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Lions honor David Currier

David Currier, a member of the Henniker Lions Club was recently recognized by the District Governor this month at the Henniker Lions Club meeting for his years of service to the organization.



Congratulations to Dave, one of the founding members of the Henniker's Lions Club, for your 35 years of service! Thank you for your leadership, guidance, and continued dedication to our club and for your remarkable dedication and support of community service.

Mariah Gauthier honored

Mariah Gauthier, Director of Dietary Services at the Peabody Home in Franklin, NH, was selected as the 2019 Young Careerist by the Franklin Business and Professional Women's Group. She was recognized at an awards dinner held at Onions Restaurant in Tilton, NH on February 20.



Fmr. Gov. William Weld at NEC

Former Massachusetts Gov. Bill Weld spent much of the hour-long appearance at NEC talking about his background as a governor and federal prosecutor, experiences he said qualifies him to be president. He described himself as a fiscal conservative, but also said, "I'm very welcoming and tolerant and open on most social issues."



Jon Routon (l) and Jeff Holt (r) observe as Gov. Chris Sununu performs the first tap of the maple season at Henniker's Intervale Pancake House, with the help of Holt's children. Routon and Holt were two of the former John Stark students who planted those trees in 1999.

Three injured in Henniker accident on Route 202

Last Thursday about 4:40 pm a motor vehicle accident occurred on Route 202 & 9 in Henniker. The accident occurred about 1/2 mile west of the intersection of Foster Hill Road. A Ford F150 pickup operated by 65 year old Michael Smith of Sebago, Maine was traveling westbound on Route 202 & 9 when it crossed the center line and struck the guardrail on the eastbound side. The vehicle was sent back across route 202 & 9 striking the guardrail on the westbound side. The vehicle was sent back across into the eastbound lane, striking a Chevy Traverse traveling eastbound operated by 61 year old Mark Willoughby

of Rochester, then struck a second vehicle, a Jeep Wrangler operated by 52 year old Peter Drao of Voorheesville NY, head on. Drao, Willoughby and Smith were transported to Concord Hospital by the Henniker, Hillsboro and Hopkinton Rescue Squads. Smith was later transported to a Boston hospital. The extent of their injuries is not known at this time. The cause of the crash is still under investigation. The Henniker Police Department was assisted by the Henniker Fire Department, Henniker Rescue Squad, Hopkinton Police, Bradford Police, Hillsboro Police and the NH State Police.

SWAT Team arrests Sunapee man after 9 hour standoff

A Sunapee man held police at a standoff for nearly 9 hours on Saturday morning. Sunapee Police say they responded to a Lower Main Street residence shortly after 3:00 AM after an intoxicated 25-year-old Joshua Stiller discharged a handgun in the barn at the residence.

Sunapee and State Police set up a perimeter but attempts to communicate with Stiller,

who was barricaded in the barn, failed. The State Police SWAT team used gas and brought the standoff to a successful conclusion. Stiller is in custody with the Sunapee Police and was arraigned on March 4th on one felony count of reckless conduct. The Sunapee Fire-EMS and NH State Police assisted the Sunapee Police Department on the scene.



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Yesteryear Local history as reported in The Messenger

March 9, 2018

Four indicted for Hillsborough riot
 Competency based grading at Newport schools
 Warner & New Boston seek to replace old Fire Stations
 Ten departments assist Weare in fighting house fire

March 10, 2017

Newport Selectmen abandon joint finance plan
 Crews from several towns can't save New Boston home
 Antrim's Jump Start program seeks to revitalize town
 NH NASCAR races moving to Las Vegas

March 4, 2016

Weatherstone Project given 5-year tax abatement
 Goffstown will dispatch for New Boston
 Franklin solar projects stalled
 Bradford residents oppose para-military facility

March 6, 2015

New Boston Police undermanned - needs two cruisers
 Bow man sentenced to 15 years for sex trafficking
 Greenfield man has three felony indictments
 Newport holding firm on ambulance curtailment

March 7, 2014

New Boston child care worker arrested
 Goffstown boy receives new bone marrow
 Edward Jones Investments fined \$750,000
 Bow citizens present alternative to selectmen's plan

March 8, 2013

H-D High School removed from "Watch List"
 Kevin Johnson hired as Kearsarge Principal
 New London Selectmen and Bandstand Committee talk \$
 New security measures at Henniker school

March 9, 2012

Robert Hassett selected as Superintendent of Schools
 New London Selectman Mark Kaplan retires
 Weare fire destroys BC Auto Repair
 Haitian man guilty of Henniker murder

March 11, 2011

Hillsborough voters support police & dispatch
 Hopkinton Selectmen support pay-by-bag
 John Stark rejects teacher & staff raises
 Newport family rescued from flood waters

March 5, 2010

Antrim fire probe leads to criminal charges
 Bennington Selectman candidate draws fire
 Henniker School Budget remains flat
 New Boston Police Chief feted and fried

March 6, 2009

OZRAM Robotics Team headed to Orlando
 Search called off for missing Contoocook man
 Will Bradford voters preserve Battles Farm?
 Monadnock Hospital institutes pay cut

Newport Fire Chief Wayne Conroy retires after serving for 45 years

Firefighters at the Newport Fire Department said goodbye to their Chief Thursday, as he retired after 45 years of service. Chief Wayne Conroy took his final ride in a Newport fire truck as Chief Thursday. "Be advised, I'll be signing off from the air at this time for the last time," Conroy said. Family members and fellow firefighters were there to share in the moment. Conroy spent the last 11 years of his career as chief of the department.

"I've had a great ride," he said. "It's been a great career for me." He said he was attracted to the career at a young age. "The Newport house, which is across the street here, my dad brought me to that fire, and I looked at my dad and said, 'I want to do that someday,'" Conroy said.

The chief said what he will miss the most is the chance to help people and make

a difference, along with his fellow firefighters, one of whom is his son. Lt. Corey Conroy said he was inspired by his father to follow in his footsteps.

"The compassion that he showed and the commitment that it took kind of drove me to the compassion to want to be able to help people the best that I can," his son said. Chief Conroy said one thing he won't miss wrangling over is funding for the department. "Budgets are a big, big challenge," he said. "It's something that you

need, and you have to fight for it, and it's just not an easy thing to do." He had some advice for younger firefighters, telling them to think of safety first and keep their heads on a swivel. He remembered one time he failed to follow his own advice. "I was fighting a fire, I fell through the ceiling, and I almost lost my life out of it," he said. The chief said he's not sure what comes next for him, but said he will have to get a part-time job because his wife doesn't want him hanging around the house the whole time.



Wayne Conroy has announced his retirement.



Bennington's Town Administrator Dee French retires

Bennington's Town Administrator, Denise "Dee" French, who has worked at more than a dozen positions in town for nearly 40 years has retired but not quite, as she will continue to work for the town in a part-time capacity.

Six local businesses agree to sponsor Harlem Superstars

Recognizing the community service efforts of the Hillsboro Lions Club six area businesses are supoting its endecors.

Amadio Insurance, Bank of New Hampshire, Edmunds Ace Hardware, Hillsboro Ford, Pat Nash Realty and Granite State Telephone have signed on as sponsors of the March 29th exhibition

basketball game between the Harlem Superstars and HDHS Principal Jim O'Rourke's Hillcat All-Stars.

The Lions Club thanks them for their support and urges you to patronize these local businesses, who like the Lions, believe in giving something back to the communities they serve.

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ConVal junior Liam McCall, of Peterborough, is being congratulated for winning the District 2 American Legion high school oratorical contest at Post 23 in Milford. Liam was sponsored by Post 5 and will compete at St Anslem's on March 16 against the other 7 district winners in the state representing District 2. (L-R) Alternate NEC Ken Maynard, Commander Stephen Roy Post 50, Liam McCall, Commander Wayne Thomas Post 5.

Newport victim falls prey to telephone scam

The Sullivan County Sheriff's Office has learned of a telephone scam that occurred over the weekend in which a number of residents were contacted. At least one Newport resident was victimized for \$2,800. The victim reported that the caller whose caller ID showed the Sullivan County Sheriff's Department was contacted by a male who identified himself as a current deputy from the sheriff's office, who explained that there were warrants out for their arrest for failing to appear for jury duty. The caller even provided fabricated court docket numbers and threatened that if they did not pay the required funds, a deputy would be arriving at their home to arrest them. They were threatened with serving time at the Sullivan County House of Corrections, if they did not pay. The caller convinced the victim to go to a local store and purchase a number of gift cards with a value of \$2,800. Once purchased, the victim was told to scratch the back of the cards off, revealing the numeric pin code and to give those codes to the caller.

Franklin Police are seeking hit & run driver

Franklin Police are seeking the public's help locating a hit-and-run driver who struck a male pedestrian last Wednesday. Law enforcement agencies are looking for the driver of a dark-colored Mazda four-door sedan with the passenger-side mirror missing and damage to the passenger side bumper and fender. The pedestrian, Edward Douglas Jr., 53, of Franklin, was struck on Central Street about 6 p.m. and was left conscious but with serious bodily injuries. He was taken by ambulance to Concord Hospital for further treatment.

Bow fatal accident draws additional charges

Joseph Leonard Jr., 36, of Derry, the driver involved in an April crash that killed 20-year-old Tyler Shaw on April 30 in Bow, is facing a fourth charge in addition to negligent homicide. Leonard has been indicted on one count of aggravated driving while intoxicated, a felony. Prosecutors say he was under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs when he caused the crash. Leonard was driving off the Interstate 89 Exit 1 ramp and allegedly failed to stop at a stop sign. Leonard hit Shaw's car, which was traveling on Logging Hill Road. Shaw was killed instantly.

Crotched Mt. Foundation gets \$9,500 grant

Crotched Mountain Foundation recently received a \$9,500 grant from the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation. The grant will support Crotched Mountain's Community Care (CMCC) program, which provides case management to approximately 900 older adults and individuals with disabilities across New Hampshire, helping them live independently in the community.

Henniker Officer recognized for her life saving efforts

At Tuesday's Henniker Select Board meeting Police Chief Matt French presented Officer Amy Bossi with a Letter Of Commendation for her life saving effort on January 29th. At 2:44am while conducting a routine business check at Dunkin Donuts, Officer Bossi noticed a person curled up in front of the entryway door.

The male told her that he was thrown out of Concord Hospital around 8:30 that night, meaning he was out in the freezing weather for about 6 hours. This man clearly suffered from a mental health condition and was very difficult to deal with. Despite his uncooperative demeanor and refusal for assistance, Bossi kept him calm and had him wait in the warm cruiser for the Henniker Rescue to arrive to give medical care.

As the man was being seen by rescue personnel, Bossi diligently called several po-

lice agencies and the hospital attempting to re-trace his travels, to determine an address, of a relative for more information.

Dealing with people that suffer from mental health issues can be very challenging

in normal conditions, let alone an uncooperative person on the midnight shift in the middle of winter. Bossi's patience and persistence are the reasons why this man was able to receive medical treatment.



Henniker Police Chief Matt French presents a Letter of Commendation to Officer Amy Bossi for her life saving efforts on January 29, 2019.

Washington Website hacked

As of Saturday, March 2nd the town of Washington's website and email system had been hacked. Officials are diligently working on restoring both the website and town email. Please be patient while they work through the issues with the server host.

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The U.S. Food and Drug Administration has approved Aimovig (erenumab-aooe) for the preventive treatment of migraine in adults. The treatment is given by once-monthly self injections. Patients often describe migraine headache pain as an intense pulsing or throbbing pain in one area of the head. Additional symptoms include nausea and/or vomiting and sensitivity to light and sound. Approximately one-third of affected individuals can predict the onset of a migraine because it is preceded by an aura — transient sensory or visual disturbances that appear as flashing lights, zig-zag lines or a temporary loss of vision. People with migraine tend to have recurring attacks triggered by a number of different factors, including stress, hormonal changes, bright or flashing lights, lack of food or sleep and diet. Migraine is three times more common in women than in men.

Two new studies of patients with difficult-to-control asthma show that the eczema drug dupilumab alleviates asthma symptoms and improves patients' ability to breathe better than standard therapies. Dupilumab, an injectable anti-inflammatory drug, was approved in 2017 by the Food and Drug Administration as a treatment for eczema, a chronic skin disease. The studies appeared in *The New England Journal of Medicine*.

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In this large study, county-level estimates of the percentage of population with community water fluoridation from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Water Fluoridation Reporting System were merged with dental examination data from ten years of National Health and Nutrition Examination Surveys.

The analysis showed that U.S. children and adolescents with greater access to fluoridated drinking water were less likely to experience dental caries. Counties in which over 75% of the population had access to community water fluoridation saw a 30% reduction in dental caries experience in the primary dentition, and a 12% reduction in dental caries experience in the permanent dentition, compared to counties in which less than 75% had access to community water fluoridation.

The findings are consistent with evidence from the last half-century showing that community water fluoridation continues to provide a substantial dental health benefit for U.S. children and adolescents. The current study boosts the evidence by showing that the benefit is most pronounced early in life, in the primary teeth of 2-8-year-olds.

This study confirms previously reported findings and provides additional evidence in support of water fluoridation as a core public health intervention promoting oral health.

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The Goffstown Rotary Club thanks everyone who purchased its prepackaged meal bags, and everyone who came out and made food and/or cash donations, for the benefit of our local food pantries. Rotarians, (L-R) Robin Morrell, John Lear, Robbie Grady, Michele Sheppard, and Cheryl Elliott. Missing: Kay Layne.

\$1.5 million for Franklin's Whitewater Park

The City of Franklin recently learned Governor Sununu included a \$1.5 million one-time investment in his budget proposal to assist in the construction of a Whitewater Park, with whitewater and river surfing amenities, located on the lower Winnepesaukee River in downtown Franklin. The first of its kind in New England, the park, which will contain both a water and land component, will be a key catalyst for Franklin's economic revitalization.

Franklin Mayor Tony Giunta states, "We all know that the economic benefit of a local tourist attraction extends well beyond the borders of the town or city in which that attraction is located. I want to thank Governor Sununu for his vision in supporting this new segment of the tourism industry and helping us attract a whole new group of outdoor recreation enthusiasts to our City, surrounding communities and our State. I urge our legislators to please support this worthwhile initiative."

Area students named Presidential Scholars

More than 80 New Hampshire students have been nominated by the White House Commission on Presidential Scholars and the U.S. Department of Education to be candidates for the United States Presidential Scholars Program for 2019. Those from the area include:

- Victoria Burroughs, Newport - Newport Middle High School
- Nolan Gagnon, Belmont - Belmont High School
- Lauren M. Goyette, Bow - Bow High School
- Benjamin Jachim-Gallagher, Newport - Newport Middle High School
- Henry Lavoie, Hopkinton - Hopkinton High School
- Laura Swain, Sanbornton - Winnisquam Regional High School
- Rachel Swindell, Wilnot - Kearsarge Regional High School
- Elizabeth Tremblay, Lempster - Newport Middle High School

Semi-finalists will be named in April and scholars in May. New Hampshire winners will be invited to Washington, D.C., in June, as part of the recognition program and will receive a medallion at the White House.

Andover approves budget without debate

It took Andover voters little time to approve a \$5.6 million operating budget at Monday's School District's Annual Meeting. With no debate or even a question, voters approved the proposed \$5,655,656 budget, a 3.3% increase over last year's. The operating budget was the only money article on the district's warrant, aside from procedural requirements to include approval of the annual report. Ballot voting will be held on March 12 from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. at St. Jean the Baptist Parish Hall, although there are no contested races.

School budget & spending dominates Newport Select Board discussion

At Monday's meeting of the Newport Select Board school budgets, warrants and funding dominated the early discussion. Senator Ruth Ward (R-Stoddard) briefed the Board on legislative efforts to increase state funding for schools. She stated that at her urging Gov. Chris Sununu had added \$280,000 to his budget targeted directly for schools.

At the February 21st School Deliberative Session, the town's Budget Committee indicated it did not recommend the proposed

school budget. Select Board Chair Jeff Kessler, also a Budget Committee member, passionately expressed his displeasure with the school administration's financial management practices. Monday night however, he addressed those in attendance and those viewing on community cable, urging them to come out and vote for the school budget and the new three-year teachers contract. Base pay for teachers in Newport is \$34,363, in

Claremont \$36,228, Fall Mountain \$43,926, Mascoma \$37,992, and Sunapee \$40,277. Kessler reminded all that Newport had lost 33% of its teachers in the last few years and the money was needed to improve the school's standings.

Frequent critic Burt Spaulding disagreed, saying the proposed budget would raise taxes \$3.84/1000 and the teachers' contract another \$.80/1000.



NH State Senator (15th district) and Senate Majority Leader Dan Feltes presents Dr. Lorraine Tacconi-Moore a Declaration in honor of her being named NH Superintendent of the Year.



Senator Ruth Ward (R-Stoddard) briefs the Newport Select Board on the potential for an increase in state aid for schools.

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With the hopes of creating a new generation of college graduates who wish to pursue careers in Environmental Law Enforcement, the New Hampshire ATV Club selected New England College to launch an annual scholarship program to benefit students majoring in Criminal Justice. NEC Senior Alexandra Dunn is the inaugural recipient of this scholarship and recently received a check for \$1,000 as part of the Annual NH ATV Club Scholarship program. Alexandra intends to pursue a career in law enforcement with New Hampshire Fish & Game after graduation this spring.

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Jay Lucas joins New England College Board

New England College has named Newport native Jay Lucas to its Board of Directors. Lucas serves as chairman and managing partner of the Lucas Group, a strategy consulting firm that he founded in 1991, focused on the specialized needs of private equity investors and their portfolio companies. Previously, he served as vice president and partner of Bain & Co. In addition, he is the founder and managing partner of LB Equity, a fund that invests in small growing brands in the beauty sector. Lucas earned his MBA from Harvard Business School, his JD from Harvard Law School, and a BA from Yale University.

Illegal animal carcasses dumped in Deering

Deering Police are investigating a sheep carcass last week and a pig in mid-January which were dumped near private residences and near public hiking trails. The unlawful dumping of these carcasses present certain concerns for health hazards, odors, and general unpleasant atmospheres for the residents in those affected areas. If anyone has any information about domestic livestock or animals that have been improperly disposed of in Deering, please contact the Deering Police.

Franklin man fails to rob convenience stores

Timothy Benwell, 28, of Franklin, was arrested Sunday night after he tried and failed to rob two downtown convenience stores. Benwell demanded that clerks at the Shop Express empty their cash registers and told them he had a weapon. Five minutes later, he approached the Cumberland Farms down the street and tried to rob that store. Benwell fled and police found him a minute later in an alley 500 feet away.

New London voters asked to approve a \$9,995,085 operating budget

New London voters will be asked to approve a town budget totaling \$9,995,085 when they meet next Wednesday at the Kearsarge Learning Campus Outing Club Gymnasium at Whipple Memorial Town Hall. Also on the warrant:

\$600,000 for renovations and repair of the Harold W. Buker Jr., Municipal Building; two-thirds ballot vote required.

\$750,000 for Brookside Drive culvert replacement and Pingree Road culvert replacement and Goose Hole Bridge repair; two-thirds ballot vote required.

\$30,000 to develop an Asset Manage-

ment Program for the storm water system; two-\$1,402,819 for General Government Operations.

\$2,054,129 for Public Safety.

\$2,503,146 for Highway and Streets and Sanitation.

\$258,212 for Health and Welfare Departments.

\$795,790 for Recreation and Culture and Conservation.

\$104,800 for the purchase of a dump truck with sander.

\$110,375 for paving of gravel roads and to authorize funding this purchase by withdrawal of \$110,375 from the Gravel Road Paving Capital Reserve Fund.



Town Clerk Chuck Gangel (r) administers the oath of office to Kevin Davis (l) as Hopkinton's Town Treasurer.



Greg Hamel, Samuel Kenneth Dougherty, Jennifer Dougherty, and Elyse Dougherty look forward to re-opening of Andover's famous Blackwater Junction Restaurant later this month





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Invention Convention at Weare Schools

Center Woods Upper Elementary, and Weare Middle Schools held their Invention Conventions in February. The Invention Convention is part of The Young Inventor's Program administered by The Academy of Applied Science in Concord.

Center Woods Elementary School

General Category: 1st Grade - Landon Fairhurst for the Dartbuster

2nd Grade - Emily Austin for Asthma Rescue 3000

3rd Grade - Grace Meisser for The Claw-inator

Challenge Category: Everett Chapman (grade 2) for The

Backpack Sled

Rube Goldberg Machine: Ashley (grade 2) and Hailey Thellen (grade 3) for their Ball Blaster

Kids Vote: 1st place - Ashley and Hailey Thellen for their Ball Blaster

2nd place - Hailey Van Bost (grade 3) for the Watershield

3rd place-Maddix Cyr (grade 2) for his Inside Feeder

Center Woods Upper Elementary School

General Category: 4th Grade - Autumn Duquette for The Foot Checker

5th Grade - Sydney Barrieau for her Shower Chandelie

Challenge Category: 4th Grade - Gabe Mathieu and Owen Veilleux for the Fidget Wand/Fidget Wand Jr.

5th Grade - Sadie Sargent and Savannah Chapman for their Ball at Dark

Weare Middle School

General Category: 6th Grade - Sadie McCallum for W.O.W.

7th Grade - Fiona Winsor and Cassidy Luger for Hoodphones

Challenge Category: 6th Grade - Khloe Burgess for Klo-Motions



4th-grade students (L-R) Evan Powers & Ben Gosselin with their invention, the Deep Sea Cleaner, which took 2nd place for General Invention for the 4th grade. (Nicole Richardson photo)



First-grade student Landon Fairhurst who won the First Grade General Category for his Dartbuster that picks up Nerf darts.



Ari Anderson and Maura Osgood, second graders who teamed up to make their Doll Dressing Machine.



6th graders Jillian (gray sweatshirt) & Emily Fredette (purple sweatshirt) explain their invention to judges WEARE School Board Chair Marge Burke and Weare Public Library Librarian Mike Sullivan. (Nicole Richardson photo)



Maddix Cyr, grade 2, with his Inside Feeder--you can feed your birds with this invention without going outside. Maddix took 3rd place in the Kids Vote.



Sydney Barrieau (5th grade) is explaining her Shower Chandelier invention to Chris Jillson (4th grade). The Shower Chandelier was designed to help prevent bottles from falling in the shower.

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(BPT) - You try to eat healthy, but the one thing you can't control is who has been handling your food and whether they are practicing adequate food safety. Each year, foodborne illnesses sicken close to 50 million Americans and lead to more than 130,000 hospitalizations and 3,000 deaths. A lot of these illnesses are caused by simple things like restaurant employees' failure to properly wash hands, cooking surfaces and fruits and vegetables.

Foodborne illnesses present a greater challenge to certain groups of people with reduced immunity, such as children younger than age 4 and people older than age 50. Food can also become compromised much earlier in the production process, and for this reason food producers are using a variety of means to keep our food safe.

One approach uses the concept of hurdle technology in which a variety of mild steps (hurdles) are used to limit microbial growth at each stage of production. These include combinations of weak acid treatments with gentle heating and reduced humidity, or alternating low heat and chilling treatment. The fresh-bagged salads you see at the grocery store are a good example of this. Vacuum-packed products, prepared under rigorous hygienic conditions and heated at lower temperatures, are another.

Other technologies include the addition of antimicrobial agents such as enzymes and other natural compounds that inhibit the growth of bacteria or prevent oxidation. Salt too is a very effective anti-bacterial in food. In fact, it is the oldest known food preserver. Salt is widely used in the production of all cheeses, cured meats and many fish dishes.



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However, as the federal government pushes companies toward lower salt content there are some concerns that it could affect food safety and increase the amount of preservatives that must be used. Many prefer salt as the more natural choice.

Fortunately, food safety is a leading concern of the Food and Drug Administration and its Commissioner, Scott Gottlieb, and the newly appointed Deputy Commissioner, Frank Yiannas, who was previously Vice President of Food Safety at Walmart, and Director of Safety and Health at Walt Disney World.

Food safety is an ongoing challenge for an enormous and complex food system, and although challenges continually arise, exercising caution and attention in food purchasing, storage and preparation will minimize the risks. Remember to not only eat healthy but to also eat safely.

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Letters to the Editor

Letter to the Editor:

Carol Harless is running for the elected position of Hopkinton's Town Clerk Tax Collector. She is knowledgeable, dependable, capable and willing to work to do what is best for the town.

Rumors have run rampant as to why the Board of Selectmen suddenly moved the Town Clerk Tax Collector's office to the Town Hall this fall. The move was the result of personnel issues handled in non-public session by the Board.

I believe Carol is the correct person for the position to best serve the residents. She has 15 years of experience serving as the assistant Town Clerk Tax Collector and has the certification and knowledge of the Department of Motor Vehicle registrations and titles, elections, the Bureau of Vital Records and she knows how to prepare for property tax and water/sewer billing. As well, she is trained to register boats, snowmobiles, ATV and issue hunting & fishing licenses. She was a trainer at DMV before working for the Town. She is certified and trained in the daily tasks involved in efficiently running the office. When a resident has a complex motor vehicle registration, Carol's training is evident as she is able to complete the transaction quickly and accurately. Please consider voting for Carol Harless for Town Clerk Tax Collector on Tuesday, March 12th.

Sue Strickford, Contoocook

Dear Editor,

I am pleased that JP Stohrer is running for Hillsborough Selectman. JP is known to many of us in town because of his volunteer activities, including Open Door and the Living History Event, and his willingness to lend a hand to his neighbors. JP values our small town. He will work hard to preserve what we all love about Hillsborough, and he also understands the need for revitalization, supporting new businesses, town services, and a strong community. JP's ability to listen carefully, understand differing perspectives, develop a plan, and work with others to execute that plan will benefit all of us.

I will vote for JP Stohrer for Selectman.

Melinda Gehrts, Hillsborough

Letter to the Editor:

About 12 years ago Heleen Kirk was a Weare "Selectman". For her first 2 years

she was appointed, then successfully voted in for a 3 year term. After which she chose not to run again. Living in Weare for 48 years we have known Heleen for many of those years. We know her to have many positive qualities: educated, thoughtful, able to research town issues, able to make her decisions on said research and able to take an unbiased stand on those issues. We don't always agree, however, and most important to us and perhaps you, Heleen will listen to you and do it with the utmost level of respect. We ask that you consider and vote for Heleen Kurk for Weare "selectman" on March 12.

Frank & Mary Jo Campana, Weare

Dear Editor:

In 2018 the Hillsborough Chamber of Commerce named Operation Christmas as the "Not for Profit" organization of the year in recognition of their contribution to the Hillsborough community. This certificate hangs prominently at the Premier Printing shop on School Street and is an affirmation of the dedication of our chairperson (Bonnie Hadley) and her hard working "elves". Operation Christmas helped brighten the holidays of 62 families and over 100 children. But this award could never include the others, those who met weekly to organize wishes-without- tickets and distribute Christmas trees to area businesses.

Those who picked a ticket off a tree and donated gifts. Those area merchants/ organizations and community members who donated much needed cash. Those who shopped to fill gaps in the wish list. Those who coordinated gifts with the correct families, and finally, those who braced the December weather to distribute all the presents. Our heartfelt Thank You cannot begin to convey our gratitude to all those volunteers mentioned above.

The Operation Christmas Committee

Dear Editor:

Voting on exemptions from real estate taxes can be both interesting and difficult when it comes to taxpayers deciding whether the resulting financial impact to them personally is minor, major, neutral, negative, somewhat self-serving or meets the test of providing a public social benefit to taxpayers as a whole. Towns have exemptions or tax credits for qualifying veterans, income and age qualified resi-



Letters to the Editor

dents, residents with qualifying disabilities, historic preservation efforts and probably more- All serving a worthy purpose for our voters to contemplate when deciding whether or not to support them. From my personal perspective only, as I reviewed the Solar Exemption Partitioned Warrant Article 11 signed by 65 Antrim supporters requesting a 100% real estate assessment exemption, I immediately wondered how it would affect the remainder of the community and whether by approving the exemption served the greater public interests of Antrim residents. As I pondered the question, I thought about how removing the assessed values of current solar arrays in town might affect not only our Town's revenue but what might also be lost that could help pay school and county taxes. My research indicated about 18 households currently have installed some level of solar panel arrays on their property. That equates currently to less than 1%. The estimated impact on residential assessed value combined is about \$156,400, also less than 1% of Antrim's total assessed value. Should the Legislative body at Town Meeting of usually 150 +/- voters approve Article #11, the Town will forgo about \$1,728. in direct revenue to support town expenses and about \$2,646. that would not be collected to support our school and county taxes. As I delved a bit deeper, it became clearer that without the added assessed value, other taxpayers will not only pay their own town, school and county portions but will assist with paying some small amount to support town, education and county taxes that result from the solar array exemption but without receiving any financial benefit. A recent article in the Stone Bridge Post reported that "without such an exemption, increased property taxes can exceed any savings in utility bills and discourage residents from investing in solar energy." So after reading that, I calculated the financial tax impact on one of the assumed petitioners caused by their solar array's assessed value. Based on Antrim's tax rate of \$27.97, their annual impact is presently about \$252.00. When I calculated whether a \$19,000 solar array made sense to me personally, the Internet calculator indicated a 20 year, \$44,000 net savings plus a possible 3% or greater property value appreciation. Before real estate taxes are considered, it represented

a 7.2 year recapture of my investment. Total estimated savings were estimated at \$33,400, after taxes, providing all factors remained constant. The question at hand is not whether Solar Arrays are beneficial to our environment or a socially responsible investment, because I believe they are very much so. I applaud those who can and do utilize solar arrays. The question is whether it's fair and equitable to our neighbors to ask them to share the costs of operating our town, schools and county expenses for the 1% benefitting from this exemption from which others don't receive any financial benefit due perhaps to property constraints and/or a person's financial position or even their personal energy preference. I don't foresee municipal operating costs for Antrim declining over the near-term nor do I expect general operating revenues to materially increase. NH Communities are also experiencing a general decline in the level of financial support from federal and state government. I also anticipate that certain legislative bills currently being discussed in Concord could adversely impact Antrim financially in the future. So as we all evaluate well-intended exemptions from real estate taxation, we must balance in our own minds their environmental, social and financial benefit against their impact on revenue and fairness to our neighbors and vote accordingly. To me, a solar exemption is far different than an exemption that supports our veterans, and individuals with physical, developmental and income hardships and challenges that may allow their quality of life to be improved. There remains about 100 NH communities yet to decide how best to address solar exemptions for the good of their entire community, both socially and financially. There are multiple options that get complicated by whether one leases, purchases, finances, use a PPA approach or takes advantage of benefits provided by net metering. Whatever your feelings or beliefs are, if you don't come to town meeting on Thursday, March 14 at 7PM at the Antrim Town Hall, your voice will not be heard.

Bob Edwards, Antrim

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Robert L. Edwards
ANTRIM SELECT BOARD (I)



As I reflect on my first term on the Select Board, I first must thank the competent support team at the Town Hall who confront and resolve the multiple challenges presented each day and who have helped me with my learning curve with becoming a Selectman. My purpose for seeking a second term is so we can continue to work together to determine how best to address the 21st Century challenges of municipal management. They include how best to manage the fiscal affairs of our Town, understand federal and state legislation that will continue to impact our Town's financial position and to contribute our ideas and participation in the School District's fiscal and budgeting process. During my first term I was fortunate to be able to serve on the NH Assessing Standards Board (ASB) Subcommittee that developed advisory assessing guidelines relevant to PUC regulated NH Utilities such as PSNH and Unitol to help standardize how assessments will be determined in the future in the spirit of mutual fairness and to help avoid long and expensive litigation. Our suggestions, although modified by the Commission, have worked their way into House Bill 700. If passed, the results will impact Antrim's future revenues. I also served on the NH Municipal Association's Finance & Revenue Committee that discussed, modified and formulated legislative suggestions affecting municipal revenues. I believe Antrim is facing financial pressure from utility assessments, state and federal funding reductions that are directly and indirectly impacting our Town through reduced aid from Room and Meals tax revenue, revenue and cost sharing, infrastructure aid and the lack of education funding support. I would like to serve a second term so that together we can continue to develop responsible municipal governance through proactive planning and sound financial management principles.

Fred Plett
GOFFSTOWN SELECT BOARD



I am Fred Plett and I am running for Select Board. I have been a resident of Goffstown since 1974, and have been active since 1982 when I joined the Goffstown Lions Club. With encouragement from a fellow Lions member, I ran for Planning Board, and chaired it for a couple of years. I have served on the Budget Committee, as Vice Chair, Chair of the Solid Waste Commission, Chair of the Capital Improvement Committee, and Corresponding Secretary of a Charter Commission. I have served on numerous ad hoc committees. I served as Assistant Moderator, Town and School, for several years. I am currently serving as District Governor for District 44N Lions, and as a State Representative on the Science, Technology and Energy Committee, the Oil Disbursement Fund, and the Electric Utility Oversight Restructuring Committee. As you can see, I am civic. My motive for running for Select Board is just that, a sense of civic duty. I have the time now to serve the town as I retired in June from the Massachusetts Attorney General's office in Boston. I was the first ever Volunteer of the Year in 2009. I ask for your vote on March 12th. Thank you.

Sarah Edwards
ANTRIM TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS

I am seeking your vote as a Trustee of Trust Funds for the town of Antrim. As sixth generation Antrim native and lifelong resident I am committed to Antrim. I received my



Candidates' Corner (I)=incumbent



BA in Economics from Bates College. I am married to Bob Edwards and we have twin sons, Joe and Jesse, I am the Clerk of the Session of The First Presbyterian Church of Antrim. My employment history includes Tenney Farm, Peterborough Savings Bank, Millard Group and currently Antrim Elementary School. I believe in Antrim, I am fiscally conservative, and I recognize the tremendous responsibility and how important the Trust Funds are to Antrim. I believe I would be a good steward of the funds and a positive addition to the Trustee of Trust Funds Committee. Thank you and I would welcome your vote on March 12.

Steve Lux

HOPKINTON SCHOOL BOARD

In last week's Candidates Corner we listed Steve as running for Select Board. In fact he is running for School Board.

Peterborough Boards at odds over a bond

Peterborough's Budget Committee and Select Board are at odds with each other over a \$4 million bond to construct a new facility. Tuesday night the Budget committee voted 4-3 not to recommend the warrant article for the bond. The Select Board had previously voted 2-1 to recommend the article, with Selectwoman Karen Hatcher as the descending vote. The town is proposing to build an 8,000 square foot garage, salt shed, fueling depot and install an emergency generator using plans from a recently built Department of Transportation facility in Salem. If approved, construction is scheduled to begin in spring of 2021. If and when the highway department is moved, the town plans to use the current highway department location as the site of a new fire station.

Deering woman arrested for domestic violence

On February 26th Deering Police responded to a residence in Deering with Hillsboro PD units as backup. The initial call was for a medical issue involving a patient bleeding from lacerations received after breaking the glass in a piece of furniture. Upon arrival officers learned that the male victim had also suffered facial injuries. Following an investigation, officers found probable cause to believe that an assault had occurred as well that evening, and Madeleine Morales, 24, of Deering and Concord, was arrested on charges of Domestic Violence Simple Assault.

Franklin's Central Street Candy Store closed

Owner Tom Charbono has decided to close Central Sweets Candy Store after nearly four years in business. The candy store's future has been in flux since Franklin Savings Bank purchased three buildings on Central Street - including the one where Central Sweets is located - for \$1.4 million in July.

Screenagers at Henniker Community School

On March 12: Screenagers, 6 pm in the Henniker Community School library. A documentary exploring parental struggles over social media, video games, academics, and internet addiction. The film offers solutions to find a balance between screen time and screen-free time. A discussion will follow.

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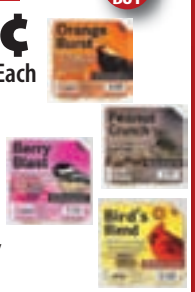
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DIVISION IV CHAMPIONSHIP

Hopkinton: Lily Sabol won the classic race and Emma Rothe took first place in the freestyle to lead the Hawks to their first Division IV championship since 2014. The girls weren't alone in the winner's circle, either, as the boys claimed their Division IV Championship since 2016.

DIVISION III CHAMPIONSHIP

Kearsarge: The Cougars registered another sweep of the Division III Nordic ski championships. Lili Baer was the top finisher in the classic and freestyle races for the Kearsarge girls, while Benjamin Boulton was the best of the Kearsarge boys in each discipline to help the Cougars remain atop the D-III competition. It's the fourth consecutive title for the girls, and the third straight championship for the boys, as the boys also claimed a D-IV crown – their first since 2016.

DIVISION II CHAMPIONSHIP

ConVal: The Cougars competed in their final race of the season on Tuesday, traveling to Gunstock for the Division II State Championships. The team went home with two big medals — first and second place in the skimeister category, won by Jackson Burnham and Ryan Beal, respectively. Burnham and Beal were competing as skimeisters, skiing on both the ConVal Alpine and Nordic teams.



Ryan Beal and Jackson Burnham.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

DIVISION II QUARTERFINALS

#5 John Stark 71, #4 Bishop Brady 56: John Stark erased a six-point halftime deficit by outscoring the Giants, 22-10, in the third quarter and iced the game at the free-throw line in the final frame en route to a 71-56 victory over No. 4

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Sports

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DIVISION II SEMIFINALS

#1 Hanover 63, #5 John Stark 30: The woes started early for the Generals who committed 24 first-half turnovers, shot 5-for-19 from the floor over the first two quarters and allowed Hanover to go on a 31-2 run for a commanding 38-11 lead at halftime.

BOYS BASKETBALL

DIVISION II PRELIMINARY

#3 Pembroke 82, #14 John Stark 51: The Spartans jumped out early, but the Generals hung tough throughout the first half and went into the locker rooms trailing by a 38-27 margin. Pembroke stepped up the defensive pressure.

#9 Kearsarge 42, #8 Souhegan 39: Souhegan put Kearsarge in an early hole with a 13-0 run to start the game, but the Cougars didn't let it get out of hand and sliced the deficit to 31-24 heading into the fourth quarter.

DIVISION III SEMIFINALS

#3 St. Thomas 60, #6 Hopkinton 52: The Hawks looked poised for an upset in the first half, leading 15-8 after the first quarter and 27-22 at halftime, but the Saints tied the game, 37-37, late in the third and took control in the fourth.

#4 Campbell 62, #12 Winnisquam 42: The Bears showed they could hang with a tough Cougars squad, using a 12-4 second-quarter run to cut Campbell's halftime deficit to 32-23, but hosts Campbell broke the game open in the third to take a 50-32 lead into the final frame.

BOYS HOCKEY

DIVISION III QUARTERFINALS

#1 Stark /Hopkinton 8, #8 Kennett 3: The General Hawks experimented with a new line combination during the final games of the regular season, putting Paul Molnar, Brett Patnode and Nolan Sauer together. The experiment appears to be a success as that trio scored five goals on Saturday.

DIVISION III SEMIFINALS

#1 John Stark/Hopkinton 4, #4 Berlin, 2: Paul Molnar and Benny Madden each scored to help the General Hawks seize an early 2-0 lead in the first period and senior net minder Jameson Bourque made 22 saves – eight in the final period to send Stark-Hopkinton into Saturday's final against No. 2 Monadnock-Fall Mountain at SNHU.



The Henniker Huskies beat the NH Avalanche 9-0 and then beat NH East 5-3 to advance to the 2nd day of the competition. They squeaked out a win over Kearsarge 4-3 and made it to the championship game. They faced the Junior Manchester Monarchs and won 10-2 for the 1st place trophy!

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Hopkinton Town Hall was filled to capacity Wednesday night for a Candidates Forum sponsored by the Rotary Club. Those participating include candidates for School Board Steve Lux, Jr (l) and Norman Goupil (r) and candidates for Town Clerk/Tax Collector Amy O'Brien (l) Carol Harless (c) and Chuck Gangel (r).

Area Rotary clubs hosting their 2019 Four-Way Test Speech Contests

Area Rotary clubs are preparing to host their 2019 Four-Way Test Speech Contests. The Goffstown contest is being held on Saturday, March 16th, 1 p.m. at the Oddfellows Hall on Mountain Road, Goffstown.

Bow is holding theirs on March 28th at 7PM at the Baker Free Library and Henniker Rotary's contest is on March 24th 1PM at the Henniker Community Center.

The Four-Way Test is a mainstay of Rotary clubs around the world. The tests are: 'Is it the truth? Is it fair to all concerned? Will it build goodwill and better friendships? Will it be beneficial to all concerned?'

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minutes before a panel of judges.

Top 50 New Hampshire Towns

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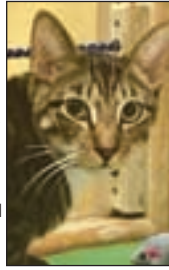


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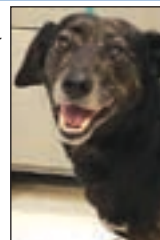


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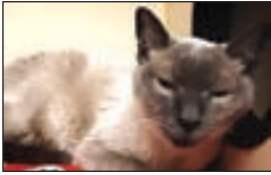
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CHRISTY: She is a sweet gal in need of a comfy place to call home. She loves to talk with her people and hang out for some cuddling. Christy is an adorable girl just waiting for you!



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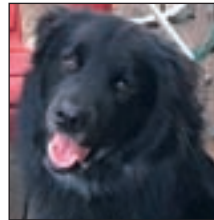


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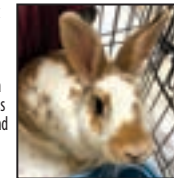
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BNSYS REGISTRATION: Softball and Baseball. Registrations are still open for the spring. Indoor practices will be starting soon so make sure you get your athletes signed up. Once signed up, you will receive notifications and updates from the coach. Practice and game schedules are not set yet and will not be for a few weeks. If you have any questions regarding a specific sport, please email the respective director. To access the registration links please visit www.bnsyouthsports.org and find the "Registration" link/button on the right side of the screen.

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SUNDAY MARCH 10

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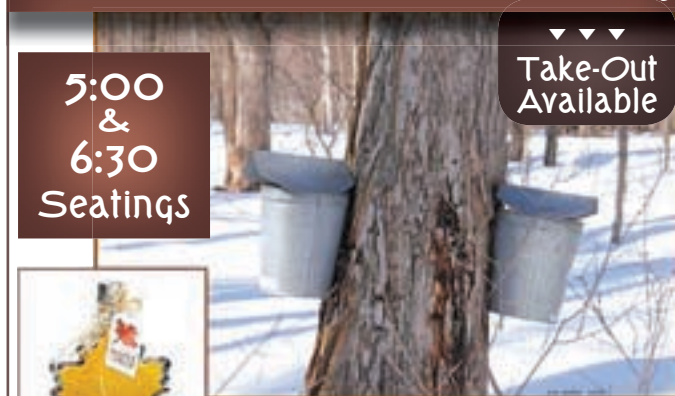
MONDAY MARCH 11

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TUESDAY MARCH 12

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WEDNESDAY MARCH 13

WEARE DEMOCRATS: will meet at 7pm, in the Sawyer Room of the Weare Public Library to elect town Democratic officers and delegates to the New Hampshire Democratic Party state convention. There is no cost to attend the caucus. Any registered Democrat, regardless of past political experience, may run for an officer or delegate position.

THURSDAY MARCH 14

NEW BOSTON PROGRAM: The New Boston Historical Society invites you to "The Rehabilitation of the Col. Robert Means Mansion" at 7pm in the

New Boston Community Church. Presenters are Bill Veillette, of Amherst, NH, and Tony Hall, of New Boston, NH. Our programs are free and open to the public. Refreshments and a business meeting follow the presentation across the street at the New Boston Historical Society Museum.

WINTER SPORTS AWARDS: 6:00 - 7:30 pm HDHS Gymnasium.

FRIDAY MARCH 15

HILLSBOROUGH SENIORS: Bargain Hunting Day Trip. Let's hit the road and check out the second-hand and seasonal shops for all their bargains. We'll visit Savers, Goodwill and Hobby Lobby as well. Lunch will be at the 99, on your own. Call Pat at 464-5029 to reserve your seat. Leaving Shaw's at 10am. Transportation fee \$7.

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GRAND REOPENING: Warner McDonald's March 15, 16 & 17. 10% of proceeds donated to Simonds School Playground project.

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POETRY: Deadline for Poetry Contest "The Courage to Create!" The Literary Arts Guild of the Center for the Arts (CFA), Lake Sunapee Region, invites local-area poets and would-be poets of all ages to submit entries to its sixth annual contest in celebration of National Poetry Month. www.CenterForTheArtsNH.org

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Mary Ellen Cutter

ANTRIM - Mary Ellen Cutter passed away Sunday, February 24th, after a period of declining health. She was born on April 10th, 1933 in Peterborough NH, a daughter of John and Nellie (Mudge) Thornton. A loving wife and mother, Mary Ellen is predeceased by her husband Maurice and son Mickey. She is survived by her 3 sons David and wife Jodie of Peterborough, NH, Steven and wife Karen of Cornish, NH and Kevin and wife Alice of Antrim NH. She is also survived by her sister Betsey and her husband Michael of Toyoko, Japan (and Stoddard NH), and 10 grandchildren, Roberta, Trevor, Amanda, Aliza, Jake, Jesse and Emily, Jen, Kerrah, and Meg. She is also survived by 8 great grandchildren. In accordance with her wishes, Mary Ellen will be cremated and there will be no calling hours. A celebration of life and spreading of ashes of Mary Ellen, and her husband Maurice, will be held in the spring. The place, date and time will be announced at a later date.



David W. Chamberlain

SALEM, OREGON - Pastor David W. Chamberlain, 83, passed away peacefully at home on February 27, 2019. He was born on October 25, 1935 in Peterborough, NH. The son of Everett G. Chamberlain, Sr and Mae B. Chamberlain of Antrim. Pastor Chamberlain will be deeply missed by his wife of 40 years, Jean and brother, Everett (Eb) Chamberlain Jr of Hillsboro and his many children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren. Pastor Chamberlain

enjoyed a life of service including over 50 years of service to the members of Missouri Synod Lutheran Church. He enjoyed golfing and was an avid bird watcher.

Lucille (Chop) Peloquin

GOFFSTOWN - Lucille (Chop) Peloquin, 87, passed away at Catholic Medical Center on March 1, 2019. Born in Montville, CT on May 13, 1931, she was daughter of the late Stephen and Jean (Luchak) Chop. She enjoyed nearly 63 years of marriage with her loving husband, Bob Peloquin. Lucille leaves behind her husband, Robert "Bob" Peloquin of Goffstown, NH; her son, Mark Peloquin and his wife, Jennifer of Vashon, WA; her daughter, Michelle Moulin and her husband, Robert of Goffstown, NH; her brother, Stephen Chop Jr. and his wife, Catherine of Hanover, MA; her grandson, Jared Moulin; step-granddaughter, Erin Campbell, her husband, Brian, and step-great-grandson, Keegan Rowland; her niece, Camela Leigh and family; her nephew, Kevin Chop and family; as well as other extended family members and friends. A Memorial Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Monday, March 11, at 10:30 a.m. at St. Lawrence Church, Goffstown, NH. Her ashes will be laid to rest at the New Hampshire State Veterans Cemetery in the spring. In lieu of flowers, please make a donation in Lucille's memory to a charity of your choice.



Alice E. Champagne

BOW - Alice E. (Hammond) Champagne, 87, of Bow, passed away on March 2, 2019 at the Merrimack County Nursing

Home after a period of declining health. Born in Worcester, MA, Alice was the daughter of the late Oliver J. and Marion (Gagnon) Hammond. She resided in New Hampshire for most of her life. Prior to her retirement, Alice was employed as a clerk for the Concord Group Insurance Company. She also worked as a Nurse's Assistant for the former Odd Fellows Home in Concord and also worked in the library at the Boscawen Elementary School. In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by her son, Gary S. Champagne and her siblings: John Hammond, Louise Naumiec, Isabel Dunshee, Ida LaPointe, Thomas Hammond, James Hammond and Robert Hammond. She is survived by her husband of 68 years, Gerard P. Champagne; her children, Steven G. Champagne and his wife, Sharon of Franklin, Raymond L. Champagne and his wife, Lydia of Oceanside, CA and Linda Carson and her husband, Robert of Epsom. Grandmother of 12, great grandmother to 15 and great great grandmother to 6. She was the sister to Ernestine Johnson, David Hammond and Carol Sarkisian of Worcester. In accordance with her wishes, there will be no calling hours. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Friday, March 8th at 10 A.M. in St. John the Baptist Church in Allenstown. Burial will take place at a later date.



Joshua Camille Michel

FRANKLIN — Joshua Camille Michel, 36, passed away at his home with his family by his side on Thursday, Feb. 28, 2019. Joshua was born on June 3, 1982,

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TOWN OF DEERING NOTICE — CONTINUATION OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Deering Planning Board will continue the public hearing previously held on February 13, 2019.

The agenda item is concerning a subdivision plan for Joseph Taber, Old County Road, Tax Map 241, Lot 18, per subdivision regulations and Article 4, Section 6 of the Deering Watershed Protection Ordinance.

The hearing will be held at the Deering Town Hall, 762 Deering Center Road, on March 13, 2019 at 7:00 pm. The Ordinance and any related materials are available for viewing at the Town Hall.



Obituaries: Friends & Neighbors Remembered

in Franklin, the son of Rose (Richardson) and the late George Michel. Josh is survived by his son, Stephen Michel; his mother, Rose Michel; and step-father, Fred Morin. He also leaves behind his brothers, George, Jason, Calvin, and Zachary Michel, and Freddy and Eric Morin; and sisters, Laura Morin and Kayleigh Frink. Services will be private.



Villa Frances Thurston Ramsay

DEERING - Villa Frances Thurston Ramsay passed away on Sunday, February 17, 2019 at her home in Deering, NH. She

was predeceased by her husband, John, after 58 years of marriage and is survived by her sister, Carole, her children, grandchildren, and a brand new great-grandson. She was gentle and kind, a spiritual person, artist, writer, avid observer of the natural world, and a gifted teacher. She will be missed by all who knew her, family, friends and former students.

Brenda F. Lennox (Cricket)

HILLSBOROUGH - Brenda F. Lennox (Cricket), 67, passed away peacefully February, 20, 2019 in Concord Hospital. She was born May 19, 1951 in Georgia to her late parents Andrew Mathis and Willie May Mathis. She moved to Hillsborough

in 1986 and lived here since. Brenda is survived by her husband of 41 years, Douglas Lennox; three children, April Mathis, Shannon Corey and her husband, Bill, Douglas S. Lennox and his fiance, Shelia; her many grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces and nephews, brother/sister in laws and father in law, John Lennox. Brenda is predeceased by her sister Barbara Jean; her two brothers, Frank Mathis Sr and Bentley Mathis; her niece, Meshell Mathis; and mother in law, Betty Lennox. The Services will be at a later date as we are still finalizing things.



TOWN OF DEERING PUBLIC NOTICE

EFFECTIVE March 8, 2019

The Town of Deering has issued a maximum weight restriction for any class V, or VI highway or portion of such highway as set forth in RSA 231:191. Any vehicle over 12,000 pounds (gross) must have permission from the Road Agent.

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Information details are available at the Public Works Department, 224 Merrill Rd. Weare NH 03281, or call (603-529-2469), or E-Mail- j.sarno@weare.nh.gov

Please submit proposals in a sealed envelope made attention to Dept of Public works, at 15 Flanders Memorial Rd., Weare NH 03281.

All proposals will be due Monday March 18, 2019 by 9:00am. Proposals will be opened Monday March 18, 2019 at 9:00am and decisions will be made Monday, March 18, 2019 at the BOS meeting.

The Town of Weare reserves the right to accept or reject any and all proposals.

TOWN OF BOW Advertisement for Bids

Sale of Town-owned Land 1310 Route 3A, Bow, NH 03304

The Town of Bow, New Hampshire is accepting sealed bids for the purchase of a parcel of Town-owned land located at 1310 Route 3A, identified on the Town of Bow Tax Map as Map 35, Block 2, Lot 102, which Premises has been the subject of the process detailed in RSA 41:14-a.

The parcel consists of approximately 28.23 acres and is located in the Business Development (BD) Zoning District. Property access to be provided by a new signalized intersection anticipated to be constructed in the summer of 2019. Town water is available.

A full bid packet is available on the Town's website www.bownh.gov or at the Town Manager's Office, Bow Municipal Building, 10 Grandview Road, Bow, NH 03304.

Sealed bids must be submitted to the Town Manager's Office, Bow Municipal Building, 10 Grandview Road, Bow, NH 03304 on or before 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 4, 2019, at which time and place the bids will be publicly opened. Bids must be in a sealed envelope marked "Town Parcel Bid" on the outside of the envelope. Bids received after the deadline will not be accepted.

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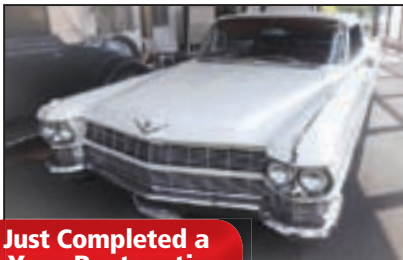
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