



Joyous Passover 2021

We join our Jewish neighbors in celebrating Passover, also called Pesach or Pesakh is a ritual meal, the Pesach seder, that occurs the night of the paschal full moon after the 14th of Nisan, eve of the 15th, telling the story of the exodus, and remembering how the angel of death "passed over" the houses of the Israelites during the tenth plague on Egypt.

Donation to Food Pantry

Shaw's of Hillsborough has continued its tradition of giving back to the community with a \$6,900 donation to the Hillsborough Food Pantry.

This Week In History

April 3, 1942 Japanese forces launch Bataan offensive April 4, 1865 President Abraham Lincoln tours Richmond April 5, 1862 Seige of Yorktown begins April 6, 1862 **Battle of Shiloh begins** April 7, 1939 Italy invades Albania April 8, 1952 **President Harry Truman** seized nation's steel mills April 9, 2003 US troops topple Saddam Hussein statute

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The Hillsboro Lions Club was Chartered on March 31, 1953. At their last meeting, members took time to celebrate their 68th Anniversary.

Persistent pressure pays off

Antrim Wind critics refuse to be silenced

After persistent pressure from Antrim residents in the Gregg Lake area, the NH Site Evaluation Committee voted last Thursday to create a new subcommittee to investigate their complaints of excessive windmill noise.

The Antrim Wind Project, owned by Canadian utility company TransAlta, is made up of nine wind turbines spread out across 1,700 acres in Antrim. Almost immediately after the project became operational, residents complained that the windmills were making too much noise. More noise than allowed by their original state approval, thus putting the company out of compliance.

Officials have acknowledged that the current SEC committee is not capable of dealing with the complaints. The SEC gave

Antrim man denies claims of fraud & breach of contract

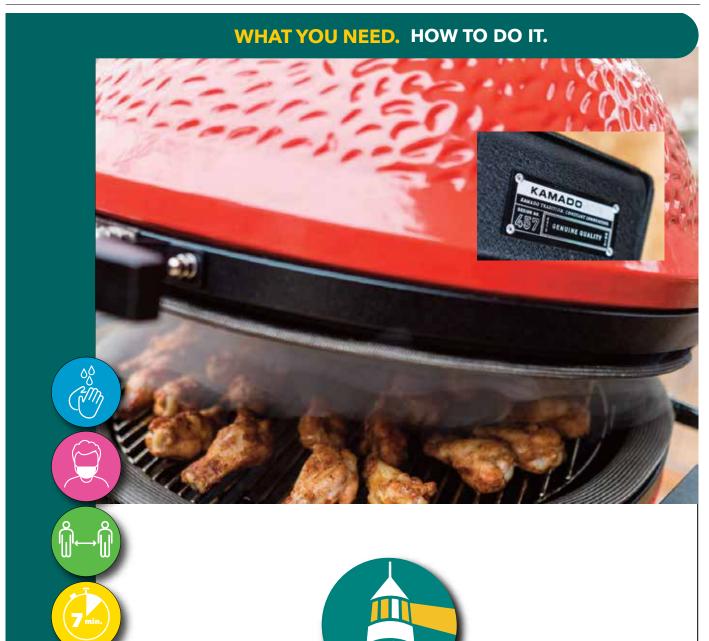
Antrim's Bob Bernstein, owner of Northeast Farm Access, has denied allegations of fraud and contract breaches brought by New York investor Joshua Rechnitz.

Bernstein filed a motion to dismiss

TransAlta an exemption from the noise testing standards during a November meeting, allowing the company to test for noise less frequently than the original standards, which resulted in inaccurate noise testing that does not capture the actual level of sound created by the windmills. Now a three-person subcommittee will look into those complaints. Residents also complained that they did not get proper notice before the November meeting in which the noise exemption was granted.

Several State Senators and Rep. Michael Vose admonished the committee, saying, "The Committee took a decision at the meeting after having heard from only one side of a disputed matter," the letter states. "This is astonishing, and frankly inexcusable."

in mid-March, saying that Rechnitz's claims are "factually incorrect and highly misleading." Bernstein said he is hoping to "deescalate the situation" in a mediation session scheduled for the end of March.







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NH Department of Transportation exploring "Death Alley" improvements

A team from the NH Department of Transportation conducted a Zoom forum on plans to improve the intersection of Routes 202/9 and 127 on Thursday evening. Team leader Heidi Lemay explained that the project is in the Engineering & Analysis Stage of developing alternatives for public input.

She explained that the area, also known as "Death Alley" has witnessed 126 crashes since 2009, including several fatalities. The roadway, a 55 mph zone, hosted 16,400 vehicles/day last year, many traveling at 65 mph. Traffic is expected to increase to 2,100 vehicles/day by 2045.

The team is exploring four alternatives:

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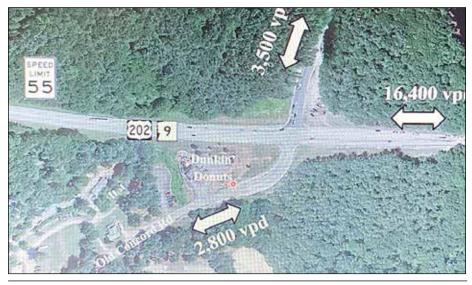
The current project timetable calls for:

2022: Pliminary Design.

2023-2024: Final design. 2025: Construction.

The project is currently budgeted at \$1.6 million but could increase to \$16 to \$20 million if the Overpass Option is chosen.

Henniker Select Board Vice-Chair Tia Hooper reminded the team that this was the same presentation they gave a year ago in Hopkinton, where officials from both towns insisted on the overpass as the best alternative. Several officials from Henniker and Hopkinton agreed with Clark Kidder of Hopkinton stressing that Rt 202/9 is a major East/West highway, which deserves no less that an overpass, with grade separated turn lanes.



ConVal High School students return to their classrooms

ConVal High schoolers, back from their traditional spring break, find themselves returning to their classrooms for the first time this year. ConVal has been under a hybrid model but Superintendent Kimberly Rizzo Saunders has announced that the High School will offer full in-person classes beginning April 5th. High School students have been divided into two cohorts which attend classes in person on alternating weeks. The "blue" cohort includes students from Antrim, Bennington, Francestown, Greenfield and Hancock, while the "gold" cohort comprises students from Dublin, Peterborough, Sharon and Temple.



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April 3, 2020

Famous New London author Tomie dePaola dies Union Leader features Deeing's Jenna Rheault Warner Select Board, Fire Chief discuss compensation New Boston Police make felony arrest

April 5, 2019

Arrest made in 2008 death of New London man Hopkinton Fire Chief bars Rescue Squad frrom fires Weare man convicted of child pornography Manchester man dies in Peterborough crash

April 6, 2018

H-D to receive \$278,439.20 Safety/Security Grant Admitted New London child abuser reached plea deal Drone builder \$1.8 million Government contract Newport teacher nominated as Teacher of the Year

April 7, 2017

Sununu nominates Gordon MacDonald Goffstown Selectmen support town's First Responders Ben Fortner wants Aucoin fired and Blomback demoted Threat at Belmont High found "Not Credible"

April, 5 2016

Strong opposition to para-military facility in Bradford Goffstown couple charged with criminal threatening LRGH announced staff reduction of 58 people Choose Franklin working with Colby Sawyer College

April 3, 2015

New Boston joins Sheriff's Street Crime Task Force Henniker man hospitalized after fire destroys house Goffstown High School's Nate Bracy honored Kearsarge Middle School student wins Geographic Bee

April 4, 2014

Police report rash of thefts in Dunbarton Bow voters reject Public Safety Complex Goffstown man arrested for burglary New London Police Department reorganized

April 5, 2013

Chief David Seastrand "retires" H-D Board seeks contract modification from teachers Only 33 voters at Newport Deliberative Session Hopkinton continues expansion of Transfer Station

April 6, 2012

Newport gun range approved Judge Brackett Scheffy retires New London Recreation to control Whipple Hall Antrim considers non-resident fee at Gregg Lake

April 5, 2011

Burroughs becomes Newport's 13th Police Chief Antrim wind tower project takes new turn Hopkinton Independent School sold for \$410,000 Booth evades Newport Police-checks into hospital

Closing of Warner's Schoolhouse Cafe takes many by surprise

Area residents were saddened to learn that the Schoolhouse Cafe will be closing on Saturday, April 3rd. The Fisher/Skinner/Shifrin Families have been amazing supporters of the Warner Fire Department and the Warner Firefighters Association over the years, raising funds for equipment, supplying food and emotional support to the town, the department and their families.

In announcing the closing, the owners said, "It has been an amazing 10 years at the School House Cafe. With the help from friends and family, it has been a dream come true for Kathy and myself. We have met so many wonderful people that have become like family to us. Over the years, the Cafe has been more than an eating establishment; it has been a place to celebrate birthdays, weddings, baby showers, celebrations of life, various fundraisers, raffle tickets and events. It has become a resource center for locals; from getting firewood, flowers,



and garage doors to finding painters, plumbers, and electricians. Kathy and I want to thank all of our employees who have been so dedicated and have worked so hard to make the cafe special. We have loved being able to serve you, and the friendships that we have made will always have a special place in our hearts.

"Having said that, we are sad to announce that Saturday April 3rd will be our last day of business. We have come to the end of our 10 year lease and our lives are going in a different direction. While we are sad to be closing, we will still be available for catering through Mink Hills Catering, 545-5517. We want to thank you from the bottom of our hearts, not only for your business, but also for your friendship. As always, if we can help in any way, or just want to talk Hallmark Christmas (LOL), please reach out.

"Wishing everyone health and happiness in the future and with great appreciation, Caleen Fisher and Kathy Shifrin."



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In just under a year, members of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) donated more than a million handmade face masks and gathered personal protective equipment (PPE) for essential workers and others in need during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Antrim Scholarship deadline set for May 15 The Antrim Scholarship Committee welcomes 2021 ap-

The Antrim Scholarship Committee welcomes 2021 applications from Antrim students planning to continue their education beyond high school and also from town residents already studying at college level or furthering their professional credits. Applications for financial assistance for the 2021-22 academic year are available at the Antrim Town Hall; or online at the town's website (www.antrimnh.org); or from the ConVal High School guidance office. Completed applications (including a transcript of grades and a short essay) must be received at Antrim Town Hall by May 15th. Successful applicants will be notified of their award in early June. Last year, 15 Antrim residents received a total of \$29,113 in scholarships from these funds.

H-D Preschool Lottery and Open House

Hillsboro-Deering Elementary School will accept applications for the Preschool lottery for the 2021-2022 school year, Monday, April 5, 2021 through Friday, April 30, 2021. Preschool applications can be filled out online at www.hdsd. org. Children who reside in the towns of Hillsboro, Deering or Windsor and who will be three or four years of age on or before September 30, 2021 are eligible for the preschool lottery. Preschool screenings will be scheduled for June 14, 2021. Preschool placement will be announced by the end of June and any additional openings will be filled using a waitlist process. On Monday, May 3, 2021, there will be a Preschool Information Night at 5:00 pm via zoom. A typical preschool day will be discussed, followed by a question and answer period. After completing the online application zoom invitations will be sent through the e-mail provided. If you have any questions, please contact Danielle Parenteau, Preschool Facilitator, at (603) 464-1123 or dparenteau@hdsd.org.

New Boston steps up to guarantee seniors are vaccinated

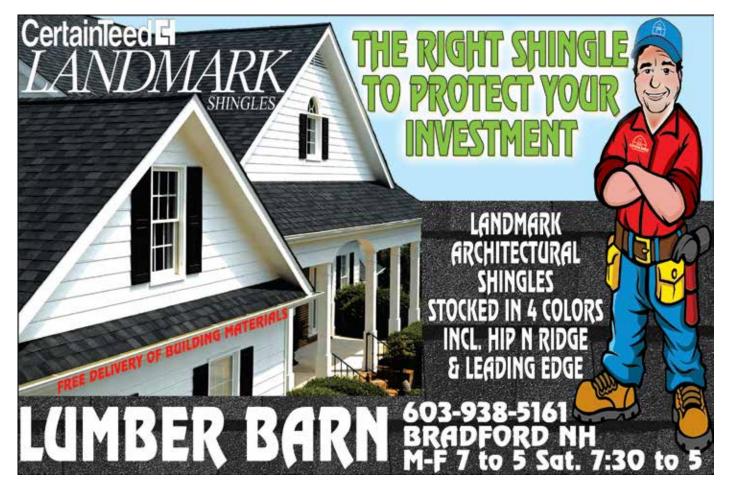
On March 20th as a result of a partnership between the New Boston Fire Department, New Boston Recreation, New Boston CERT, SAU19 and Manchester Health Department, a COVID Vaccination clinic was established with the primary focus on senior residents in the town.

It was apparent there were seniors in the community that were having difficulty setting up an appointment at one of the out of town facilities, were immobile or just not sure where to go. It was decided to implement a local vaccination clinic to resolve this challenge. Superintendent Brian Balke and Principal Tori Underwood were quick to approve the use of the school for a drive through clinic.

Word went out for volunteers and 43 people came forward, 121 recipients vaccinated, 12 at their residence. There were a range of backgrounds and skill sets, including residents wanting to help, surgeons, RNs, LPNs, Firefighters/EMTs, paramedics, Beacon reporter, a majority of the NB CERT organization, a CPA, NB Recreation department personnel, and a Manchester Health representative. We are still extremely fortunate to have citizens who know the meaning of living in a small town and the need to give back to the town and support our organizations. Preparation is already under way for the second vaccination event in April.



Members of the Contoocoook Valley Trail Masters Club presented a generous donation to Marie Colby to support her great work at Wings of Dawn.



COGNITIVE BEHAVIOR THERAPY CAN HELP OVERCOME FEAR OF THE DENTIST



Cognitive behavioral therapy could help many people with a dental phobia overcome their fear of visiting the dentist and enable them to receive dental treatment without the need to be sedated, according to a new study.

Anxiety about visiting the dentist is common and becomes a phobia when it has a marked impact on someone's well-being; people with dental phobias typically avoid going to the dentist and end

Dr. Esin Narli with dental phobias typically avoid going to the dentist and end up experiencing more dental pain, poorer oral health and a detrimental effect on their quality of life. Estimates from the most recent Adult Dental Health Survey suggest around one in ten people suffers from dental phobia.

Cognitive behavioral therapy (CBT) is a short-term therapy, typically lasting 6-10 sessions. CBT has been shown to help with a range of psychological problems, most notably for depression and anxiety-related disorders. Both cognitive and behavioral interventions have been shown to be successful in reducing dental anxiety and increasing dental attendance.

The latest study looked at the characteristics of 130 patients (99 women and 31 men. Three-quarters of those assessed scored 19 or higher on the Modified Dental Anxiety Scale (MDAS), indicating dental phobia. The remainder all scored high on one or more items of the MDAS, suggesting a specific fear of some aspect of dentistry. Fear of dental injections and the dental drill were the most common high scoring items on the MDAS.

Of all patients referred, four-fifths (79%) went on to have dental treatment without the need for sedation and 6% had their dental treatment under sedation. The average number of CBT appointments required before a patient received dental treatment without sedation was five.

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A study recently published in the journal *npj Digital Medicine* has found that women and older adults who use multiple prescription drugs are significantly more likely to be prescribed pills whose combination produces dangerous side effects. The analysis revealed a 60 percent increased risk for adverse drug reaction in women compared to men—and a 90 percent increased risk in cases of medicines whose interaction is known to produce danger-

ous reactions. In older people, one in every four people prescribed multiple medicines over age 55 received drugs with an interaction—reaching one in every three for ages 70 to 79. According to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, about one out of every three hospital visits annually is related to adverse drug effects.

Antidepressants are generally safe, according to a new study by an international team of researchers. By assessing evidence from 45 meta-analyses, which combined the results from many studies, the researchers did not find strong evidence of adverse health outcomes associated with antidepressant use. The findings have been published in *JAMA Psychiatry*. There has been a sharp growth of antidepressant use worldwide. These drugs rank third among prescribed medications and fourth among sold medications. It is estimated that up to 10 per cent of American adults take at least one antidepressant. However, the safety profile of antidepressants has remained somewhat controversial. Meta-analyses combine the results from many studies, and some have found strong associations between antidepressants and some adverse health outcomes, while others have not. Researchers systematically assessed the evidence from 45 reviewed meta-analyses that included more than 1,000 observational studies.

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Greenfield residents were given the opportunity to view some of the renovations at The Meetinghouse.

NEC & Colby-Sawyer returning to in-person

New England College is among several New Hampshire colleges and universities planning for a full return to inperson classes and open facilities in the fall. The college, which has campuses in Henniker and Manchester, held classes remotely in the spring of 2020, switching to a mix of in-person, hybrid and remote options last fall. New England College President Michele Perkins issued a statement saying, "As we return to a nearly normal residential program, we know we still have a lot of work to do. Though we remain hopeful that the scourge of COVID will soon be behind us, we remain vigilant in this very volatile environment." Colleges and universities, including Colby-Sawyer College are planning for commencement ceremonies that have the students in person but the audience remote, offering a livestream for virtual viewing.

Tucker Free Library expanding its hours

Beginning April 6, 2021 the Tucker Free Library will expand library services to include in-person visits and the much anticipated opening of our two Book Drops! While we are taking giant steps moving forward, the 72-hour quarantine will remain so patrons are asked to check-in their materials at the entrances to the Main Floor and the Youth Department. The "Look & Book" service allows patrons to browse the stacks for materials. For those who are reluctant to enter the building, the library staff will continue to provide curbside pickup during all hours of operation. Home delivery is also available. Contact us at 428-3471 or tuckerfree@comcast.net if you have questions or would like to arrange home delivery service. The library hours will also be expanded. Tucker Free will be open Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday from 10-5, Thursday 10-7, and Saturday 9-12.

Bennington's Bridge Street Recovery Center scheduled to open in June

Bennington's new transitional housing facility, designed for those in recovery from addiction, is scheduled to open in June. Co-founder Stephen Bryan reports that construction, which began last fall, is nearly 50 percent complete.

The facility, 40-bed Bridge Street Recovery, on Francestown Road at the former location of the Highland Inn, is being designed for adults who are at least 30 days into sobriety and need help transitioning back into everyday life.

The residential care and transitional housing facility will provide both emergency and longterm care to New Hampshire residents recovering from addiction. Stays at Bridge Street Recovery can range from 30 days to six months, depending on the client's needs.

The company is also planning to open a detox facility under the same name in Peterborough, with hopes



The former Highland Inn is being converted into a detox center.

to break ground in late August. The 64 bed facility will be for people who are just coming off substances, may be going into withdrawal and need a more intense form of treatment. The plan is to have clients start in June.



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New Hampshire DOT's charade

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The current project timetable calls for Preliminary Design in 2022, with Construction in 2025.

The presentation was complete and well designed but had two flaws.

1. It is the same presentation DOT gave about a year ago to Henniker and Hopkinton officials and nothing has changed or progressed.

2. There is no need to wait until 2022 for a final design.

By their own presentation, state officials have proven that an overpass is by far the safest alternative, will not restrict or back up traffic flow on this major East/West highway, and is the one preferred by both Henniker and Hopkinton officials.

The choice is obvious. The only remaining questions is whether the state is willing to commit \$16+ million to the project.

🔏 Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

I went to the selectman meeting on 03-24-2021 to listen about the new noise ordinance proposal. After a very short discussion, one of the selectman got very upset and picked up his briefcase and stormed out of the building. One would only assume he didn't hear what he had planned on. Or at least what he told the person who is pushing for the ordinance what he could do for them. Having considerable information on the reason for this ordinance, to put it bluntly, this is a Hinkley & McCoy situation. One party has accused the other of making excessive noise and disrupting their business and private space. The other says that they moved there to use the land as they see fit, target shooting / ATV activity etc. Party one had the opportunity to purchase the piece of property which

abuts their property and declined. Party two purchased said piece. Prior to party two purchasing the property party two had encroached upon the property and done some alterations and burned some mattresses. Rather than try and work their differences out as most adults and natives would, party one went the other way. One could only assume with the help of the selectman who left the meeting. Hence this is why the selectman are considering a noise ordinance, WHICH WILL EFFECT ALL THE TAXPAYERS AND RENTERS IN THE TOWN OF HILLSBORO. The select board is planning to hold a public session at a to be announced future time. I would suggest that if you don't want this ordinance enacted you show up and voice your opinion. The Chief of Police stated at the meeting that everything in the new ordinance is ►

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in place now. It falls under the duties of the police dept. The only difference is now if problem can't be resolved then a summons would be issued and parties would have to appear before a judge. If these problems are issued under the ordinance than a fine would be issued and payment would go to the town. 1st. offence \$100.00 2nd.\$250.00 and 3rd. \$500.00. A copy of the new ordinance can be picked up at the office {I would assume} or picked up at the public meeting. A sample of noise would be fireworks. Not to be used between the hours of 10 a.m. and 10p.m. except on July 3rd thru 5th. There is much more and worth the read. Unless you want the town in your personal life and within your rights as a taxpaying citizen than I suggest you go to the meeting and get this off the agender or at least on next years town meeting as a voted warrant article.

Everett "EB" Chamberlain, Hillsboro

Dear Editor:

This week our Jewish compatriots are celebrate Passover. Remembering the time God saved them from their slavery in Egypt. This is related in the book of EXODUS in the bible. While they were in the desert getting to the promise land, life was hard and they grumbled against God and Moses. God became frustrated and angry with them and sent seraph serpents which bit them and they died.

They regretted their grumbling and went to Moses to beg God to release them from this plague or perhaps they might have called it a pandemic since it affected their entire world. God told Moses to make a staff with a seraph serpent and when one was bitten if they looked at the staff they would be cured. And they were saved. We have and are still suffering from the COVID-19 pandemic after a year. Did God or whatever you call your higher power cause it? No, he just allowed it to happen like he allows many bad things to happen in this world. He is a good father who disciplines his children by allowing them to make mistakes and then rescues them. I expect millions of people prayed to their higher power to be rescued from this virus. Like in Exodus, our higher power doesn't always answer as quickly or as we think he should. But he has answered. He gave the scientist the intelligence to produce these vaccines and quicker than anyone thought possible. Now it's up to us to stop this pandemic by continuing to wear mask, wash our hands etc. and most importantly, GET VACCINATED.

This pandemic will stop like the seraph serpents stopped killing the Israelites. They were able to continue on their journey and we will be able to get back to enjoying life as we were before this all started. PLEASE GET VACCINATED.

Jeannine Aucoin, Henniker



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Warner Connects seeks Town's permission to operate a Thrift Store

Lori Garrett, Peter and Patti Anderson from Warner Connects met with the Select Board to request a lease agreement, allowing them to expand the Food Pantry by including a Thrift Store at their current facility.

Warner Connects is a non-profit group, operating under the tax exemption of Main Street Warner. Last year, while operating the Food Pantry, they received \$35,000 in cash plus an additional \$7,700 worth of food and clothing donations. They make about 40 home deliveries each week. Garrett reported that a Thrift Store has been a successful venture in several other towns, and believes it will help generate funds for their opeations.

The Board was generally positive but felt another meeting was needed to work out the details.

Ed Mical, Emergency Management Director reported that Magdalen College has agreed to allow the use of its



gymnasium for use as a warming or emergency shelter. Moderator Ray Martin has suggested they hold the May 1st Town Meeting at the Indian Museum or outside at Town Hall.

BIG BARGAINS IN SMALL TOWNS



Contoocook Chamber of Commerce welcomes Granny Chic Boutique

On Friday, March 26 the Contoocook Chamber of Commerce officially welcomed Granny Chic Boutique to the Town of Hopkinton with a Ribbon Cutting ceremony.

Granny Chic Boutique celebrates fashion, style, and craftsmanship from a variety of eras and genres. From Victorian elegance, mid-century accessories, 60s and 70s free-spirited style to 80s and 90s retro vibe, the clothes and home items carried at this shop are truly unique. Owner, Elizabeth Catalena loves to find the cool and unique.

She has spent many hours searching for items that express individualism and she's now ready to offer her passion to the public through her new shop in Contoocook.

Ms. Catalena points out many people "appreciate and identify with many types of fashion." Her offerings are the type that "never goes out of style--classic shapes, flatter-



ing designs, beautiful craftsmanship, and quality fabrics." An especially eye-catching two-piece outfit is a red and white striped summer maxi skirt and top set, circa 1973. This 2-piece cotton knit has a sleeveless semi-fitted top decorated with white beads & rhinestone buttons. It is in very good vintage condition and is from the Museum at FIT, Fashion Institute of Technology in NYC.

Fellow shop owner LeeAnne Vance

have another fun and interesting shop in the center of the Contoocook Village. Our shopping offerings are growing more each month making Contoocook a great place to visit and spend an afternoon." The village sits on the Contoocook River and the freshly painted covered train bridge is the oldest covered bridge of its kind in the nation. This adds to the charm and idyllic New England setting.

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DEERING

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HENNIKER

St. Theresa had a Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7 p.m. on Holy Thursday, April 1 and adoration until 10 p.m. On April 2, Good Friday, Stations of the Cross are at 3:00 p.m. followed by the Passion Service at 7. There is Easter Vigil on Saturday, April 3 at 8 p.m. Easter Sunday, April 4, there's a Mass at 8 a.m. and another at 11 a.m. Please wear a mask.

HILLSBOROUGH

Jesus is Alive - Come celebrate the Resurrection of the Lord Jesus and His triumph over sin and death and hell with us at Valley Bible Chapel, 14 W Main St. in Hillsborough, at 10 a.m. on Easter Sunday. April 4th. Face coverings are required.

Join worshippers at St Mary April 2, Good Friday for the Last Words of Christ followed by Stations of the Cross at 3 p.m. Easter Sunday, April 4, Mass is at 9:30 a.m. Please wear a mask.

Holy Week Services at Smith Church began with Palm Sunday on March 28 at 10:30 a.m. followed by Maundy Thursday April 1, 2021 at 7 p.m. Good Friday will be observed with a Vigil that will be done from home, join in at https://smithrnemorialucc.org!. Easter Sunrise Service will be held at the Intrepid Farm rain or shine at 6:15 a.m.

HOPKINTON

Join the First Congregational Church for a week of worship. Each weekday morning during Holy Week, from 7:30 a.m. to 7:50 a.m. one of the Deacons will lead a brief service of prayers, scripture, readings, meditations, and moments of silence.

St Andrew's Espicopal Church Good Friday April 2 at 7 p.m. Sunday April 3 worship will be in person. The celebration will be held outdoors and around a bonfire rain or shine. Come and take part in the ancient stories of creation and salvation, sing with voice, piano, guitar, flute and all manner of bells, and make Eucharist all together in the flesh for the first time in over a year. Bring your masks, your own chairs and your own bread. On Easter, April 4, Sunrise Service takes place at 6 a.m. at 155 Putney Hill

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Road followed by a 9 a.m. service via Zoom.

NEW LONDON

Our Lady of Fatima offers Stations of the Cross at 7 p.m. on Friday, April 2, followed by a 7 p.m. Easter Vigil on Saturday. On Easter morning, April 4, Mass begins at 10:30 a.m.

 Join the First Free Will Baptist Church for an Easter Sunrise Service followed by Sunday Service from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

NEWBURY

• The South Newbury Union Church celebrates Easter with a Facebook Live online service at 9:30 a.m. For further info call 938-5778.

WARNER

• The United Church of Christ has an Easter service at 10 a.m. via Zoom. Go to ucwarner.org or call (603) 456-3447.

WASHIINGTON

• The Congregational Church is haviing Easter service via Zoom at 10 a.m. Email for the link: info@washing-toncongregationalchurch.com

 The East Washington Baptist Church will be reopening on Sunday, April 4 with their 9:30 a.m. service. Masks are required.

WEARE

• The Weare Christian Church held a Communion service from 7 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, April 1. On Easter Sunday, April 4 from 6 to 7 a.m. join the congregation for a Sunrise service.

KRHS Student of the Month Rosalia Merritt

Rosalia Merritt, a junior of Sutton, has been selected as the March 2021 student of the month at Kearsarge Regional High School after being nominated by faculty for the honor.

Merritt has challenged herself academically by taking honors level math courses, a subject she excels in. She is also a member of the school's Chorus and Treble Chorus, and helps to organize music and

foster a friendly environment in class. She is known by her teachers as a hard worker who is consistently kind, respectful and engaged in her studies.





Bradford Town Meeting being shifted to Kearsarge Middle School in Sutton

Bradford Police Chief James Valiquet contacted the Municipal Association, Secretary of State and the Attorney Generals' Office regarding transportation to the new town meeting location at the Kearsarge Regional Middle School on Saturday, April 10th at 9 am.

After speaking to these offices, he recommends starting two busses



Dr. Daniel Perli, who has practiced medicine since 2017, succeeds Dr. Michael Lindberg as Monadnock Community Hospital announced its new chief medical officer.

at the Elementary School traveling to the Middle School, have one go back for late comers and then keep swapping out as needed.

If only one bus is needed, the school transportation company said it would be billed differently. He said the cost will be \$75/bus/hour. Town Administrator Karen Hambleton thought they should start with an 8:00 a.m. start time. Everyone agreed. The bus can hold 24 occupants, unless there are multiple people from the same household, in which it could hold more. Moderator Brackett Scheffy suggested having people make reservations for the bus so they would know ahead of time. One bus will leave at 8:00 a.m., and the second will leave later unless there is a need for two busses leaving at 8:00 a.m. Andrew is wondering if we might be able to receive State funding due to it being a Covid related issue. Karen will look into this. Chief Valiquet said there will be a duty officer and safety officer at the Town Meeting.



The Kearsarge Regional Middle School.



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The Easter Bunny was busy on Saturday, overseeing Project Genesis's Easter Egg Hunt at Butler Park in Hillsborough before hopping down to Emerald Lake to oversee another hunt there.





John E. Marsh

WARNER - John E. Marsh, 63. On the morning of March 24, 2021 at

a tranquil private setting, my husband John passed away peacefully at home surrounded by his loving family. John was born September 26, 1957 in Littleton. He was predeceased



by his parents Clinton Samuel Marsh of Orford and Martha Marsh (Tarr) of Warner, his brother Richard Marsh of Warner, David Marsh of Bristol and Kathy Marsh Jeffers of Warner. He leaves behind his wife of 13 years, Nancy Marsh of Warner, three step children, Asia Blake of New Hampton, New Hampshire, John Box of Warner, New Hampshire and Nicolas Box of Manchester, and two grandchildren, Leila Jane Box of Manchester and Colton Walter Box of Manchester. He also leaves behind his two brothers Clinton Marsh of Henniker and Gerald Marsh of Warner, and three sisters Denise Page of Warner, Beverly Barker of Newberry and Joanne LaJoice of Newport and many nieces and nephews and close friends. Calling hours will be held Friday April 9, 2021 from 4-8 pm at Holt-Woodbury Funeral Home, 32 School St in Hillsboro, NH. Church services on Saturday April 10, 2021 at 10 o'clock at the United Church of Warner, NH. Burial will follow in New Waterloo Cemetery.

John William Miner, Sr.

HILLSBORO - John William Miner, Sr., 70, passed away Sunday, March 21, 2021, surrounded by family. John was born February 17, 1951, in Nashua, NH, son of the late Robert and Esther (Labombarde) Miner. John is survived by his loving children: his son, John W. Miner, Jr. and his wife, Jessica; his daughter, Amy Miner, and Randy Gagne, all of Hopkinton; four cherished grandchildren: Daniel and Elise Miner, and Porter and Carlie Tomsick. He



is predeceased by brothers, Robert, Roy, and Roland Miner; he is survived by brother, Bruce, and sisters, Peggy Larocque and Lisa Hicks, along with many close cousins, nieces, and nephews. A Celebration of his life will be held at a later date. For those who wish, Memorial contribution in John's name may be made to The NH Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, PO Box 196, 104 Portsmouth Ave., Stratham, NH 03885.

Beverly J. Belden HILLSBOROUGH - Beverly J.

Belden, 67, of Hillsborough, NH died after a short battle with cancer



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• How many bedrooms must you have? Would you like to have?

• How many bathrooms do you want?

- How big would you like your house to be (square feet)?
- What features do you want to have in your house?
- Must have/Would Like to Have
- Air conditioning
- Wall-to-wall carpet
- Ceramic tile

By: Joyce Bosse

- Eat-in kitchen
- Separate dining room
- Formal living room
- Family room
- Greatroom
- Lots of windows (light)
- Fireplace
- Workshop

Basement

• Separate den or library

Hardwood floors

- Separate laundry room
- Spa in bathroom
- No interior steps
- "In-law" apartment

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Obituaries: Friends & Neighbors Remembered

on March 23, 2021 at her home in Hillsborough. She was born in Nashua, NH October 15, 1953, a daughter of the late Gordon and Mildred



Townsend. Survivors include her husband of 45 years, James; her two sons, Shaun and Adam; her brother, James Townsend and his partner, Paula Shea of Rye, NH; her sisters, Gail Jean of Milford, NH and Julie Townsend-Love and her husband, Peter of East Hampton, CT. A celebration of life will be held at a later date and place not yet determined. In lieu of flowers please feel free to donate to the American Cancer Society.

Barbara C. Whitney HANCOCK - Barbara C. Whitney, 85, of Hancock, NH died peacefully on Monday, March 22, 2021 at the Jaffrey Rehabilitation and Nursing Center after a period of failing health. Barbara was born in Peterborough, NH on July 2, 1935, daughter of the late Ira and Bernice (Cass) Codman. In addition to her par-



ents, Barbara was predeceased by her husband, Alfred L. Whitney; her brother, Harry Codman; her nephew, Dan Codman, and by her son-in-law, Thomas Scraggs. Barbara is survived by her 2 daughters, Debra and her husband, Jonathan Coyne of Hancock, and Karen of Jaffrey; her three grandchildren, Dalton, Dylan, and Evan. She also leaves behind her best friend, Jackie Duval, her aunts, Celia Cass and Natalie Cass, and her nephews, Ed. Tom, Mike, Harry, and Robert. According to Barbara's wishes, there will be no calling hours or funeral services at this time. She

will be buried next to her husband in Upper Pine Hill Cemetery, Sand Hill Road, Peterborough. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to either the Peterborough Fire & Rescue, c/o Chief Ed Walker, 16 Summer St., Peterborough, NH 03458, or to the Hancock Fire Department Rescue, 40 Bennington Road, Hancock, NH 03449.





Events: Community Bulletin Board

SUNDAY APRIL 4

COMPOST BINS: Compost your yard & food waste. Order a compost bin now. Hillsborough Solid Waste Advisory Board urges you to do your part; compost your yard & food waste. Order by April 22, 2021. Hillsborough compost bin sale. Visit the office at the Hillsborough Transfer Station during regular business hours, or contact Laura Buono at (603) 464-3877 ext. 222.

TUESDAY APRIL 6

HOW TO DAY: Fuller Public Library's How To's Day program is all about Seeds and Planting. On the library porch there will be seed packets that you may take a package or two of as well as a kit to make your own garden markers. On the porch until they are gone. Special thanks to Tom & Robin's Garden and Baker Creek Seeds for the donation.

ANTRIM LEGION MEETS: American Legion Post 50 will hold their monthly meeting at the Post home on West St. at 7:30pm. All members, veterans & guests are welcome.

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.

MONDAY APRIL 12

MILITARY BOOK CLUB: Fuller Public Library's Military History book group will meet at 2pm to discuss The British are Coming by Rick Atkinson. You can meet in the library or from home, contact the library for a meeting code.

TUESDAY APRIL 13 AND 15

OUTDOOR STORY TIME: returns to Fuller Public Library, weather permitting with stories beginning at 10am. Please bring a blanket or chairs, masks for those over the age of 5, and we ask that you social distance according to the CDC guidelines.

LIONS MEET: The Hillsboro Lions Club meets

at the American Legion Hall at 7:00pm. Guest speaker David Tille, Director of Veteran's Affairs at Harbor Care. Visitors and prospective members always welcome. Masks and Social Distancing will be observed.

SATURDAY APRIL 24

CLEAN-UP DAY: Come help the Office of Youth Services and Project Genesis clean up the streets around Hillsborough. Both gloves and trash bags will be provided at Project Genesis. Once done, there will be a trailer outside of Project Genesis where you can put your full bags of trash. Sign up with your team by messaging us at Project Genesis Community Youth Center, calling (603) 464-7981, or youthservicespa @hillsboroughnh. net. If you have a specific location you would like to work on let us know. If not, we can assign one for you.

MCCABE FOREST: from 10-11:30. Join the Grapevine's Carol Lunan and Harris Center's Susie Spikol for a morning and come search for the signs of spring at McCabe Forest. Look and listen for bird songs, sniff the air for the scent of spring's earliest flowers, and visit the magical





vernal pools of this special spot. At the pools we will search for frogs, salamanders and other small creatures. A perfect way for families to start their Saturday.

RABIES CLINIC: for Cats and Dogs. 9-11 (rain or shine). Sponsored by the South Newbury Union Curch. Held in the parking lot of the Friendship House (corner of Village and Sutton Roads). Rabies shot fee: \$14.00. Please bring a previous Rabies certificate or dog license, if available. Dr. Karen Moody will the the officiating veterinarian. Newbury Town Clerk will be present to register and license your dog. For more info call 938-2064.

TUESDAY APRIL 27

LIONS MEET: The Hillsboro Lions Club meets at the American Legion Hall at 7:00pm. Visitors and prospective members always welcome. Masks and Social Distancing will be observed.

SATURDAY MAY 1

BIRDING: with Phil Brown from the Harris Center for Conservation Education at 8:00am.

A local hike to see, hear and watch Spring birds. Bring binoculars if you have them. This program is open to a max of 10 mask-wearing, social distanced people. We will start at The Grapevine and hike out from there.

SUNDAY MAY 2

HAZARDOUS WASTE DAY: will be held on Sunday, May 2, 2021 from 8:30am-12:30pm at the Transfer Station. No other services available on this day. Sponsored by the following participating towns: Hillsborough, Deering and Windsor. For more info, call (603) 464-7987.

THURSDAY MAY 6 & 13

PASTA: Parenting A Second Time Around is a Cornell University curriculum for grandparents and other relative caregivers who are parenting grandchildren and other related children. From 7:00-8:30pm, you can join with others in similar situations who are parenting teens to talk about development, discipline, supporting teens, and communication. Free program – visit nhchildrenstrust.org to register or call The Grapevine with questions.

FRIDAY MAY 7

FIRST FRIDAYS: Gallery Opening Receptions. 5:30-7:30. FREE "Safe" Opening Receptions for New Exhibits, Dan Brenton at The New London Inn, Anna Marie Ash at Bar Harbor Bank & Trust, Gwen Nagel at Blue Loon Bakery, Whipple Hall TBD on Main Street, and Tatewell Gallery and New London Hospital on Newport Road! "Eat, Sip, Stroll, and Enjoy the Art!" All exhibits open during regular business hours.

SATURDAY MAY 8

GRAPEVINE SPRING WALK: For the second consecutive year, we will be making this a virtual event as we continue to adhere to social distance protocols and limit group gatherings. More details: grapevinenh.org

TUESDAY MAY 11

LIONS MEET: The Hillsboro Lions Club meets at the American Legion Hall at 7:00pm. Visitors and prospective members always welcome. Masks and Social Distancing will be observed.



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TUCKER TRANSPORTATION is looking for minivan school bus drivers. 1-2 students on a bus at a given time. 20-25 hours per week. Paid sick/vacation time. Clean driving/criminal record required. Call Todd 603-313-2567 or email toddtucker777@ gmail.com

PUBLIC NOTICE TOWN of HENNIKER Request for Bids

The Town of Henniker, NH will receive bids until May 6, 2021 at 2:00pm to remove and replace metal roofing on the Belt Press building for the Wastewater Department. Complete details may be found on the town website at https://www.henniker.org/bids-and-rfps

HILLSBORO-DEERING ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Kindergarten Registration School Year 2021-2022

Children must reside in Hillsboro, Deering or Windsor and be 5 yrs. old on or before 9/30/2021.

Register Online at www.hdsd.org/Domain/2370. After registering your child, please sign up for a Kindergarten Screening time at **www.hdsd.org/Domain/2370** to be held at Hillsboro-Deering Elementary School on June 15th and 16th.

Kindergarten Parent Information Night via Zoom will be on May 12th at 5:30pm-Zoom Info to follow.

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HILLSBORO-DEERING SCHOOL DISTRICT **INTEGRATED PRESCHOOL**

The Hillsboro-Deering School District is accepting applications for anticipated preschool openings for the 2021-2022 school year. The program is available to children who will reach the age of 3 or 4 by September 30, 2021 and are a resident of Hillsboro, Deering, or Windsor. Preschool applications will be available online at www.hdsd.org starting April 5, 2021. Preschool screenings are scheduled for June 14, 2021. Preschool placement will be announced by the end of June and any additional openings will be filled using a waitlist process.

> Hillsboro-Deering Preschool Open House Wednesday, May 3rd at 5:00pm through zoom For additional information please contact Danielle Parenteau, Preschool Facilitator (603) 464-1123 or dparenteau@hdsd.org

PUBLIC NOTICE SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

The Hillsborough Supervisors of the Checklist will be in session on Saturday, April 10 for the purpose of adding or making corrections to the Emerald Lake Village District checklist. The session will be open from 10:00-10:30 am at the Emerald Lake Village District offices at 147 West Main Street in Hillsborough. If you are not already registered in Hillsborough, please bring a photo ID, proof of residency, and proof of citizenship. If documents are not available, appear during the session to sign an affidavit. If you are not sure if you're registered as a resident of the Emerald Lake Village District and wish to vote at the annual meeting on April 17, please come to this session.

BID REQUEST

TOWN OF NEW BOSTON, NH

The Town of New Boston is accepting bids for the various road projects in the Town to include reclamation, shimming, base and topcoat. Roads included are Lyndeborough Road, Hooper Hill Road, Cemetery Hill Road, Cochran Hill Road, Meetinghouse Hill Road, Wilson Hill Road, Byam Road and Bog Brook Road. Deadline for submission is April 14, 2021 at 2:00PM at the Selectmen's Office.

A detailed package with the information on the project, the conditions thereof, and bid forms, are available at the New Boston Town Hall during normal office hours and online at www.newbostonnh.gov.

For further information call: Peter R. Flynn, Town Administrator 603-487-2500 Ext. 121 or e-mail at p.flynn@newbostonnh.gov

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