

# THE Messenger

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## Boy Scouts honored



Congratulations to Daniel Veverka on earning the rank of Eagle Scout. He is only the 25th Eagle Scout in Antrim's Troop 2 since 1913.



Ben LaBier of Weare Troop 529 completed Powderhorn Course. Powderhorn teaches youth about opportunities available to scouts through hands on training and networking. Who is ready to go enjoy high adventure scouting?

## This Week In History

**October 16, 1827**

USS Porpoise liberates British ship captured by pirates

**October 17, 1864**

James Longstreet returns to command troops

**October 18, 1863**

General Daniel Sickles visits his troops

**October 19, 1864**

Union troops rally at Battle of Cedar Creek

**October 20, 1944**

US forces land at Leyte Island in the Philippines

**October 21, 1861**

Confederate troops triumph at Ball's Bluff

**October 22, 1962**

Cuban Missile Crisis begins



A large crowd gathered Saturday to witness the Emerald Lake Village District Commissioners dedicate the newly replaced bridge at Red Fox Crossing in honor of Eugene "Skippy" Edwards' nearly 50 years of service to the District. On hand were Skippy's wife Pat and son Gary.

## Town & school officials confer

### Hillsborough Select Board H-D school officials meet

Representatives of the H-D School District, Superintendent Patricia Parenteau, Business Manager Mary Henry, and School Board Chair Herla Idonisi attended the recent Hillsborough Select Board meeting to discuss Town/School connections.

Town Administrator Laura Buono told the Board that they had a price for the replacement slide, mirror and Jumbo Flyer at the Grimes Field playground. After discussion about the viability of the mirror, it was decided by the Board that the \$2700 cost of

the mirror could be better used for another interactive activity, but the rest of the items should be ordered now as it is estimated that it could take 14-16 weeks for the items to be delivered. Buono also told the Board that DOT has approved the crosswalk on West Main Street, west of Dr. Bara's office. The northern sidewalk will be extended further west in order to go past the culvert and headwall of the south side of the road. There will also be a signal light to warn drivers of the pedestrians who are trying to cross.

## Steve Tower added to Fallen Firefighters Memorial

Steve Tower, a Goffstown Fire Department captain, died Aug. 31, 2020, after suffering a medical emergency during a physical test at the Concord Fire Academy in Concord.

Tower, 54, had served three decades with the Goffstown Fire Department, and came out of retirement to serve as interim chief of the department. He had decided to stay unretired after the town appointed a new chief, and was becoming certified again when he

died. Tower was on the Goffstown department panel that interviewed current Fire Chief Brian Allard for his first job as a firefighter.

"He was one of my early mentors. Not only me, but probably hundreds of firefighters across New Hampshire," Allard said at the time of Tower's death. "He would take them, myself included, under his wing and show them the expectations of becoming a firefighter."



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## Center for the Arts Holiday Wine and Trivia Dinner at Coach House Restaurant

Enjoy a delightful evening with a delicious four course meal with wine pairings, and trivia between courses, all to raise money for the CFA Arts Education Fund on November 16 at 6:30 pm at the New London Inn Coach House Restaurant.

The Center for the Arts Arts Education Fund provides grants to local teachers and schools to facilitate active participation in the arts. The fund was established to encourage teachers and administrators to create projects that will not only expose students to the arts but also inspire students to think creatively. The CFA Arts Education Fund has helped to support numerous art, performing, and literary projects including the KRES Shakespeare Project, the Portsmouth Brass Quintet, the East Bay Jazz Ensemble, Woodwind Music of the King's Court, the Ox-Cart Kids Poetry Club, Native American programs, and the KRHS Labyrinth Project, as well as many Online and Teacher-led Community Projects.

Reservations can be made online

at [www.centerfortheartsnh.org/wine-dinner](http://www.centerfortheartsnh.org/wine-dinner) or at 526-2791. Tables of 4, 6, and 8 are available as well as individual reservations. The cost of the meal is \$99+. Reserve early as space is limited!

In addition to the Wine and Trivia Dinner, the CFA is holding their Annual Holiday Auction Online November 1st through November 15th with the final bidding on remaining items at the Holi-

day Dinner itself on November 16th.

Thanks to generous donors, this year's Auction includes great gifts including Tubbs Snowshoes, Fraser Home Fragrances, Gift Certificates, Wine, Winter, Yoga, and Holiday Baskets galore, as well as beautiful 10x10 works of art by renowned regional artists, offered for \$100 each. A wonderful gift for someone you know...or for yourself.



Wear Police Chief Christopher Moore presents Katelyn Ricker with a certificate of appreciation for the good work she did as animal control officer from September 2019 to September 2021. Ricker left for full time employment.

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# Paroled for death of Officer Sean Powers - arrested again

A man who was arrested after a high-speed chase on Interstate 89 was on parole after serving time in prison for negligent homicide in a hit-and-run crash that killed an off-duty Hopkinton police officer in August 2008.

Court records show that Jeffrey Dennis, 35, was convicted in December 2008 in connection with the death of officer Sean Powers, who died after being rear-ended while riding his motorcycle on Route 202 in Henniker.

Dennis was returned to prison after his arrest Wednesday. Police said he

was driving erratically at speeds in excess of 90 mph Wednesday.

Troopers used tire deflation devices at mile marker 2 in Bow, which deflated one of the car's tires, officials said. Dennis took Exit 1, where he

drove through the intersection at Logging Hill Road and crashed into a stop sign on Tyler Road in Bow.

Dennis is charged with reckless conduct with a deadly weapon, reckless operation, and disobeying an officer.

## Town Trick or Treat Hours

Antrim: Oct. 31, 5:30-7:30

Bennington: Oct. 31, 5:30-7:30

Bradford: Oct. 31, 5:00-8:00

Contoocook: Oct. 31, 4:00-7:00

Deering: Not yet available as of press time

Francestown: Oct. 31, 6:00-7:30

Greenfield: Oct. 31, 6:00-8:00

Goffstown: Not yet available as of press time

Hancock: Oct 30, 5:00-8:00

Hillsborough: Oct. 31, 5:00-8:00

Henniker: Oct. 31, 5:30-7:30

Hopkinton: Oct. 31, 4:00-7:00

New Boston: Oct. 31, 6:00-8:00

New London: Oct. 31, 4:00-6:00

Newbury: Oct. 30, 10:00-12:00

Peterborough: Oct. 31, 5:00-7:00

Stoddard: Oct. 29, 6:30 Trunk/Treat

Sunapee: Oct. 31, 3:00-5:30

Warner: Oct. 31, 5:00-8:00

Weare: Oct. 31, 5:30-7:30

Windsor: Not yet available as of press time



Hillsboro's McDonald's participated in the statewide fundraiser Honoring Excellence in Law Enforcement.

## McDonald's recognized Law Enforcement Excellence

Last Thursday McDonald's around the state, including Hillsborough's location, participated in a statewide fundraiser Honoring Excellence in Law Enforcement.

Three officers from Hillsboro PD were presented with awards: Detective Sergeant Chris McGillicuddy, Officer Danielle Normand and Officer William Bannister.

McDonald's will be aiming for a goal of \$50,000 to donate to the Chief of Police Association

of NH that will be utilized for all police departments. "The money raised through this event will assist in providing high-quality law enforcement training and the continued development of the profession of law enforcement toward the police's efforts in supporting the communities they serve."

The department would like to thank McDonald's for everything they have done.

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 **Yesteryear** Local history as reported in The Messenger

**October 16, 2020**  
 Goffstown voters get fraudulent ballot requests  
 Secretary of State critical of Peterborough  
 Plans to renovate Buker Building on hold  
 Extensive search locates Francestown man

**October 18, 2019**  
 Three Antrim residents indicted for felonies  
 Hillsborough man and child die in fire  
 Peterborough as it was 150 years ago  
 ConVal trio at Hugh O'Brian conference

**October 19, 2018**  
 Goffstown Police looking at human trafficking  
 Hopkinton School District to upgrade security  
 Steven Hahn resigns from HD School Board  
 Court rules for former Weare Police Officer

**October 20, 2017**  
 Eversource selling Bow & Franklin plants  
 New Boston Forest named for Bob Todd  
 New London divided on 1941 Cupola  
 Hopkinton seeks input on Warner range

**October 14, 2016**  
 \$833,000 to replace Bow's Birchdale bridge  
 One dead in Henniker multi-vehicle crash  
 New Boston celebrates footbridge dedication  
 Hopkinton Rotary Club celebrates 20 years

**October 16, 2015**  
 New Boston couple homeless after fire  
 New \$9.2 million Newport Health Center  
 Two men arrested for Henniker home invasion  
 Franklin decides not to enforce its curfew

**October 17, 2014**  
 Dunbarton to pay Goffstown \$530,238.48  
 New Boston teen arrested for hit & run  
 Franklin dog rescued - undergoes surgery  
 Antrim & Henniker Administrators moving on

**October 18, 2013**  
 Active Shooter training in New London  
 Dartmouth College computers to Newport  
 John Stark students visit NH Supreme Court  
 ConVal plans middle school computer upgrades

**October 19, 2012**  
 Weare Police end K-9 program  
 No charges yet filed in Hopkinton fatality  
 Committee studies 1941 school building options  
 Judge denies lower bail to Henniker rapists

**October 21, 2011**  
 Dollar General coming to Hillsborough  
 Weare couple arrested at anti-war protest  
 Antrim Selectmen urge residents to vote "NO"

# Weare Select Board responds to residents' complaints of flooding

Scott & Evelyn Garnett returned to the Weare Select Board to continue discussing the condition of the culvert installation that causes their property to flood when it rains. Scott explained they were told the road height would not be changed.

However, in front of their yard, the road has been raised a foot. Historically, there was never a culvert; water flowed down the west side of the road. DPW Director Benji Knapp said that he had a nice conversation with the Garnetts and courteously agreed to disagree.

He will follow whatever decision the Board concludes, but maintains the destroyed garden is because of the worst July rainfall we have ever had.

Selectman Van stated the Garnetts want it capped, though not admitting the Town caused the issue as his yard is also still water soaked from summer rains, but this would make them happy. If the culvert is closed, you have to be careful of rerouting

the water as not to undermine the roadway. Selectman Van questioned if the culvert were closed would this diversion create NHDES issues. Vice Chairman Meaney responded he did not think so. The Board's consensus is

to cap the culvert with the condition if the problem makes road issues they will open it back up. DPW Director Knapp requested two weeks to do it and if a problem arises, he will discuss it with the Board before reopening.



Warner's Economic Development Committee recently held an "unveiling" of the town's new mural, done by Jyl Dittbenner. The 50-by-12-foot mural is across the street from the town hall.

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By: Joyce Bosse

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- Use proper fuel in kerosene space heaters.
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## New London holding Community Forums

New London officials are holding two Community Forums; one on Saturday, October 23 from 7:30am – 9:30am and another on Monday, October 25, 7:00pm – 9:00pm at the Professional Development Center on the Kearsarge Regional School District Campus. The New London Board of Selectmen invite citizens to attend one of two community forums being held to get citizen input on the town's priorities for capital investments for the next 10 years, including the direction for improving the New London Police Department facilities. Citizens will hear from the Selectmen, Planning Board, Building & Facilities Committee and Police Chief and then will have the opportunity to ask questions. Sessions will conclude with citizens indicating their priorities. Your participation is needed so please plan to attend one session. Participation by Zoom will be available – the link will be on the town website: [www.nl-nh.com](http://www.nl-nh.com)

## NH Audubon Society Honors Hancock man

At its Annual Meeting on September 19, NH Audubon announced its 2021 conservation award winners:

The Goodhue-Elkins Award was given to Eric Masterson of Hancock, NH for outstanding contributions to our knowledge of New Hampshire birds. From the time he arrived in New Hampshire from Ireland, Eric has worked diligently to explore the state, understand its bird life, and share his knowledge with others. His book, *Birdwatching in New Hampshire*, is a user-friendly guide to where to find birds in the state. Whether through writing, biking to South America following the migrating Broad-winged Hawks, reporting his bird sighting data, or leading field trips, he shares his enthusiasm and knowledge generously.



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## Daughters of the American Revolution perform reenactment ceremony

On Tuesday, October 12, 2021, at 3pm, members of the Buntin-Rumford-Webster Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution met at the Old Fort Cemetery for a reenactment program to bring to life some of those who are buried there and who were connected with the American Revolution. The four BRW members dressed in costume and portrayed Elizabeth Eastman (Connie Guerin), Sarah Bradley (Sheila Knight), Ruth Bradley (Diana Duckoff), and Lucy Kimball (Linda Miccio).

The women gave those attending a glimpse into their lives. For example, Ruth Bradley Eastman spoke of her husband, Nathaniel Eastman, Jr., who served as a soldier, who enlisted on July 20, 1775 at the age of 19. He served in Major John Brown's detachment in Quebec, Canada. He received a pension of \$33.66 per month in 1831. Ruth married Nathaniel and they built a house on the bluff near the Eastman School. Together they had 8 children. Ruth's husband's uncle's wife, Eliza-

beth Kimball Eastman, spoke of her parents, who died eight days apart when she was 7 years old.

Elizabeth married Moses Eastman in 1756. She and her husband lived on Oak Hill on 80 acres acquired by Moses' father, Ebenezer. The house

was "said to be the center of hospitality and good cheer." Moses was a soldier in the French and Indian War and he enlisted as a soldier in April 1775 and fought at the Battle of Bunker Hill. He served until 1778. Elizabeth and Moses had 7 children.



Diana, Connie, Linda and Sheila.

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## ARE YOUR GUMS SAYING SOMETHING ABOUT YOUR DEMENTIA RISK?



Dr. Esin Narli

Gum disease, especially the kind that is irreversible and causes tooth loss, may be associated with mild cognitive impairment and dementia 20 years later, according to a new study.

The study found that people with the most severe gum disease at the start of the study had about twice the risk for mild cognitive impairment or dementia by the end. However, the good news was that people with minimal tooth loss and mild gum disease were no more likely to develop thinking problems or dementia than people with no dental problems.

The study involved 8,275 people with an average age of 63 who did not have dementia at the start of the study.

Overall, 1,569 people developed dementia during the study, or 19%. This was the equivalent of 11.8 cases per every 1,000 person-years. The study found that of the people who had healthy gums and all their teeth at the start of the study, 264 out of 1,826, or 14%, developed dementia by the end of the study. For those with mild gum disease, 623 out of 3,470, or 18%, developed dementia. For participants with severe gum disease, 306 out of 1,368, or 22%, developed dementia. And 376 out of 1,611, or 23%, developed dementia in the group that had no teeth.

People with intermediate or severe gum disease, but who still had some teeth, had a 20% greater risk of developing mild cognitive impairment or dementia compared to the healthy group. These risks were after researchers accounted for other factors that could affect dementia risk, such as diabetes, high cholesterol and smoking.

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Pastor Paul O'Neil performed a Blessing of Pets last Sunday and will repeat the ceremony Sunday October 17th at 12 noon at Hillsboro United Methodist Church. Pictured are Joe and Shirley Curtis and dog Lokie along with Pastor Paul.

## Warner farm receives \$250,000 USDA Grant

NH Department of Agriculture Commissioner Shawn Jasper has announced that Pumpkin Blossom Farm in Warner has been awarded a \$250,000 USDA Value Added Producer Grant, which Missy and Mike Biagotti have committed to match in order to launch a lavender infused food and beverage project beginning November 1st. More than half of the \$500k project budget is dedicated to creating new jobs. The Biagottis are grateful for the opportunities this will create for the farm and the town - and hopefully a chance to share what they're learning about the VAPG with other local farms.



John Stark now has a Free Little Library courtesy of Nathan Marquis '21 who built and donated the little library to the school as part of his Capstone Project last year. Take a book or leave one! Sarah Gross photo.

## TAKE YOUR MEDICINE



BY SARAH CHAPIN

A recent research article in the journal *PLoS ONE* examines inadequate nutrient intake and its relationship to poor bone health, specifically risk of osteoporosis. The research was a cross sectional analysis of the U.S. population with a specific focus on those below the poverty line with food insecurities. In the U.S., 25% of older Americans live below the poverty line. Within this population, 68% have inadequate calcium intakes, and 46% have inadequate vitamin D intakes. It has been estimated in the U.S. population age 50 and older, about 10.2 million suffer from osteoporosis, and 80% of these affected cases are females. American women over the age of 50 consistently have inadequate calcium intake regardless of their economic status.

A clinical trial involving COVID-19 patients has found that a combination of the drugs baricitinib and remdesivir reduced time to recovery, according to results published in *The New England Journal of Medicine*.

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration has approved Zokinvy (lonafarnib) capsules to reduce the risk of death due to Hutchinson-Gilford progeria syndrome and for the treatment of certain processing-deficient progeroid laminopathies in patients one year of age and older. Zokinvy is not approved for use in patients with other progeroid syndromes or laminopathies. Patients with Hutchinson-Gilford progeria syndrome and progeroid laminopathies experience accelerated cardiovascular disease from the buildup of defective progerin or progerin-like protein in cells. Most patients die before the age of 15 years from heart failure, heart attack or stroke. Before the recent approval, the only treatment options included supportive care and therapies directed towards the complications arising from the disease.

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## New London's ClearChoice MD to run 4 clinics to deal with test shortage

ClearChoice MD of New London has won an \$8.8 million contract to conduct these tests, which should help cut down on the delays many parents have been facing trying to get schoolchildren tested, Health and Human Services Commissioner Lori Shibinette said.

The Executive Council unanimously endorsed the retroactive no-bid contract at its meeting

Wednesday.

ClearChoice, which operates a network of urgent care centers in the state, was the only company with the staff and resources to immediately set up these testing sites, she said.

The Manchester and Claremont test sites will be in place later this week, and the Nashua and Newington programs will open next week, Shibinette said.

State officials did not have information about the sites' exact location, urging the public to check the company's website.

Each location will conduct at least 150 tests a day and be open a minimum of six hours, seven days a week.

Under this contract, all results must be completed within 48 hours.

Shibinette said ClearChoice will be shipping the results to be analyzed by NorDx Laboratories of Maine, which currently has a 24-hour turnaround.

Governor Chris Sununu said the national shortage of rapid antigen tests for the virus has forced states to "get creative" to help families of school children and employees needing COVID-19 testing.

"This is a big step forward for us," Sununu said.

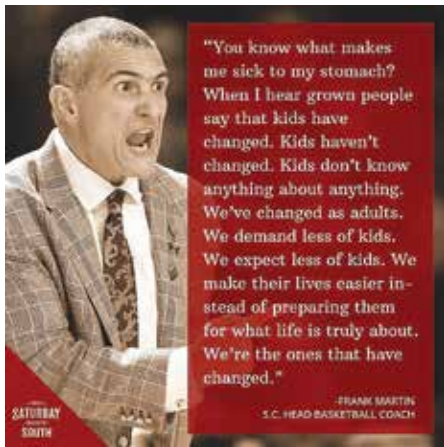
State Epidemiologist Dr. Benjamin Chan said that in the past week the state's COVID positivity rate has risen above the 5% under control benchmark for the first time in months.

It's now at 6%, Chan said.

Hospitalizations remain "high but stable," while the average number of new positive cases daily has been roughly 500, he said.

Sununu said the state's rate of fatality from COVID19 is the third-lowest in the country, with the hospitalization rate the fifth-lowest.

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## Publisher's Perspective

### Prioritizing Wants & Needs

In the last decade we have witnessed a classic example of what's wrong with politics as usual. Many politicians have used the Court's Claremont rulings as justification to pass an income tax. Advocates of expanded gambling use this decision as the excuse to turn New Hampshire into New Jersey. Some opponents of increased spending simply want to turn back the clock, pass a Constitutional Amendment to get the Court out of the education business, without addressing the underlying inequalities. The major problem with all this posturing is that common sense and reality are lost in a blustery cloud of partisan debate and nothing gets accomplished. It's time for politicians of both parties and all persuasions to stop shouting at each other, sit down together and make a serious attempt to restore reason and return to reality. As I see it the key facts are these:

1. Educating its young is the solemn obligation of each generation. Recognizing this obligation, the NH Legislature established the Foundation Aid Program. Ignoring the obligation, the Legislature and a series of Governors (Republican and Democrat) have underfunded the program.

2. New Hampshire spending on education, from a combination of State funding and local property taxes, is sufficient to place NH students in the top ranks nationally. This does not mean that our system is perfect, only that it is better than most.

3. Relying too much on local property taxes creates a great disparity between property rich and property poor school districts. Recognizing the problem, the Legislature established the now famous Augenblick Formula to even out this disparity. Ignoring the problem, the Legislature and a series of Governors (Republican and Democrat) have underfunded the formula, which created the crisis, triggered the original

Claremont lawsuit and the Supreme Court decisions.

4. Special needs students had long been neglected in education nationally. Recognizing the problem, Congress passed legislation requiring districts to educate these students. Ignoring the problem, Congress and a series of Presidents (Republican and Democrat) have provided the states with only 6 to 8% of the funds necessary to run the program, instead of the 40% promised.

5. The current law requiring districts to spend unlimited funds to provide for special needs students' IEPs limits the school's ability to properly educate the rest of the student population.

With these factors in mind, I suggest the following action to begin correcting the situation:

A. The President and Congress are really determined to make education a priority, they could begin by funding special education costs at the 40% level as promised for years.

B. The special education law must be amended to require spending no more than 150% of the school's average per pupil cost on a special needs student. These children need and deserve our attention, but spending unlimited funds on one child deprives districts of the resources to educate all our children.

C. Governor Sununu and Legislative leaders must redirect all state aid currently being sent to cities and towns, reallocating it to school districts, on a targeted basis. While the state has a major obligation to guarantee equal educational access, it has no Constitutional responsibility to send communities money to pay for highway trucks, police and fire vehicles, municipal salaries and other local expenses. Admittedly this does nothing to reduce property taxes, as it simply shifts state aid from one local pocket to the other. It does however, dramatically increase ►

state aid to education where our obligation and priorities should lie. It also forces local taxpayers to decide how much to spend on local projects and programs. For too many years we have subsidized municipal expenses, making Selectmen look good at the expense of School Boards.

D. Additional state funds must be dedicated to ensuring that New Hampshire students receive the best possible education, but under this proposal those "new" funds would be much smaller than the millions being spent now. The statewide property tax could then be made permanent at a much lower rate.

E. State leaders must realize that although education is a top priority, the state can not continue to increase its spending in other areas as if there were an unlimited supply of tax dollars. The last time I checked, no matter what level of tax raiser, or tax spender, there was only one level of taxpayer.

Cool heads and inter-party cooperation will go a long way toward getting us out of this crisis mentality. To do so, we must remember that as a State, we can do a lot, but we can not do everything. As with our own household budgets, the State must set priorities, fund the essentials and have the courage to recognize that we can't afford to "do it all."

Although NH must increase its aid to education, we also need to recognize that money alone does not guarantee good results. Good teachers and parental involvement are essential if we are going to dramatically improve our children's education. Yes, educating its young is a solemn obligation of each generation. However, it is an obligation that parents and educators have too long defaulted to a system of escalating cost and declining results. It's time to reassert this obligation and demand high academic standards and accountability for results.

More than an obligation, educating the next generation is an investment in both prosperity and posterity. The legacy of this generation will be the groundwork we lay for the next. Our leaders, if they are to deserve the label, must now abandon the partisan posturing of party politics and display the courage, commitment and common sense required to address the challenge before us.



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## Charrette denounces Hearts of Hillsborough but competes with Project Genesis

Katherine Charrette spoke to the Hillsborough Select Board with regard to the use of Butler Park for events. She said that she has a Halloween event which is scheduled for October 31st in Butler Park but there is also another Halloween event that was approved for Butler Park on the 23rd which is being sponsored by Hearts of Hillsborough which is Leigh Bosse's organization.

Ms. Charrette said the organization is not a non-profit but is being portrayed as one and said by approving this event as well as hers will affect how successful her event is and she has vendors lined up.

Ms. Charrette continued about her feelings with regard to this. Ms. Buono, who is tasked with approving the use of the Park said the rule is that if the Park is not being used and either an organization or a person wishes to use the Park for legal events, it is approved. Ms. Buono responded to Ms. Charrette's comment about Hearts of Hillsborough not being a non-profit

and said that on the application, Mr. Bosse said it was a pending non-profit which means it is not a non-profit. She added that if the Selectmen wish to limit the amount of public events based on theme, they should do so in the rules and regulations so that she is not accused of discrimination if someone is denied use of the Park for their event.

This was discussed further, with the Selectmen not making changes to the use of the Park at this time.

Charrette also failed to mention that her Trunk or Treat event is in direct competition with the town's long-standing Trunk or Treat sponsored by the kids of Project Genesis and Kid Adventures at the Middle School.



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### FIELD HOCKEY

**Hanover 1, John Stark 0:** The score remained tied at 0 at the half. Hanover took advantage of a corner to take the lead early in the third quarter and was able to withstand the Generals' push.  
**Kearsarge 5, Newport 1:** Devin Phyllides led with 2 goals.  
**Lebanon 1, ConVal 0:** Lebanon finally snuck one past senior goalie Makenzie Anderson, who tallied 25 saves.  
**Milford 2, ConVal 1:** ConVal took a season-high 29 shots on goal but only one found the net.

### FOOTBALL

**Souhegan 47, HD/Hopkinton 8:** Jack Morrall had 21 carries / 95 yds / 1 td / 3 receptions / 20 yds combined with 5 tackles and 3 knock downs. Thaddeus Maughan had 13 tackles.  
**Laconia 35, ConVal 6:** ConVal was limited to a 45-yard rushing touchdown from quarterback Jaxon Salamy.

### GIRLS SOCCER

**Hillsboro-Deering 3, Conant 2:** The Orioles played tough defense, but the Hillcats were eventually able to break through to defeat Conant for the second time this season.  
**ConVal 2, Merrimack Valley 0:** Eliza Bull and Madelin Faber scored the goals.  
**ConVal 1, John Stark 1 (2 OT):** ConVal senior captain Maddy Faber scored the Cougars' only goal.  
**John Stark 2, Lebanon 1:** Makayla Pellerin hit the post on a breakaway in the second half with the game tied 1-1, but took on four Lebanon defenders and beat them all for the game-winning strike in the final minute of the match.

### BOYS SOCCER

**Hopkinton 3, Hillsboro-Deering 0:** Hopkinton (10-1-1): Owen O'Brien, Quinn Whitehead, and Bryce Charron, scored for the Hawks. Logan Clough had 9 saves for HD.  
**Hopkinton 2, Kearsarge 2:** A 2-2 tie between the Cougars and the Hawks gave each other a playoff-like atmosphere.  
**Merrimack Valley 1, ConVal 1:** Neither team found the net in two overtime periods.  
**ConVal 1, Merrimack Valley 1:** The Cougars took an early lead with a Zach Burgess goal but gave up an own goal with under five minutes remaining in the game.



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**ConVal 5, John Stark 1:** Zach Burgess came off the bench and scored a hat trick.

### VOLLEYBALL

**Salem 3, Goffstown 1:** (25-17, 25-23, 19-25, 25-21)

### BOYS CROSS COUNTRY

**Hopkinton 2nd:** Ben Daniels (1st, 17:36), Matt Clarner (5th, 18:39), Conrad Mollano (14th, 20:00), Benjamin Leach (25th, 22:21), Anthony Cauley (26th, 22:24); Hillsboro-Deering – Michael Denslow (21st, 21:17)

### GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

**Hopkinton 1st:** Hannah Bennett (1st, 21:06), Shaylee Murdough (2nd, 21:08), Anna O'Reilly (3rd, 21:15), Cailey Stockwell (4th, 21:51), Clara Locke (5th, 22:12); Hillsboro-Deering – Makayla Vincent (42nd, 33:56)



## Alma Mater

### COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES

Elmira College was pleased to welcome students back to campus for the Fall 2021 Term, including: **Melanie Riendeau** of Goffstown, and **Gabrielle Smith** of Newbury. Lawrence University new students this fall, include; **Ellie T. Camp** of New London. Camp attended Kearsarge Regional High School. **Robin Cottrill** of New London. Cottrill attended Proctor Academy. **Perrine G. Holmberg** of Hancock. Holmberg attended Contoocook Valley Regional High School. **August Kotula** of Peterborough. Kotula attended Contoocook Valley Regional High School. **Marlia E. Richer** of Newbury. Richer attended Kearsarge Regional High School. **Nina M. Spinney** of Newbury. Spinney attended Kearsarge Regional High School.



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# Obituaries: Friends & Neighbors Remembered

## Michelle Marie Guitton

HENNIKER - Michelle Marie "Mommy" Guitton, 62, of Henniker, NH passed away peacefully at her home on October 4th, 2021. Michelle was born September 11th, 1959 in Stamford, CT to the late Alice May (Ball) Guitton of NH and Jacques M.



Guitton of France. Michelle was predeceased by her brothers, Rene Guitton of CT and Billy Amsler of ME. Michelle is survived by her beloved brothers, Michael Amsler of VA, Jacques Guitton and wife, Debbie of FL, Kenneth Dombroski and wife, Kim of CT, Gunnar Dombroski and wife, Laura of CT, Glenn Dombroski and wife, Beatrice of CT. In addition to her brothers, Michelle is also survived by her loving children, Jeffrey Wilson and wife, Melissa, Matthew Wilson and wife, Leah, and Allison Mckay all of NH; as well as

her cherished grandchildren, Trevor, Jeffrey, Heidi, Peyton, and Novaleigh. In lieu of flowers the family requested donations be made in Michelle's name to local youth groups so that children may explore and flourish with their interests.

## Steven D. Jones

HILLSBORO - Steven D. Jones, 69, passed away Sunday, October 3, 2021 at Hospice House in Concord, following a lengthy illness. Steven was born on June 13, 1952 in Peterborough, NH. He is predeceased by his father Floyd B. Jones and mother Joan (Howoy) Jones. He is survived by his wife Irina Jones and his son Dana Jones and step daughters Anastasia Assianina and Narrie Loftus. Also, brothers Thomas Jones and wife Deborah, David Jones and wife Bonnie, Peter Jones and wife Lisa, a sister Catherine



Dubuque and husband Bill, and several aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be held Saturday, October 23, 2021 at 1pm at his home, 378 Bear Hill Road, Hillsborough, NH. A Celebration of Life immediately following the service. Everyone is welcome. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Hillsboro Fire and Rescue or a charity of your choice.

## Martin David "Dave" Martino

HILLSBORO - Rev. Martin David "Dave" Martino, born October 13, 1959, passed peacefully in his Mother's arms and into the hands of our Lord on September 22, 2021 after a long battle against diabetes, kidney failure and cancer that began in 2013. He is now with his beloved wife Brenda (passed 2014) and his father Alfred Martino (passed 2013). Dave is



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## Frederick Cambal-Hayward

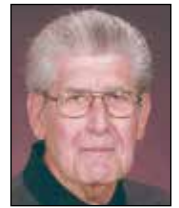
HANCOCK - Frederick R. Cambal-Hayward, 84 of Hancock, passed away peacefully at home surrounded by the love of his family on October 1, 2021. He was born in St. Stephen, New Brunswick, Canada on February 15, 1937, the son of Harvey and Della (Boone) Hayward. Fred will be sorely missed by his wife Cathy Cambal-Hayward of Hancock and his four children Mark and Mila Hayward of Paso Robles, CA, Tim and Lisa Hayward of Dracut, MA, Joanne Conroy and Dan Turgeon of Rochester, NH, Gary, and Barbara Hayward, of Hampton, NH. He leaves his grandchildren, Roy, Kara, Bea, Christopher, Kayla,

Justin, Nicolas, Erin, Sean, Simon, and Jesse along with his great-grandchildren Cora, Jake, Luke, Heidi, Logan, and Madeline. He will also be missed by his sister-in-law, Mary Cambal, and her husband Roger Monette of Andover, MA. Jeremy, his first grandson, predeceased him. Private services will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, gifts may be made to Dana-Farber Cancer Institute in memory of Fred Cambal-Hayward to support cancer research and patient care at: Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, PO Box 849168, Boston, MA, 02284.

## Kenneth H. Smart

CONTOOCOOK - Kenneth H. Smart, 86, of Contoocook, NH passed away on Thursday October 7, 2021 after a period of declining health. Ken was born in Concord, NH on February 4, 1935 to Harold and Ruth (Hood) Smart. He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Sandra (Holmes) Smart, a daughter, Shari (Smart) Courser

and her husband Mike Courser, several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his sister, Muriel (Smart) Townes. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to a charity of ones choice.



## Louis L. Ansart, Jr.

SUNAPEE - Louis L. Ansart, Jr., passed away peacefully at home on Thursday, September 23, 2021 after a long battle with cancer. He was born April 11, 1940 in Concord, NH to Louis L. Ansart, Sr. and Carolyn (Bagley) Ansart, both who have predeceased him. Louis is survived by his wife of 51 years, Betty Ansart; three children, Michael Ansart, Steve Ansart and Marie Ansart Huntoon; six grandchildren, one great-grandchild, sister Karen Ansart Willis, brother Ronnie Ansart; as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

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### SATURDAY OCTOBER 16

**PUMPKIN REGATTA 10K:** 8:30 a.m. The race begins on Mill Street, the Goffstown Rail Trail, loops around Glen Lake and through Goffstown Village. The Pumpkin Dash, free to children under 11, will follow the 10K on Mill Street. The registration fee for the 10K is \$35 or \$40, depending on age. Participants will also receive a long sleeve shirt.

**PIE CONTEST:** H-D Middle School noon until 4:00 p.m. Hillsborough Community Center Pie Baking Contest, many categories, kids pie eating contest, \$20 to register at hccnh.org/pie

### MONDAY, OCTOBER 18:

**QUECHEE OUTING:** Bus will be Leaving Shaw's at 9:00 for Quechee Vermont with lunch on your own at Applebee's in West Lebanon. For information or reservations contact Marie at 724-5272 or Lou Ellen at 464-5138.

### THURSDAY OCTOBER 14TH

**GHSS LUNCHEON:** at Noon at the Deering Fish & Game. Roast Pork, Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Peas, Dessert Call Marie Merrow at

464-3067.

### THURSDAY OCTOBER 21

**ROLE OF THE WHO:** The Antrim Great Decisions group meeting, in both Zoom and in-person at the James A. Tuttle Library between 6:30 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. A series of conversations about American foreign policy.

**ANTRIM BOOK CLUB:** at the COVID-safe, Tuttle Library 2-3 p.m., in person in the second floor Historical Society room, and also by Zoom. Dig into Iris Murdoch's Under the Net.

### FRIDAY OCTOBER 22:

**GHSS:** Monthly Shopping Trip to The Heights in Concord. Leaving Shaw's at 9:30 a.m. We will be stopping at Walmart, Target with Lunch at Makris Lobster and Steak house. Makris is a Family owned restaurant with Great sandwiches and seafood. For information or reservations contact Marie at 724-5272 or Lou Ellen at 464-5138.

### SATURDAY OCTOBER 23

**SCARECROW CONTEST:** Hillsborough Butler

Park 1PM. Bring your Halloween themed Scarecrow to be tied to the downtown light poles thru the 31st. Winners receive Ming Du gift certificates.

**COSTUME CONTEST:** Dress in your favorite Halloween Costume at 1 PM to parade around Butler Park. Winners to receive Ming Du Certificates.

**PUMPKIN FESTIVAL:** 4:30-7:00pm at Greenfield's Oak Park. Jack-O-Lantern lighting, Trunk or Treat, Kids crafts and treats for sale.

**DRIVE-THRU:** Start off the spooky season at our spooktacular drive-thru Halloween event hosted by the KRES Bradford PTO on 6:30-8pm. Take a haunted trip through our Halloween displays while collecting candy and other treats along the way. All are welcome. Costumes encouraged. Donations appreciated. Please enter Old Warner Road from Route 103 to keep traffic flowing as smoothly as possible.

**TRUNK OR TREAT:** Meetinghouse (Dog) Beach at Emerald Lake. 5:00-7:00pm.

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**TRAINS:** The West-Bound Limited (1923) is part of a double feature of vintage railroad melodramas to be shown with live music on at 2 p.m. at Warner Town Hall. Sponsored by the Telephone Museum of N.H. Admission is \$10 per person; \$5 for Telephone Museum members.

## THURSDAY OCTOBER 28

**JACK-O-LANTERN CARVING:** by Project Genesis & Kid Adventures 3-5pm to carve your own. Prizes awarded.

**END OF GLOBALIZATION:** The Antrim Great Decisions group meeting, in both Zoom and in-person at the James A. Tuttle Library between 6:30 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. A series of conversations about American foreign policy.

## SATURDAY OCTOBER 30

**TRUNK OR TREAT:** Rain or Shine at Deering Fisk & Game. Adults BYOB. Games, Hay rides, Camp fire, Jack-O-Lantern Contest. Bring your own preserved.

## SUNDAY OCTOBER 31:

**TRUNK OR TREAT:** Sponsored by Project Genesis 5-8pm at the HD Middle School. Vendors call 464-7981 to sign up.

## FRIDAY NOVEMBER 5

**FIRST FRIDAYS:** Gallery Opening Receptions! 5:30-7:30pm. FREE. Opening Receptions for New exhibits in New London-Artists TBD. The New London Inn, Bar Harbor Bank & Trust, Blue Loon Bakery, and Whipple Hall on Main Street and Tatewell Gallery on Newport Road! "Eat, Sip, Stroll, and Enjoy the Art!" ALL Exhibits Open during regular business hours!

## SATURDAY NOVEMBER 6

**HARVEST DANCE:** Hillsborough Community Center's Harvest Dance and Silent Auction Fundraiser, from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. at the American Legion in Hillsboro. Admission: Singles \$10, couples \$15. Live music will be performed by Lonesome Train. View a gallery of silent auction items or to buy tickets, visit our website at [hccnh.org/dance](http://hccnh.org/dance)

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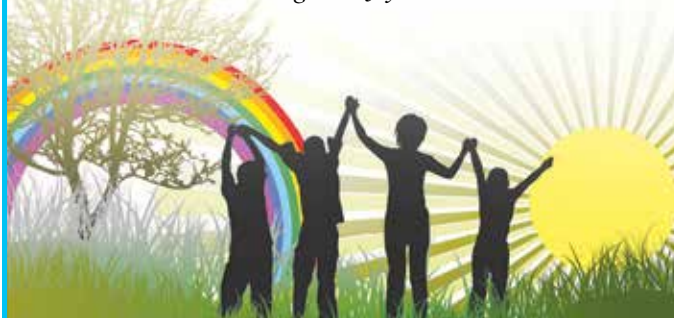
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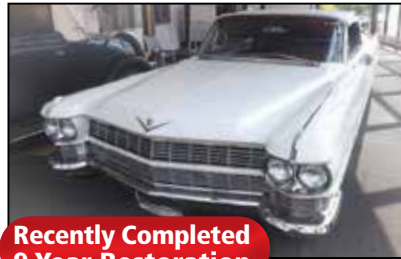
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