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Randa Tenney is retiring

Friends, colleagues, and clients gathered at the Bradford Transitional Housing facility to celebrate the retirement of Program Manager Randa Tenney. After over 35 years serving the disadvantaged, Randa plans to spend her time with family and pursuing her passion for skiing. Randa will continue her role as women's ski coach at Mt. Sunapee. She also looks forward to working with

disabled veterans and those with special needs as they enjoy the exhilarating sport of skiing down



the slopes. Randa has touched so many lives, and we thank her for the decades of selfless work helping youth and adults during the most challenging periods in their lives.



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Antrim's annual Festival of Trees signals the start of the Christmas Season. See more on page 10.

Henniker Roundabout?

Intersection improvements now scheduled for 2025

Michael Tardiff of the New Hampshire Department of Transportation briefed the Henniker Select Board on updates to the state's 10 Year Highway Plan, which now calls for improvements to the intersection of US Route 202 with NH Routes 9 & 127 near Dunkin' Donuts at the Henniker-Hopkinton town line.

The project, currently estimated at

\$2,443,666, has entered the pre-engineering stage to determine the most effective improvement, ie. a traffic light, turn lanes or a roundabout. Although a roundabout appears to be the early consensus, the decision hasn't been made. To that end, Tardiff will coordinate a meeting between representatives from Henniker, Hopkinton and DOT to begin that discussion.

The Hungry Goats Eatery opening soon in Greenfield

June and Duane Holms, owners of the Dollar Shy Farm in West Deering, plan to open The Hungry Goats Eatery in Greenfield in the space formerly occupied by the Riverhouse Cafe. The Holms, who keep about 30 goats in West Deering, said the restaurant will feature farm fresh and locally grown, locally made, foods with a menu of homemade soups and pies made daily, breads, along with baked ham

and turkey dinners.

The couple, who previously operated the restaurant at the American Legion in Hillsborough, anticipates a soft-opening in mid December with the restaurant open from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday through Thursday, and 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, with a breakfast buffet brunch on the first Sunday of the month.

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Henniker Chamber hosting "Holiday Business After Hours" Dec. 12

The Henniker Chamber of Commerce is hosting a Holiday Business After Hours at Daniel's Restaurant, on Thursday, December 12th starting at 6pm. This will be an opportunity to enjoy hors d'oeuvres, cash bar and network with other chamber members.

Members are asked to register in advance by emailing RSVP@henniker-chamber.org. The cost to attend is \$10 per person with a donation of food or cash/check to the Henniker Food Pantry or a new toy donation for the Local Toys For Local Tots Toy Drive. Without a donation, the cost is \$15 per person to attend.

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This event is open to Henniker Chamber of Commerce members and their guest. Payment and food pantry donations will be collected at the door. All checks should be made payable to the Henniker Food Pantry. For more details on this and other chamber and local events, check out www. hennikerchamber.org.

This is also the Henniker Chamber of

Commerce Annual Meeting. In addition to networking, four Board of Director positions are up for a 2 year term position and will be voted on during the meeting with a secret ballot for all of those nominated.

The Henniker Chamber of Commerce is accepting memberships. Membership into the Henniker Chamber provides many networking opportunities.



New Boston Police are investigating this latest vandalism.

Vandals run down at least 10 mailboxes in New Boston

The New Boston Police Department received a report of a hit and run accident involving numerous mailboxes being damaged at the intersection of Gregg Mill and East Lull Place. The row of 10+ mailboxes services East Lull Place as well as Helena Drive residents. Information obtained so far indicates a vehicle (SUV or early 2000's Jeep) was doing 'burnouts' on the roadway as well as doing 'donuts' in people's front lawns. The incident occurred

between 11:30PM (11/26) and 130AM. It is imperative to contact the Police Department at the time these situations are happening. A high percentage of hit and run accidents involve alcohol, or people driving without a valid license with a clear disregard for the safety of themselves or others.

If you or anyone you know has any information, please contact NBPD and ask to speak with Ofc. Vollaro or Ofc. Bellemore.

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TAKE YOUR MEDICINE



Only about a fifth of women at higher risk of developing breast cancer think they need to take a drug proven to help prevent the disease, according to new research published in *Clinical Breast Cancer*. Around 72% said they were worried about the long-term effects of tamoxifen and 57% believed that the drug would give them unpleasant side effects. 29% of the women thought doctors prescribed too many medicines, and 35% thought doctors would prescribe

fewer drugs if they had more time. 24% of the women thought people on medication should take regular breaks from the drugs; 23% said they were very sensitive to medicines and 17% believed natural remedies were safer than medicines. Fewer than 15 percent were taking tamoxifen despite having discussed preventive therapy with a healthcare professional.

Men who use androgenic anabolic steroids — such as testosterone — may face a higher risk of early death and of experiencing more hospital admissions, according to a new *Journal of Internal Medicine* study.

A new study published in *JAMA* shows that patients already at higher risk for gastrointestinal bleeding gain a marked protection from this risk when they take a proton pump inhibitor (PPI) in combination with an oral anticoagulant. Oral anticoagulants, which prevent blood clot formation, are among the most widely prescribed medications in the United States. They are predominantly used for patients with an irregular heart rate called atrial fibrillation, prosthetic heart valves and those with or at risk for deep vein thrombosis and cardiovascular diseases. Unfortunately, a major side effect of oral anticoagulants is the risk of significant bleeding, particularly upper gastrointestinal bleeding. PPI use reduced the risk of gastrointestinal bleeding by 34 percent.

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ORAL CANCER DETECTION BY DENTISTS IS ON THE RISE



An examination of data gathered over an 11-year period led to one conclusion: dentists are detecting more cases of oral cancer and pre-cancer than ever before—and it's saving lives.

More comprehensive training and continuing education programs for oral

health professionals may be behind the dramatic rise in detection rates. While advanced oral cancers are fairly easy to detect, premalignant lesions and early cancer can be easy to miss without specialized training. Early detection of oral cancers, meanwhile, is critical to survival rates.

Oral cancer survival rates have remained steady over the past several decades. Yet, treated in its early stages, patients with oral cancer have the highest survival rates—around 80 per cent over five years. That statistic drops to approximately 30 per cent over five years when the cancer is detected at an advanced stage.

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December 7, 2018

Matt Henry named Henniker Town Administrator DOT Commissioner speaks at Hillsborough Chamber breakfast Deering woman charged with animal abuse Weare man wants Police Department disbanded

December 8, 2017

McDonald's donates to H-D Playground Fund Hopkinton shooting victim & shooter identified Seven towns assist New Boston in fighting house fire Tilton Police looking for hit & run driver

December 2, 2016

Goffstown considers adding classrooms H-D budget seeks 14.58% (\$1.7 million) increase Another ex-Weare police officer suing the town Dunbarton State Representative files ethics complaint

December 4, 2015

Post Office will not change Pinardville's zip code Weare company selected for Bow Safety Complex Bow man faces aggravated OWI & negligent homicide charges Conservation group suing Henniker Sand & Gravel

December 5, 2014

Goffstown and Weare schools feeling the crush Henniker Police Officer shoots Franklin car thief Bradford man killed on Interstate 89 Franklin couple arrested for prostituting a 14-year-old

December 6, 2013

Weare Police Sergeant fired
Washington man killed - daughter injured
New London approves "Low Sand Roads"
Grantham man admits killing wife over affair with student

December 7, 2012

Bradford Selectmen fire Town Attorney
Two unsafe Francestown bridges closed
Teacher sacrifices his mustache for Make-A-Wish
New Economic Development Commission in Greenfield

December 9, 2011

Neighbor complains about noise levels at HHP Deering burglary and suspicious activity Proposed H-D School Budget up \$1.4 million Kearsarge School District Budget down 2%

December 3, 2010

Henniker fills two positions & saves money Newport rallies to avoid holiday tragedy NEC professor facing more porno charges Hillsborough sex offender arrested again

December 4, 2009

Antrim taxpayers to pay \$1/1000 toward deficit \$18,000 raised for K-9 Mica Warner woman is Ms. Senior New Hampshire Weare asphalt plant summarily denied

Select Board approves Henniker Police Department restructuring

Chief Matt French and Town Administrator Joe Devine presented the Henniker Select Board with a proposal to restructure the town's Police Department. Designed to counter the increasing loss of trained officers to other departments, the plan would ease both the recruitment of new officers and the retention of veteran trained officers, by increasing the pay scale and ability for upward mobility in the ranks.

The current structure of a Chief, 2 Sergeants and 5 Patrol Officers, with new and 12 year veterans sharing the same rank, would be replaced with; a Chief, a Lieutenant, 2 Master Patrol Officers and 4 Patrol Officers.

The Lieutenant would start at pay grade

Peterborough Rate down 1.1%

The Peterborough Select Board has set the 2019 Tax Rate at \$29.75. The new Town Wide tax rate reflects a 1.1% decrease from the 2018 Tax Rate, set at \$30.09, and reflects a decrease of \$1.14/thousand of valuation, from the rate that was initially proposed by the New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration.

24; The Master Patrol Officers would move from pay grade 19 to 21, and Part-timers increased to \$25/hour. The total budget increase would be only \$8781 in 2020.

The Board praised the presentation, voted to include the increase in the budget and asked the Chief to return with new job descriptions in January for final approval.



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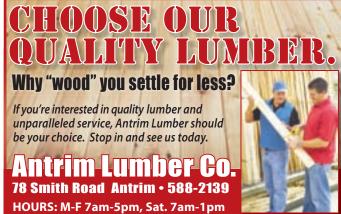
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Logan Beliveau carries a stack into the new school food pantry.

John Stark High School Food Pantry open

Just before Thanksgiving a new food pantry opened at John Stark Regional High School, one that is open to students in Henniker and Weare and their families before and after school and during the day for students in flex block. The pantry was the idea of students in the Life Skills program who will handle the pantry's inventory work, weighing food and checking dates, as well as filling bags. Of course, the Life Skills students' Best Buddies jumped at the chance to help out and lugged in the initial 640 pounds of food for the pantry and stocked the new shelves. The food pantry at the high school is an expansion of the Food for Friends program headed by Deb Dow at the Congregational Church of Henniker. Food for Friends has been providing weekend backpacks of food for foodinsecure students at the Henniker Community School for several years. The high school panty program is also being assisted by Lucy Cote, a retiree of JSRHS, and Deb Conley, a teacher at John Stark. Monetary gifts for the Food for Friends program may be made to the Congregational Church of Henniker with "Food for Friends" in the memo. Food for Friends is able to access food from the Food Bank in Manchester with the purchasing power of \$1 dollar of goods for every 9 cents spent. If you would like to make donations directly to the JSRHS food pantry, please email Deborah Conley (Deborah.Conley@sau24.org) for more information.

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Steven J. Yannuzzi appointed as Newport's new Fire Chief

The Town of Newport has announce the appointment of Steven J. Yannuzzi as its next Fire Chief.

Mr. Yannuzzi comes to the Newport Fire-EMS Department with a considerable career of experience as a professional in fire and safety services. Among them has been Deputy Chief of the Bellows Falls, VT Fire Department and Chief of the Bristol, NH Fire Department. Steve has also served Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center as their Public Health Emergency Coordinator and as a member of DHART.

In addition to Chief Yannuzzi's professional credentials, he has also attained a Master's Degree in Public Administration focusing on Crisis Management and

CORRECTION: In last week's Messenger, a photo caption listing the clergy who participated in the Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service failed to identify Rev. Donna Vallenmier as Pastor of Smith Memorial Congregational Church. We apologize for the error.

Organizational Leadership from Norwich University and a Bachelor's Degree from Granite State College. His professional certifications include; Firefighter 1&2, Fire Service Instructor, Advanced EMT, and he has completed the training necessary to have earned his Executive Fire Officer Designation. Please drop by the Fire Station and join us in welcoming Chief Yannuzzi and his family to Newport.



Susan Adams and the Azalea Park Committee incurred the ire of the Henniker Select Board by installing this snow fence in the park without consultation or permission of the Board. Member Leon Parker called it an "Ugly Mess" and Peter Flynn said it was "Horrific Looking." The Board ordered it immediately removed and directed the Town Administrator to instruct Ms. Adams as to the proper protocol to be followed.





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Alma Mater

Cameron Huftalen of Henniker, NH, a 2019 graduate of Bates College, spent the Short Term researching the strange history of reputation in modern Britain from 1750-2000 with Associate Professor of History Caroline Shaw. Huftalen, the child of Mr. Arnold H. Huftalen and Ms. Doreen F. Connor of Henniker, NH, and a 2015 graduate of The Derryfield School, was among more than 240 students who received support from Bates in order to accept summer work that facilitated professional exploration and reflection about fulfilling future career paths. Huftalen's research was funded by the Bates College history department.

Caitie McGlashan of Hopkinton, NH, a sophomore at Bates College, spent the summer researching representational similarity spaces with Assistant Professor of Neuroscience Michelle Greene. McGlashan, the child of Jeffrey and Laura McGlashan of Hopkinton, NH, and a 2018 graduate of Hopkinton High School, was among more than 240 students who received support from Bates in order to accept summer work that facilitated professional exploration and reflection about fulfilling future career paths. McGlashan's research was funded by a faculty grant.

Kylie Roosa of Hancock is one of two University of Hartford criminal justice majors conducting research on recovery houses in Litchfield County, located in northwest Connecticut. Roosa, who is set to graduate in 2020, is working with the University's Center for Social Research and the Litchfield County Opiate Task Force (LCOTF) to identify and implement best practices for recovery and sober homes, which are places where people can live while they are in recovery.

The Assumption College Department of Athletics has announced that **Meghan Cramb**, of New Boston, has earned a spot on the 2019-20 Women's Basketball team. The team, who finished the last season with a 14-14 record, was selected fifth in the Northeast Division of the Northeast-10 Preseason Coaches' Poll.



Over 70 vendors filled both Camp Morgan Lodge and the Elementary School at Washington's Christmas Craft Fair Saturday.



Twenty students were inducted into the National Honor Society at John Stark Regional High School. National Honor Society serves to recognize students who have demonstrated excellence in the areas of scholarship, leadership, service, and character. New members, front row, L-R: Gianna Massaro, Brianna Pinter, Summer Giroux, Ian Combs, Delaney Forrestal. Back row, L-R: Lauren Guerrette, Nathan Chasse, Brianna Bodner, Brynna Newcomb, Victoria Drake, Eli Bryant, Lily Jensen, Isabella Roy, Elizabeth Downing, Brady Philibotte, Kira Bergeron, Olivia Dame, Madison Dionne, Quinn Antle and Andra Dagenais.

Peterborough Planning Board approves condos at Woodman Florist site

The Peterborough Planning Board approved a condominium project on Concord Street at the site of the former Woodman's Florist lot.

The decision came only after several revisions to the site plan, and multiple

waivers to the Traditional Neighborhood Overlay Zone 1 stipulations. The project calls for a private loop road to access 16 houses

Board Chairman Dario Carrara stated that the project would replace a plot with

three dwelling units, and a grandfathered non-conforming business. Chad Branon, the representative for EAM Holdings, said that the project is waiting for state permits, but could break ground as early as the spring.





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The Pied Piper of 2019

Recently, Democratic Presidential hopeful Bernie Sanders (D-Vt.) held a rousing political rally to a full house at Hillsborough's American Legion Hall.

Lamenting that the top 1% of Americans hold more wealth that the remaining 99%, he vowed to "Make the 1% pay their fair share."

Doing so, he said, would allow him to provide:

- Free universal health care to all Americans;
- Free college & university tuition;
- Forgive all existing college debt;
- Expand Free Medicare & Medicaid to 55 year olds with no premiums, co-pays or

deductibles;

- Provide free universal Pre-K child care;
- Eliminate all carbon based energy fuels and;
- Reduce the income tax on a family making \$50,000/year from \$12,000 to \$1,200.

Do the words "Pied Piper" come to mind? What Sanders either failed to mention or just doesn't understand, is the fact that there are not enough 1%ers, even if taxed at 90% of their income, to pay for all those freebees.

Coincidently, this essay, received from a friend, breaks down America's spending crisis into everyday language.

Why The Free Stuff Isn't Free

The folks who are getting the free stuff, don't like the folks who are paying for the free stuff, because the folks who are paying for the free stuff, can no longer afford to pay for both the free stuff and their own stuff. And, the folks who are paying for the free stuff, want the free stuff to stop, and the folks who are getting the free stuff, want even more free stuff on top of the free stuff they are already getting!

Now... The people who are forcing the people who pay for the free stuff, have told the people who are RECEIVING the free stuff, that the people who are PAYING for the free stuff, are being mean, prejudiced, and racist.

So... the people who are GETTING the free stuff, have been convinced they need to hate the people who are paying for the free stuff, by the people who are forcing some

people to pay for their free stuff, and giving them the free stuff in the first place.

We have let the free stuff giving go on for so long that there are now more people getting free stuff than paying for the free stuff. Now understand this. All great democracies have committed financial suicide somewhere between 200 and 250 years after being founded. The reason? The voters figured out they could vote themselves money from the treasury by electing people who promised to give them money from the treasury in exchange for electing them.

The United States officially became a Republic in 1776, 231 years ago. The number of people now getting free stuff outnumbers the people paying for the free stuff. We have one chance to change that in 2020. Failure to change that spells the end of the United States as we know it.



Eileen Meaney is sworn in as Weare's new Town Moderator, replacing John Foss who retired.







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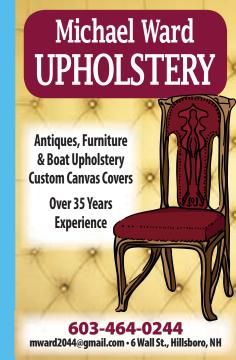
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Honors

Hall, Nicholas Higginbotham, Shea Lambert, Grace Lee, Sofia Locke, Kaila Menard, Daniel Miner, Daniel Rinden, Sophia Staples-Roy, Denver Sykes, Porter Tomsick, Robert Vallari, Kalyssa Ward-Hill, Paige Wheeler, Ella Whipps.

Grade 11 High Honors: Hayden Lynch, Lauren Martel, Nicholas Miller, Theodore Mollano, Emily Nestler, Elisa Pfatschbacher, Damiana Ricchetti, Mia Richter, Catherine Westbrook.

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Grade 10 High Honors: Paige Ammann, Bryce Charron, Juliet Chehade, Abigail Condon, Joshua Duval, Thomas Ellsworth, Brendan Elrick, Emma Hall, Isabella Holmes, Madelyn Houston, Sara Larson, Annalise Locke, Ethan Molnar, Kally Murdough, Anna O'Reilly, Elizabeth Sintros, Cailey Stockwell, Sophie Sullivan, Chelsea Thorne, Kathleen Tierney, Frances Trafton, Chloe Tworek.

Grade 10 Honors: Max Aframe, Julia Baer, Elizabeth Baron, Tyler Baron, Benjamin Berliner, Hunter Boissy, Katelyn Bouchard, Benjamin Boudette, Ashlee Brehio, Sarah Daniels, Garrett Fitzgerald, Emily Fleegle, Madeline Follansbee, Brett French, Riley Gagnon, Owen Goupil, Riley Lawless, Peyton Marshall, Ryan Metzger, John Morrall, Ashley Ogden, Mateo Piernas, Tessa Reynolds, Sean-Evan Rogers, Audria Rutkowski, Naomi Rutkowski, John Sullivan, Caroline White, Mairead Wicklow, Parker Wuellenweber, Andrew Zankel.

Grade 9 High Honors: Claire Buelte, William Chapin, Elizabeth Clarner, Gianna Covello, Russell Davis, Ruby Doolan, Samantha Goldblatt, Gabriel Henriksen, Clara Locke, Ella Martel, Nicholas Martel, Sienna Mills, Natalie Noble, Piper Otis, Harriet Pearce, Hannah Pecce, Ava Rothe, Alexander Rubinstein, Gina Simpkins, Giselle Spalding, Harold Stokes, Abigail Stone, Sierra Stone, Tayla Tomaz.

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Two Greenfield accidents occurred: one Sunday night on Forest Road by Zephyr Lake and the other early Monday morning on Sawmill Road by the Bennington Town Line. Freezing and miserable traveling conditions during both contributed to the accidents.

Five towns respond to Hopkinton house fire

Fire crews from Concord, Bow, Henniker, Hopkinton, and Warner responded to a two-alarm fire at a single-family home on Pine Street in Hopkinton Wednesday morning. According to Hopkinton Fire Chief Jeff Yale the small, three-bedroom home, built in the 1950's, appears to be a total loss. The four adults and their two dogs were the home at the time of the fire and escaped safely.

K-9 Gibbs tracks down Hillsboro fugitive

On December 1st, Hillsboro Police responded to a domestic disturbance on West Main St. While investigating the call a male suspect fled the residence through a rear window. K9 Gibbs began a track for the male subject from the residence, to the parking lot behind the Valley Bible chapel, where he was located in a Boat on a trailer that had been tarpped over and tied down for the winter.

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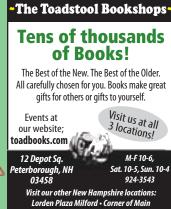
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Henniker Rotary Club launches its Community Flag Project

The Henniker Rotary Club is pleased to announce an annual Community Flag Project in Henniker and Hillsboro to promote patriotism and to raise funds for charitable use in both communities. Similar programs have been successful throughout the United States and locally Hopkinton has done this for several years, with Weare also just starting a program.

Participation is easy, for a modest annual fee of \$50.00 the Henniker Rotary Club will display an American Flag in your front yard or at your business around the five most patriotic days of the year: Memorial Day Weekend, Flag Day-June 14, Independence Day-July 4, Labor Day Weekend, and Veteran's Day-November

Francestown's bridge is closed

Francestown Town Administrator Jamie Pike has announced that the "Bicknell" bridge on Russell Station Road in Francestown will be closed for replacement for the next two weeks.

The bridge, which spans Rand Brook, east of Cressy Hill Road, has been scheduled for replacement for the last three years.

11. At the placing of the flag for Memorial Day a short pipe will be driven into the ground and a 3'x5' flag on a 10' pole will be installed for each holiday. When the flag is removed after Veteran's Day, the pipe will be removed. They do all the work and you have a beautiful American Flag displayed for the holidays while supporting your

communities.

To get more information or to subscribe email HRCFlags@gmail.com. The Henniker Rotary Club meets on Thursdays at 7:30am at the Henniker Congregational Church hall on Maple Street and currently has 35 members who are dedicated to giving back to their communities.



Rotarians Joyce Bosse (I) and Nicole Lang (r) were at St. Theresa's Holiday Craft Fair to introduce the Club's new Community Flag Project.



SAU#34 presents Strategic Plan - Pelletier wants H-D budget reduced

Superintendent Robert Hassett, Assistant Superintendent Patricia Parenteau, and High School Principal Jim O'Rourke continued their rounds of presentations of the SAU Strategic Plan by preceding the H-D School Board meeting. As the amount of knowledge has increased the way students learn and the type of learning has needed to change, the Strategic Plan is a way for everyone to have the same goals. The plan includes student success, a

positive culture for learning, and an investment in the learning environment, which includes both facilities and educational opportunities. They will be making a presentation to Deering residents on December 10 at 6:30 at the Deering Town Hall. For more information about the Strategic Plan, go to the SAU 34 website.

After the presentation, the H-D Board discussed the upcoming budget, including warrant articles. As always, there is

a delicate balance between the amount that the administration feels it needs and the amount that the taxpayers can bear. Member Rich Pelletier expressed his displeasure at the increase and asked that the administration go back and try to fine tune the request. It was also noted that Business Administrator Lori Schmidt has moved to her new job and former Business Administrator Jean Mogan is the interim Business Administration.



On December 16th in Washington, DC, the SANS Cyber Defense Inititive will honor H-D Technology Director, Neal Richardson as "One of the most dedicated and innovative Difference Makers in Cyber Security.



The Antrim Highway Department assisted on a medical call Tuesaday morning. A long driveway was impassable for the ambulance to reach in the snow. The assistance allowed the ambulance to reach the home and safely transport the patient to the hospital.

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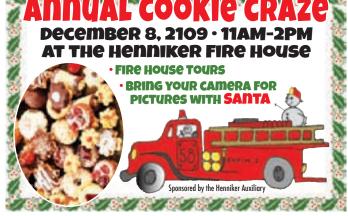


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Local Toys for Local Tots boxes will be put out November 29th and are scheduled to be picked up Friday, December 13th. Boxes for drop off locations include the Henniker Farm & Country Store, Henniker Pharmacy, Intervale Pancake House, Henniker Brewing Company, Daniel's Restaurant and Edmunds Ace Hardware.

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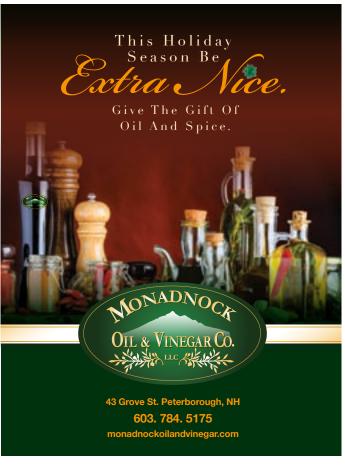
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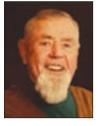


Obituaries: Friends & Neighbors Remembered

James L. Hofford

WASHINGTON - James L. Hofford.

91, of Washington, went home to glory on Monday, November 18 at 23:17. Born in Columbus, OH, on October 3, 1928, he was the son of the late Harry Raymond and Charlotte (Loveday)



Hofford Sr. Family members include his wife Ellen of 53 1/2 years; sons: William H. Hofford of Fairfax, VA; Dana W. Hofford Roxendal and wife Mariel of Garpenberg, Sweden; Paul C. Hofford of Sandy Springs, MD; Gregg J. Hofford and wife Catherine of Concord, NH: Adam W. Hofford and wife Leslie of Nantucket, MA; grandsons: Paul C. Hofford and wife Janis Dingels; Noah J. Hofford; Samuel D. Hofford; R. Liam Hofford Roxendal: granddaughters: Natasha Willow; Suzannah C. Hofford; Grace R. Hofford: Charlotte E. Hofford: Claudia N. Hofford; Amelia G. Hofford; Eleanor J. Hofford; Talia E. Hofford Roxendal and great grandson Barrett H. Hofford Dingels; sister-in-law Nancy D. Hofford of Phoenix, AZ; brother-inlaw Harrison P. Reed, Gloversville, NY; brother-in-law John G. Reed and wife Pensri of Roi et, Thailand and many nephews and nieces. Services will be held Saturday January 4, 2020 at Valley Bible Chapel, 14 West Main Street, Hillsborough, NH @1pm. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Mercy Projects International, P.O. Box 685, Murrieta, CA 92564-0685.

Carol E. LeClair

PLATTSBURG, NY - On Wednesday,

November 27, 2019, Carol E. LeClair, loving wife and mother. passed away in her home after a long battle with Parkinson's Disease at the age of 70. She was surrounded by her



husband, Charles (Chuck) LeClair of 26 years, and their children. Carol E. Sweatt was born on February 14, 1949 and is the daughter of George and Betty (Whitney) Sweatt of Henniker. She is a three-vear veteran of the US Army, and honorably discharged at the rank of E5. After leaving the U.S. Army, she spent five years in the Army National Guard as part of the 744th Transportation Unit of Hillsboro, New Hampshire. Carol leaves behind her daughter, Debra Boyll and her husband, John of Deering, NH; son, John Dalphond Jr. and his fiancé, Michelle Cote of Brattleboro, VT; daughter, Barbara Bluto and her husband, Brian of Alburgh, VT; her stepdaughters, Robin Carley and her husband. John of Burke. NY: Tobi Soucia and her husband, Bruce of Malone, NY; and Kelly LaRocque of St. Regis Falls NY. Carol also leaves behind several grandchildren, and great grandchildren. Services will be private and at the convenience of the family. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to the Hospice of the North Country, 358 Tom Miller Rd., Plattsburgh, NY 12901, whose team provided Chuck with loving, caring support for the last few months.

Peter Marcus Gould

HOPKINTON - Peter Marcus Gould was born in Randolph, Vermont on

November 17, 1954 and passed away on October 31, 2019 at home in Hopkinton, New Hampshire after a courageous four-year battle with sarcoma. He is survived by his mother, Greta Brandt



(Lyle) of Hooksett, New Hampshire; his daughters, Lea R. Boenzi (Dean) of Swansea, Illinois and Theresa R. DiPinto (Joseph) of Viera, Florida; his brother, Terry R. Gould (Linda) of Claremont, Vermont; his sisters, Cheryl Gibeault of Kittery, Maine and Donna Hodgdon of Goffstown, New Hampshire; and his four grandchildren, Alvsa. Nash, Dominic, and Nova. He was also a proud father figure to former stepdaughter, Ashley Marquardt of Williamston, New Jersey and Josh Walker, son of longtime partner Natalie Walker - both of Hopkinton, New Hampshire. A Celebration of Life will be held at 3 p.m. on December 14, 2019 at the Contoocook Fire Station, 9 Pine Street, Contoocook, New Hampshire 03229. All who loved Peter are invited to attend. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the Sarcoma Foundation of America in hopes of funding research aimed at finding a cure for this terrible disease.



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SATURDAY DECEMBER 7

OLDE FASHIONED CHRISTMAS: A celebration of both the religious and commercial aspects of the holiday with events all day throughout Hillsborough.

HOLIDAY PARTY: Antrim Area Senior Center, 11am -1pm, Presbyterian Church. Mature Antrim residents, please join us for our annual Holiday Party. Refreshments, music by Ray Sweeney, and good company will

HILLSBOROUGH SENIORS: Final Trip To The Heights. Last call before the holiday. The GHSS bus will stop at a variety of businesses based on your choices. Lunch will be at The Windmill, on your own. Leaving Shaw's parking lot at 10am. Fee is \$6. Call Linda Kowalski at 464-5264 to reserve your seat.

COOKIE WALK: Annual Cookie Walk at Smith Memorial Church, 30 West Main Street. Hundreds of cookies, Santa's Shoppe, new and gently used Christmas items, SERRV items, and a Christmas Tree Skirt raffle to benefit Family Promise, 9am to noon.

FULLER LIBRARY: Stop by Fuller Public Library during the Olde Fashioned Christmas weekend to make 3 different holiday crafts for free. Join us from 10am-12 noon.

PIE SALE: The Ladies Aid Society of the Union Chapel in Hillsboro will hold our annual pie sale at Two Girls Bakery and Gift Shop from 8:30am - 1pm, or until pies are sold out. Two Girls Bakery and Gift Shop is located at 206 Henniker Street in Hillsboro. All proceeds from this fundraiser will benefit the historic Union Chapel.

MOVIE NIGHT: Come join us at the end of the Old-Fashioned Christmas celebration to watch the nostalgic film, It's a Wonderful Life - what a great way to end the day and celebrate the Christmas season. The movie will be shown on the big screen downstairs at Smith Memorial Congregational Church (big white church in the center of Hillsboro with the town clock in the steeple). Admission is free and complimentary popcorn and a drink will be served. The doors open at 6:30pm and the movie begins at 7pm.

HOLIDAY SALE: You are invited to stop by the second annual White Birch Holiday sale from 10am-2pm. Many lovely hand crafted items at reasonable prices and all proceeds to benefit White Birch programs.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT: Music on the Common Christmas Concert, 6:30pm, Meeting House in Greenfield. Christmas music performed by the Nelson Town Band. Refreshments by the Greenfield Firefighters' Association.

HOLIDAY TREES: in Peterborough 10am - 7:30pm & Sun. Dec. 8th, 11am - 3pm at the Peterborough Community Center, 25 Elm St., Peterborough. View 60 decorated themed trees and vote for your favorites on Saturday. Free baked goods, raffles, visits with Santa. Free admission. Part of Peterborough's Hometown Holiday Weekend.

TUBA CHRISTMAS: Free Holiday Concert at 2pm, First Baptist Church, 461 Main Street, New London. Come enjoy the music of the season with us, as members of the Tuba family play 4-part holiday melodies.

SUNDAY DECEMBER 8

STUFF A CRUISER: The New England College Criminal Justice Club is proud to host the first annual Stuff a Cruiser Toy Drive. Please stop by the Simon Center Parking lot at 98 Bridge Street, Henniker NH from 8am-11am to donate new, unwrapped toys for children in the area.

TUESDAY DECEMBER 10

HOLIDAY PARTY: Antrim Area Senior Center, 11am -1pm. Presbyterian Church, Greater Antrim residents of



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FULLER LIBRARY: Military History Book Group at Fuller Public Library will meet to discuss Hero of the Empire by Candice Millard. The discussion will begin at 2pm, all are welcome.

THURSDAY DECEMBER 12

HILLSBOROUGH SENIORS: A Christmas Silver Tea. Celebrate with us at St. Mary's at 1pm. Sharing an afternoon "sort of brunch" is a delightful treat with a wide variety of edible items which participants bring to share. Also, we'll play a couple of games and have a Yankee Swap (limit \$10) which always generates a lot of fun. Let Linda Kowalski know if you can join us for this special afternoon (464-5264).

FRIDAY DECEMBER 13

SENIOR CLINICS: Concord Regional VNA is holding Senior Health Clinics at Smith Memorial Congregational Church from 9am to Noon and Maple Leaf Village Apartments, 10 Center Road on Wednesday, December 18 from 9am to Noon. All Senior Health Clinic services

are provided for a suggested donation of \$10, however, services are provided regardless of a person's ability to pay. Services offered include foot care, blood pressure screening, B-12 injections, medication education, and nutritional education. Call (603) 224-4093 or (800) 924-8620, ext. 5815 for an appointment.

SATURDAY DECEMBER 14

WINGS IN WINTER GALA: Franklin VNA & Hospice, 6pm - 11pm. Please see website for details. A night of wintery magic and fun at La Piece in Tilton. Join us for an elegant evening of dinner, dancing, games, and a silent auction all to benefit the vital work of our home health and hospice programs. From the valet parking to a visit from Santa, it's an evening you won't want to miss.

GIFT AND COOKIE SALE: Henniker Historical Society. Don't miss out on the opportunity to buy a variety of wonderful home-baked cookies for all your holiday needs. Also available are gifts such as our collection of wooden Cat's Meow Henniker buildings including our newest, the Henniker Academy. Come early for best selection. From 10am-1pm at the Grange building, 21 Western Ave., Henniker.

FULLER LIBRARY: Saturday Storytime at Fuller Public

Library, 10am. Join us for a story and gingerbread house decorating. You must sign up due to limited space, please call 464-3595.

SUNDAY DECEMBER 15

FREE HOLIDAY CONCERT: Kearsarge Community Band presents its annual holiday concert, at 2pm at the New London Outing Club's Indoor Facility, 114 Cougar Court, New London. All ages welcome - families encouraged to attend.

TUESDAY DECEMBER 17

HILLSBOROUGH SENIORS: 10am, Crafter Critters. Sue, our guest workshop leader, is going to teach us cookie decorating. She is bringing all the icing, bags, tips, and a goodie bag for everyone who attends. The cost is \$10.00 per person, which includes the goodie bag. You must bring your own cookies, 8-10 each. Call Barbara Hays, 464-2692, to reserve a space so we have enough supplies for everyone.

HILLSBOROUGH SENIORS: Festival of Trees. Tuttle Free Library is once again holding their tree festival, which is a delightful and surprising presentation of creativity and ingenuity. We'll depart Shaw's at 2pm. Cost \$2. Call Linda Kowalski at 464-5264 to reserve your seat.









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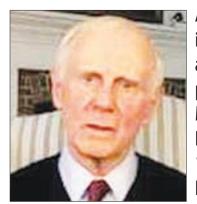
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3 tips for safe holiday driving

The holidays are wonderful. They can also be stressful. The good: special times with family and friends. The bad: all the travel in between. The ugly: when winter roads become snowy and icy, turning a joyful journey into a jittery one. Fortunately, your safety this season is partially under your control. By following these three tips, you'll increase your chances of safely navigating any winter wonderland.

1. Make sure you're driving the right set of tires

The best way to stay safe on the roads this holiday season: choosing the right tires to guide your journey. While many drivers use all-season tires year-round, that's not the safest choice in most areas of the United States. Once temperatures drop below 45 degrees, all-season tires harden and lose a lot of their grip. They also aren't equipped to handle snow and ice.

The answer: buying a set of winter or all-weather tires. Winter tires are perfect for areas that experience consistent and/or severe winter weather. Drivers who install them during the colder months are protecting themselves against winter's worst. For drivers who face unpredictable winter conditions, all-weather tires are a great choice. Unlike all-season tires, all-weather products are approved for winter use. Unlike winter tires, drivers can use them year-round. For that reason, they're also a great choice for people who are traveling north for the holidays. Nokian Tyres invented winter and all-weather tires and strongly recommends their use this time of year. "Families who are traveling for the holidays shouldn't have to worry about staying safe on the road," said Nokian Tyres Director of Products and Pricing Steve Bourassa. "Premium winter and all-weather tires provide peace of mind to help drivers and their families enjoy this special time of year."

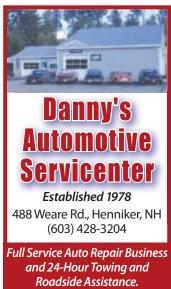
2. Stay deep and keep the pressure high

During the holidays, there's high pressure to get to your destination safely. For that reason, there should also be high pressure in each of your tires. Properly inflated tires have stronger grip and are less prone to blowouts. They also improve gas mileage by decreasing friction where the rubber meets the road. But your tires' inflation level requires extra attention this time of year: Each 10-degree drop in temperature can cause your tires to lose as much as 1 psi of pressure. That's why you'll sometimes see your dashboard's tire light glow on a cold morning. "Tires are designed to be used at their optimal inflation level," says Bourassa. "Look on your driver's-side door jamb or in your owner manual to find the recommended pressure level for your vehicle's tires, then keep them inflated throughout the season." If you're traveling to a colder climate or at higher elevation, it is worth considering increasing the inflation pressure by 2-to-3 psi to help offset environmental changes. While you're at it, take a look at your tires' tread depth, which is vital for sturdy traction. Use the penny test to measure how much tread you've got left; if you can see Abraham Lincoln's head when you're holding the penny upside down inside the tread, it's time for new tires.

3. Get rotated and aligned

The holidays can wear on all of us. Holiday driving should wear evenly on our tires. That means it's important to get your tires rotated and check your alignment if you haven't done so in a while. Nokian Tyres recommends rotating your tires every 4,000 to 6,000 miles to make sure they're wearing the right way. Uneven tire wear can lead to unpredictable - and potentially unsafe - performance. Be sure to visit your local tire shop to check your rotation and alignment before hitting the road for the holidays. Visit https://www.nokiantires.com/where-to-buy/dealer-locator/ to find a high-quality tire dealer near you. You don't need a reindeer with a red nose to travel as safely as possible this holiday season. You simply need to buy the right set of tires and keep a close eye on their maintenance. Then, you'll be able to eliminate an area of stress and bask in the most wonderful time of the year. For more information on premium tires crafted for the winter season, visit NokianTires.com/Snow-Tires. (BPT)









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