciding that it was not economically worth harvesting. Then, in mid century, the massive tree was brought to the attention of the State's Big Trees Project by Phil Harvell who lived on Hooper Hill. Measurements of height, girth and crown spread were plugged into a complex big-tree rating system. The resulting number of 266 was by far the highest in the state. In fact it was the highest in the country. The National Champion status was announced and retained for seven decades. In the 1960's landowners John and Heidi Palmer installed cables to help support horizontal branches bigger than 20-inches in diameter. During the third week of January this year, winter storms and blizzard winds combined to topple the giant. The champion fell unheard in the forest. Its exact age is difficult to determine because of the lack of a complete

trunk with rings; it probably was between 200 and 300 years old. Birch saplings were often among the earliest colonizers of newly logged ground in southern New England. Once the source of birch beer and medicinal oil, this tree is now used primarily as a shade tree and occasional source of dark wood. Plans are underway to remove and mill the bigger branches

and dry the lumber for one or two years. Some craftsmen specialize in using wood from ancient trees to make furniture and souvenir items. Anyone interested in this tree may contact Heidi Palmer for more information. The immense split trunk and artistic gnarled branches will be left at the site as a monument to a venerable Champion in New Boston history.



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Around the Towns



Karate classes at the Andover Hub (old Town Hall) are currently under way Monday afternoons and early evenings for ages 6-8, and 9-adult. Cost is \$65 per month. For more info, 477-3174.



WMS students reinforced their lessons about coordinate planes (an intersection of two number lines) by playing Battleship. Sue Fountain photo.



Tilton-Northfield Rotary Club recently welcomed Denise Bubord as the newest member of the club.



The Boston Bruins recently donated a full set of floor hockey equipment to Mountain View Middle school for P.E. classes.



20 Tilton School students and 5 faculty traveled to the Dominican Republic spending spring break assisting The Batty Foundation building a school in Santo Domingo.



Webster Lodge IOOF hosted two high-ranking (IOOF) state officials Grand Master Walter George and Grand Warden Leroy (Lee) Simond.



The Girls 4x160m and the Boys 4x400 Relay Teams at Mountain View Middle School, both broke indoor track records. Girls: Mackenzie French, Cailey Clogston, Emily Decomier, Faith Gosselin. Boys: Andre Cornier, Dylan Robert, Riley Mann, Christian Lewis.





Now in its eighth year, the NH Fiddle Ensemble, is a group of over 60 people ages 5 – 85, playing fiddle, guitar, banjo, mandolin, bass, harp, cello and more. Sunday, April 15, they will perform at the historic Franklin Opera House to benefit the Opera House. Tickets are \$12 for adults, \$10 for seniors and students, and \$6 for children under 14.



Governor Chris Sununu awarded Commendations to the school districts of Bedford, Bow, Colebrook, Hinsdale, Newfound, Pelham, SAU 24 - John Stark High School and White Mountains Regional at the March 21st meeting of the Executive Council. These districts require a standalone course in personal finance for graduation.

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Publisher's Perspective *by Leigh Bosse*

A young girl's courage transformed America

One of the lesser known, but central figures of the civil rights movement of the 50's and 60's recently died at age 76. Linda Brown, as a young Kansas school girl was at the center of the landmark U.S. Supreme Court ruling that struck down racial segregation in schools. Her father, Oliver Brown was turned away when he tried to enroll her in an all-white school in Topeka. The resulting 1954 Brown v. Board of Education decision by the U.S.

Supreme Court ended school segregation, overturning the court's 1896 decision in Plessy v. Ferguson, which established a "separate but equal" doctrine for blacks in public facilities. Linda Brown stands as an example of how ordinary schoolchildren took center stage in transforming this country. It was not easy for her or her family, but her sacrifice broke barriers and changed the meaning of equality in this country.



Common Sense Conservative

By JP Marzullo

I love March Madness, not the political environment but College Basketball. I also put a bracket together in hopes that my team makes it to the finale game. Donna does the same thing but without doubt she will win, she always does. When I was working she was banned from participating in my company's bracket competition as she won a fair amount of money three years in a row. No, she doesn't pick the teams by their uniforms or their mascots; she actually knows something about the teams. This year was no exception my bracket selections failed me once again, right after UMBC (University of Maryland Baltimore County) #16 seed beat Number 1 University of VA in the first round. I had picked VA to go to the final four. It was the first time in 135 games of the tournament that a #16 seed team beat a #1 seed. No Donna didn't pick them either but she did pick Loyola of Chicago and they have made it to the final 4. Donna does pick from her heart though as she is from Chicago. She also always picks teams that have a Bulldog for a mascot, hmmm, maybe it is just luck. I am so ready for baseball and the Red Sox are opening up against the Cubs, we have a divided house with this game. Donna has been a Cubs Fan since she was a young child, and no, she won't root for the White Sox, you are either a Cubs fan or a White Sox fan, never both. I have been wondering why baseball or football teams that are planning on building a new stadium and are in a State where the weather is cold and it snows a lot, wouldn't build a stadium with a roof? I guess that would make too much sense.

I have always thought that there should be term limits in Congress maybe a total of 6 terms (12 years) for the House and 2 terms (12 years) for the Senate. I'm starting to think we should consider term limits of our State Representatives and State Senators. There are many State Representatives and Senators that have overstayed their welcome on both sides of the aisle. Is it really productive to have them serve for 20 or more years? We need fresh ideas and people that will work together. If you serve for more than 12 years you have made some enemies on the other side of the aisle and instead of working together for what is best for our residents it becomes political posturing. I do understand why these people get reelected year after year, it's name recognition and no one really wants to run for office anymore. The first thing that happens if you run for office is lobbyist get involved and financially support the candidate that will help them with their agenda. PAC's have become more involved in our State Elections over the years as well. A person running for State Senate will need to raise at least \$100,000 to win and if they win, they will be paid \$100.00 a year. I recently heard that if you want to run for State Representative in some towns it might cost you \$3,000 - \$5,000 if you intend to win, you also receive \$100.00 per year if you win the seat. I respect anyone who runs for office, it is a thankless job.

As we prepare for Easter and Passover I pray we find common ground and heal our Republic. I believe that we can come together regardless of our political beliefs and it all starts with listening rather than pointing fingers.



Letters to the Editor

To The Editor:

The violence with guns is not the fault of the guns, it's the fault of the unstable person using the gun.

I'm a retired nurse who was educated in the '60's when more mental hospitals were available and other services were present. Now there is very little help for people who need it. Hospitals have to keep patients who need psyche care in the ER in adjacent rooms until a bed opens up in a facility.

People who want guns to do harm will still find them even if gun laws change.

Judy Flanders, Henniker

Dear Editor:

I would like to thank Weare voters for

their tremendous support in my campaign for Selectman. You wrote letters to the editor, you called and emailed me to share your views, you engaged me in conversation throughout the town, and you came out to vote, despite the significant snowstorm. As a result, I was elected. You have given me an opportunity to serve you, and I consider it an honor and privilege. I will continue to bring transparency and openness to our town government. I will listen and always do my homework before making decisions on your behalf. Please feel free to call me or speak to me in passing. Your views are very important.

Sherry Burdick, Selectman, Weare



Hunt's Sugar House in Hillsborough was one of many operations open during Maple Weekend.

Weare Police-Social Media: A Predator's Playground

Have you ever wondered about the social media programs your children or teenagers may be using? Are you curious about what social media apps and programs are out there that you don't even know about? If so, then sign up for Social Media: A Predator's Playground. It is a FREE public training and informational event being offered by the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force and the Weare Police Department on Monday, April 30th, at 6:00pm, at the Weare Middle School. Learn about the dangers that teens face every day. In do-

ing so, we'll discuss how computers, cell phones, iPads, digital cameras, gaming systems, social networking applications, and internet blogs all play a role in placing students and families at risk. This 1.5 hour presentation is specifically geared toward parents, educators, and community leaders who are looking to better understand the technology available to teens today and the way in which child predators use it to exploit them. If you have any questions, please email Officer Sheila Savaria at sheila.savaria@weare-police.com.

THE Messenger

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Andover: Jake's, Circle K, Blackwater Diner, Pizza Chef, Bank

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Boscawen: Alan's of Boscawen, Franklin Savings, Sunoco, Cumberland Farms, Kapelli's Pizza

Bow: Town Office, Mobil, Chen Yang Li, Library, Blue Seal Feeds

Bradford: Bradford Marketplace, Bank, Post Office, Applesseed, Pizza Chef

Chichester: Z1 Express, Speedway, Country Store, Town Office

Claremont: Hannaford, Market Basket, Huberts

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Greenfield: Harvester Market, Town Office

Guild: Dorr Mill Store

Hancock: General Store, Fiddleheads, Hancock Inn, Town Office

Henniker: Harvester Mkt., Henniker Pharmacy, All In One Market, Henni-

ker Farm Store, Edmunds

Hillsborough: Shaws, Post Office, Diner, JD Foods, Lake Sunapee Bank, Santander, Bank of NH, McDonalds, Subway, Dunkin' Donuts, William's Store

Hooksett: Shaws

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Northfield: Community Center, Wash & Fold, Ciao Pasta, Park & Go Pub

Penacook: Dunkin Donuts, Constantly Pizza, Szechuan Garden, Laundrymat, Newell Post Restaurant, CC Tomatoes, Subway, Tedeski's, Thirty Pines, Cheney's Furniture, Sam's, Chief's Place

Peterborough: Shaws, Toadstool Bookstore, Mr Mike's, Hospital, Dunkin' Donuts, Brady's, Roy's, Nonnies

Sunapee: Mini Mart, Town Hall, Library, both Banks

Tilton: Post Office, Market Basket, The Onion, Cumberland Farms, Cyr Lumber, Shell

Warner: Market Basket, Foothills Restaurant, Circle K

Washington: General Store

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Tom Fisher, Childhood Cancer Lifeline of NH Board Member, received a check from Lori Rowell, Director of Marketing at Pats Peak, for \$960 for the portion that Pats Peak donated from the March Midweek Online Lift Ticket Sales. In addition, \$4,773 was donated by Pats Peak skiers/riders at cashier locations. Nearly \$25,000 was raised for the Childhood Cancer Lifeline 2018 event.

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BOYS' DIVISION II

Player of the Year: Tayler Mattos, sr., Kearsarge
Coach of the Year: Tim Mucher, Merrimack Valley
First Team: Tommy Johnson, sr., Kearsarge
Second Team: Ryan Defina, sr., Merrimack Valley
Honorable Mention: Ryan Andrews, sr., Bow; Jake Hebert, sr., Merrimack Valley; Parker McQuarrie, jr., John Stark

BOYS' DIVISION III

Coach of the Year: Stephen Signor, Hopkinton
Second Team: Kevin McGrath, sr., Hopkinton; Jayden Torres, sr., Franklin; Matt Pluskis, sr., Belmont
Honorable Mention: Zachary Signor, sr., Hopkinton; Kyle Mann, jr., Winnisquam; Dustin Rose, sr., Hopkinton

BOYS' DIVISION IV

Player of the Year: Cam Darrah, sr., Pittsfield
Second Team: Garrett Guerro-Hadley, sr., Pittsfield
Honorable Mention: Alex Normandin, sr., Mt. Royal; Andrew Normandin, so., Mt. Royal;

GIRL'S DIVISION II

First Team: Kelly Walsh, so., Goffstown
Second Team: Abby Grandmaison, sr., Merrimack Valley
Honorable Mention: Lea Crompton, sr., Bow; Jillian Douzanis, sr., John Stark; Carly Huckins, jr., Merrimack Valley

GIRLS' DIVISION III

Player of the Year: Taylor Signor, sr., Hopkinton
Coach of the Year: Pat Roye, Hopkinton
First Team: Abby Houston, sr., Hopkinton
Second Team: Alexis Hurd, sr., Newport; Julianna Estremera, jr., Belmont;
Honorable Mention: Lauren Marsh, sr., Franklin; Amelia Thomas, jr., Hopkinton

GIRLS' DIVISION IV

Honorable Mention: Alexis Matte, jr., Mt. Royal



Rich Crowe (l) with Cub Master of the Year, Peter Gelinas.

Pack #73 dominates District Scout Awards

Mt Monadnock District of Daniel Webster Council, Boy Scouts of America had their 2018 Annual Recognition Dinner and Awards Banquet, Saturday, March 24, 2018. One of those recognized is local resident of Hillsborough Peter Gelinas, Eagle Scout and Cubmaster of Pack 73 (chartered by Hillsborough Methodist Church). Mr. Gelinas is in his first year as Cubmaster for Pack 73 and to quote one of the leaders, "Peter has brought the leadership and Pack together in a really amazing way." Peter has done this by following the Scout Law. He makes sure each boy feels included in pack and den activities, and ensures that each den has the tools they need for success. Service to the community is a critical element of Pack 73's program which is shown by Peter's leadership in Scouting for Food, clean up days, letters to service members and visits to nursing homes during the Holiday season. Peter invites community members to attend Pack and Den meetings including community service activities. This helps the pack become more visible in the community and boys continuously show their scout-like character. Two words to describe Peter's performance as cubmaster are consistency and enthusiasm. Meetings and events are held regularly and the scouts cannot wait to attend. Scouts know that if there is an activity, Peter will be there and it will be fun. Pack 73 grew substantially this year both with Peter's leadership and the help and support of a strong Pack Committee including Den Leaders. This past year the Pack has grown to over 37 cub scouts and recently had another successful "cross over" of Arrow of Light Scouts to Boy Scout Troop 73 to continue their scouting journey. For this reason and the reasons above that Peter Gelinas helped achieve, our Pack, Pack 73 was awarded the Pack of the Year award for Monadnock District, Daniel Webster Council. All of Pack 73's Leaders are committed to ensuring scouts' success and excitement in the scouting program. The leadership is made up of parents, Eagle Scouts, and community members. For more information on the Scouting program or joining Pack 73, visit www.nhscouting.org. Pack Meetings are the first Wednesday of each month at Hillsborough-Deering Elementary School cafeteria.



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Events: Community Bulletin Board

SATURDAY MARCH 31

EASTER BUNNY PHOTOS: parish House Hen- niker Congregational Church 2-4 p.m. Spon- sored by Henniker PTA.

BREAKFAST WITH THE BUNNY: 9-11 a.m. Center Woods Elementary School. Bring your camera. Egg Hunt starts at 11 a.m. \$5/ person \$20 Family. Pancakes & Sausage or Breakfast Sandwich Beverages. Sponsored by Weare Lions Club.

EASTER EGG HUNT: New London Historical Society 9:30 AM. Celebrate the Easter holiday with a fun hunt for the kids! Open to all ages 9 and younger. Bring your own basket and visit with the Easter bunny!

SUNDAY APRIL 1

SUNRISE SERVICE: Hillsboro-Deering Com- munity Sunrise Service will be held at the Intrepid Farm field adjacent to the Fox Forest HQ building area on Center Rd, Hillsboro, on Easter Morning at 6:15 am. All are welcome to this coming together of several churches in our community. An Easter Breakfast will be held immediately after the service at the Deering Community Church.

EASTER SERVICE: and Easter Egg Hunt at the

H-D Middle School! At 10:00 am Easter Morning there will be a Resurrection Sunday service that will be a blessing to you and your whole family. Join us at the Hillsboro-Deering Middle School. Music, Refreshments and Childcare provided! An Easter Egg Hunt for children will follow the service! (These are not school-sponsored events.)

EASTER SERVICE: Easter Service at the Wash- ington Congregational Church will be held at 11 a.m. All are welcome to celebrate the joy of the resurrection. The church is located on Route 31 in Washington Center and is fully accessible.

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE: 6:30 AM Church Lawn 2234 East Washington Rd East Washing- ton, NH. All Are Welcome. Sponsored by East Washington Baptist Church Followed by Coffee at Purling Beck Hall.

MONDAY APRIL 2

BETTER BEGINNINGS: Grapevine Program at Deering Church April 2,9, 16. For caregivers and children up to age 4.

TUESDAY APRIL 3

ANTRIM-LEGION MEETS: American Legion Post 50 Antrim, will hold their monthly meet- ing at 7:30 PM, at the Post home on West St. All members, veterans & guests are welcome.

WEDNESDAY APRIL 4

HANCOCK PRO- GRAM: at 7:00pm at the Hancock Town Library. The Star-Nosed Mole and the Deep Dark Below with Susie

Spikol Faber 22 tentacles on the end of a nose! 100,000 nerve endings in each tentacle! The fastest eating mammal known and it lives right here, under our toes, welcome to the world of the Star-Nosed Mole. Hold on to your seats for this one! You'll be blown away! Co-sponsored with the Harris Center. Free and open to all.

THURSDAY APRIL 5

THURSDAY'S CHILD: Don't miss the next Friends of the Northern Rail Trail-Merrimack County (FNRT-MC) event coming up in April: its twelfth annual Thursday's Child fundrais- ing dinner scheduled one night only, at The Coach House Restaurant at the New London Inn in New London, N.H. Reservations can be made by calling the New London Inn at 603-526- 2791. Dinner may be enjoyed as early as 5 p.m. in the Tavern (reservations not necessary) or 5:30 p.m. in the main dining room.

WAYNE COLBY PARTY: from 5:00pm to 7:00pm at the Henniker Community Center. Wayne has served the Town of Henniker as Town Moderator for the last 18 years. Please join us in thanking him for his dedicated service to the Town.

TALKING BOOKS: Marilyn Stevenson, coordinator for the Talking Books Services Sec- tion of the New Hampshire State Library, will present at the Weare Public Library's monthly Community Coffee at 9:30am. Anyone with a vision problem, a grasping problem, or an information-processing problem that does not affect intelligence is eligible for the Talking Books Program. Coffee and refreshments will be served at the presentation. Community Coffee is a chance for area residents to meet and learn about topics of local interest in an informal setting. No registration required.

PUBLIC NOTICE REGISTRATION FOR KINDERGARTEN AND EARLY LEARNING PLAYGROUP

Washington School District Washington Elementary School School Year 2018-2019

Any Washington resident with a child who will be **five years old by September 30, 2018 will be eligible to enroll in the Kindergarten program.**

Any Washington resident with a child who will be **three or four years old by September 30, 2018 will be able to enroll in the Early Learning Playgroup. Early Learning Playgroup screenings will be scheduled for June and placement will be announced within two weeks from the screening date.**

A copy of your child's **immunization record, birth certificate, your child's most recent physical examination** as well as **proof of residency** will be needed at the time of registration.

Please stop by the school office to pick up a registration form or if you have any questions, please contact the office at 495-3463 or email to: **dbilskiwes@gmail.com.**

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TOWN OF ANTRIM PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to RSA 31:95-b, Notice is hereby given that the Board of Selectmen will hold a public hearing at 7:00 PM on Monday, April 23, 2018 at the Antrim Town Hall. To consider acceptance of an unanticipated donation over \$10,000.00 for the Antrim Congregational Church Scholarship Fund. The application will remain on the Boards' agendas until the case is resolved, and no further notice will be given.



Events: Community Bulletin Board

GREAT DECISIONS: Meet from, 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on the second floor of Antrim's Tuttle Library. Russia's Foreign Policy.

FRIDAY APRIL 6

PENNY SALE: The Hillsboro-Deering Elementary School Kid Adventures Before/Afterschool Program school doors open at 4:00 p.m. Concession Stand opens at 5:00 p.m. First ticket drawn at 6:00 p.m. Pre-Buy your tickets in the Hillsboro-Deering Elementary School Lobby: Thursday, 3/29 from 4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Thursday, 4/5 from 4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

POETRY NIGHT: Enjoy an evening of poetry at the Center for The Arts, 5pm at The Meeting Room of the Newbury Town Offices. The Literary Arts Guild, a branch of the Center for the Arts (CFA), Lake Sunapee Region, held its Seventh Annual Poetry Contest with the theme "Poetry: Communion with Nature". The public is invited and refreshments will be served.

CENTER FOR THE ARTS: 5:00 Poetry: A Communion with Nature! at Whipple Hall FREE at Newbury Town Hall Meeting Room. The Literary Arts Guild presents A Poetry Evening with David Anderson.

CENTER FOR THE ARTS: 5:30 Gallery Opening Receptions. Opening Receptions for New Exhibits all on Main Street New London. The New London Inn, Lake Sunapee Bank, Whipple Hall. New Exhibits at New London Hospital Galleries.

SATURDAY APRIL 7

PIZZA TASTING EVENT: at the Weare Public Library at 16 North Stark Highway from 6:30pm until 8:00pm. Three of Weare's Pizza establishments vie for who makes the best Pizza in

Weare. Pizza is free while it lasts and donations are accepted. There will also be a number of silent auction items to bid on with all proceeds going to the libraries Children's Programs. Entertainment will be provided by DJ-Kasper. This event is sponsored by the Friends of the Weare Public Library.

RUMMAGE SALE: Contoocook UMC, 28 Maple St, Contoocook 9am to Noon. Bargains for everyone. White Elephant, Jewelry, Clothing, Shoes, Books, Toys.

MAPLE HAM DINNER: at the South Congregational Church, Newport. Menu includes salad with maple vinaigrette, Maple glazed ham, roast potatoes, maple glazed carrots, muffins with maple butter, maple sundae and cookies. Adults \$12, Children 5-12, \$6. Call 863-3729 for reservations. Seating limited to 100.

BLACK BEAR LECTURE: 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM - Admission Free. The Elkins Fish & Game Club is sponsoring a lecture which will be held at the Tracy Memorial Library at 304 Main Street in New London, NH. Andrew Timmins, Admission is free.

TUESDAY APRIL 10

TUTTLE LIBRARY: Join us for our new "Cozy Mystery Cookbook Club!" at 6. Before the meeting - check out one of our light, cozy mysteries that feature recipes, read it and create a dish from the book. Share your dish and your thoughts about your book at the meeting!

RADIO CLUB MEETS: The Contoocook Valley Radio Club Meeting is 7:30pm at the Hopkington Library in Con-

toocook. This month will feature Dale Clement AF1T, who will be presenting "Classic Antennas, and How They Work". Guests welcome!

TRANSITION FAIR: Students with special needs and their families are invited to attend a Transition Fair being held from 5:30 to 7:30 pm at the Bektash Center on 189 Pembroke Road in Concord. There is no charge for this event and food and beverages will be served and door prizes will be awarded! This is an opportunity for students and families of students transitioning into adulthood to explore the many post high school options, agencies and services available to them.

THURSDAY APRIL 12

WILMOT CONVERSATION: A nor'easter blew in, thwarting the Wilmot Community Association's (WCA) plans for the "Having the Conversation" workshop. We have rescheduled! Please join us at the Red Barn, 64 Village Road to discuss this important topic. We will start at 5:15 p.m. with light refreshments.

BUSINESS ROUNDTABLE: with EDC The goal of this Business Roundtable is to bring together Business Owners and the Economic Development Committee along with the Planning, Zoning and Board of Selectmen. The Henniker Chamber of Commerce is co-hosting this event 6-8 pm at Sled Pub at Pats Peak.

GREAT DECISIONS: 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on the 2nd floor of Antrim's Tuttle Library. China and America: The New Geopolitical Equation.

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Registration packet may be found at www.hdsd.org

Kindergarten Parent Information Night
Wednesday, May 16th at 5:00pm

Please refer to next week's newspaper edition (3/30), for more details regarding Kindergarten Registration.



PUBLIC NOTICE

HILLSBORO-DEERING SCHOOL DISTRICT INTEGRATED PRESCHOOL

The Hillsboro-Deering School District is accepting applications for anticipated preschool openings for the 2018-2019 school year. The program is available to children who will reach the age of 3 or 4 by September 30, 2018 and are a resident of Hillsboro, Deering, or Windsor. Preschool applications will be available April 2-May 4, 2018 at Hillsboro-Deering Elementary School. Preschool screenings are scheduled for May 30th and June 6th. Preschool placement will be announced by the end of June and any additional openings will be filled using a waitlist process.

Hillsboro-Deering Preschool Open House
Wednesday, May 16th from 4:00pm-5:00pm

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HOMEfront

Ideas to help reap big rewards from your garden

One of the most exciting parts of gardening is deciding what to grow. With thousands of plants to choose from - flowers, vegetables and herbs - a small pot of soil can be a canvas for creativity.

To find the most popular flowers and plants this year, we checked in with Ball Horticultural Company, a global leader on all things gardening, to see what the top trends are in 2018.

■ **Strong and colorful**

When spring arrives, we all crave color and warmth to celebrate the end of winter. To get that wow factor - and get it fast - try planting flowers that grow and fill in quickly and thrive in extremes. The Megawatt Begonia brings magnetic color even in shaded spaces. It's also a low-maintenance option if you're new to gardening. Likewise, the Echinacea Sombrero Sangrita is a perennial flower that returns each year with stunning

red blossoms.

■ **For foodies who want to show off**

Every chef knows the secret to tasty cooking is great ingredients. For many gardeners, the truly magical combination is finding that edible veggie that looks as good as it tastes. Take 2 Combos combine two sweet pepper plants with a touch of heat and beautiful orange and yellow fruit. There's also a combo of a slicer and cherry tomato perfect for small spaces and for snacking and cooking. Speaking of peppers, a new, attractive variety is Candy Cane Red Pepper. It has green fruit striping that ripens to red and offers up crisp, sweet flavors, much like a candy cane!

■ **A refuge for bees, butterflies and beyond**

There are dozens of reasons people choose to garden: fresh food, interior and exterior decoration, relaxation, stress reduc-

tion and more. One emerging trend is that people want to make their garden a destination for pollinators like bees, butterflies and hummingbirds. A few captivating flowers that attract these beautiful and helpful creatures are:

Lucky Star Pentas - Provides butterflies summer-long flower clusters in eye-catching colors

Copper Prince Ornamental Millet - This thriller makes a dramatic statement with foxtail plumes that birds feast upon

SuperBlue Lavender - A deeply colorful and fragrant bee magnet

Gardening helps you relax and decompress. What's more, there is a huge amount of satisfaction involved in seeing your vegetables and flowers grow. Follow these trends and watch your plants blossom and beautify your home and yard. We could all use a little more color in our lives. (BPT)



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HOMEfront

Infuse life into the bath for a spa-like oasis

Today, more than ever, homeowners gravitate toward design elements that transform the bath into a spa-like oasis. Designers look to incorporate pieces inspired by the natural world to bring renewed energy into the room and create a soothing environment. From fixtures inspired by booming waterfalls, to neutral color schemes and natural light, nature infuses life back into luxury bath design for a serene sense of calm.

■ Neutral calm

Light colors such as cool grays and muted blues evoke tranquility and peacefulness. Neutral colors for walls and fabrics create a soothing aesthetic that fosters relaxation in the space. To create visual interest within a neutral palette, incorporate varying shades of earth tones to serve as complementary accents throughout the room - from decorative rugs and plush towels to cabinetry and

tiling.

■ Nature's inspiration

Elements inspired by nature work together to produce a sense of relaxation in the home's oasis. Intuitive in design, the Vettis Bath Collection by Brizo combines solid proportions and angular architecture with an optional four-sided open chamber that mimics the sensory experience of a waterfall.

Inspired by the strength found in nature, the defined edges of the spout create a balanced aesthetic, while subtle facets offer visual depth. Paired with natural stone accents, this collection evokes elements of natural inspiration.

■ Stone serenity

A freestanding stone tub makes a luxurious statement to enhance the spa atmosphere. Sleek, oval architectures provide an organic contemporary touch, while rectan-

gular basins deliver a strong geometric focal point. Take the spa-like experience even further and incorporate the use of essential oils. Lavender and chamomile reduce stress and encourage sleep, while peppermint and lemon oils increase focus and mental alertness in the morning. From modern to transitional aesthetics, a freestanding, natural stone tub paired with the sensory infusion of essential oils creates the perfect at-home getaway.

■ Living accents

Natural lighting and live plants blur the line between the great outdoors and the enclosed space. Large floor-to-ceiling windows and skylights serve as eye-catching accents while also naturally illuminating the room. Hanging succulents and potted bamboo plants are additional decor options to bring nature indoors without sacrificing clean, simple design. (BPT)



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Obituaries: Friends & Neighbors Remembered

Pvt. Kenneth John "Kenny" Coburn

HOPKINTON – Kenneth "Kenny" John Coburn, 19, of Hopkinton, NH,

passed away unexpectedly in New Albany, IN, on March 17, 2018. Born in Nashua, he was raised and educated in Henniker and Hopkinton.

Kenny graduated from Hopkinton High School, Class of 2017 and was a member of the 19th Engineer Battalion in the 20th Engineer Brigade. Members of Kenny's family include his proud parents, Dean and Jacqueline Coburn of Hopkinton; an older brother, Samuel Coburn of Hopkinton; step-grandfather, Kip Mountain and grandmother, Christine Mountain of Nevada; grandmother, Jean Coburn of Boscawen; aunt Laura Marshall of Nevada; uncle William Erickson of California; cousin, Alexandra Elsa and husband, Daniel Elsa of California; second cousin Grace "Gracie" Elsa of California. Kenny was predeceased by his grandfather, John C. Bennets of Toronto, Canada. A graveside service will take place at the New Hampshire State Veterans Cemetery, 110 Daniel Webster Highway, Boscawen, NH, on Tuesday, April 3, 2018 at 12 p.m. In lieu of flowers please make a memorial contribution to a charity of ones choice.



Ilga (Gailitis) Celms

WARNER - Ilga (Gailitis) Celms 77, of Warner, NH died Thursday March 22, 2018 after a courageous battle with dementia, at Woodlawn Nursing Home in

Newport, NH. Ilga was born on August 14, 1940 in Riga Latvia to the late Adolph & Lucy (Zentels) Gailitis. She was also predeceased by her husband, John J.K. Celms who died in 2012, and a sister, Edite Moneypenny who died in 2000. She was survived by 1 son, Karlis A. Celms of Warner, NH; 1 daughter, Karina A. Celms of Bradford, NH; 1 brother, Rolands Gailitis of New Bedford, MA.



Wanda Patricia (Lepianka) Jordan

NORTHFIELD – Mrs. Wanda Patricia (Lepianka) Jordan, 92, of Northfield, died at Concord Hospital with her family by her side Tuesday, March 20, 2018. She was born in Lowell, MA on March 17, 1926, the daughter of Anthony and Catherine (Witalis) Lepianka. She was predeceased by her husband, Roy Lindsay Jordan, son-in-law, Albert Laliberte, daughter-in-law, Shiela Jordan, brother, Tadeusz Lepianka, and two sisters, Freda Ketchum and Sophie Manchester. Family members include her children, Diane Jordan of Northfield, Patricia Laliberte of Tilton, Judith Flanders and husband, Chuck of Sanbornton, Daniel Jordan of Tilton, Thomas Jordan of Northfield, Bruce Jordan of North Berwick, Maine and Jan Andrus and husband, Frank of Meredith. She also leaves 10 grandchildren and 16 1/2



great-grandchildren, nieces, and nephews. Donations in memory of Wanda may be made to the American Legion Post #49 Ladies Auxiliary, 4 Park St., Northfield, NH 03276.

Helen M. (Strack) Ruggles

GEORGES MILLS – Helen M. (Strack) Ruggles, 94, formerly of Prospect Hill Road in Georges Mills, died Sunday, March 25, 2018 at Cedar Hill in Windsor. She was born Jan.



27, 1924, in Lake Placid, New York, the daughter of Charles and Susie (Hinds) Strack. Her husband, Richard C. "Mickey" Ruggles died in 1993 and she was also predeceased by five siblings. She is survived by three children and their spouses, Susan and Steven Livingston of South Windsor, Connecticut, Carolyn and Jake Jalbert of Jaffrey, New Hampshire and Daniel and Paula Ruggles of Sunapee; five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren, Lauren Ruggles, Caren Ruggles, Thomas Ruggles, Megan and Josh Kivela and their children, Chloe (8), Brooke (7), Allie (5), Kristen and Rob DelPaines and their children, Max (4) and Abbey (2); nieces and nephews. Memorial contributions may be made to the Sunapee Fire Department Association, P.O. Box 30, Sunapee, NH 03782; or the Alzheimer's Association, 166 South River Road Suite 210, Bedford, NH 03110.

Ann (Krull) Gregory

NEW LONDON – Ann (Krull) Gregory, 94, of Wilder Lane, died on Tuesday, March 27, 2018, at the New



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London Hospital. She was born in Greenwich, CT on Jan. 21, 1924, the daughter of Anthony and Mary (Rembicz) Krull. Her husband of 49 years, Walter G. Gregory, died in 2007. She is predeceased by four sisters and one brother. She is survived by her three daughters, Stephanie M. Gregory and companion, Cam Cote of Lewiston, Maine, Lisa G. Gallagher and husband, Steve of Marblehead, MA and Justine E. Stamp and husband, James of Mont Vernon; and a granddaughter, Clara Gregory Gallagher; and aunt to many nieces and nephews. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Council on Aging, 37 Pleasant Street, New London, NH 03257.



Katherine V. Vangjel

FRANKLIN – Katherine V. Vangjel "Big Gramma", 89, of Franklin, passed away at her home on Saturday, March 17, 2018, after a short period of failing health. Katherine was born in Northfield to parents James and Irene (Higley) Vangjel. Katherine was pre-deceased by her seven sisters, Rosey Vangjel, Annie Gregory, Eleanor Belisle, Christina Bilodeau, Sophie Copp, Dorothy Riley and Marion Nowak; and a brother, Peter Vangjel. She is survived by her daughter, Mary Pyne "Little Gramma" and her husband, Robert (and family pet, Allie Marie)



of Barnstead; her granddaughter, Melinda Wilson of Gilmanton; two great-grandsons, Evan Wilson and Landon Wilson of Gilmanton, who were the "loves of her life"; one sister, Lillian (Marie) Belisle; a brother, Leo Vangjel; several nieces and nephews and two very dear friends, Esther Gilbert and Evalyn Sylvester of Franklin, who were always just a phone call away whenever she needed them. Those wishing may make memorial contributions to the Franklin VNA, 75 Chestnut St., Franklin, NH 03235.

Stephen F. Clough

CONTOOCOOK – Stephen F. Clough, 62, of Contoocook, died peacefully after a courageous battle with interstitial lung disease, on Sunday, March 11, 2018, at Concord Hospital with his wife by his side. Steve was born August 29, 1955 in Skowhegan, Maine, to Beverly A. and Frank Spaulding Clough, Jr. Steve's family includes his wife of 32 years, Robin; his sister, Deborah of Venice, FL; his son, Frank and wife, Julie of Bow; his grandchildren, Jesse, Maya, Andrew, and Autumn Clough; his son, Stephen of Hudson, NH; his daughter, Haley of Denver, CO, and daughter, Cassie of Concord; Del Rae Kirkhart and Michael Rippett who have always held a special place in his heart, as well as many nieces and nephews. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the American Lung Association, 1661 Worcester Road, Suite 301, Framingham, MA 01701.




Stephen Hopkins Millard Jr.

PETERBOROUGH -- Stephen Hopkins Millard, Jr. died peacefully on March 25, 2018. He leaves his sister, Kathryn M. Ingle, of Hawaii. Steve was born on May 17, 1935, in Stamford, Connecticut. That same year, he and his parents, Stephen Hopkins and Mary Kathryn (Dick) Millard, moved to Columbus, Ohio, where they lived until Steve was 12. Burial will be private; however, a gathering will be arranged to honor Steve's memory and to allow his many friends and colleagues to share stories about him. Memorial contributions may be made to the Monadnock Area Transitional Shelter ("MATS"), PO Box 3053, Peterborough, NH 03458, which Steve personally supported, or to any local non-profit organization of one's choice.



Sharon Kathleen "Kathy" Maloney

GREENFIELD -- Sharon Kathleen Maloney, "Kathy," age 62, of Greenfield, died after a sudden illness at her home on March 14, 2018. Kathy was born in Freeport, Texas on February 3, 1956 the daughter of Eugene Baker and Marjorie (Phillips) Baker. Kathy is survived by her husband, Michael J. Maloney of Greenfield, NH; her four daughters, Stephanie R. Suits of Point, TX, Brandee M. Purrington of Hillsborough, NH, Angela M. Stuart of Austin, TX, Rachel A. Christenson of Peterborough, NH; and sister, Carolyn R. Evans of Waco, TX.



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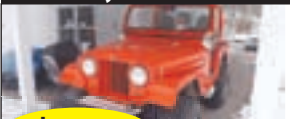
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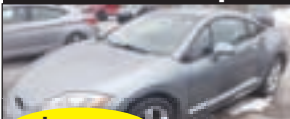
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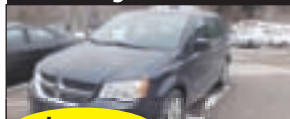
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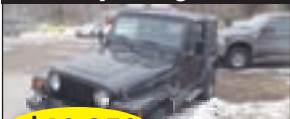
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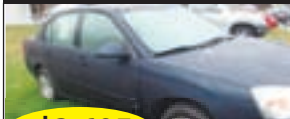
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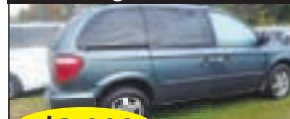
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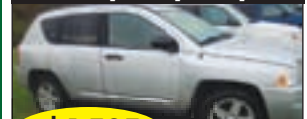
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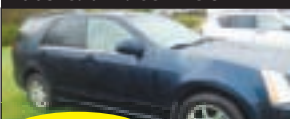
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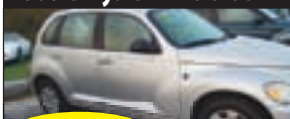
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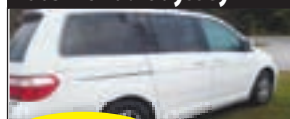
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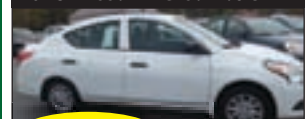
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