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MLK



CAN WE GIVE THIS WOMAN AN AMEN?



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BUT IGNORANCE COMES IN ALL COLORS



Congratulations to the Hillsboro-Deering Class of 2020. You've come a long way since the 5th grade.

No contracts for Hopkinton staff

60 Hopkinton support staff without 2021 contracts

With voters rejecting seven alternative budget proposals during two drive-by sessions, 60 employees of the Hopkinton School District face an uncertain future, after the School Board decided not to vote to extend 2021 contracts to the support staff. According to Superintendent Steve Chamberlin, the Board's decision affects teacher aides and paraeducators, food service workers and office assistants.

School Board Chair Jim O'Brien explained that board members did not confirm contracts at Thursday's meeting because of a need to reduce district expenditures by \$500,000 in order to start the new fiscal year on July 1. The Board has until June 30 to extend contracts to these 60 employees before they lose their jobs and their health insurance.

Nancy Skarmeas, co-president of the educational support staff union, issued a statement saying staff members were "surprised and disappointed" by the announcement. "We ended the school year this week exhausted, but proud of what we had all accomplished together," she wrote.

"The disrespect shown for support staff employees by the board's actions Thursday night is unacceptable. Instead of looking back at work well done, support staff members now face possible loss of employment and health insurance in a very uncertain world."

The board had previously confirmed contracts for all Hopkinton teachers earlier this year. The School Board has scheduled a working session on June 18 to finalize which cuts will be made.

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Henniker approves operating budgets before continuing meeting

Henniker's twice postponed Town Meeting suffered an additional 50 minute delay on Saturday when the Wifi failed to connect in several of the 12 rooms containing voters. Once underway, Moderator Cordell Johnson announced that the first six articles, dealing with election of officers and zoning amendments had been previously approved in March.

Article 7, requesting a \$3,200,000 bond for upgrades at the Wastewater Plant was tabled.

Article 8, requesting a \$350,000 bond for new water pipe was approved on a 70-10 ballot vote.

Article 10 asked to approve \$5,628,228 as the town 2020 operating budget, reelecting a \$199,974, or 3% increase. A amendment by resident Robert

Garrison, affecting several line items was soundly defeated and the article approved.

After repeated technical breakdowns, the meeting was moved to the gym, where several pressing articles were brought forward.

Article 20 was passed, approving the \$229,379 Tucker Free Library operating budget, after another Garrison amendment was defeated.

Articles 34 and 35, calling for \$632,609 for the Wastewater Treatment

Plant budget and \$515,003, for the Cogswell Spring Water Works budget were also approved. Finally, articles 14 and 15 were brought forward. Article 14 asked that \$62,200 be added to the Ambulance Capital Reserve fund while 15 asked that \$275,000 of that fund be used to purchase a new ambulance. Both were approved.

With that, the meeting was adjourned to Wednesday July 15th at 6:00 p.m. at the Community School to take up the 20 articles that had not been dealt with.



Heidi Doyle of Hillsborough, a Library Media Specialist & Technology Integrator at Sunapee Central Elementary has been nominated for the NH 2021 Teacher of the Year Award.



Moderator Cordell Johnson and the Henniker Select Board exercising social distancing at the school library during Saturday's virtual Town Meeting.

ConVal Principal resigns, Great Brook Principal retires

ConVal High School Principal Michelle Voto has resigned unexpectedly. Voto became principal at the beginning of the 2019-2020 school year after serving a transitional year as dean of faculty, and at the Region 14 Applied Technology Center prior to that.

Voto did not return a request to comment on her action. In addition, Great Brook School Principal Jim Elder has announced his retirement at the end of the school year. Superintendent Kimberly Rizzo Saunders reports that school staff held a car parade in his honor.

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Yesteryear Local history as reported in The Messenger

June 14, 2019

Longtime Hopkinton Police Chief Ira Migdal dies
Crews from 6 towns battle Bennington Paper Mill fire
Henniker dedicates Azealea Park Riverfront Walk
Hopkinton celebrates reopening of its Library after devastating fire

June 16, 2018

Hopkinton explores solar array at closed landfill
Weare Fire Rescue donates used equipment to Dominican
Franklin parent demands Council "Raise my taxes"
Falling tree ravages Hillsborough house

June 16, 2017

New Boston crash leads to DWI charge
Northfield man indicted on gun & drug charges
Hancock man's body recovered from river
Weare and Tilton men indicted on drug charges

June 10, 2016

Franklin crowd urges City Council to restore school cuts
Dollar General hearing draws smaller less vocal crowd
Pair of Peterborough women charged with cocaine sales
Selectmen deny nighttime use of Goffstown Rail Trail

June 12, 2015

Four uninjured in Sunapee boat sinking
Dunbarton wrong way driver faces multiple charges
Franklin to install 500 LED street lights
Chad Howe resigns as Newport bus boss

June 13, 2014

25% of New England College faculty on early retirement
Weare settles another suit against Police Department
Great Brook selected as School of the Year
Is there a State Liquor Store in Warner's future?

June 14, 2013

Deering Selectman resigns unexpectedly
First steps taken to reorganize Weare Police Department
Two new New Boston police officers sworn in
Hopkinton Selectmen drop LSG as insurance carrier

June 15, 2012

Attorney Rob Howard earns Pro Bono Award
Antrim woman quits her job on principle
Attorney General files complaint against Weare Chief
New London Selectmen approve \$14,900 for concerts

June 17, 2011

Newbury man dies - another injured
Kim Hallquist named New London Town Administrator
Mark Christensen named Newport Principal
Sgt Russell Durgin - gone but not forgotten

June 16, 2010

Deering Selectman assaulted in Weare
Harvard professors host teen booze party
Weare man assaults his mother
Kearsarge towns to test CODE RED system

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Antrim man announces candidacy for NH House of Representatives

Jim Creighton is running for the New Hampshire State Legislature to help rebuild the state's economy safely, preserve conservative values, and fight for liberty. Jim is a retired Army colonel who owns a wilderness guide company, Ursa Major Northeast Guides LLC, and a leadership and security consulting company, Eagle Point Global



Antrim's Jim Creighton filed his candidacy through the window at Town Hall.

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He is a member of the Crotched Mountain Ski Patrol and Antrim Bennington Lions Club. He was elected to serve as the Antrim Supervisor of the Checklist. Jim looks forward to using his leadership and experience to serve the people of District 38. At the Antrim Town Hall, Jim said: "I chose to build my home and live in New Hampshire after 30 years in the Army because of the industrious people in the "Live Free or Die" state who take care of each other, the exciting business opportunities, the beautiful rural environment and natural resources, and the conservative tax structure."

Jim has been working hard to understand the issues concerning the people of District 38.

He has met with the town selectmen, attended the CONVAL School Board meetings, and is a member of the American Legion, and the Veterans of Foreign Wars. Jim is a member of the Greater Hillsborough Republican Party and meets regularly with many other groups throughout District

38. He enjoys meeting people from all ten towns in District 38. Hearing their perspectives and priorities helps him prepare to properly represent them in Concord and will be important as he works to solve the most important and difficult challenges. Jim looks forward to representing the people of District 38 as their State Legislator in Concord.



The Hancock Women's Club has announced that Angie LeFebvre is its 2020 scholarship recipient. LeFebvre has been awarded \$1,000 toward her Master's Degree in Patient Safety and Quality of Nursing at Southern New Hampshire University.

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POOR ORAL HEALTH LINKED TO COGNITIVE DECLINE



Dr. Esin Narli-Trangaris

Oral health is an essential part of psychological well-being and overall health in older adults. Poor oral health is associated with decreased quality of life, depression, hypertension, and cognitive decline. Two studies explored the relationship between poor oral health and cognitive decline and the effects of perceived stress and social support on dry mouth.

Researchers interviewed more than 2,700 Americans aged 60 and older and found that nearly 50 percent of study participants reported experiencing tooth symptoms; 25.5 percent reporting dry mouth. In the first study, those who reported tooth symptoms experienced declines in cognition and episodic memory, often precursors to dementia. In the second study, the researchers found that stress increased symptoms of dry mouth, leading to poorer overall oral health.

Key findings:

- 47.8 percent reported having teeth symptoms; participants who reported teeth symptoms at baseline experienced their global cognition and episodic memory decline.
- 18.9 percent reported gum symptoms.
- 15.6 percent reported teeth and gum symptoms.
- 25.5 percent reported dry mouth.

More perceived stress was associated with higher odds of dry mouth.

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TAKE YOUR MEDICINE



BY SARAH CHAPIN

A large portion of patients taking prescription drugs that could affect driving may not be aware they could potentially be driving impaired, according to research in the November issue of the *Journal of Studies on Alcohol and Drugs*. Nearly 20 percent of people in the study reported recent use of a prescription medication with the potential for impairment, but not all said they were aware that the medication could affect their driving, despite the potential for receiving warnings from their doctor, their pharmacist, or the medication label itself. The percentages of those who said they had received a warning from one of those sources varied by type of medication: 86 percent for sedatives, 85 percent for narcotics, 58 percent for stimulants, and 63 percent for antidepressants. In this study, the type of medication in question was also related to drivers' perceptions about their impairment risk. They were most likely to think that sleep aids were the most likely to affect safe driving, followed by morphine/codeine, other amphetamines, and muscle relaxants. Attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) medications were viewed as least likely to affect driving risk.

Women may only need three cervical screens in their lifetime if they have been given the human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine, according to a new study published in the *International Journal of Cancer*. The HPV vaccine protects women against the most dangerous forms of HPV, significantly reducing the chance of developing cervical cancer.

The U.S. Preventive Services Task Force has issued a new recommendation against the use of combined estrogen and progestin in postmenopausal women, or estrogen alone in postmenopausal women who have had a hysterectomy, to prevent chronic conditions such as heart disease, dementia and stroke.

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Luckily no one was sitting in this Volvo on Summer Street in Antrim when this tree limb fell on it.

Peterborough Police condemn actions of the Minneapolis Police in George Floyd's death

Peterborough Police Chief Scott M. Guinard issued the following statement in regard to the death of George Floyd: "Peterborough Police Department adamantly condemns the actions of former Minneapolis officer Derek Chauvin and the inactions of the other on-scene officers at the time of Mr. Floyd's death. The actions of those officers are unconscionable and disturbing. The Peterborough Police Department's thoughts and prayers are with Mr. Floyd, his family, and friends. The actions of these Minneapolis officers break the public faith and trust that all police officers have with their communities. Their actions and inactions are in sharp contrast with the culture and values of the Peterborough Police Department. The actions that led to the death of George Floyd are reprehensible and should shock the conscience of every police officer. Please know that the members of the Peterborough Police Department strive to provide quality professional police services, protecting the rights of all residents and visitors of this community."

Hancock Select Board cancels several events

Town of Hancock fireworks scheduled for July 2nd have been postponed until August 14th. The Town will re-evaluate holding fireworks at a later date. The Select Board voted to cancel this year's Recreation Summer Camp. The Town beach will be open, lifeguards will not be on duty; swim at your own risk. The docks and rafts will not be put out this year. The Select Board cancelled this year's Memorial Day Parade due to the ongoing coronavirus pandemic

Henniker Town Hall open by appointment

The Henniker Town Hall is now open to serve the public. Any person looking to visit Town Hall must first make an appointment. Some offices require 1 day notice in advance of the appointment. Please use the 'Schedule Appointment' button on the home page.

Economic Development Advisory Committee promoting Warner

Charlie Albano of the Economic Development Advisory Committee briefed the Warner Select Board on the committees' recent activities. He asked that the committee be given access to all the plans and records of the Old Graded School House so members could assess its potential use.

The mural project is progressing with \$5,000 raised and another \$5,000 needed for which Albano has applied to the NH Arts Council for a grant. Eight applicants have applied to do the mural, which should be completed this summer.

The committee has expressed interest

in acquiring the former Harris Masonic Lodge. The School Board had agreed to buy it until it was discovered that it would take about \$200,000 to abate all the lead paint and asbestos, which is more than the asking price.

Inquiries will be made to see if the Masons would be willing to donate or sell the building to the town for \$1.

Bret Ingold mentioned that the facility would also make a good commercial kitchen

in conjunction with a Food Pantry.

Finally he reported that he is arranging a drone flyover of the town to be included on the website as a further inducement for businesses to locate in Warner.

Nancy Martin of the Committee received Board authorization to expend \$3,500 from the Land trust to purchase a 1.8 acre parcel adjacent to the 9 acres being acquired in order to be able to expand the Rail Trail system.

ATV, UTV & OHRV abuses

Resident Ann Poole met with the Hillsborough Select Board to register a complaint over the lack of enforcement of ATV & OHRV abuses on public roads. She would like the Board to explain what ordinances are in place and Police Chief David Roarick to explain what is being done to enforce them. The Board will ask the chief to attend the next meeting for such a discussion. The Board also decided to delay the purchase of body cameras for the police for 2 months to see how revenue comes in.



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WHAT'S IN A MORTGAGE PAYMENT



By: Joyce Bosse

A monthly mortgage payment includes at least two parts: an amount that goes toward the principal of the loan (the money you've borrowed) and a second amount that goes toward interest (the cost of borrowing the money).

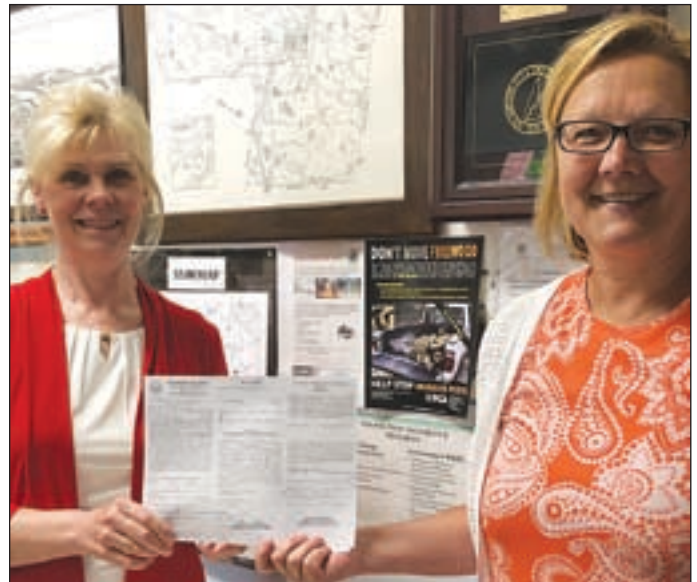
For most homeowners, however, there is also a third part of the mortgage payment: an amount that is paid into an escrow account that the lender maintains for you to pay for things like homeowners hazard insurance, property taxes, condominium and association fees and mortgage insurance (if applicable). This is the element of the monthly payment that can go up or down even in a fixed-rate mortgage. Together, these elements are called PITI:

- P — Principal
- I — Interest
- T — Taxes
- I — Insurance

Homeowners must pay property taxes and they must have some type of homeowners insurance. Depending on state laws and other variables, most lenders require homeowners to pay into what is called an "escrow account." In this account, the lender or mortgage servicer keeps enough money to cover your property taxes and homeowners insurance. You pay into this account each month as part of your mortgage payment. When your taxes are due, the lender/servicer pays them for you. The same is true for your insurance. The lender/servicer sends you a periodic statement showing how much is in this account.

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Natalie Wells (l) of Warner has filed to represent Merrimack 25 in the NH House of Representatives. When Natalie previously served in the legislature, she fought to reduce regulations on small businesses and cut taxes. "I ask for your support and vote on Tuesday, September 8."

John Stark to hold post graduation parade

Following graduation on Saturday, June 13 (rain date June 14) there will be a parade led by Weare and Henniker Police Departments through Henniker and then back to Weare. At about 11:45 AM, the parade will leave the High School and travel north on Rte. 114 toward Henniker, turning west on Grove Street and then south on Circle Street around Henniker Town Hall. Then turn south on Rte. 114 and head back to Weare Middle School, turn east onto the bus access road at the middle school and then back north onto Rte. 114. The parade will end back at the high school. Spectators are asked not to approach any of the vehicles.

Greenfield man charged with DWI on ATV

Timothy Briand, 25, of Greenfield faces charges of operating an ATV while drunk after he drove off a private road and hit a tree last Sunday. Conservation officers and Pittsburg Police responded to Colburn Road to investigate reports of a single-vehicle OHRV crash with injury. Briand sustained serious injuries after losing control of the ATV he was operating. He was not wearing a helmet or safety equipment and lost consciousness as a result of the impact. Briand was charged with felony-level aggravated DWI.

Weare Legion Posts flag burning June 14th

Philbrick-Clement Legion Post 65 in Weare honored veterans during a Memorial Day ceremony. Legion members saluted the post's namesakes, George Philbrick, a World War I veteran who died at Camp Devens in 1918 during that year's influenza epidemic, and Richard Clement, who was killed in World War II. Flag Day will be observed in a private ceremony on June 14, when flags will be respectfully burned. The public is encouraged to deposit flags to be retired any time in a container on the south wall of the post, near the side door.

Hopkinton State Fair canceled over Covid concerns

Following the recommendations of the police, fire, health, and government officials, the Hopkinton State Fair's Board of Directors has made the extremely difficult decision to cancel the 2020 fair. The health and safety of everyone takes precedence.



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Hopkinton Select Board issues a statement condemning racism

"As we continue to work together, united, representing the residents of Hopkinton, we would like to send a clear message that we stand against racism. We condemn the recent killings of Black Americans, including George Floyd, at the hands of police officers. We extend our sympathies to the families and friends of those whose lives were taken so senselessly. Together, we stand in grief

and sorrow against these unconscionable acts of violence, which violated police officers' oaths to protect and serve. Further, we acknowledge and condemn the tragic reality that discrimination against people of color in America is part of deeply rooted systems of oppression. We stand together today to say that as a country, we must do better. This begins in our communities, where we must

fight racism and bias, explicit and implicit, and work to create and keep communities that are welcoming and just.

We all have a role to play in fighting racial injustice every day. To that end, we invite our citizens to engage with us in standing up for justice and in making Hopkinton a welcoming and inclusive community in which to live, work, and visit."



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Publisher's Perspective

George Floyd - Come Together Over Me

I was pleased that last week's Publisher's Perspective on the death of George Floyd received such support and praise. There were a few, however, who questioned my assertion that racism still exists and that there is validity to the claims of White privilege.

To understand the truth of the matter, whites only need to acknowledge the fact that WE DIDN'T GROW UP BLACK. We didn't experience generations of being told that you are inferior, of fearing the police. We never experienced the stares and fears of others for simply standing in line at a bank or convenience store.

That is the essence of white privilege, not only an advantage, but by not suffering the disadvantage and disrespect of racial profiling.

I was fortunate to learn about racial profiling at an early age. I grew up in Hillsborough in the 50's and 60's and needless to say, didn't know any black people. In the

fall of 1965, prior to starting college, UNH hosted a camp for incoming freshmen to get acquainted with each other. Each day several of us would gather at the basketball court for a pickup game.

One morning I was selected to be one of the captains to choose a team. I noticed a tall, trim, black man, and knowing that all blacks are great athletes, I immediately chose him to be on my team. To my great surprise, not only was he not a great athlete, he could hardly walk and chew gum at the same time.

In that instant I realized that if all blacks were not great athletes, then perhaps they could also be great accountants, lawyers, and doctors. That lesson taught me that I was prejudiced, not from hate, but from the limits of my knowledge, experience and upbringing.

Racial tension is ripping us apart. Let George Floyd's death be the catalyst to finally unite us.

Don't Be Quick To Condemn

Many who attended Henniker's attempt at a virtual Town Meeting on Saturday suffered a combination of boredom, frustration and anger. Those feelings are justified.

What is not justified is turning that anger towards those who organized the event. Moderator Cordell Johnson, Town Administrator Joe Devine, the Select Board and the school staff worked tirelessly in an attempt to give Henniker citizens the opportunity to

attend, participate and vote in a Covid-19 challenged exercise in democracy.

Their efforts fell short, but rather than being condemned, they should be applauded as dedicated and committed public servants.

We love our democracy, but no one claimed it was efficient. Without public servants like these and an appreciative citizenry democracy fails.



A total of 57 voters participated in the Emerald Lake Village District's drive-by voting on Saturday, approving all 13 articles on the Warrant. The District's requested \$188,234 Operating Budget was approved by a vote of 47 yes to 8 no. Voters also approved \$357,000 to replace the Red Fox Crossing culvert and bridge, \$350,000 to obtain a new water source, and \$366,861 to operate the Water Department.



Dry conditions and brisk winds contributed to several area forest fires. Hopkinton crews worked for about 2 hours to extinguish a deep seated fire on Irish Hill Road, (left photo). New London crews battled a fire on Great Island which was extinguished using hand lines supplied by Newbury's Fire Boat, (right photo).



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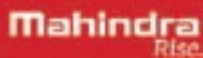
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Halie Hurd of Washington, NH, has been named to the Plymouth State University President's List for the Spring 2020 semester. To be named to the President's List, a student must achieve a grade point average of 3.7 or better for the Spring 2020 semester and must have attempted at least 12 credit hours during the semester. Hurd is a Physical Education major at Plymouth State.

Plymouth State University President's List

Cassandra Cutting of Peterborough, **Lydia Finch** of Peterborough, **Autumn Hughes** of Contoocook, **Brianna Stevens** of Bennington, **Noah Young** of Henniker, **Michelle Ciardelli** of Peterborough, **Sydney Dubois** of Goffstown, **Keelin Dunn** of Bradford, **Payne Gould** of Contoocook, **Lily Hamel** of Hillsboro, **Carly Kimball** of Bennington, **Jessica McGregor** of New Boston, **Emmaleigh Sabol** of Contoocook, **Sage Hubicki** of Contoocook, **Kyle Shearer** of Peterborough, **Nicolas Casavecchia** of Hillsboro, **Clara Colby** of Antrim, **Emma Fredyma** of Hopkinton, **Elizabeth Service** of Warner, **Brittani Doyle** of Peterborough, **Halie Hurd** of Washington, **Emma Veazie** of Hillsborough, **Samuel Martel** of Goffstown, **Carabeth Norklun** of Goffstown, **Emma Revaz** of New Boston, **Tomasa Tucker** of Bradford, **Aaron Weed** of Henniker, **Henry Casey** of New London.

Plymouth State University Dean's List

Cole Michie of Henniker, **Riley Bemont** of Peterborough, **Bridget Grady** of Hillsborough, **Maya Langa** of Peterborough, **Ava Mazzone** of Peterborough, **Samuel Martel** of Goffstown, **Carabeth Norklun** of Goffstown, **Emma Revaz** of New Boston, **Tomasa Tucker** of Bradford, **Henry Casey** of New London.

University of Vermont Graduates

Elise Albertini of New Boston, **Meghan Close** of Antrim, **Gina Costello** of Deering, **Nicholas Trusio** of New London, **Nicholas White** of Bradford.

University of Utah Dean's List

Sydney Mills of Dunbarton, whose major is listed as Biology BS. **Kylie Mitchell** of Hancock, whose major is listed as Parks Recreation & Tourism BS. **Tucker Valovic** of Newbury, whose major is listed as Geography BS. **Sofie Brath** of Gullaug, whose major is listed as Finance MS. ▶



Alma Mater

Clarkson University Scholars

Cameron Chouinard of Goffstown, a sophomore majoring in aeronautical engineering, **Elise Paquette** of New London, a senior majoring in mechanical engineering, **William Scott Rollins** of New Boston, a freshman majoring in aeronautical engineering, were named to the Dean's List. **Justin Daniel Almeida** of New Boston, received a bachelor of science degree in aeronautical engineering. **Benjamin Roger Roy** of New Boston, received a bachelor of science degree with distinction in chemical engineering from Clarkson University in May.

Other Colleges & Universities

Paul Petry of New London qualified for the Spring 2020 Dean's List at Belmont University.

Amid unprecedented and challenging circumstances, **Mikaela Newman**, of Hillsborough, earns placement on Assumption College Dean's List.

Nicholas Guarente, of Contoocook, is one of more than 1,300 Canisius College students named to the spring 2020 Dean's List or Merit List. Guarente is a member of the Canisius Class of 2022 and pursuing a degree in Marketing.

Travis Bender, age 18, of Hopkinton recently earned his Bachelor's degree in computer science from Thomas Edison State University. He has been homeschooled since age 10 and began earning college credits at age 14 as a high-schooler. He completed his high school program in 2017 at age 15 and spent the next three years working on his bachelor's degree.

Wheaton College (Ill.) student **Sarah Owen** of Goffstown was recently inducted into the Sigma Tau Delta English Honors Society.

Anna Sarkisian, a Conservation Biology major at Grove City College from Frankestown, has been named to the Dean's List for the Spring 2020 semester. Anna is a 2017 graduate of Classical Conversations.



Honors

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Grade 8 High Honors: Jake Alonso, Riley Batty, Hannah Beisang, Jennae DeShane, Makaela Drummond, John Harris, Aidan Learn, Abigail Lussier, Gabrielle Ramsden, Beatrice Robblee, Ellen Rupp, Ryann Shippee, Shaelan Stetzer, Jack Theberge, Liasiah Torres.

Honors: Nariyah Acorn, Cailyn Auterio, Gillian Bouthillette, Emily Casey Hughes, Autumn Charron, Aiden Demetrio, Talia Desrosiers, Broden Frosch, Owen Gershfield, Roenne Hanley, Wyatt Harty, Hannah Leahigh, Meran McKinnon, Owen Palmer, Ivy Poittila, Makila Sestito, Colton Short, Andrew St. Cyr, Paytra Stacy, Emily Vanderpool, Aryanah Vayens, Jason Way, Chloe Whicker, Uilliam Wilmoth, Evan Wloszczyna.

Grade 7 High Honors: Iley Battaglia, Kayla Bond, Cadence Buckingham, Eliza Bull, Eben Charlonne, Wrayana Covey, Damien Cronan, Hannah Daniels, Aric Evans, Brynn Frosch, Hannah Hardwick, James Healey, Ethan Holdredge, Liam Lambert, Tegan Lightfoot, ►

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Honors: James Barto, Sawyer Bouchard, Addyson Charron, Griffin DeLisle, Violette Dube, Kendrick Edwards, Koltin Gernat-Hemenway, Honor Hagelberg, Chrystina Hall, Owen Halliday, Karmen Holloway, Owen Kaltsas, Aidan Kelley, Jack Kidd, Mackenzie Noke, Grace O'Brien, Matthew Palmer, Madison Smith, Luis Torres, Faith Valencia.

Grade 6 High Honors: Annika Akey, Damien Allen, Brian Alonso, Esben Andersen, Lukas Baker, Nora Bond, Natalie Cahoon, Adam Connor, Charles Damata, Alia Dodge, Donald Hardwick, Haily Hardwick, Riley Heider, Remy Kekuewa-Colon, Keityn MacKay, Aidan Marony, Savannah McCarthy, Brielle Proctor, Leila Rashidi, Adeline Regis, Valarie Rife, Cillian Robbins, Kaelyn Samuelson, Makenzie Sazonick, Ella Stultz, Cayden Sullivan, Joseph Vasco, Clara Wilsher, Degan Wing.

Honors: Alexandra Akerley, Kyle Albert, Joseph Bailey, Xavier Bausum, Kendra Beaumont, Dylan Beisang, Alexander Bellen, Henry Chamberlin, Isaac Clough, Tabitha Coe, Samuel Couturier, Jazmin Davison, Ayden Emanuelson, Cameron Gagne, Matthew Guislin, Mae Hagelberg, Tucker Hall, Noah Hardwick, Kendall Harris, Joseph Hodgen, Evan Kelley, Aubree Lamothe, Lydia McGrath, Olivia Michaels, Jack Phelps, Cody Pitchard, Ema Richardson, Owen Rudy, Travis Sanborn, Jaz Surprenant, Eliaha Torres, Nathaniel Vanderpool, Lovelynn Wilcox, Harley Wilson, Tyler Wood.

New location for New London Sept 8 voting

New London voters will cast ballots in a new location for the September 8th Primary Election. After decades of voting in historic Whipple Memorial Town Hall, the Selectmen decided to hold voting at the Public Works Garage on South Pleasant Street. The new location will allow voters and election workers to maintain social distancing— a critical requirement to fight the spread of the coronavirus. In making this decision, the Selectmen heard from Moderator Michael Todd, Assistant Moderator Ann Bedard, Town Clerk Will Kidder, Supervisors of the Checklist Celeste Cook and Carol Fraley, and Public Works Director Bob Harrington who viewed the space and recommended that it would work well for voting.

2020 Antrim Home and Harvest is canceled

After consulting with Town Offices and Antrim Home & Harvest Chair, it has been decided to cancel the 2020 Antrim Home and Harvest due to the unknown risks to public safety due to the Covid19 Virus and deadlines that have passed that would've ensured the event could occur this year.

Peterborough cancels Deliberative Session in favor of ballot only voting

Peterborough officials are canceling the town's deliberative session and holding a ballot-only voting session in lieu of a traditional Town Meeting this year. They are encouraging residents to use absentee ballots to reduce traffic at the polls.

The plan calls for two virtual information sessions in June, with all-ballot voting completed by absentee ballot or drop off at the Community Center in July. The first question on the ballot after election

of officers and a zoning petition, would ask "Are you willing to vote on the articles without debate?"

If passed, voting would follow an amended SB2-style process. If Article A or the budget failed, the town would reconsider a traditional town meeting. In this

format, Articles would not be able to be amended. A virtual meeting is scheduled for June 16, with a follow up session on June 30. Voting is scheduled for July 14. In-person voting will occur at the Community Center, with limited numbers of voters in the building at a time.



Travis Day has joined leading financial security company Northwestern Mutual – Manchester, as financial representative. Day is a native of Antrim. Day also holds his insurance producers license in NH, and soon will also be licensed in MA.



Washington's historic Seventh-day Adventist Church site was closed to visitors while workers were there to remove the tree that fell on the pavilion and repair it.

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Changes at the New Boston Transfer Station

Transfer Station Manager Gerry Cornett met with the New Boston Select Board to review Transfer Station operations which are moving forward within the guidelines of NH DES and CDC. He requested the Selectmen approve proposed operating changes including acceptance of some recyclables including glass, aluminum cans, tin cans and cardboard and increasing parking capabilities. Metal and compost areas are open with some restrictions. The Still Good Room will remain closed for now.

Land is cleared for Newbury's Fire Station

Fire Chief Ken Holmes updated the Newbury Select Board on the status of the New Fire Station. Holmes said that trees were cleared, multiple test pits, borings, probes and surveys were done by the civil engineer. The original third driveway does not meet the DOT requirements for line of site, so the entrance was redesigned. There will still be separate parking areas for the playground and the Vets memorial. The architect and engineers are still working on the design process. Holmes said you won't see any more onsite work until July. On June 16th we are presenting to the planning board as a courtesy. The rest of the construction documents are expected to be completed in early July and then all the trades will go out to bid. Holmes will come back on July 6th with the next update.

Francestown Village Store reopens July 4th

After nearly three years since it closed, the Francestown Village Store is expected to reopen on July 4th. Resident Philip Lawrence has signed a lease with the Francestown Improvements and Historical Society and plans to open as soon as possible, with his wife, three year-old son, mother, and father. Lawrence will own the business, but FIHS will retain ownership of the building, which now has three tenants: the Francestown Village Store, financial adviser Michael White of Ameriprise, and fine artist Rosemary Conroy.

Man injured in Hopkinton ATV accident

Phillip Batten of Merrimack man was seriously hurt when his ATV hit a stump on a trail system in Hopkinton on Sunday afternoon. When New Hampshire Fish and Game, Hopkinton Police and EMS responded to the Boundtree trail system, they found Batten suffering from “serious but non-life threatening injuries.”



Welcome to your High School years.

Goffstown Police discover potential bomb

Goffstown Officer Zach Schucart discovered a suspicious package on Route 114 near Mast Road. The package was described as two cylindrical items wrapped together with black electrical tape. Due to the appearance of this item, the New Hampshire State Police Explosive Disposal Unit was contacted. The Explosive Disposal Unit confirmed that the device in question was an incendiary device. That device was neutralized. Kyle S. Ducharme, 24, of Merrimack, was charged with a class A misdemeanor, Possession of an Infernal Machine.

Bennington's Whitemore Lake now open

Bennington Town Administrator Kristie LaPlante has announced that Whitemore Lake is now open for residents. There are no lifeguards, beach attendants or raft, but buoys will be placed to mark the swimming area. Picnic tables have also been removed.

Goffstown Parks & Rec camps canceled

After careful consideration, the Town of Goffstown has made the difficult decision to cancel the Parks & Recreation Summer Playground Summer Camps. Current facilities at Roy and Barnard Parks are not conducive to the necessary distancing guidelines and disinfecting procedures that would need to be adhered to assure the health and safety of all involved. The public pools at Barnard Park and Roy Park are not yet opened; those pools are normally opened after mid-June. These pools will remain closed until further notice.

New Children's Librarian in Francestown

Peterborough resident Chloe Kipka has been hired as the new children's librarian at Francestown's George Holmes Bixby Memorial Library. Kipka, 25, a ConVal graduate, worked at the Harrisville Children's Center previously, and taught German to middle and high school students.

Greenfield State Park now open to public

Greenfield State Park is now open, and has filled each of the 50 available campsites every weekend since they opened on May 21. The Greenfield Fire Department has also resumed their campfire wood sales since the campground's reopening.

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HILLSBORO-DEERING SCHOOL DISTRICT REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Hillsboro-Deering School District • School Psychologist Independent Contractor • 2020-2021 School Year

The Hillsboro-Deering School District is accepting proposals for the 2020-2021 school year for an independent contract for School Psychologist services to students, grades 9-12, for approximately 20 hours per week. Bid winner must maintain a valid professional license and insurance policy. Bids are due by June 22, 2020. Bids can be mailed to Patricia Parenteau, SAU # 34, PO Box 2190, Hillsboro, NH 03244 or emailed to cfogarty@hdsd.org

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WASHINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

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The Washington School District is accepting proposals for the 2020-2021 school year for an independent contract for Occupational Therapy services to students, pre-kindergarten-grade 5, for approximately 3 hours per week. Bid winner must maintain a valid professional license and insurance policy. Bids are due by June 22, 2020. Bids can be mailed to Patricia Parenteau, SAU #34, PO Box 2190, Hillsboro, NH 03244 or emailed to cfogarty@hdsd.org.

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Obituaries: Friends & Neighbors Remembered

Bruce E. Eldridge

HENNIKER - Bruce E. Eldridge passed away at home on June 7, 2020 with family by his side. He was 74 years old. Bruce was born in Wolfeboro, NH on March 21, 1946 to Harry P. Eldridge, Jr. and Cristabel (Stacey) Eldridge. Bruce is survived by his partner



Diane Carpenter of Henniker, NH; his daughters Lisa Eldridge and her wife Heidi LaPlante of West Swanzey, NH; Robin Eldridge and her partner Brad Waters of Swanzey, NH; his brothers Gregory Eldridge, and his wife Judith, of Wolfeboro, NH; Harry P. Eldridge III and his wife, Lori, of Pembroke, NH; Douglas Eldridge and his wife, Mary, of Tamworth, NH; Darrin Eldridge of Indian Harbour Beach, FL; and Christopher Beaudet of Manchester, NH; his sisters Rebecca (Eldridge) Helme of Contoo-

cook; Wynetta (Eldridge) John and her husband, Stephen, of Brattleboro, VT; and Christine (Eldridge) Stevens and her husband, John, of Center Conway, NH; Bruce also leaves 1 granddaughter Danielle Sheldon and 2 great grandsons Ryder & Julian Hinz. Bruce was predeceased by his parents, Harry P. Eldridge Jr. and Christobel Eldridge. A graveside service for the family will be held at the Ossipee Valley Cemetery on Friday, June 12, 2020 at 1:00 pm.

Patricia Alice (Blake) Chambers

NEWBURY - On Wednesday, May 27, 2020, Patricia Alice (Blake) Chambers, loving wife and mother, peacefully passed away at the age of 84. Patricia was born in June of 1935 to Martha (Gillingham) and Harry Clement Blake and grew up in South Newbury. Patricia is predeceased by her daughter, Teresa and sisters, June and Shirley. She is survived by her husband, Francis, their children, Pamela, Kathleen, Duane, and Patrick; her sisters,

Marion and Kay, and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren. A small private service will be held at this time and a larger gathering announced at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations in Patricia's name can be made to the NHSPCA (<https://nhspca.org/>).



Alice L. (Thomson) Josselyn

WEARE - Alice L. (Thomson) Josselyn, 75, passed away May 10, 2020, at Villa Crest Nursing and Retirement Center from complications due to COVID-19. She is survived by her daughter, Pamela Paris, and her son-in-law, Timothy Paris of Weare, her daughter, Carlene Reisman of Manchester, NH; and her daughter, Rebecca Josselyn of Man-



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Peter V. Sampo, Ph.D.

WARNER - Dr. Peter V. Sampo, 89, of Warner, NH, a dedicated educator and advocate of liberal arts education, passed away on May 27, 2020, at Concord Hospital. He was born in New Derry, PA., on January 25, 1931, the son of Peter and Aurelia Sampo. Dr. Sampo's family members include his wife, Mary Mum-



bach Sampo; four sons, Peter Sampo and his wife Kristin of FL, Michael Sampo and his wife Nancy of Bow, Vincent Sampo and his wife Elizabeth of Canterbury, and David Sampo and his wife Lenka of Bedford; two daughters, Rosanne MacBrien and her husband Andrew of Merrimack, and Theresa Fontanella and her husband Michael of Littleton, MA. He was also loved as "Pap" by his 13 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by his first wife, Lenora (DeGrandis) Sampo in 1993. A private Mass of Christian Burial will take place in Our Lady, Queen of Apostles Chapel, followed by interment with military honors at Mt. Calvary Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in his memory to Magdalen College of the Liberal Arts.

David A. Marsh

BRISTOL - David A. Marsh, 59, of

Bristol passed away on Friday May 22, 2020. He was born April 30, 1961 in Concord. He was predeceased by his father, Clinton A. Marsh, Sr. and mother, Martha L. (Tarr) Marsh. He is survived by his wife, of 10 years, Penny Thompson, step-daughter, Heather Thompson and grand-daughter, Julie-Ann Tozier of Plymouth. Services will be held at a later date at the convenience of the family.

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