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#### **Peterborough promotion**

Master Patrolman Chris Martin was recently promoted to the rank of Detective in the Peterborough Police Department.



#### Colby-Sawyer's President

Colby-Sawyer
College President
Susan D. Stuebner has been
elected to serve
on the Board of
Directors for the
National Associa-



tion of Independent Colleges and Universities (NAICU).

#### This Week In History February 20, 1980

Soviet Union misses Jimmy Carter's Afghanistan deadline

**February 21, 1944**Japanese Prime Minister Tojo

makes himself near dictator February 22, 1864

Union loses Battle of Okolona

February 23, 1861

Abraham Lincoln arrives in Washington

**February 24, 1864**Battle of Dalton begins

**February 25, 1991**Missile kills 27 US Troops in Saudi Arabia

February 26, 2017

US drone strike kills Osama bin Laden's son-in-law

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The Contoocook Chamber Board joined owner Brian Cressy who cut the ribbon to the newly refurbished '910 Main Street Building' (L-R) from left to right Jennifer Mock, LeeAnne Vance, Meredith Lee, Brian Cressy, Greg Sagris, Traci Pettengill.

## Chamber helps dedicate renovated office building in Contoocook

The Contoocook Chamber of Commerce officially welcomed the '910 Main Street Building' to the village of Contoocook. On Thursday Chamber Board Members assisted in cutting the ribbon to commemorate the building's new owner and business residents.

The historical building has been a mainstay of the village's landscape for decades but was recently bought by local developer Brian Cressy.

Located at 910 Main Street the building is aptly named after the village square address.

Brian Cressy has updated the main floor's office space, board room, kitchen and bath. Brian is associated with several businesses including Maple Row Management, Elm Brook Capital, Firepoint Properties and a partnership with attorneys Seth Greenblott and Jim O'Rouke, The River Group. He has moved his businesses into the main floor.

New to the office space is Knock Knock Social, a digital marketing agency owned by Meredith (Astles) Lee. "I am incredibly excited to be a part of the 910 Main Street office building! It feels very "full-circle" to have grown-up in town, and now have an office space in the heart of Hopkinton." In addition to the office spaces 910 Main Street also has a long leased apartment space. "I love this little village," says owner Cressy. "I've seen it come to life over the past several years and I want to be a part of the growth."

#### Man dies, daughter survives Peterborough head-on crash

Ryan Kerick, 39, of Manchester was killed in a weekend crash on Route 101 in Peterborough. State Police reports indicate that Kerick was driving east on Route 101 near Field Road Saturday night when Brett Biron, 21, of Milford, driving westbound, lost control and crossed the center line colliding head-on with Kerick's SUV.

Kerick died at the scene of the crash, but his daughter survived. Biron suffered serious injuries and was airlifted to Elliot Hospital in Manchester.

The young girl did not suffer serious injuries. Authorities believe driver fatigue was a factor in the crash, which remains under investigation.











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#### The famous Cracker Barrel is now the Hopkinton Village Store

Allison and Will, who preferred not to be photographed and declined to give their last name, purchased Hopkinton's Cracker Barrel Store in October, and are excited to carry on the 230 year institution in Hopkinton Village.

The owners have made some immediate changes, including changing the name to "Hopkinton" Village Store, assuring long-time patrons that they won't see major changes. While they have exciting ideas that will be implemented over time, they will be continuing to offer the morning coffee and breakfast sandwich, lunchtime soup, Friday night pizza, and their top-quality meat and grocery items that you know and love.

Allison and Will are New Hampshire natives who live near the store. They married at the New London Historical Society in 2016, and moved to Hopkinton to be close to family in 2019 following the birth of their daughter.

Allison was raised in Bow, NH, and as a young adult lived in upstate New York, Manhattan, Brooklyn, and Cambridge before making her way back to the seacoast of New Hampshire to start a family with Will. She works in software product management and marketing. Will was raised in Manchester and Bedford, NH and is a Veteran. Following his service, he attended the University of New Hampshire. He has worked in food markets

around the state starting at the age of 12, and now manages store partnerships and marketing. Together, they love to explore New Hampshire by hiking boot, mountain bike, canoe, and alpine ski, and relax by cooking a meal, watching the stars, and brainstorming ideas for Hopkinton Village

Store together.

The owners and their excellent staff are locals passionate about nurturing community. They are grateful for your support of Hopkinton Village Store. When you see them around, please introduce yourself: they would love to hear from you.



The Hopkinton Village Store.

#### New London Hospital & Town of Newport still at odds

The New London Hospital Association, which owns the \$6.9 million health clinic on John Stark Highway in Newport, has been fighting with the town over the 2016 tax bill and the 2018 tax bills. The New Hampshire Supreme Court recently affirmed a lower court's ruling on the 2016 tax appeal, finding that New London Hospital did not file for a tax break as a

charitable organization in time for the 2016 tax bill. The hospital's annual tax bill now exceeds \$200,000. Newport Select Board Chair Jeffrey Kessler reports that nonprofits typically find ways to pay something through a payment in lieu of tax (PILOT) agreement, but there is currently no such agreement between the hospital and the town.



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This issue of The Messenger is being mailed to you to introduce our weekly newspaper. Future issues will be mailed to you on a rotating basis. On weeks you do not receive one in the mail, you may pick it up each Friday at Village Store, Lakeshore Tavern, Town Office, Every Day Cafe, Bridge Restaurant, Dimitri's, Merrimack Bank, Colonial Villager & Dunkin Donuts. You may also download one at **www.granitequill.com** or email us at quillsales.com and we will send you one each week by Constant Contact.

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#### February 21, 2020

Center Woods teacher donates kidney to colleague Missing Weare man's body discovered in MA Hopkinton Fire Department promotes two Newbury man dives into lake to avoid arrest

#### February 22, 2019

20-year-old Hillsborough woman killed on Main Street Weare to pay former Policeman Joe Kelley again Henniker Rescue Squad recognized Police Officer Hillsborough teenager not guilty of graduation threat

#### February 23, 2018

FBI Joint Terrorism Task Force at John Stark Hopkinton taking steps to improve school security H-D Board applies for two School Security Grants Weare woman thankful of those who saved her life

#### February 24, 2017

Juvenile charged with gun threat at John Stark Goffstown man faces felony burglary charges The Hancock Market sold to Inn owners Warner man convicted of several sexual assaults

#### February 19, 2016

H-D Elementary Principal resigns
Goffstown woman guilty of forging checks
PETA withdraws protest of Newport's "Greased Pig"
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

#### Inexperienced snowmobiler suffers injuries after colliding with bob-house

On Sunday, February 14th, NH Fish and Game Conservation Officers were contacted for a snowmobiler who had crashed into a bob-house on Franklin Pierce Lake.

Jennie Larson, age 20, of Biddeford, Maine, was operating an unregistered Arctic Cat snowmobile in the boat launch area of Manahan Park. It appears she pinned the throttle and traveled south on the lake.

Larson was inexperienced, having never ridden a snowmobile before, and did not know how to operate the snowmobile to include turning or stopping.

Larson accelerated south down the lake at a

high rate of speed before crashing head-on into a bobhouse. Larson was ejected from the machine into the bob-house. The snowmobile landed behind the bob-



house. The snowmobile and bob-house were heavily damaged. Larson's friends called 911 for help.

Hillsboro Police, Hillsboro Fire and Rescue, Henniker Fire and Rescue, and NH Fish and Game Conservation Officers responded to the scene.

Larson was transported to Concord Hospital for further evaluation and treatment. She sustained serious but non-life threatening injuries. Larson was not wearing a helmet at the time of the crash. It appears that inexperience and speed were the primary contributing factors.

Special thanks to Livingston's Arctic Cat in

Hillsboro for providing assistance and UTV transportation for first-responder/rescue personnel to the crash site from the boat launch.



## CHEWING SUGAR-FREE GUM AFTER EATING OR DRINKING HELPS PREVENT TOOTH DECAY



Sugar-free gum could be an easy and effective addition to families' oral health routines. While brushing for two minutes, twice a day is still the best way to keep teeth clean and healthy, for children over the age of seven, chewing sugar-free gum during the day can be extremely effective in breaking down lingering food, neutralizing harmful plaque acids and reducing the risk of decay.

Chewing sugar-free gum after eating and drinking increases the production of saliva, which helps to wash away food particles and neutralize harmful plaque acids which, over time, can weaken teeth and lead to tooth decay. It also promotes the remineralization of tooth enamel.

The important role of sugar-free gum in oral care is widely recognized and accepted by experts, dental associations and regulatory authorities around the world. The European Commission (EC) has approved five oral health claims for sugar-free chewing gum, one of the few food categories to gain such recognition. The oral care benefits of chewing sugar-free gum are also recognized by the World Dental Federation.

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The U.S. Food and Drug Administration has approved Xenleta (lefamulin) to treat adults with community-acquired bacterial pneumonia. Community-acquired pneumonia occurs when someone develops pneumonia in the community (not in a hospital). Pneumonia is a type of lung infection that can range in severity from mild to severe illness and can affect people of all ages. According to data from the Centers from Disease Control and Prevention, each year in the United States, about one million people

are hospitalized with community-acquired pneumonia and 50,000 people die from the disease.

A drug that targets the immune system can delay the onset of type 1 diabetes an average of two years in children and adults at high risk, according to findings from TrialNet's Teplizumab (anti-CD3) Prevention Study published in the New England Journal of Medicine.

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention report on the use of antibiotics in health care settings across the United States in 2018 tell us that while progress has been made to promote appropriate use of infection-fighting drugs, strengthened and continued efforts and greater resources are needed to protect some of the most valuable medicines we have and prevent the accelerating development of illness-causing bacteria that are resistant to treatment. With evidence that about 30 percent of all antibiotic courses annually are prescribed unnecessarily, the report, Antibiotic Use in the United States: Progress and Opportunities, describes strides in antibiotic stewardship and surveillance in recent years, but also persisting challenges in ensuring that the leadership, expertise and education necessary to stewardship programs meets ongoing needs. In addition, highlighting the value of existing and growing numbers of antibiotic stewardship programs, the report underscores the need for policies requiring the programs at all health facilities.

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Weare Troop 529 spent a great day on the ice at Horace Lake.

#### Hillsborough & Deering Candidates Zoom

The Greater Hillsborough Chamber of Commerce has announced plans to hold a Hillsborough Chamber Candidates' Night, via ZOOM, on March 3rd, beginning at 6:00. p.m for those running for Select Board or School Board from either Hillsborough or Deering. Candidates will be given 3 minutes to introduce themselves and explain why they are running, followed by questions from the public. The order will be determined by a random draw. Candidates interested in participating should email Moderator Leigh Bosse at leighb@tds.net. Meeting ID: 843 8418 1223 Passcode: 156606

#### Francestown Operating Budget down 1.23%

The 2021 proposed Francestown operating budget is \$1,820,079, a 1.23% decrease from 2020's \$1,842,858. The Town Meeting is scheduled for April 17 in the Highway Department barn. Voting remains scheduled to proceed as normal on March 9th.

#### Greenfield delays Town Meeting until May 1

Greenfield's proposed operating budget has been set at \$2,688,806. Voting on local elected positions and the school warrant is scheduled for March 9th, with the Town Meeting postponed until Saturday, May 1st, outdoors at Oak Park.

#### **Goffstown Police investigating stolen truck**

The Goffstown Police Department is investigating the theft of a black 2006 Ford F350 Lariat Crew Cab Diesel 6 Liter truck, VIN# 1FTWW31P86EB32912, with a yellow Fisher Plow from the Unique Ford dealership between the dates of 12/21/2020 and 12/22/2020. The truck has window vent shades and running boards. If you have any information regarding this case please contact the Goffstown Police Department, Detective Jason Ouellette, at 603-497-4858. Ref. Goffstown Police Case # 20GOF-55099-OF.

#### **HDHS French Honor Society New Members**

The Hillsboro-Deering High School chapter of the French Honor Society recently inducted several new members into the society. The inductees of the HDHS French Honor Society are Nathanial Ledvina, Abbey Mills, Arianna Hargreaves, Jaedin Chacos, Lexi Ledvina, Katie Connarn, Courtney Ford, Felicity Decareau, Amanda Short, Tiarnan Burke-Smith, Maddie Ledvina, and Peter Seymour.

#### Antrim man being sued for allegedly defrauding an investor

Bob Bernstein, 69, of Antrim, says that allegations that he inflated development costs and siphoned off funds to himself are "wildly inaccurate and misleading."

Philanthropist Joshua Rechnitz is suing Bernstein in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York, claiming that Bernstein defrauded him out of millions of dollars in a sustainable agriculture business.

The suit is based on their work on two farms managed by Northeast Farm Access, NEFA, an organization that works to restore aging farms.

Rechnitz's involvement began in early 2018 when he invested \$400,000 in Esopus Agricultural Center, a NEFA-run farm in Kingston, N.Y., and later purchased a majority stake in Arrowhead Farm Agricultural Center, a NEFA property in Kerhonkson, N.Y., for \$1.6 million.

Rechnitz claims that Bernstein convinced him to up that investment to \$2.7 million by misrepresenting

project costs and making "arbitrary, futile, counterproductive" purchases, and that portion of his investments were diverted into NEFA to enrich

Bernstein. In an email Bernstein told The Sentinel that he intends "to mount a vigorous defense" against the suit.



The D.A.R.E. Program has begun at KRES-New London in 5th Grade with Officer MacKenna, who teaches in one classroom and then Google Meets into the other 5th grade classes.









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The KRES at Bradford Winter Activity Day was a huge success. Students participated in modifications of Snow Golf, Bobsledding, Hockey, Curling, Biathlon, and Speed Skating, (left photo); The New Boston Recreation Department just completed Snow Much Fun Week, (right photo).

#### Hillsborough man slides into Police cruiser

On February 10th, Chris Bonollo of Hillsborough was traveling westerly on West Main Street, and was trying to get to the Police Department when he negotiated the right hand turn onto Municipal Drive too fast and struck Officer Danielle Normand, driving a fully marked police cruiser, stopped at the stop sign. Bonollo explained that when he applied his brake to turn onto Municipal Drive, his car slid. Based on the roadway evidence, he slid across the centerline and struck the cruiser. Both operators advised they were not injured. Both vehicles sustained damage, however, both were drivable.

#### **Deering Board increases beach parking fees**

Selectman Bill Whisman began the discussion by explaining that daily parking rates for other nearby beaches were much higher than those of Deering's and he proposed a daily parking rate of \$25 per day. Resident parking will remain free via a permit sticker picked-up at the town office. A follow-on discussion concerned parking violation fines. The Board approved increasing the daily non-resident parking fee from \$10 to \$25 per day and to increase the parking fines from \$50 to \$100 for the first offense and to also increase the second offense fine amount from \$100 to \$150.

#### Henniker Rotary Club scholarships available

The Henniker Rotary Club encourages all interested Hillsboro-Deering High School and John Stark High School seniors planning on attending college next fall to fill out and submit an application for the scholarships available from your local Henniker Rotary Club. Seniors may apply through their individual high school guidance office web sites or may go to the Henniker Rotary Club web site as well. If you wish to apply via paper copies they have been delivered to your high school guidance offices as well. The updated due date for the application, in full, is April 15. Paper applications may also be sent directly to: Henniker Rotary Club, P.O. Box 695, Henniker, NH 03242 to arrive by the April 15 deadline.

#### Hopkinton school budget up 3.8% - town budget increased 1.88%

Hopkinton Select and School Boards are presenting voters with budgets which they say meet the need of the town and schools, while keeping increases to a minimum.

The School's operating budget has been set at \$21.7 million, an increase of about \$795,000 or 3.8%. Much of the increase is a result of increased contributions to the New Hampshire Retirement System, the purchase Personal Protective Equipment and the ongoing facility project.

The Town's operating budget has been set at \$7,662,087, up \$141,432, or a 1.88% increase over the current budget.

Voters will go to the polls Tuesday, March 9, from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the

#### Rated #1 for Best Wings in NH

Chanel 9 viewers have rated Stark House Tavern in Weare #1 for having the Best Wings in NH, saying you can't go wrong with the triple play wings. Middle High School. Absentee ballots will be accepted from voters concerned about the risk of COVID-19. Masks are being required, but an out-

door location is being made available for those without a mask. Hopkinton's annual Town Meeting has been postponed until Saturday, May 1st.







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#### Publisher's Perspective

#### It's time to eliminate the "V"

We live in a violent, dangerous world and we are reminded of it on a daily basis. Be it another school shooting, a terrorist bombing, an anti-gay or anti-semetic rally, man's inhumanity is constantly on display.

Whether it is Black v. White; Gentile v. Jew; Islam v. Christianity, Liberal v. Conservative, or Republican v. Democrat, that "V" of hatred dominates our lives, and makes us fear a destiny of destruction in our future.

Whenever those thoughts creep into my mind, I think of the lessons I learned in the ticket booth. Each year, for the last decade or so, my wife Joyce and I volunteer manning the ticket booth for carnival rides at the Hillsborough Balloon Fest & Fair. More than an opportunity for community service, it provides a refreshing reminder that the diversity of our races, religions, politics, and cultures is mankind's greatest strength, not a weakness; that despite our differences, we share an overriding goal that unites us all.

Rich, or poor, black, white, and brown, Christian, Jew and Muslim,

Republicans and Democrats, they stand at our booth with one thought in mind - to make sure their children have a wonderful time. Paying for those tickets is a minor part of a universal goal: To leave this world a little better than we found it and give our children a better life than ours.

Over 40 years ago, I was fortunate to have joined the Hillsborough Area Jaycees, part of a group whose Creed is..."We Believe:

That faith in God gives meaning and purpose to human life;

That the brotherhood of man transcends the sovereignty of nations;

That economic justice can best be won by free men through free enterprise;

That government should be of laws rather than of men:

That earth's great treasure lies in human personality;

And that service to humanity is the best work of life."

This Creed, and the lessons of the ticket booth sustain me in the hope and belief that we have a bright future, if we can only eliminate the "V."



#### Letters to the Editor

#### **Dear Editor:**

I attended the Weare deliberative session Sat, Feb 6. Art. 3 for a 3% non-union raises was presented by selectman Burdick. I knew the 3% raise was determined by a 3% police raise by contract. The selectmen's rational was to be fair, non-union raises should be equal to the PD. In Burdick's presentation of support she stated "there are a lot of hurting people out there." I asked the BOS if they knew what the SS increase was. After looking around at each other for a moment, the answer was 1.3%. I knew that, but the BOS had no clue that day or when they determined the 3%. My response to the BOS/

Burdick was to restate "there are a lot of hurting people out there", but those receiving 1.3% must not be one of them. Look at the document of the 3% proposal. Of the largest increases, 20 people will receive between, in round numbers, \$1000 to \$2000. Of those the police chief is the winner at \$2239. Second place is another at \$2190. 3 people will receive either side of \$1500. These dollars do not include payroll taxes or retirement contributions. So selectman Burdick. who is out there hurting: those who will receive your 3% or those at 1.3% that must pay up through property taxes??

Frank Campana, Weare

#### Do Warner's Pumpkin Blossom Farm weddings etc qualify as Agro-Tourism?

The Warner Select Board dealt with a variety of issues Tuesday night. Charles Albano and Neils Nevins from the Economic Development Advisory Committee briefed the Board on efforts to expand use of the Community Center, which they characterized as "under utilized." Armed with a new proposed floor plan they have received a quote of \$380,000 to install a four-stage elevator in the 10,285 sq. ft. facility.

Bill Dragon from the Boundtree ATV Club sought permission to open a shot connect-

ing section to the existing trail system, but after a long discussion, the Board's consensus was to leave things as they were.

The Board received an application from the Clarks fam-



Pumpkin Blossom Farm.

ily under the Barn Preservation Act which allows the town to abate up to 75% of a barn's assessed value for 10 years in order to preserve it. The Board will tour the barn Saturday and hold a public hearing on March 2nd.

The Board also discussed complaints from neighbors of Pumpkin Blossom Farm over the traffic and noise associated with weddings and other events at the farm. The issue dates back to 2016 when the farm was denied an expansion application. The central issue is whether the operators are allowed to

conduct "Accessory Uses" under the newly passed Agro-Tourism statutes. The Board urged the owners to submit an application for Site Plan Review with the Planning Board to resolve the issue.

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For Hillsboro Voters:

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**Kristen Devoid** of Goffstown, NH graduated with a MSW in Social Work

**Ryan Dunn** of Dunbarton, NH graduated with a BSET in Electrical Engineering Tech

**Cassandra Wright** of Greenfield, NH graduated with a BS in Neuropsychology

**Damin Rakhmanov** of New Boston, NH graduated with a BA in Russian

**Noah Johnson** of New Boston, NH graduated with a BS in BiomedSci:Med&VetSci

**Madison Janelle** of Henniker, NH graduated with a MS in Occupational Therapy

Maria O'Neill of New London, NH graduated Summa Cum Laude with a BA in Linguistics

**Michael Sullivan** of New London, NH graduated with a BS in Environmental & Resource Econ

**Sara Peckham** of New London, NH graduated with a BS in Hospitality Management

**Carrigan Drake** of Warner, NH graduated with a BS in EquineSt:Equine Science

**Adam Lundsted** of Dublin, NH graduated with a BSCIVE in Civil Engineering

**Ethan Jarzombek** of Peterborough, NH graduated with a BS in Computer Information Systems **Aidan Schlotman** of Peterborough, NH graduated with a BSCIVE in Civil Engineering

#### Worcester Polytechnic Institute Dean's List

**Alisha Anderson** of Goffstown, class of 21, majoring in Actuarial Mathematics

**Adam Bartlett** of New London, class of 23, majoring in Civil Engineering

**Jacob Borges** of New Boston, class of 21, major-

ing in Industrial Engineering

**Brandon Cote** of New Boston, class of 23, majoring in Mechanical Engineering

**Sarah Doherty** of Goffstown, class of 22, majoring in Biology and Biotechnology

**Trevor Faber** of Hancock, class of 24, majoring in Mechanical Engineering

**Sydney Gagne** of Goffstown, class of 22, majoring in Chemical Engineering

**Heather McGlauflin** of New Boston, class of 23, majoring in Industrial Engineering

**Joseph McNeill** of Goffstown, class of 24, majoring in Architectural Engineering

**Naisargi Mehta** of Goffstown, class of 24, majoring in Biomedical Engineering

**Nicholas Vachon** of Goffstown, class of 22, majoring in Computer Science

#### Stonehill College Dean's List

Sydney Stockwell of Contoocook, Class of 2024 Cheyenne Zinnkosko of New Boston, Class of 2022

#### Northeastern University Dean's list

Contoocook resident **Luke Reidy**, majoring in applied physics

Hopkinton resident **Peter Sintros**, majoring in bioengineering

#### College of the Holy Cross Dean's List

**Emily Santis** of Contoocook, a member of the Class of 2021, majoring in Biology

**Emily Metzger** of Contoocook, a member of the Class of 2024, majoring in Undeclared

#### Wheaton College Dean's List

Sarah Owen of Goffstown, Grace Lee of Contoocook

#### Ithaca College Dean's List

Caela Budd of Newbury, Ellie Falconer of Hillsborough, Catherine Introcaso of Goffstown

#### Rochester Institute of Technology Dean's List

**Parker White** of Contoocook, who is in the electrical engineering program

**Taylor Signor** of Contoocook, who is in the biomedical sciences program

#### **University of Hartford Dean's List**

Gunner Hagstrom of Hillsborough, Nicholas Lee of Francestown, Avery Ouellette of New Boston, Kaden Von Kannewurff of Newbury Norwich University

#### President's List

**Stephen Joseph Donelan**, Canterbury, **Riley Anne Bennett**, Hopkinton

#### **Other Colleges & Universities**

**Nicholas Vachon**, a member of the class of 22 majoring in Computer Science at Worcester Polytechnic Institute (WPI), was a member of a student team that recently completed an intense research project titled Effects of Montessori Education in China with Hangzhou China

New London, NH resident, **Nicole Kimtis**, has been named to the dean's list at James Madison University

Seton Hall University is pleased to announce **Mackenzie Wetherill** of Hancock, NH has quali-

**Mackenzie Wetherill** of Hancock, NH has quali fied for the Fall 2020 Dean's List

**Katherine Dailey**, of New London, NH, a student at Fairleigh Dickinson University's has been named to the Honors List

**Kayley Irvine**, of Hillsborough, NH, a student at Fairleigh Dickinson University has been named to the Dean's List

Ohio University College of Business student **Sebastian Beal** from Goffstown, has been named to the Dean's List

**Anna Sarkisian** from Francestown, a junior Conservation Biology major at Grove City College, has been named to the Dean's List

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#### Henniker's Tucker Library Trustees respond to budget cuts

The Trustees of the Tucker Free Library want Henniker voters to know that the amount set forth on the Warrant is not what the library submitted, but was cut by the Select Board by \$14,000. The cut was based on the ill-informed recommendation of the Budget Advisory Committee. The result will be reduced library hours, with Sunday and evening hours not being restored as pandemic restrictions ease.

Trustees acted in good faith when the Select Board requested flat budget submissions for 2021. To comply, \$10,000 in cuts were already made to programs and acquisitions in order to absorb the cost of rigorous Covid 19 cleaning requirements. Coupled with the Select Board's \$14,000 cut, the impact is a \$24,000 reduction in services, programs and acquisitions. (Tax savings of 42 cents per month on a \$250,000 home.)

During an 8-week process, the Budget Advisory Committee never

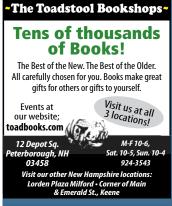
asked for additional information about how the library operates or how the budget is created. They did seek clarifying information from other departments. The Advisory Committee's process led to a misinformed recommendation that was accepted by the Select Board.

Tucker Free Library is grateful to the Henniker voters for their unwavering support. We urge all citizens and local organizations to demand and participate in much closer scrutiny of all Boards that manage our tax dollars (e.g., Select Board, Budget Advisory Committee, Capital Improvement Program). We further urge you to make your voices heard by letting the Select Board know how you feel about reduced library services.



Hillsborough Troop #73 recently conducted an Eagle Scout Court of Honor to recognize Quinn Erickson's achievement of the rank (L-R) Scoutmaster Brian McGinn, father Carl, mother Gina, Quinn, sister Eve, Past Scoutmaster Sharron Gamache.

#### **BIG BARGAINS IN SMALL TOWNS**

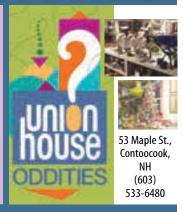


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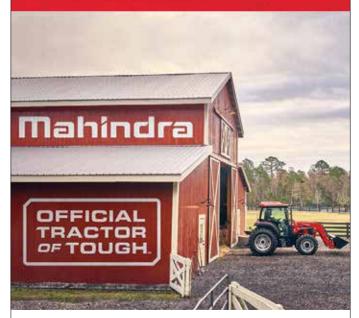








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The Hillsboro-Deering Alpine Ski Team at Gunstock. Courtesy photo.

#### **Alpine Skiing**

**Hopkinton 2nd:** Division III Alpine championships were completed at Gunstock. Hopkinton placed four skiers in the top 17 of the giant slalom and four in the top 22 of the slalom, to finish second. Defending D-III champion Kearsarge finished third. Hillsboro-Deering who made the jump to D-IV finished 11th.

**Kearsarge 3rd:** Kearsarge's Bristol Messer won the individual Giant Slalom title and Hopkinton's Clara Locke was the slalom champ at the Alpine ski championships at Gunstock.

#### **Girls Nordic Skiing**

**Hopkinton 1st:** The Hawks were finally able to race on their home course and made the most of it, placing 10 skiers in the top 13 to remain undefeated.

**ConVal:** The ConVal Nordic team hosted its only home meet of the season. Captain Eva Calcutt once again led the Cougar girls across the finish line, followed by Grace Phillips, Laura Phillips, and Eme Tyler-Wall. First year skier Nathan Klonel was the only boy scoring for ConVal.

**ConVal:** ConVal's Nordic team competed in a freestyle (skate) at the Dublin School. Eva Calcutt led the Cougar girls, taking 3rd place.

#### **Boys Basketball**

**Merrimack Valley 68, Hillsboro-Deering 49:** MV won this game at home to sweep a pair from H-D this week.

Hopkinton 65, Hillsboro-Deering 41: Hillsboro-Deering started strong, taking a quick 7-6 lead in Hopkinton before the Hawks answered. Elrick scored 16 of his 18 points in the first half and Hopkinton took a 40-25 lead into halftime on its way to the win. Hopkinton 52, Coe-Brown 44: Hopkinton trailed after the first quarter, 11-10, but the Hawks finished the second quarter strong to take a 27-22 lead at halftime and then played stifling defense. Pembroke 68, John Stark 47: John Stark hung tough for the quarter in Pembroke and trailed by two, 15-13, after one, but the



Spartans opened up a 12-point lead by halftime.

**John Stark 50, Bishop Brady 42:** Gabe Lacasse had four 3-pointers in the first half as the Generals took control early. Brady responded with a strong third quarter, but Stark hung on for the road win.

**Goffstown 52, Concord 33:** The Tide outscored the Grizzlies in the third quarter, 10-7, but couldn't overcome a 35-11 halftime deficit.

#### **Girls Basketball**

**Merrimack Valley 39, Hillsboro-Deering 26:** The Pride took a 17-0 lead after the first quarter and led 20-8 at halftime. Zoe Kemp led with 15 points which included 3 three pointers. Emily Howell followed with 5 points including 1 three pointer.

**Hopkinton 52, Hillsboro-Deering 27:** Hopkinton jumped out early and led wire-to-wire to pick up the win in Hillsboro. Maurgan McGrath led the Hawks with 14 points, while Zoe Kemp had 16 points for H-D.

**Hopkinton 45, Coe-Brown 37:** Hopkinton was hot early and built a 19-12 lead after the first quarter. That lead grew to 10 points by halftime.

**Bishop Brady 63, John Stark 25:** Brady wasn't hitting shots early, but the Giants controlled the tempo of the game.

**Pembroke 47, John Stark 41:** Stark's Johnson banked in a 3-pointer to put the Generals back on top, 41-39, before PA scored the game's last eight points.

**Goffstown 38, Concord 37:** Concord played the Grizzlies even in the first quarter (12-12), but Goffstown pulled away for a 21-16 halftime lead.

**Lebanon 41, Kearsarge 30:** The Cougars started to connect with the basket in the final frame, scoring 21 points and cutting their deficit to five with 1:45 left in the game.

**Kearsarge 60, Coe Brown 48:** With the Cougars holding a 41-39 lead going into the fourth, Caroline Camp made some clutch 3-pointers down the stretch to help Kearsarge push its lead to 10 and leave Northwood with the road win.

#### **BNSY Softball and Baseball Registrations**

Practices for Softball, Baseball and T-ball will begin when the outdoor fields are usable. There will be NO indoor practices this year. Both Cal Ripken Baseball and KMS Softball will have strict and specific COVID guidelines in place for the coming season. These guidelines are non-negotiable and put in place for the safety of our fans and athletes.

More information is available in the registration process and through the director. Both leagues have asked that we supply them an estimate of the number of players and teams that BNS will be entering by 2/25/21. We are aware this doesn't leave much time, but we ask that you please sign your athlete up ASAP to help us better estimate. If Cal Ripken or KMS Softball limit the number of players/teams per organization, priority will be given to those that are signed up by that deadline and the close date may be changed to shut down registrations.

Our T-Ball program will begin shortly after Baseball and Softball practices open. Please be patient and rest assured that a director will be in contact with you to relay any program start information. In other exciting news, mark your calendars because our annual YES —Soccer Camp is scheduled for 6/28/21-7/2/21.



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#### **Hopkinton Select Board is opposed to SB2**

The Hopkinton Select Board held a short meeting Tuesday evening. Caitlan Rollo presented a petitioned Article calling for transparency in the state's upcoming legislative redistricting. Steve Lux, Jr. requested permission to install underground electricity from the Depot to the Section House, which was approved subject to approval of detailed plans by DPW. The Board review each article on the upcoming warrant and unanimously approved all but one. The Board again this year voted unanimously Not to adopt SB 2.

#### **Pierce Road articles split Bradford Board**

The Bradford Select Board conducted a detailed review of the proposed warrant articles during their Tuesday meeting. Much of the discussion centered around the sale of town owned properties, deciding which should be offered to abutters and which sold by sealed bid. A pair of articles dealing with Pierce Road drew a split response from the Board. Article 27 was recommended by the board but Article 28 was opposed.

#### **Newbury Board conducts final budget review**

Newbury Town Administrator Dennis Pavlicek led the Select Board through a review of each line of the budget. Election budget went up due to COVID, moving the business portion to May which would need rental of a large tent and heaters. The planning budget is up \$14,151, due to the Newbury housing committee, which asked to hire a consulting service to help.

The police department is up \$56,953, due to the increase in full time health insurance and the mandatory NH retirement system. The fire department is up \$11,000, with the biggest increase in salaries due to number of calls and training. Also the new building will increase telephone, heat and electric costs. Code Enforcement is up approximately \$19,000, and the transfer station is up \$110,630.

#### **Weare Campground enforcement problems**

Tom Silva, All Seasons Condo Campground Association President, met with the Weare Select Board asking to clarify what help they could expect from the Town and what they are allowed to do with park delinquents. The Town/Police Department, having spoken to Mr. Silva, will help where they can, but the Association will have to file injunctions, based on their by-laws they need to involve the Sheriff's Department.

Cindy Marshall, All Seasons Condo Campground Association Vice President, stated some bylaws under the NH Condo Association apply, but others fall under campground guidelines. The issue is a condominium by definition is where residents reside. They are both a campground and a condo.





A rapid response by Hopkinton Fire and Police extinguished this chimney fire and saved the house (left); Firefighters responded to an alarm activation at Prototek Manufacturing on Burnham Intervale Rd. They were assisted by Henniker and Warner units. The fire was quickly extinguished, area ventilated, and all companies returned to service shortly thereafter, (right).









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## **Obituaries:** Friends & Neighbors Remembered

#### George C. Cilley Sr

FRANCESTOWN - George C. Cilley Sr., 79, of Francestown, NH passed

away February 9, 2021 at Monadnock Community Hospital in Peterborough. George was born September 20, 1941 in Peterborough, NH to the late



Carl E. and Mary D. (Bailey) Cilley. He was also predeceased by 1 son, Jerry Cilley; 1 daughter, Mary Cilley; 3 brothers, Richard, Roger and Clyde Cilley, 3 sisters, Ida Hobbs, Betty Jones, and Violet Riendeau. Survived by his wife, Karen R. (Madison) Cilley of Francestown, NH, 1 son, George C. Cilley Jr of Francestown, NH, 2 step sons, Richard W. Vannostrend of Francestown, NH, Joshua L. Vannostrand of Warner, NH, 3 daughters,

Kerry L. Cilley of Antrim, NH, Katie E. Cilley of Jaffrey, NH, Kelly L. Lackey of Brattleboro, VT, Dwan-na M. Harcrow, of GA, 1 brother, Jerry Cilley of Windsor, NH, 1 sister, Mildred Weir of MA, 17 grandchildren, 6 great grandchildren, and several nieces & nephews. Graveside services in spring in #3 Cemetery Francestown, NH.

#### Donna R. Sheeder

WEARE - Donna R. Sheeder, 77, passed away peacefully at her home

on Friday, February 5th, 2021. She was born in Manchester, NH, the daughter of the late Paul and Rita Demontigny. She is survived by her hus-



band, Robert Sheeder, her daughter, Lisa Parker, son, Jon Walsh, twin granddaughters, Marissa and Miranda Parker and grandson, Cody Walsh. There will be no services at this time.

#### **Karen Robin Hayes Carruth**

NEWBURY - Karen Robin (O'Keefe) Hayes Carruth, 75, of

Whitney's Way, passed away peacefully on February 10, 2021 at her home. She was born in Boston, MA on February 8, 1946, the daughter of Pauline



(Whitman) O'Keefe and James C. O'Keefe. Karen was predeceased by her sons, Matthew Hayes in 2017 and his twin brother, Sean, who passed away in Sept. 2020. Lastly she was predeceased by her beloved husband, William "Bill" Carruth. Karen is survived by her son, Patrick Hayes and his wife, Marloes and two grand-daughters, Anna and Sien of Zwolle,

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Netherlands; her emotionally adopted daughter, Natalia Brazhnik of Germany; a daughter-in-law, Jennifer Hayes of Red Oak, TX; and several nieces and nephews from Boston, MA. Services and burial in New Waterloo Cemetery, Warner, NH will be held in May. Memorial contributions may be made to River Valley Animal Protection League, P.O. Box 860, Charlestown, NH 03603.

#### Richard I. Frost

NEW BOSTON - Richard I. Frost, 78, of New Boston, formerly of Barn-

stead, went to be with his wife on Sunday, February 7, 2021. Born on March 29, 1942 in Franklin, NH; he was the son of the late Harry and Beulah El-



liot. Besides his parents, Richard was predeceased by his wife and soulmate in 2019, a son, Robert Frost, daughterin-law, Candee Frost and brothers, Bill and Ralph Frost. He is survived by his children, Lori Barss and her husband, Dusty of New Boston, Richard Frost of Barnstead and James Frost and his fiancé, Jessica Vintinner of Concord, daughter-in-law, Suzanne Frost, sisters, Joan Emerson and Sylvia Blanchard, grandchildren, Jessie, Robbie, Danny, Brittany, Richie, Austin and Maddie, 6 great grandchildren, Alexis, Jace, Brayden, Carlee jo, Eric and Jenna. A walk thru visitation was held on Sunday, February 14 at the Still Oaks Funeral & Memorial Home.

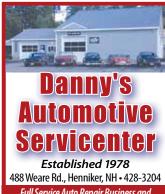
#### Louise T. (Balboni) Campana

HENNIKER - Louise T. (Balboni) Campana, born December 4, 1924, passed away at the age of 96, on Friday, January 29, 2021 at the Hillsborough County Nursing home where she was given loving care during a

long illness. She was born in Wellesley, MA. She was predeceased by husband, Frank, Sr., her parents, John and Alda (Borgatti) Balboni, her sisters,



Josephine, Mary, Genevieve, Doris and her brothers. John and Francis. She leaves a son. Frank Campana. Jr and wife, Mary Jo of Weare, NH; grandson, Michael Campana and his wife, Ellen and their children, Kaitlinn and William of NY; grandson, Joe Campana and his wife, Melissa and their three daughters, Madison, Chloe and Charlotte of WA; and granddaughter, Kathy Jo Campana of MA; many nieces and nephews. The family requests flowers be omitted and suggest memorial contributions may be made to the charity of one's choice.



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## **Events:** Community Bulletin Board

#### **SUNDAY FEBRUARY 21**

**ONE ROOM SCHOOLS:** Rural NH has many traditions that reverberate through time, especially when it comes to education. Join us on Zoom at 2pm to learn about New Hampshire's One-Room Rural Schools: The Romance and the Reality. Hundreds of one-room schools dotted the landscape of New Hampshire a century ago and were the backbone of primary education for generations of children. Steve Taylor explores the lasting legacies of the one-room school and how they echo today. Email the Tucker Free Library for the Zoom Link.

#### **TUESDAY FEBRUARY 23**

**NEW BARBER:** Jimmy Prijdekker (formerly at Topstone) now has his own full-time chair at Dockside Hair Design in Bradford, NH. From 2/23/21 to 2/27/21, Jimmy will be donating 10% of his own sales to Bradford, Newbury, Sutton Youth Sports. With school break starting next week, make sure to get the kids or yourself in to get cleaned up.

#### **SATURDAY FEBRUARY 27**

RAIL HIKE: The New Boston Rail Trail Committee will be hosting a Full Moon Hike (or ski/snowshoe) at 7:30pm. Hot cocoa, cookies, and a campfire. Meet at Lang Station trailhead, Gregg Mill Rd. Family and dog friendly. Please wear a face covering.

#### **SUNDAY FEBRUARY 28**

**CANDIDATE FORUM:** Deering Fish & Game Club 1-3pm, outside by a fire. If bad weather, move indoors. Masks and social distancing observed.

#### **WEDNESDAY MARCH 3**

**IRELAND FAMINE:** at 6:30pm via Zoom: Humanities To Go program, Ireland's Great Famine in Irish-American History: Fateful Memory, Indelible Legacy, by Mary Kelly. Registration required. Call 456-2289 or use registration link at www.nhhumanities.org/ programs/315 to get the Zoom link.

#### **FRIDAY MARCH 5**

**FIRST FRIDAYS:** Virtual Winter Dance Performance. Time TBD. A evening of new works by Kearsarge Conservatory of the Performing Arts Get the link at www.cfanh.org

#### FRIDAY APRIL 2

FIRST FRIDAYS: Poetry Night! "Native American

Beauty is Diversity." Time TBD. FREE. Guest Poets and Readings by this year's contest winners. In collaboration with the Mt Kearsarge Indian Museum. A sign language interpreted event. Newbury Town Hall Community Room.

#### **SATURDAY APRIL 10**

FREE DENTAL: Henniker Family Dentistry will be providing dental care for veterans free of charge. Services include exams, x-rays, preventive care, fillings, and oral surgery. Services will be offered by appointment. We welcome all veterans interested in dental care to call Henniker Family Dentistry at 603-428-3419 to schedule an appointment.

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#### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

#### TOWN OF HILLSBOROUGH SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

The Supervisors will meet on Saturday, February 27 from 9:30-10:00 at the Hillsborough Town Office for the purpose of making additions or corrections to the Checklist. This will be the last opportunity to register before the Town Elections on March 9. If you are not registered, please bring a photo ID, proof of citizenship or proof of naturalization and proof of domicile by supplying proof through bills, statements, car registration or other means, but not a PO Box number. Masks are required.

## PUBLIC NOTICE WINDSOR SCHOOL DISTRICT TOWN OF WINDSOR

The Windsor School Board and the Town of Windsor will hold their Annual School District and Town Meetings on Tuesday, March 9, 2021 at the Windsor Town Hall. The school district meeting will begin at 6:30pm with the town's annual meeting immediately following.

#### PUBLIC NOTICE EMERALD LAKE VILLAGE DISTRICT

#### FILING PERIOD FOR PUBLIC OFFICE OPENS

Emerald Lake Village District (ELVD) announces the opening of the Filing Period for District Offices. The following positions are open: Commissioner (3-year term); Commissioner (2-year term); District Clerk (1-year term); District Treasurer (1-year term); and District Moderator (1-year term). All Candidates for office must be residents of and registered voters in the Emerald Lake Village District. Filing Period begins March 3, 2021 and ends on March 12, 2021. Applications may be obtained at the District Office, 147 West Main Street, Suite 103, Hillsborough.



#### Town of Hillsborough NH LEGAL/PUBLIC NOTICE

Case No 2021-06

Notice is hereby given in accordance with RSA 676:4 & 675:7 that the Hillsborough Planning Board will hold a public hearing for a Minor Subdivision application on 160 Bible Hill Road (Map 11I Lot 50) submitted by Peter Mellen, LLS., of Donald R. Mellen Surveyor, LLC on behalf of Deborah A. Jones Wednesday, March 3, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. using the GoToMeeting Platform. Upon a finding by the Board that the application meets the submission requirements, the Board will vote to accept the application as complete and the Public Hearing on the merits of the proposal will follow immediately.

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Copies of the application may be viewed at the Office of Community Planning, 27 School Street, Hillsborough, New Hampshire and via e-mail. Anyone with questions about this application should contact Robyn Payson, Planning Director at 603-464-7971 or by e-mail at robyn@ hillsboroughnh.net

#### Town of Weare

#### **PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**

Public Hearing on March 2, 2021 at the Weare Town Office Building, beginning at 7:30 PM.

#### **Public Hearing for:**

#### Case # 03-2021

**Application for a Special Exception** for Renee Anderson for property at 72 Deerhaven Road, Tax Map 412 Lot 65 in the Residential District. The applicant would like to construct a new garage with an apartment above (ADU). Article 19, section 19.1.10 in the Weare Zoning Ordinance allows for an ADU by a special exception.

#### Case # 04-2021

**Application for a Variance** for Manuel and Leslie Pellegrino for property at 19 Sunrise Lane, Tax Map 202 Lot 10.4 in the Rural Agricultural. The applicant would like to construct a new 2-story shed as a retail venue to operate their business of selling/trading cards and other collectibles. Article 17.3.6 and 17.3.7 in the Weare Zoning Ordinance does not list retail as a permitted use.

Minutes of January 5, 2021 and December 8, 2020 site walk minutes.

Anyone interested in attending this hearing/meeting via Zoom please send an email request to: <u>nbolton@weare.nh.gov</u> or <u>kdearborn-luce@weare.nh.gov</u>

COVID guidelines prevent us from holding our meeting in the building, we recommend you contact Kelly Dearborn-Luce, the Land Use Coordinator at 603-529-2250 prior to the zoom meeting for more information.

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**Tom & Tom's Men's Discussion Group** - Mondays at 9:00am via Zoom. We want to hear your stories and we'll share a few of our own. Please call COA at 526-6368 to join.

**French Discussion Group** - First and Third Mondays at 4:15pm via Zoom. Join this casual, friendly group to practice your language skills and have fun. Please call COA at 526-6368 to join.

**Bingo!** - Mondays at 1:00pm. Ten games for \$5. Ten bingo sheets with 6 cards on each sheet. Participants must be 55 years old and older. Please call COA to register. Limit of 10 participants.

**Chair Exercises** – Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays at 10:30am. This low impact exercise program is perfect for those looking for an easy, effective exercise routine. Please call COA to register.

**VNA Foot Care Clinic at COA** -Second and Third Mondays at 9:00am-2:00pm. \$25. Please call the Lake Sunapee Area VNA at 603-748-1731 to schedule an appointment.

**Outdoor Recreation for Seniors** - Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10:00am. Join this active group to walk, hike, kayak and more! Please call COA at 526-6368 to register prior to your first activity.

**Memoir Writing Group** - Tuesdays at 10:00am via Zoom. Please call COA at 526-6368 to join.

Book Discussion Group - Tuesday, March 9th at 10:00am via Zoom. The Storied Life of A.J. Fikry by Gabrielle Zevin. Please contact jroy@tracylibrary.org. 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. Please call COA to register. Limit of 10 participants.

**Needlework Craft Group** - Wednesdays at 1:00-3:00pm. Love to cross stitch, do needlework, quilt, knit or crochet? Please call COA to register.

**Humanist, Agnostic, Atheist Discussion** 

**Group** - Thursday, March 18th at 1:30pm via Zoom. 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. Please call COA at 526-6368 to join.

#### **Caregiver Support and Discussion Group -**

Thursday, March 25th 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. Please call COA to register. Limit of 10 participants.

**Women's Discussion Group** - First and Second Thursdays at 1:00pm. Get to know your neighbors over a casual cup of coffee. Join friends, new and old, to visit, chat and share! Please call COA to register. Limit of 10 participants.

#### Computer Tutoring with Nick Oursouff -

Nick will be available for on-line tutoring sessions. Call COA at 526-6368 for registration information.

**The Four Foundations of Mindfulness Meditation** - With Francine Rainone. Tuesdays from April 6 -May 11.10:00am-11:00am. Studies indicate that mindfulness meditation can be used successfully to improve health and increase emotional stability. Participants can register to attend classes at the COA building or by Zoom. Call COA at 526-6368 to register.

#### **VIRTUAL PROGRAMS**

We've added some exciting on-line learning opportunities through our partnership with "Senior Learning Network." These LIVE programs will take you all around the country to museums and landmarks right from the comfort of your own home! Just call COA at 526-6368 to register for the programs and we'll give you the Zoom connection information.

#### **Senior Learning Network**

■ Tuesday, March 2 at 2:00pm

#### Penn Museum/Personally Guided African

**Galleries Tour**. Please register by 12:00pm Monday, March 1. Through the Global Guides Program, the Museum offers virtual tours led by Philadelphians who grew up in countries around the world! In addition to sharing historical information about the museum artifacts on display, our guide from Africa will combine

personal experiences and stories to interpret objects from their home country.

■ Thursday, March 4 at 2:00pm

**The Lost Colony / Ft. Raleigh National Historic Park** - Please register by 12:00pm Monday, March 1.

An in-depth look at the complex history and mystery of England's start in North America. Join park rangers to explore the events and unknowns surrounding the first English colony in North America.

Tues, March 9th (1pm central)

**FDR Library and Museum** - "The first 100 days of FDR Administration" Please register by 12pm on Monday, March 1. Please see COA's website at www. coachapincenter.org for more program information.

■ Thursday, March 11 at 2:00pm

Lovingly, Marion/ McNay Art Museum - Please register by 12pm on Monday, March 8. Join us for a tour of the McNay Collection! This tour highlights Marion Koogler McNay's bequest of her home and art collection with particular emphasis on 20th and 21st-century modernist artists Paul Cézanne, Marc Chagall, Pablo Picasso, Georgia O'Keeffe, and Diego Rivera, among others.

■ Thursday, March 18 at 2:00pm

## **The Story of Amistad/ Mystic Seaport Museum** Please register by 12pm on Monday, March 15. This new joint program of Mystic Seaport Museum and Discovering Amistad tells the story of the Amistad and how it serves as an example of how citizens and communities, working together, can bring about

■ Tuesday, March 23 at 2:00pm

landmark change.

**Virtual Tour at Mitchell Caverns** - Please register by 12pm on Monday, March 22. Mitchell Caverns, within the Mitchell Caverns Natural Preserve, is a trio of limestone caves, located on the east side of the Providence Mountains.

■ Thursday, March 25 at 2:00pm

Big Bend National Park / Texas' Gift to the Nation - Please register by 12pm on Monday, March 22. There is a place in Far West Texas where night skies are dark as coal and rivers carve temple-like canyons in ancient limestone. Here, at the end of the road, hundreds of bird species take refuge in a solitary mountain range surrounded by weather-beaten desert.





#### **Kearsarge Council on Aging serving local community**

Want to learn more, from the comfort of your own home, about a wide and growing variety of services and activities available to all Kearsarge-area senior citizens? Then join in a "virtual" presentation by, and conversation with, the two senior staffers at the Kearsarge Council

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pandemic, the event will be delivered

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"live" over the internet to local residents via an easy-to-use videoconferencing technology called Zoom. There it can be viewed interactively and at no cost via home computers and hand-held devices. Information and a link to join the session can be gained by sending an e-mail request to the event sponsor, The Andover Community Hub, at TheAndoverHub@ qmail.com.

on Aging (KCOA), beginning at 3 p.m. on

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What is KCOA all about? Kelley Keith, its executive director and presenter at the Feb. 23 event, explains:

"We are grateful and honored to serve our senior population in nine local communities and welcome your ideas about programming, activities, and services.

'We are a community of like-minded neighbors who help each other live healthy and happy lives in our beautiful area. Our Chapin Senior Center at 37 Pleasant Street in New London is our hub for social interaction, volunteerism, lifelong learning and exploring, healthy aging, and a source for referrals to other organizations and agencies that best meet your needs.

These programs and activities include our transportation and mobility equipment services, and our many social and recreational events throughout the year, both solo and in partnership with other community organizations like the Lake Sunapee VNA, local town recreation departments and libraries, and our other partners and collaborators."

Keith will be joined in the Zoom presentation and discussion by Karen Lester, KCOA administrative manager.

The event will be the second in what is planned to be a year-long series of public Hub-sponsored offerings aimed at increasing awareness of the wide variety of services offered by area organizations and agencies and available to local residents.

For more information about this event's partnering organizations, go to www.coachapincenter.org and andoverhub.org, or send an e-mail to kcoa-2seniorcenter@comcast.net, or theandoverhub@gmail.com. KCOA came into existence in 1992, while The Hub was formed when two other local organizations joined forces in January 2019.

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#### **Granite State Independent Living to acquire refurbished Equipment Marketplace**

Crotched Mountain Foundation has signed a grant agreement with Granite State Independent Living to transfer ownership of the Refurbished Equipment Marketplace (REM) to GSIL. Located in Concord, New Hampshire, REM is one of the region's largest suppliers of refurbished medical equipment like manual and power wheelchairs, lifts, walkers, standers, and more. Crotched Mountain Foundation has operated REM over a decade, but when the opportunity to find REM a new home presented with GSIL, the two organizations moved forward swiftly.

"GSIL is a perfect fit to take REM into the future," said Ned Olney, President and CEO of Crotched Mountain Foundation. "REM has helped so many people with disabilities over the years and by partnering with our good friends at GSIL, we can assure our clients that REM will continue to grow and to support all of those who have relied on its services. As one of the largest providers of services for adults with disabilities in New Hampshire, GSIL's management of REM, the state's largest provider of refurbished medical equipment, will add another dimension to GSIL's impressive suite

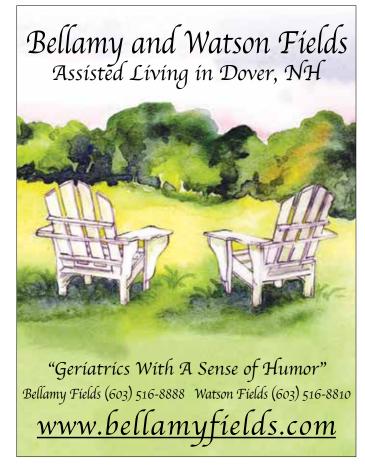


GSIL CEO Deborah Ritcey and Crotched Mountain CEO Ned Olney

of services. I am so excited to see REM expand and positively impact even more lives." REM will remain in its showroom at 57 Regional Drive in Concord, continuing to take in donations, clean, fix, and update equipment, and sell to customers via the showroom or the REM website at shoprem.com at significant discounts.

"REM is such a unique, important service that makes needed, often expensive medical products much more affordable,"

Deborah Ritcey, CEO of Granite State Independent Living. "We are excited to work with Crotched Mountain Foundation to make this transition seamless and to continue to offer the high-quality equipment and service that REM is known for throughout the region. This program has been well-managed for years and served countless families. It's our honor to work with them to keep this vision alive for years to come."





#### What's bankruptcy all about, with Concord Attorney Charles A. Russell

Bankruptcy can provide a fresh financial start to a person, or married couple, overburdened by too many bills and debts. Last year, over a thousand cases were filed by New Hampshire residents, many by couples, seniors, disabled, or retired individuals.

In a Chapter Seven case, all non-exempt property is sold off by Bank-ruptcy Trustee with proceeds distributed proportionally to creditors. However, in over 95 % of N.H. Chapter Seven cases, parties keep all their property, as fully exempt, and protected from creditors. In a bankruptcy Petition, all real and personal property must be listed at current fair market value.

Next exemptions are applied to cover as much property as able. If all property

is exempt, then it's called a "no asset" case, where creditors receive nothing.

For bills, you must list all your creditors with mailing addresses, account numbers, and balance due.

Failure to list any bill means it won't get a discharge, which is a legal bar to future efforts to collect it.

Nearly all debts, credit cards, medical bills, etc., are unsecured, and usually fully discharged.

Home mortgages, and auto loans, secured on real estate or a vehicle, are treated differently. You can reaffirm those loans, and keep that property, if you stay current on monthly payments, or return it. The homestead exemption protects \$120,000 equity in your home, while the vehicle exemption is \$10,000. Other

exemptions cover household goods and furnishings, clothing, a computer, as well as pensions, IRA's, 401 (k)'s and social security benefits. In a joint petition, a married couple can each claim their own set of exemptions separately. Many other exemptions are too numerous to list here, but will be covered in a future article.

This is general information on bankruptcy. Everyone's situation varies and is different and should be reviewed by experienced bankruptcy counsel. Next time, more on other exemptions, and how can a Chapter 13 put off or prevent a foreclosure.

(Concord Attorney Charles A. Russell has practiced bankruptcy law for over 35 years, and can be reached at carussell76@my fairpoint.net).



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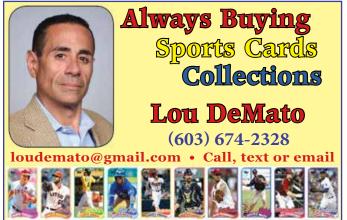
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