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Henniker Spelling Bee winner 8th-grade student Peter Bill with HCS teacher and spelling bee pronouncer Mr. Boucher.



HCS Geography Bee winner Brody Jones with his parents, Amy and Eric, following his win.

Two Bees or not Two Bees

Henniker Community School hosted both their Spelling and Geography Bees the first week of February. Peter Bill (8th grade) took top honors as the 2020 Henniker Spelling Bee winner with the word "fungi." During the school's Geography Bee, top honors went to another 8th-grade student, Brody Jones. Both Peter and Brody will now compete in the respective state bees.

Ryan Flaherty, JSRHS sophomore participated in the Captial Area Student Leadership 2020 Program offered by the Greater



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Volunteers campaign for their favorite presidential candidates in New London. See full area election results on pages 8 & 9. Paul Howe photo.

Henniker Municipal Budget up 17%

Select Board declines support for Tucker Library requests

During Monday's Public Hearings, the Henniker Select Board trimmed its proposed budget slightly to \$5,628,228, an increase of only \$199,794 or about 3.6%; never the less, with several other big ticket items on the warrants, taxpayers are facing a 17% increase in the Municipal Tax Rate alone, without adding the school portion.

The 2020 Warrant also includes requests for \$177,949 for road improvements, \$1,047,501 for a series of Expendable Trust Funds, a \$350,000 Bond to install a new water line under Route 202 and a \$3.2 million

Bond for improvements to the Waste Water Treatment Plant. Originally the tax rate was set to increase 23% from \$10.28 to \$12.68, but after applying \$250,000 from the 2019 Unassigned Fund Balance, the increase was reduced to \$12.05 or 17%.

To the surprise of many, the Select Board, while supporting the Tucker Library's requested \$229,379 Operating Budget, declined to support the Trustees requests for \$109,250 to continue the design and planning of the accessibility project, and \$30,000 to hire a fund raising consultant.

Hopkinton budgets \$1,862 million for 3 year teacher contract

A relatively small crowd attended Wednesday's public hearing on Hopkinton's School and Municipal budgets.

School voters are being asked to support an operating budget of \$21,416,331, which was approved by a 3-2 School Board vote and a 7-3 Budget Committee vote.

A new 3-year collective bargaining agree-

ment with the teachers calls for raises of \$307,669 in 2020-2021, \$315,149 in 2021-2022, and \$309,462 in 2022-2023. Total three year cost is \$1.862 million. A smaller contract with the custodial staff is also up for approval.

Voters will also debate and decide whether to adopt the provision of SB2.

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Henniker and NEC returning to normal after 3am shooting

The atmosphere in Henniker and on the New England College Campus is returning to normal after three people were shot early Sunday, prompting a campus-wide lockdown. Two women and a man, with non-life-threatening injuries were found on Bridge Street at about 3 am. Merrimack County Attorney Robin Davis said that the two women were students at New England College.

All three shooting victims were taken to Concord Hospital, where they were treated and released.

Local and state police responded and secured a perimeter around the scene, and students received a campus alert text

Henniker/NEC shooting update

County Attorney Robin Davis and Henniker Police Chief Matthew French have released additional information regarding the incident that occurred at approximately 3:00 a.m. on Sunday, February 9, 2020 at 4 Bridge Street in Henniker, New Hampshire. The investigation to-date has revealed that this shooting was an isolated incident involving attendees of a house party in Henniker in proximity to New England College. At approximately 3:00 a.m. on Sunday, February 9, 2020, a firearm was shown and discharged twice during an encounter at the party which resulted in injury to three individuals. At this point, it does not appear that the victims were targeted. This was an isolated incident; however, the exact facts relating to the discharged firearm remain under investigation. As an added precaution, there will be a heightened presence of local, county and state law enforcement in Henniker and New England College.

saying there was a report of a person with a gun at Colby Hall. The notice advised students to shelter in place until further notice and lock their doors.

Wayne Lesperance, New England College vice president for academic affairs, said that the college is encouraging students to reach out to their parents and let them know that they're all OK. He added later that counseling services would be available Sunday and Monday at the Simon Center.



As we go to press, the suspect is still at large.

Henniker Selectmen issue statement on recent shootings

The Town of Henniker Board of Selectmen would like to thank the numerous first responders and law enforcement agencies who responded to Henniker and assisted in the morning hours of February 9, 2020. Some of these agencies include NH Homeland Security, NH Attorney General's Office, Merrimack County Attorney, NH State Police, and many more. We would also like to thank our local first responders which included the Henniker Police, Fire and Rescue Departments.

Henniker Board of Selectmen Chairman Kris Blomback said "The safety of our community is one of our top priorities and we have heard from some residents about the lack of information being provided and

the timeliness of it." "We understand the frustration and concern expressed. However, we would like to remind our community members that this remains an active police investigation and some information cannot be shared at this time. We would also like to take this moment to assure the residents of Henniker that there is no known imminent threat to the community," stated Vice Chairwoman Tia Hooper. Since this remains an active investigation, Henniker residents will see an increased police presence in the downtown area for the next few days.

We thank you for your understanding and your support. We will keep you informed as additional information becomes available.



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February 15, 2019

Hillsborough teen tries to steal two cruisers
Hopkinton couple donates large conservation easement
Ice Jam may cause flooding in Goffstown and New Boston
ConVal drops charges against Hillsborough man

February 16, 2018

LRGHealthcare program closures

Deering may change Fire Department hiring process
Goffstown embezzler gets 2-5 year sentence
John Stark Board proposes \$229,795 budget reduction

February 24, 2017

It's Chief vs. former Chief In Loudon
Juvenile charged with gun threat at John Stark
Tilton man injured when thrown from his snowmobile
Warner man convicted of multiple sexual assaults

February 19, 2016

H-D Elementary Principal resigns
Goffstown woman guilty of forging checks over \$1 million
PETA withdraws protest of Newport's Greased Pig On Ice
New Town Clerk-Tax Collector in New London

February 20, 2015

Deering Fire Chief quits after explosive meeting Franklin fire leaves tenants homeless Bow man guilty of mail fraud & tax evasion Lux challenges Langwasser for Hopkinton Selectman

February 21, 2014

NEC arrest gives new meaning to "Panty Raid"
Committee recommends keeping New London Dispatch
Bradford Selectmen reject fire truck proposal
\$8,000 to defend Weare Police Officers

February 22, 2013

Newport gun range approved Sunapee Superintendent a finalist for ConVal job Antrim's new police cruiser totaled during chase Merit raises for Francestown employees

February 24, 2012

Woman wanders away from Pats Peak Sunapee man killed in snowmobile accident Warner Fall Foliage plans in limbo Weare Selectmen discuss bridge replacements

February 25, 2011

Newport names Paul Brown Interim Manager New London seeks to adopt 18 month budget Cleveland rocks with H-D music again Union rejects Monadnock Paper Mill contract

February 19, 2010

Peter Christian's closing shocks New London Thirteen arrested in major Weare drug bust Andover business woman recognized Two Greenfield fires in two days

Antrim Select Board supports hiring a 6th Police Officer

With fewer than 20 people attending Antrim's Budget Hearing, comments were predictably low, although discussion of the police budget brought a number of questions from Selectman Michael Genest to

Weare's Ava Whitney is a nine year old girl who was enjoying her love for horses on Feb. 10, when she suffered a head injury resulting in emergency surgery. She was airlifted to a Boston hospital where she is currently in a coma. Her family is hoping for their baby girl's full recovery. Please consider a donation to help support the family so they can focus on Ava's healing. Any amount appreciated. All funds raised will go directly to Ava's medical expenses. https://www.gofundme.com/f/medical funds-for-ava-whitney?

the police chief, particularly about the need for a 6th full time officer.

Chief Scott Lester explained that although the budget included a 6th officer in 2018, he didn't add it into the budget for 2019 because so many other towns around Antrim had full time openings. Now those positions have been filled and there are more qualified people looking for openings.

Many members of the public argued that having full time coverage is an important safety issue and Antrim shouldn't have to rely on mutual aid. John Robertson read letters of support for the police department and in the end, the budget article was passed 3-0 by the Select Board.



Antrim Police Chief Scott Lester outlined the need for an additional Police Officer.



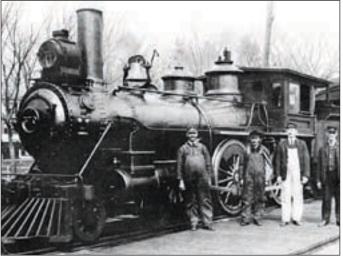






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Railroad engineer William Fiske, on far left, and his crew, 1908.

Diaries of New Boston Railroad Engineer

The New Boston Historical Society presents "The Diaries of New Boston Railroad Engineer William Fiske" at the New Boston Community Church, 7 pm Thursday, March 12. William Fiske was a railroad engineer who kept diaries from 1892-1954. Our presenters are New Bostonians Deb Jardine, a great-granddaughter of William Fiske, and her husband Dick Jardine, formerly a professor at West Point and Keene State College. Program is free and open to the public. Refreshments served at the Historical Society museum, across the street. Business meeting to follow.

Judge dismisses suit against Peterborough

The Superior Court has dismissed a lawsuit against the Town of Peterborough by the former Recreation Director, claiming he was wrongfully terminated. Jeffrey King claims that he was fired by the town in August after he was accused of harassment and taking a "prurient" photograph at the town pool. King claims he was denied his due process rights to defend himself against false allegations when the town fired him "for cause." Judge Amy Messer ruled in favor of the town, saying that Jeffrey King has no due process rights as he was an "at will" employee, meaning that the town could fire him for cause, or no cause, at any point.

Goffstown man's DWI demolishes bobhouse

Peter Gosselin of Goffstown was driving a snowmobile on Lake Winnipesaukee Friday night, when he crashed into the side of a bobhouse, which was ripped apart with two people inside. Fortunately, no one was hurt. Meredith and Center Harbor firefighters, Stewart's Ambulance Service, Meredith Police, and conservation officers from the state Fish and Game Department responded to the crash. They found the fishermen helping Gosselin walk off the ice. Gosselin was arrested and charged with driving while intoxicated and driving with a suspended license. The crash is still under investigation, but the Fish and Game Department statement noted that the bobhouse had the required reflective material on all four sides and had an exterior light on when the snowmobile hit the hut.

Peterborough man injured in Antrim crash

Justin Stonesifer, 28, of Peterborough was driving a Ford Explorer on Clinton Road in Antrim last Thursday when he lost control due to bad weather and drifted off the road. He was taken to Monadnock Community Hospital in with minor injuries, while his Ford Explorer was towed from the scene.

Hopkinton Select Board proposed spending increases Tax Rate by 7.87%

During Wednesday's Public Hearing on Hopkinton's municipal budget, Select Board Vice Chair Ken Traum announced that the Board has set a goal of limiting any spending increase to 4%; unfortunately, they were unable to achieve that goal.

The town's 2020 municipal budget is being proposed at \$7,703,736, an increase

Crotched Mountain ends daycare

Crotched Mountain School has announced that it will close its Wonderworks daycare facility this week with no plans to reopen the indoor pool. According to Marketing and Communications Vice President David Johnson, officials made both decisions reviewing which programs the finances could support. The pool was closed in July, and the decision to keep it closed came after several months of searching unsuccessfully for a potential partnership throughout the fall, Johnson said. "Wonderworks, the daycare at Crotched Mountain School, had been serving between 15 and 20 children, toddlers through pre-K. The program had been open to the public as well as families of staff members, and was supported by other funds and revenues within the school," Johnson said.

of \$421,350 or 5.79%. However, if the budget and all warrant articles are approved, the total tax rate would increase by 50 or 7.87%.

Those articles include: A \$2.2 mil-

lion Road Bond, \$819,000 deposited into 13 Existing Capital Reserve Funds and \$71,500 into 3 Expendable Trust Funds.

Voting will take place at Town Meeting on March 21st at the Middle/High school.



Greenfield Fire Department recently transported a patient to a landing zone at Oak Park, to the right of the gazebo, to meet the DART Helicopter for transport to a level 1 Trauma Center.

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Republican Presidential Primary Election Results

Town	Trump	Weld
Antrim	289	31
Bennington	158	9
Bradford	178	17
Deering	270	14
Francestown	227	23
Goffstown	1950	182
Greenfield	187	28
Hancock	153	34
Henniker	424	71
Hillsborough	657	46
Hopkinton	553	119
Newbury	290	37
New Boston	774	82
New London	362	65
Peterborough	411	109
Warner	231	20
Washington	162	14
Weare	1217	100
Windsor	50	0

Small group attends Bennington's Deliberative

Less than two dozen people attended Bennington's deliberative session, making only a minor change to the wording of one article. Article 2, a zoning ordinance amendment, was amended to say that the full text is available in the town offices rather than attached to the warrant. The solar tax exemption on the warrant was approved with minimal discussion. Voters approved appropriating funds for a fire truck, rescue vehicle, police cruiser, and highway heavy equipment. Voting will be held on March 10 from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. at Pierce Elementary School.



The Hillsborough Police have assigned their newest cruiser to K9 Gibbs (and his handler too). The extra room for gear and the 4WD capability make the truck an ideal K9 vehicle.

Democrat Presidential Primary Election Results

Town	Biden	Bennet	Buttigieg	Gabbard	Klobuchar	Patrick	Sanders	Steyer	Warren
Antrim	35	3	116	32	105	0	186	23	62
Bennington	14	0	70	10	42	2	107	17	23
Bradford	34	4	102	16	76	3	109	17	45
Deering	17	1	53	20	79	1	103	16	30
Francestown	38	4	83	14	108	5	108	12	46
Goffstown	291	7	926	127	756	16	812	171	281
Greenfield	14	0	107	8	68	2	122	18	24
Hancock	46	0	187	16	165	2	142	22	84
Henniker	92	4	236	61	250	5	319	45	105
Hillsborough	73	3	245	57	187	5	272	48	78
Hopkinton	142	22	518	55	506	6	417	56	235
Newbury	38	5	153	19	146	4	118	27	54
New Boston	83	2	295	53	294	9	300	47	109
New London	143	10	433	16	417	9	248	22	120
Peterborough	160	5	555	52	505	10	661	51	299
Washington	17	1	38	13	57	2	55	10	11
Warner	53	5	184	36	175	0	230	28	81
Weare	107	3	360	85	350	2	420	65	110
Windsor	1	0	7	2	2	0	5	1	4



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Last week's slick roads caused several accidents, including these in Hancock (left photo) and Peterborough (right photo). Fortunately, there were no injuries in either of these.

Deering approves PILOT Agreement with Solar Revision Impact Partners

At the 2019 Town Meeting Deering voters again reinforced a commitment to renewable energy by approving the town enter into a Power Purchase Agreement with Revision Solar Impact Partners, LLC and voted to establish the Solar Energy Expendable Trust Fund.

On December 19, 2019 the Selectmen executed the Power Purchase Agreement with Revision. The town will make necessary roof shingle repairs in the spring and the Solar facility will be mounted in the second quarter of 2020.

RSA 72:74 allows owners of renewable generation facility and the governing body of a municipality to enter into a voluntary agreement to make a payment in lieu of taxes for not more than five years.

If the town assessed the facility the cost of the taxed would be rolled into the energy rate, the town will pay for energy generated by the facility, raising the en-

ergy cost for the town and in effect paying its own tax. The PILOT agreement of \$100 a year demonstrates Revision's corporate responsibility without raising the expected energy cost.

The Agreement has been vetted by both parties' legal counsel and the Selectmen support.

After hearing all comments and questions, the Select Board unanimously approved the agreement.



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As a life-long Republican, I didn't expect to agree with much of what was promoted, but as a proud American, I was saddened and disappointed that the Democratic National Committee refused to post an American Flag on the dais during the debates. LDB



Publisher's Perspective by Leigh Bosse

Henniker Taxpayers Insulted & Ignored

If our Republic is to survive, elected officials must trust their constituents and those constituents must have faith that their voices will be heard by honorable representatives acting in good faith, in the best interests of those constituents.

As we all know, the "Trust Gap" between the two has grown wider and wider with each election cycle as congress routinely sacrifices the good of the country in favor of party bickering and political posturing.

Unfortunately, this lack of trust is now infecting even the most local forms of government. At last Tuesday's Deliberative Session the Henniker Community School Board slipped through a proposal obligating taxpayers to a \$2 million installation

of solar panels on the school. Traditionally such a major, new capital expenditure would be presented to voters as a bonded warrant article requiring a 2/3 vote of approval. Not trusting its community, the board structured the project as a 15 year lease, which requires only a majority vote.

This back-door tactic is unfortunately legal and is exactly the process the Hills-boro-Deering School Board recently used to fund its own \$2 million capital project.

The Henniker Board members should be ashamed of themselves. Their lack of trust is a slap in the face of taxpayers and an insult to our very form of government.

The only way to send them a message is your resounding NO vote at the poles. Tell them to do it correctly the next time.



Letters to the Editor

To the Editor-The Messenger:

I had submitted my name to be a candidate for the Hillsborough Planning Board. I have since decided not to run and understand that it is too late to take my name off the ballot. If you put a notice in the paper concerning town candidates, please post that I have rescinded my candidacy

Stephen Bennett, Hillsborough



Robert Boon, 65, of Hopkinton was not injured when this tractor-trailer lost control and hit his truck, forcing both off I-89.

Peterborough accident leads to meth & heroin possession arrest

On Thursday, February 6, 2020 at approximately 11:40 pm, Peterborough Police were dispatched to a single vehicle accident on Route 101 east. Upon arrival, officers identified the driver (sole occupant) as Jonathan A. May, 34, of New Hampton. Police found May to be in possession of Heroin, Methamphetamine and in possession of a stolen 9mm Handgun. Upon placing May under arrest May resisted but was quickly subdued and charged with Possession of a Controlled Drug, Transporting Drugs in a Motor Vehicle, Receiving Stolen Property - Firearm, Resisting Arrest, and Felon in Possession of a Dangerous Weapon. May was held without bail and transported to the Valley Street Jail in Manchester. May was not injured during the collision; the vehicle he was operating sustained heavy front-end damage and was towed from the scene.



People roasted marshmallows and watched fireworks at the New London Winter Carnival on February 8th. Paul Howe photo.

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BOYS BASKETBALL

Mascenic 59, Hillsboro-Deering 43: The Hillcats struggled to keep up to the top team in Division III.

Hopkinton 43, Conant 41: Michael Baer and Kevin Newton-Delgado scored 10 each for Hopkinton in a close game.

Hopkinton 57, Campbell 54: Campbell led by four points after three quarters, but Hopkinton scored 21 points in the fourth. Hopkinton's Kevin Newton-Delgado led all scorers with 20 points. Owen Milchick added 14 and Shepyrd Murdough had 11.

Bedford 54, Goffstown 40: The Grizzlies (4-6) led by as many as 12 points in the first quarter and 26-18 at the half before Bedford took over in the third quarter.

Central 59, Goffstown 50: Goffstown led 37-24 at halftime and 39-34 entering the final quarter.

ConVal 42, Souhegan 40: ConVal had a 10-0 run to end the half, and hung on for dear life.

Hanover 79, Kearsarge 53: The Marauders quickly took a halftime lead of 50-30, scoring 9 three pointers at the half.

Hollis Brookline 71, John Stark 40: The Cavaliers took over in the second quarter and didn't look back.

BOWLING

Hillsboro-Deering: The HD bowling team was not spared from the illness going around. Only able to field a team of four bowlers, the Hillcats traveled to Merrimack for a tri-meet. Despite being a bowler shy of the required five, the Hillcats were able to win a game against Sanborn, before eventually losing 2-1.



GIRLS BASKETBALL

Bedford 53, Goffstown 38: Kelly Walsh led the Grizzlies (10-3) with 19 points but none of her teammates finished with more than six.

Central 58, Goffstown 49: Kelly Walsh scored a game high 22 points for Goffstown.

Sanborn 56, ConVal 36: Emma Hixson led ConVal with 14 points with Morgan Bemont adding 6, and Isis Battaglia grabbed six rebounds.

ConVal 40, Souhegan 30: ConVal took a 19-9 lead at the half, and maintained a 10 point advantage.

Lebanon 53, Kearsarge 25: Kearsarge trailed by only one point at the half, but the Raiders instituted a full-court press and forced Kearsarge to turn over the ball in a scoreless second guarter.

NORDIC SKIING

ConVal: The ConVal Nordic team returned to Plymouth High School to compete in a division II freestyle (skate) race. Placing first for the Cougar girls was captain Cami Hendrixson, closely followed by Eva Calcutt and Allison Bull. Also placing for ConVal were Abby Hendrixson, Gwen Inglis, and Grace Phillips. On the boys side, Jaimini Viles was the first Cougar across the finish line, followed by captain Rowan Inglis, Philip Pope, Avery Pope, Lewis Carlton, Logan Burnham, and David DeShane.

This week ConVal will travel to Gunstock Nordic Ski Area on Thursday to compete in a 5K skate race hosted by Bow High School, followed by a skate sprint elimination race hosted by Souhegan High School in Plainfield on Saturday.

ALPINE SKIING

Kearsarge 1st: The Kearsarge boys skied to a Division III State Championship at Mount Sunapee Resort. The team was led by Adam Markoff who won the giant slalom and came in second in the slalom. Kearsarge placed four skiers in the top ten in both the slalom and giant slalom to win the state title.



The Hillsboro-Deering Middle School girls won the Winter Slam Tournament at South Meadow Middle School. They played Milford in a very intense game with a final score 31/32. Front row left to right: Jocelyn Cummings, Elysia Hagstrom, Megan Ferguson; Back row left to right: Coach Gunner Hagstrom, Calia Card, Morgan Dean, Claire Doyle, Paige Kelley, Coach Erik Hagstrom.



REDUCING INDOOR HUMIDITY



By: Joyce Bosse

- If your basement has a dirt floor, cover the floor completely with plastic to slow down water vapor coming through the soil.
- Use ventilation fans in kitchens and baths to control moisture. Check to make sure fans vent directly outside. In some cases the vent fan may have been installed to vent into the attic or become disconnected or blocked.
- Your clothes dryer should be vented directly to the outside. Inspect the
 vent duct. Make sure it is attached securely to the dryer. Check that it
 is clear of obstructions (e.g. lint). Check for holes that leak air. If your
 vent duct is damaged, replace it with a metal duct. The vent duct should
 be cleaned at least once a year.
- Ask a heating and cooling contractor to check your heating and cooling system to make sure it is sized and operating properly to remove humidity. If your system is too big or the airflow incorrect, your air conditioner will not remove humidity as it should. Also, ask the contractor to check your duct system for air leaks, and proper size and air flow to each room.
- Sealing air leaks and sealing duct air leaks can help to prevent high humidity levels in your home.
- During hot humid months, using a dehumidifier in the basement can reduce condensation on the walls. This may work better after you've sealed air and duct leaks to reduce the amount of humid outdoor air you are bringing into the basement.

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Hillsboro-Deering Middle School

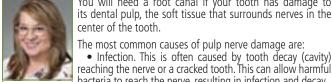
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center of the tooth. The most common causes of pulp nerve damage are:

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You will need a root canal if your tooth has damage to

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Without treatment, the infected dental pulp will spread to the bone around the tooth. This makes it unable to hold the tooth in place.

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The only alternative to a root canal procedure is having the tooth extracted and replaced with a bridge, implant, or removable partial denture to restore chewing function and prevent adjacent teeth from shifting. These alternatives not only are more expensive than a root canal procedure but require more treatment time and additional procedures to adjacent teeth and supporting tissues.

Root Canal Prevention

Since some of the reasons why the nerve of a tooth and its pulp become inflamed and infected are due to deep decay, repeated dental procedures on a tooth and/or large fillings, following good oral hygiene practices (brushing twice a day, flossing at least once a day, and scheduling regular dental visits) may reduce the need for a root canal procedure. Trauma resulting from a sports-related injury can be reduced by wearing a mouth guard.

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airways. Asthma causes recurring periods of wheezing (a whistling sound when you breathe), chest tightness, shortness of breath and coughing. The coughing often occurs at night or early in the morning. Asthma affects people of all ages, but it most often starts during childhood. In the United States, more than 26 million people are known to have asthma; about seven million of these people are children. COPD is a progressive lung disease that makes it hard to breathe and may become worse over time. COPD can cause coughing that produces large amounts of mucus, wheezing, shortness of breath, chest tightness and other symptoms.

Patients at high risk for heart attacks, strokes and blood clots who were treated with a novel blood thinner (apixaban) and an antiplatelet drug such as clopidogrel had a significantly lower risk of bleeding and being hospitalized compared with patients who received an older blood-thinning medication such as warfarin, according to research presented at the American College of Cardiology's 68th Annual Scientific Session. In addition, patients who received clopidogrel without concurrent aspirin, which has been standard for these patients, had an additional 47 percent reduction in bleeding events with no increase in heart attacks, strokes or blood clots when compared with patients who received aspirin.

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Andy Hampton, Chair of the NH Potters' Guild works at the wheel alongside John Stark Amnesty International and ceramics students to craft bowls for the Empty Bowls project.

The NH Potters' Guild teach at John Stark

The Chair of the NH Potters' Guild Andy Hampton joined forces with JSRHS Amnesty International and ceramics students to create bowls to donate to the Families in Transition-New Horizons Empty Bowls Dinner on March 8 to fight hunger and for the Amnesty Chapter's Empty Bowls fundraiser at John Stark. Andy, who is also a member of the NH League of NH Craftsmen, donated 150 pounds of clay for John Stark students to use and then spent the day working with them and sharing his expertise. For more information on how to get a bowl from the John Stark Amnesty Chapter, please contact JSR Amnesty International co-chairs Beth. Franke@sau24.org or Erin.Smart@sau24.org.

Hillsborough Planning Board offering four Zoning Amendments

This year there are four Planning Board warrant articles on the 2020 Town Meeting ballot. The first two pertain to the definitions of "Dwelling Unit" and "Family". The dwelling unit article clarifies the definitions of "Single Unit", "Two Unit", "Three and Four Unit" and "more than Four Unit" dwellings. It also states clearly that only one "Single Unit Dwelling" is allowed by right on a single lot.

The second amendment to the definitions section deletes the definition of the term "Family" because the town cannot define what a family is.

Third on the ballot is the "Commercial/ Multi Family/Combined Use Site Maintenance Ordinance." This ordinance applies to the Central Business and Commercial Districts only.

The Purpose of this ordinance is to achieve a well maintained and attractive Central Business District and Commercial zones to attract businesses to town. Well maintained businesses and properties encourage businesses to come to Hillsborough, support property values and ultimately benefit the commercial base and the quality of life for the residents of

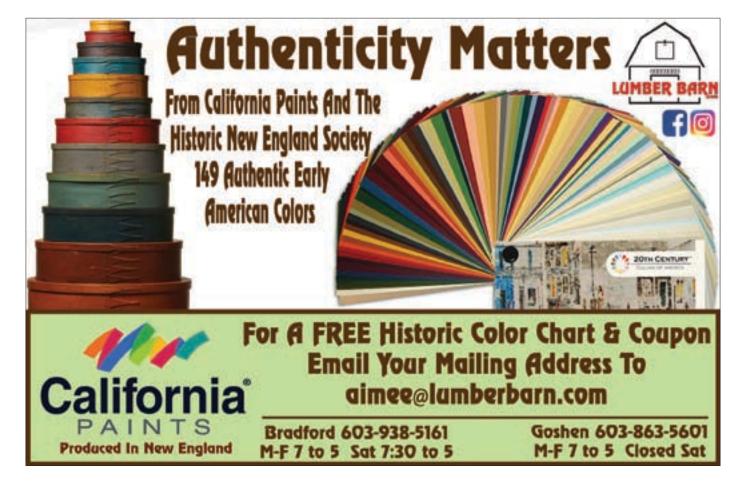
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The fourth and final article is the "Historic District Ordinance." This ordinance, which is a zoning ordinance has not been updated since 1979 and is out of compliance with state statute.

The purpose of this change is to update the ordinance to comply with statute and clarify the scope of the jurisdiction of the Historic District Commission. The ordinance will be integrated into the main body and charts of the zoning ordinance.



The traveling science program from the SEE Science Museum in Manchester visited 3rd and 4th-graders at the Henniker Community School. The Henniker students worked with energy and matter, cause and effect, stability and change, chemical reactions and the engineering process. SEE Mobile presenter Glenna is shown with the 3rd and 4th-grade students at the Henniker Community School. Stephanie Crowe Photo.



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AARP Community Challenge Grant Program now accepting 2020 Applications

The program funds quick-action projects that help make communities better for all ages; Application Deadline is April 1, 2020.

AARP has opened applications for the 2020 AARP Community Challenge grant program to fund "quick-action" projects that spark change across the country. Now in its fourth year, the program is part of AARP's nationwide work on Livable Communities. Grants can range from several hundred dollars for small, short-term activities to several thousand, or tens of thousands for larger projects.

"We are thrilled to bring this grant opportunity back to New Hampshire in 2020 and we encourage all eligible organizations to apply," said AARP New Hampshire State Director Todd Fahey. "We've seen tangible results from the AARP Community Challenge grant program supporting communities in the Granite State as they make quick changes and inspire long-term progress."

The AARP Community Challenge is open to 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4) and 501(c) (6) nonprofits and government entities. Other types of organizations will be considered on a case-by-case basis. AARP will prioritize projects with permanent or temporary solutions that aim to achieve one or more of the following

outcomes:

- Increase civic engagement with innovative and tangible projects. New in 2020, this category is intended to bring residents and local leaders together to address challenges and facilitate a greater sense of community inclusion and diversity;
- Create vibrant public places that improve open spaces, parks and access to other amenities;
- Deliver a range of transportation and mobility options that increase connectivity, walkability, bikeability, wayfinding, access to transportation options and roadway improvements;
- Support the availability of a range of housing that increases accessible and affordable housing options.
- Demonstrate the tangible value of "Smart Cities" with programs that engage residents in accessing, understanding and using data, and participating in decision-making to increase quality of life for all.
- Other innovative projects to improve the community.

Since 2017, AARP has awarded 376 grants through the AARP Community Challenge to nonprofit organizations and government entities representing 50 states, D.C., Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands. Visit

www.AARP.org/CommunityChallenge to see some of the 2019 winners in action. The 2020 application deadline is 11:59 p.m. ET, April 1, 2020, and all projects must be completed

by November 9, 2020. To submit an application or learn more, visit www. AARP.org/CommunityChallenge. AARP New Hampshire works in collaboration with communities across the state, bringing people together, and providing resources and expertise to help make New Hampshire's counties, towns and cities great places to live for people of all ages.

About AARP New Hampshire
AARP is thriving in New Hampshire
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www.aarp.org/nh or follow @AARPNH
on social media.

Greater Hillsborough Senior Services celebrated Chinese New Year Lunch

On Friday, January 24th, Greater Hillsborough Senior Services (GHSS) celebrated the Chinese New Year by holding their annual Chinese luncheon in the Deering, NH Town Hall. Over 80 people were in attendance to partake of delectable dishes prepared and donated by Ming Du of Hillsborough.

Tina Simpson of Southern NH Services presented information on fuel/electricity assistance and Tia Belliveau, representing TD Bank, awarded GHSS with a check for \$3,800 from funds raised through TD Bank's Affinity Program.



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Chapin Senior Center Programs

AARP Presents - "The best defense against being a victim of frauds and scams is education" Tuesday, March 3rd at 10:00am

(Snow date March 31st at 10:00am) Presented by AARP trained "Fraud Fighter" Marc Boyd. Every day, millions of Americans lose their hard-earned money to identity theft, investment fraud and other types of scams. Last year alone, 12.6 million were victims of identity theft. AARP New Hampshire Fraud Fighters and the Chapin Senior Center are hosting a presentation to teach people the three Rs of fraud: recognize, resist and report. Marc will present and discuss an overview of local and national fraud trends, the Con Artist Playbook, prevention, available resources. Please call COA at 526-6368 to register.

Savvy Social Security planning - What Baby Boomers Need to Know to Maximize Retirement income. Tuesday, March 24th from 12:00pm — 1:00pm. Jon Bicknell, Certified Financial Planner, Cetera Advisors. Social Security is far more complicated than most people realize. The decisions baby boomers make now can have a tremendous impact on the total amount of benefits they stand to receive over their lifetime. To help baby boomers better understand the Social Security system, this workshop will cover 5 factors to consider when deciding when to apply for benefits. Seating is limited and reservations are recommended. Individuals may reserve space by calling COA at 603-526-6368. A light lunch will be served.

Tom & Tom's Men's Discussion Group - Mondays at 8:45am. We want to hear your stories and we'll share our own.Come visit over an endless cup of coffee! This is a walk-in program.

French Discussion Group - First and Third Mondays at 4:15pm. Join this casual, friendly group to practice your

language skills and have fun. Participants at all skill levels are welcome! This is a walk-in program.

Chair Exercises - Mondays and Fridays at 10:15am. This low impact exercise program is perfect for those looking for an easy, effective exercise routine. This is a walk-in program. **Walking at Proctor Academy Gym** - Monday through Friday at 8:30-10:00am. New participants please call COA at 526-6368 for registration instructions.

Outdoor Recreation for Seniors - Tuesdays at 10:00am Join this active group to bike, hike, kayak and more! Please call COA at 526-6368 to register prior to your first activity. **Memoir Writing Group** - Tuesdays at 10:00am This is a walk-in program.

Walk-In Painting Group - Tuesdays at 1:00pm Bring your current painting project to work on. This is an informal group and we'd love to have you join us. This is a walk-in program.

Gentle Yoga - Second, Third and Fourth Tuesdays from 3:00-4:00pm. This wellness class will help you feel better and create a sense of inner calm as we focus on gaining flexibility, strength and balance. We will use yoga mats or chairs while we do yoga poses. At the end of each class there will be a time of relaxation. Gentle yoga is appropriate for all levels from beginner to experienced. Bring a yoga mat and wear comfortable clothing. Carol Filbin, Certified Yoga Teacher.

Friends Program Bone Builders Exercise Classes - Tuesdays and Fridays at 10:00-11:00am. This senior exercise program helps strengthen bone, build muscle and improve balance. You can exercise while seated or standing using small hand weights. Classes are held in the Newbury Heights Community Room, 52 Newbury Heights Road, Newbury. This

Needlework Craft Group - Wednesdays at 1:00-3:00pm Love to cross stitch, do needlework, quilt, knit or crochet? We'd love to chat, laugh, and get to know the folks who enjoy the same hobbies we enjoy. Please join us! This is a walk-in program.

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Women's Discussion Group - Fridays at 9:00am Get to know your neighbors over a casual cup of coffee. Join friends, new and old, to visit, chat and share! This is a walk-in program. **Bridge** - Duplicate Bridge - Mondays at 12:45pm and Wednesdays at 9:15am Contract Bridge - Thursdays at 9:30am **Games**

Poker - Tuesdays at 2:00pm

Hand and Foot Card Game— Wednesdays at 1:00pm Mahjong - Thursdays at 12:30pm

Bingo! – Fridays at 2:00pm

Ten games for \$5. Ten bingo sheets with 6 cards on each sheet. Participants must be 55 years old and older.

Blood Pressure Clinic - Monday, March 2nd at 9:30am This is a walk-in program.

Parkinson's Support Group - Tuesday, March 3rd at 1:00pm. You are invited to join this lively, welcoming and supportive group! This is a walk-in program.

VNA Foot Care Clinic at COA - Friday, March 6th & March 13th at 9:30am-1:00pm. \$25 Please call COA at 526-6368 to schedule an appointment.

Morning Book Group - Tuesday, March 10th at 9:30am The Atomic City Girls by Janet Beard. A novel inspired by the stories of everyday women who contributed to the Manhattan Project during World War II. This is a walk-in program. Please call COA at 526-6368 to obtain the book.

Humanist, Agnostic, Atheist Discussion Group - Thursday, March 19th at 1:30pm Welcome to those who are interested in delving into a variety of humanist and non-theist topics. We share our knowledge and experiences related to the challenging questions of religion, spirituality, and how they influence our lives. Using reason, critical thinking, and honest examination, we do our best to approach personal truths. Bring your thoughts, your questions, and an open mind, and join our lively, respectful monthly discussions. This is a walk-in program.

Caregiver Support and Discussion Group - Thursday, March 26th at 1:00pm. There is no instruction manual for being a caregiver! Join this peer-led group to learn tips, strategies and advice from those experiencing the same challenges and rewards. This is a walk-in program.

Movie & Pizza Matinee - Tuesday, March 31st at 12noon "Judy" Thirty years after rising to global stardom in The Wizard of Oz, showbiz legend Judy Garland (Renee Zellweger) arrives in London to perform a five-week sold-out run of the Talk of the Town. While preparing for the shows, Garland battles with management, reminisces with friends and adoring fans, and embarks on a whirlwind romance with soonto-be fifth husband Mickey Deans. Featuring some of her best-known songs, the film celebrates the unyielding spirit and matchless talent of the "world's greatest entertainer."

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VNA offers "Powerful Tools for Caregivers" online

Concord Regional VNA is offering a "Powerful Tools for Caregivers" online educational program to help caregivers learn to take care of themselves. The program can be completed in the comfort of your own home on Wednesdays beginning March 4 from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Call (603) 224–4093 or (800) 924–8620, ext. 5815 or visit www.crvna.org.

Kearsarge Area Senior Luncheons to commence

Area seniors (at left) Dolly Fowler, Rick Tower and Kay Denish attended last season's Kearsarge Area Senior Luncheon at the Wilmot Community Association's Red Barn, 64 Village Road in Wilmot. Reservations are required to reserve your hot meal. Books, flowers and door prizes are given and piano music will be performed by Wilmot's own Eric Deluca. Three spring season luncheons are scheduled to begin at 11:30am on the third Thurs. of the month on Feb. 20, March 21 and April 16. New attendees, please call the COA at 526 6368 to reserve a seat at least 10 days ahead.

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MOVIE NIGHT: Come join us to watch the film My Girl. The movie will be shown on the big screen downstairs at Smith Memorial Congregational Church. Admission is free and complimentary popcorn and a drink will be served. The doors open at 6:30pm and the movie begins at 7pm.

ICE FISHING DERBY: Washington Volunteer Fire Department Ice Fishing Derby February 15th & 16th 2020 on all legal lakes and ponds in Washington \$6 per day or \$10 for both days. Children 12 & under, half price. Live bait available onsit.e Registration: 5:00am at Camp Morgan Lodge Millen Pond Rd Washington, Pre-Registration: Washington Volunteer Fire Dept P.O. Box 172 Washington, NH 03280 Washington General Store Main St., Washington, NH 03280 Saturday weighin at 5:30pm Sunday weigh-in at 3:00pm.

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 16

ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE: The Monadnock Folklore Society presents the second in its series of English Country Dances with the theme "Dance Around Monadnock." from 2:00 to 5:00pm, the

dance will be held at the Peterborough Unitarian Universalist Church in Peterborough, NH, with Fred Breunia teaching dances that will appeal to all, from novice to experienced dancers. Admission is \$10.

OPEN HOUSE: The Region 14 Applied Technology Center is holding an open house from 1-3pm at ConVal High School. This open house celebrates National CTE Month and all of the unique career and technical education programs offered to our students. The Region 14 ATC serves students in the ConVal, Jaffrey-Rindge, and Mascenic school districts.

ON NORWAY POND: MONP's major choral concert highlights Gabriel Fauré's beloved Requiem, featuring our own Norway Pond Festival Singers' mixed chorus and organist Mary Ann Fleming, joined by harpist Maria Rindenello. Soloists include Philip Stoddard, an award-winning singing actor and recent graduate of the Marcus Institute for Vocal Arts at The Juilliard School, and the spellbinding treble soloist Litha Ashworth, a New England Conservatory (NEC) sophomore.

MONDAY FEBRUARY 17

HILLSBOROUGH SENIORS: GHSS Crafty Critters: Handkerchief Sachets Great way to make a memorable keepsake. If you have any hankies that are important to you, this is a nice way to use them. All supplies will be provided for a \$2 fee per sachet. St. Mary's 10am-12pm. Call Barbara Hays at 603-464-2692.

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 18

FULLER LIBRARY: The Mystery Book Group will meet at 6:30pm at Fuller Public Library to discuss The Silent Patient by Alex Michaelides, This group meets the 3rd Tuesday of the month, stop in if you are interested.

BOOK DISCUSSION: with Irene Buchine, Author of "Celia and the Little Boy", Tuesday, 6:30pm at Antrim's Tuttle Library. This is a collaboration between the James A. Tuttle Library and The Grapevine. Free to the public. Please call 588-6786 for more information. This is NOT a ConVal sponsored activity.

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SENIOR CLINICS: Concord Regional VNA is holding Senior Health Clinics at Smith Memorial Congregational Church from 9 a.m. to Noon and Maple Leaf Village Apartments, 10 Center Road on Wednesday, March 18 from 9 a.m. to Noon. Clinic services offered include foot care, blood pressure screening, B-12 injections, medication education, and nutritional education. All services are provided for a suggested donation of \$10, however, services are provided regardless of a person's ability to pay. Call (603) 224-4093 or (800) 924-8620, ext. 5815 for an appointment.

CENTER FOR THE ARTS: First Fridays! Colby-Sawyer Dance Ensemble 7:00 FREE Laura Shepherd directs the Colby-Sawyer College Dance Company in this beautiful production.at Whipple Hall-New London.

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 19

HILLSBOROUGH SENIORS: Hitten' the Heights Join GHSS for our monthly Concord Heights shopping excursion. We'll stop at a variety of businesses i.e. Walmart, Target, Dollar Tree, Aldi's to name a few. Lunch will be at The Windmill, on your own. Leaving Shaw's at 10 a.m. Cost \$6 Call Linda Kowalski at 464-5264 to reserve a seat.

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 20

HILLSBOROUGH SENIORS: GHSS Senior Luncheon We're serving lasagna, Caesar salad, plenty of garlic bread and a sweet dessert at St. Mary's Church starting at 12 noon. Cost is \$5. Call Marie Merrow @ 464-3067 and make your reservation before Monday, February 17.

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 22

FULLER LIBRARY: Fuller Public Library will be displaying fun collections owned by our patrons! Collections will include: Pez dispensers, antique glass, porcelain toothbrush holders, antique insulators, carousels, music boxes, and much more! Stop in during library hours from February 22-29.

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 23

HENNIKER CONCERT: The second concert of the 2020 Acoustic Café Series features local favorites, Decatur Creek, Sunday, 5:00 – 7:30 PM, Torrington Arms Pub, Simon Center, New England College. No cover. Donations for musicians gratefully accepted. Beverages and food available for purchase.

MONDAY FEBRUARY 24

FULLER LIBRARY: Have you ever wanted to write your own comic strip? Local cartoonist Marek Bennett will hold a Comics Workshop at Fuller Public Library for kids ages 8-13 from 1-4pm. Registration is required for the class and space is limited. There is no fee for the class, donations of items for the Hillsboro Food Pantry will be accepted. Call today, 464-3595!

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 25

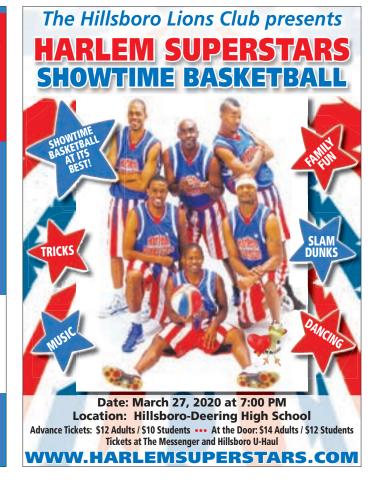
FULLER LIBRARY: Mini Golf in the Library! Fuller Public Library's 9 hole course will be set up all day, from 9am-8pm, just \$1.00 or an item for the Hillsboro Food Pantry for each round played.

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Obituaries: Friends & Neighbors Remembered

Charles A. Lincoln

ANTRIM - Charles A. Lincoln, of Antrim and Hillsboro, died on Tuesday af-

ter a long illness. Charles was born July 24, 1943 in Brockton, MA to the late Norman and Vera (Blanchard) Lincoln. Charlie was well known throughout the area as a proprietor of Charlie's Small Engine Hospital.



He left behind eight children, Tina Dierking of Skowhegan, ME, Don Lincoln of Geneva, IL, Debby Lincoln Ralph of Whitman, MA, Michelle Carrier of Hillsboro, Renee Gamache of Goffstown, Lacey Dubois of Rocky Mount, NC, Sandie Isabelle of Antrim, and Michelle Isabelle of Keene. He also leaves behind 19 grandchildren and six great grandchildren. A celebration of his life was held at Holt-Woodbury Funeral Home & Cremation Service, 32 School St Hillsboro on Saturday, February 8. A private interment will be held in the Spring. If you wish to remember him, the family asks for donations to The Center for Blindness and the Visually Impaired.

Christine T. (Bergeron) Bouchard

NEW BOSTON — Christine T. (Bergeron) Bouchard, 41, of New Boston, took her own life in her home on Feb. 5, 2020. Born in Manchester on March 3, 1978, she was the daughter of Denise (Forcier) Bergeron and Roland Bergeron. Family members include her husband, Brian

Bouchard; her son, Brison Bouchard; her mother and father; a sister, Melisa Gordon and husband, Derek; nieces, Macy Gordon, Josie Gould and Gillian Gould; a nephew, Dalton Gordon; and aunts,



uncles and cousins. Private burial will take place at the convenience of the family. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to "SNHS Silver Street Playground" and mailed to Southern New Hampshire Services, P.O. Box 5040, Manchester, NH 03108.

Lucy (Cricchio) Gaudet

HILLSBOROUGH - Born in Lawrence, MA, on Feb. 28, 1925, daughter of the late Paul and Girolama Cricchio. She shared 50

years of marriage with her husband, Joseph J. Gaudet Sr. Lucy is survived by her daughter, Geraldine M. Gaudet of Manchester, NH; her sons, Joseph J. Gaudet Jr. and Paul J. Gaudet of Hillsborough, NH;



her daughter-in-law, Maria J. Gaudet of Hillsborough, her granddaughter, Christina L. Gaudet of Manchester, and her grandson, Michael J. Gaudet of Hillsborough. Services will be held privately at the convenience of the family. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Farmsteads of New England, 213 Center Road, Hillsborough, NH 03244.

Joseph Ambrose Le Blanc Jr.

GREENFIELD - Joseph Ambrose "Sonny" Le Blanc, Jr., 86, of Greenfield, NH, passed away on February 3, 2020

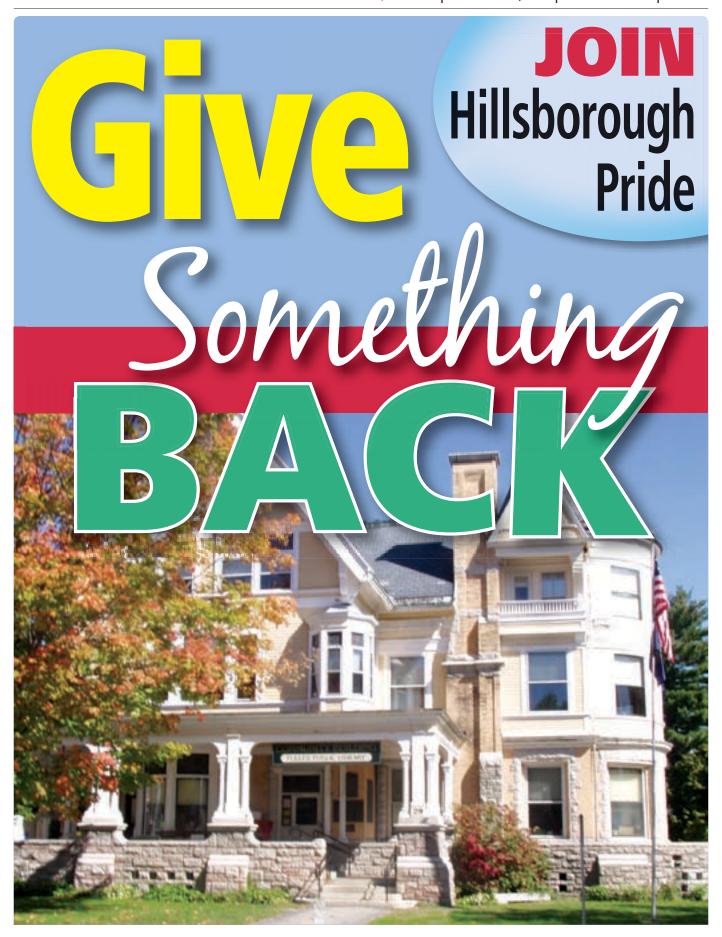
in the comfort of his home surrounded by loved ones. He was born on March 31, 1933 in Woodside (Queens), NY, son of the late Phyllis (Gajeski) and Joseph Le Blanc, Sr. Joe's grandson says, "Words can't



describe how much I love you and will forever miss you. Rest in peace, Poppa." He will be dearly missed by his wife, Shirley "Lee" (Gilbert) Le Blanc of Greenfield, NH; children: Michelle Le Blanc of Greenfield, NH, Mark Le Blanc and his wife, Vicki of Long Island, NY, Cheri Le Blanc of Greenfield, NH, and Wayne LeBlanc of Florida; grandchildren: Jessica Le Blanc of West Palm Beach, FL and Tyler Le Blanc of Greenfield, NH; great-grandchild: Emily Aho of Rindge, NH; cousin, Althea Nastasi and her family of Antrim, NH; and well as several extended family members. He was predeceased by two grandchildren: Triciah St. John and Brian Le Blanc. A celebration of Joe's life will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, family asks you to consider a memorial contribution in Mr. Le Blanc's name to Bass Fishing or Baseball at Conval High School, 184 Hancock Road, Peterborough, NH 03458.



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Halogen headlight bulbs actually dim over time - up to 20-30%. As halogen bulbs age, the glass walls haze, blocking some of the light. Also, the filaments become faceted and thin in some places, leading to irregular light distribution.

Unfortunately, most drivers are unaware of this fact, not realizing they need to replace bulbs before they wear out. Or, drivers will only replace one bulb, even though the other bulb is most likely the same age and already worn, creating an uneven field of vision. A good rule of thumb is if you can't remember the last time you replaced your headlights, it's probably time.

"As the leading headlight manufacturer in North America, educating drivers about headlight safety is important to us. Tires, brakes, and wipers are synonymous with driver safety, but headlights and headlight replacement need to be part of the safety conversation," said Joe Verbanic, managing director of Sylvania

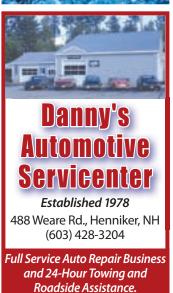
Automotive. "Your headlights are the most important safety device when driving at night. If you can't see what's on the road ahead of you, your tires and brakes can't be used effectively."

Verbanic added, "During the day, your vision is limited by just your eyesight. But at night, your headlights define your field of vision. You can't react to what you don't see, which means better headlights lead to safer driving."

A 20-30% dimming of your headlights means less light on the road and makes a huge difference at night, especially when traveling on dark roads with minimal overhead lighting. A recent AAA study found that over 80% of the vehicles on the road have halogen headlights, and that these lights may fail to safely illuminate dark roads at speeds as low as 40 mph.

When it comes to replacing your headlight bulbs, you have options. Not all halogen headlight bulbs are created equal. Most halogen headlights that come with new cars are basic level bulbs. They're OK. They meet minimum requirements. Upgraded bulbs go far beyond basic bulbs to offer brighter, whiter light, and farther downroad visibility.

So, with the end of daylight saving time, it's time to think about your headlights. Headlights are your first line of defense. To stay safe, make sure yours are providing the best protection. For more information, visit https://headlightsavingstime.com. (BPT)







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