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Bringing smiles to others

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This Week In History

December 11, 1941

Germany declares war on the United States

December 12, 1806

Cherokee Confederate General Stand Watie is born

December 13, 1636

National Guard is officially formed

December 14, 1814

War of 1812 Battle for Lake Borgne begins

December 15, 1864

Union wins Battle of Nashville

December 16, 1998

US & British forces launch Operation Desert Fox

December 17, 1927

USS S-4 sinks after collision with USCGC Paulding



In the true spirit of Christmas, The Grinch teamed up with Mrs. Claus during Hillsborough's Olde Fashioned Christmas. See more photos on pages 16-17.

Earn a BA Degree in three years

NEC one of several colleges considering the plan

New England College President Michele Perkins has announced that the College is participating in a nationwide pilot program this year to look at creating a three-year bachelor's degree program, an idea that could give students a flexible option amid the rising cost of higher education.

The pilot program, called the "College in 3" project, is an initiative of Robert Zemksy, professor of higher education at the University of Pennsylvania, and Lori Carrell, chancellor of the University of Minnesota at Rochester, that brings together 13 colleges and universities from around the country to consider creating three-year degrees. The idea is to take a relatively familiar concept – finishing college in three years instead of four – but restructure the curriculum to make

it a standalone experience that goes beyond just compressing a four-year timeline.

The program New England College is currently considering as a candidate for a three-year bachelor's is its criminal justice BA, which combines a liberal arts foundation with academics and hands-on learning experiences in the criminal justice field.

NEC is in the exploration stage, which began in September and will continue until February. From March to August, it will enter a more specific planning process for a three-year criminal justice program, with a goal of implementing the program in fall 2022 and seeking accreditation from the New England Commission of Higher Education, with a potential launch in fall 2023.

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Additional charges of Conflict-of-Interest against Conservation Commission

Ralf Fellbaum, Trail Master of the Weare Winter Wanderers began Monday's Weare Select Board with an apology. He reported that in researching a new trail for the snowmobile club and securing permission from landowners and the conservation commission, he used an inaccurate map which neglected to show an intervening parcel owned by another landowner. He stressed that it was an honest mistake and entirely his fault.

He was followed by Luke Drake, the landowner in question, who was less accommodating. Drake said that he was not upset with the Club but was furious over his treatment by the Select Board and particularly the Conservation Commission.

Drake charged that there was a conflict-of-interest because at least two officers and possibly two other members of the Conservation Commission were also members of Winter Wanderers and should have recused themselves from any vote.

He cited a recent Board meeting when a member of the commission was chastised for a conflict in another matter.

Drake demanded that all votes be rescinded and the matter reviewed from the beginning and the tax map be corrected immediately.



Sophomore Kayleigh Megowen will represent John Stark at the NHMEA All-State Music Festival in April. Kayleigh is one of just 14 selected to play with the All-State Band and Orchestra on April 19.

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Hopkinton Firefighters Association recognizes members' service

Tuesday night's annual meeting of the Hopkinton Firefighters Association was full of recognition. During the meeting, members thanked outgoing Firefighters Kevin Culpon and Matt Cox, (in photo) each with over 20 years of service to the department as full-time members. They were each presented a plaque as a token of appreciation for their service.

Additionally, several members received "Years of Service" pins recognizing

their continued commitment to the community of Hopkinton.

5 Years of Service: Brennan Barnard, Brandon Cayer, Richard Colfer, Steve Lux, Matt Robblee, Nate Shatney

10 Years of Service: Rich Armstrong, Don Delude, Tom Henley, Jake Martin, Steve Reale

15 Years of Service: Ryan Hughes, Nate Martel, Ed Demers

20 Years of Service: Jim Lewis,

John McCauliffe

25 Years of Service: Chris Boudette, Sean Weldon

30 Years of Service: Jeff Yale, Joe Tristaino

35 Years of Service: Paul Sankey

40 Years of Service: Bob White

45 Years of Service: George Dockham

50 Years of Service: Dick Lord

65 Years of Service: Tom "TK" Krzyzaniak

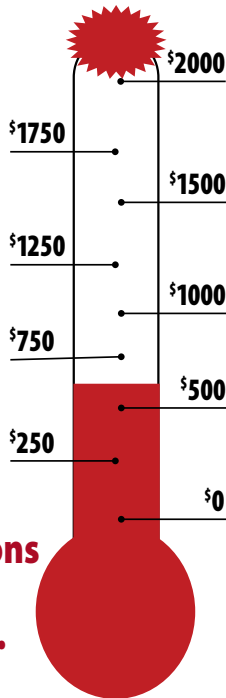
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Kevin Culpon (left) and Matt Cox (right).

Hillsborough converting 199 street lights to LED

Members of the Energy Commission met with the Hillsborough Select Board Wednesday to present their recommendation for a vendor to provide the materials and install the LED Street Light Conversion. They suggested Efficient LED's bid of \$58,000 to convert the town's 199 street lights. The figure may increase or decrease depending on the number and type of upgrades such

as dimmers and motion detectors chosen. Based on the figure of \$58,000, the true cost to the town would be \$44,000 after applying the Eversource subsidy. Voters had previously approved \$70,000 for the conversion project.

The Board thanked the commission for their hard work and approved entering into final negotiations and a contract with the company.

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BALLOON/RESET MORTGAGES



By: Joyce Bosse

Balloon mortgages have monthly mortgage payments based on a 30-year amortization schedule, but the entire mortgage balance is due at the end of the 5- or 7-year term. This gives you the advantage of a low monthly payment, like someone with a 30-year loan, but you must pay off the loan at the end of the specified term.

Many balloon mortgages have a "reset" option. That means you can reset your mortgage interest rate at the market rate for the remainder of the amortization period. This option is typically only available if:

- You're still the owner and occupant of the home.
- You've paid your mortgage on time for at least a year prior to the balloon note maturity date.
- You have no other liens against the property.
- You've satisfied any other conditions of the reset.

There are additional considerations to be aware of with balloon/reset mortgages:

If you plan to sell your home before the maturity date of the balloon/reset mortgage, this type of mortgage may be a good option. But, keep in mind that if you end up staying in your house when the loan matures, you will need to reset or refinance the mortgage.

Balloon/reset mortgages usually come with a slightly lower initial rate than most other mortgage types. You may qualify for a larger loan amount with a balloon/reset mortgage than you would with an ARM or fixed-rate mortgage.

If interest rates increase during the term of the balloon loan, you may have a large increase in your monthly payments when you reset or refinance your mortgage.

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Yesteryear Local history as reported in The Messenger

December 11, 2020

Henniker girl saves her family's life
FedEx crash delays Deering deliveries
H-D Board urged to reconsider staff reductions
One person injured in Goffstown house fire

December 11, 2019

Hopkinton Fire & Rescue at odds
Antrim student's email threat causes concern at ConVal
Declining enrollment threatens Frankestown school
Goffstown promotes Eric Serene to Police Chief

December 14, 2018

Dr. Lorraine Tacconi-Moore Superintendent of the Year
Quick response by Deering firefighters saves animals
Former Hillsborough man killed crossing street
John Stark's "We The People Team" in State Finals

December 15, 2017

Committee planning Sunapee's 250th Celebration
H-D Board considering \$600,000 renovations
\$125,000 to complete Franklin rehabilitation
Bow officials bracing for \$14 million tax refund

December 9, 2016

Several area towns report increase in break-ins
Colby-Sawyer lays off 18 as part of restructuring
New Boston company donates iMac computer to school
Loudon residents favor widening of Route 106

December 11, 2015

Henniker man dies in 'Death Alley' two car accident
Low income housing Tax Credits for Franklin Mill
Goffstown FBLA Advisor named Advisor of the Year
Vandals destroy 32 gravestones in Newport cemetery

December 12, 2014

Antrim Wind Energy files new, smaller proposal
Goffstown Depts work smoothly together during storm
New Boston looking for fire station site
New Boston fire officials recommend changes

December 13, 2013

Proposed Newport school budget up 8%
AG closed Seastrand case with no criminal charges
Sunapee man charged with manslaughter
Mother & child injured in fall from chairlift

December 14, 2012

Newport's SAU #43 presents flat budget-no increase
New hires in New London to pay 15% contribution
Dollar General suspends plans for Bennington store
ConVal School Board cuts budget increase by 50%

December 16, 2011

Repairs needed at Cogswell Memorial School
Newport School Board pledges "No Tax Increase"
State Rep from Andover dies at home
Police Department moving to Bradford Corners

Controversy over suggestion to relocate Henniker War Memorial

Marc McMurphy, Chair of the Henniker Beautification Alliance, a subcommittee of the Chamber of Commerce, met with the Henniker Select Board seeking guidance on whether to proceed to develop a plan to relocate the War Memorial to a better location at Woodman Park.

McMurphy said that, since its dedication, Route 114 and the Henniker street have encroached on the park leaving the Memorial a small triangle at one end of the park.

The Alliance hopes to move it to a location across from Town Hall, facing inward, making it more accessible and a more peaceful and contemplative spot for reflection. He emphasized that both the Historic District Commission and the American Legion Post support the proposal.

Tim McCormish and Doreen Connor lead a large number of residents opposing the move. McCormish said the Historic Commission's notice



Woodman Park.

and vote were insufficient to let residents know of the plan. He said he had spoken with the heirs of Dexter Woodman who were appalled at the thought of moving the Memorial. McCormish suggested a full restoration of the Memorial including cleaning it, resetting the granite, cutting back the large bush and relandscap-

ing the area.

Connor cautioned that the Park was a gift and there may be deed restrictions preventing moving or adding additional monuments.

The Board on a 4-1 vote authorized the Alliance to continue working on a final plan and budget and return for further review.

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Honors: Kyle Albert, Zaira Anderson, Kendra Beaumont, Adam Connor, Ayden Emanuelson, Cameron Gagne, Tucker Hall, Kendall Harris, Joseph Hodgen, Evan Kelley, Brooke Kleeberg, Evan Lyons, Jack Phelps, Cody Pitchard, Aiden Reynolds, Owen Rudy, Travis Sanborn, Vincent Simmons, Zachary Stenkowski, Elijah Torres, Nathaniel Vanderpool, Horatio Vassar.

Grade 7 High Honors: River Allen, Jenna Bergeron, Piper Bernier, Cadence Christian, Liam Cook, Ethan Danforth, Bretton Davies, Cole Dexter, Leah Ducharme, Connor Fraser, Lola Gervin, Stephanie Gorman, Madalyn Guay, Colby Harris, Olivia Healey, Regan Kirlin, Adin Kyrychok, Devon Lessard, Gavin Lyons, Kaylee Mesick, Logan Montano, Laila Mullins, Brooke Naglie, Margot Northrop, Haley Norton, Mea Platt, Keira Salisbury, Keira Schaub, Emily Simard, Catherine Stahl, Parker Trodella, Evelyn Wilmoth, Grayson Yergeau.

Honors: Ryker Beam, Wyatt Beland, Stephanie Belcher, Bella Blanchard, Sasha Bouchard, Mariah Corts, Samuel Couturier, Maeve Drew, Madison Drummond, Jack Hodsdon, Cash Kirtland, Freyja Maguire, Denis Nugent, Kaylee Oinonen, Keagan Parisi, Porter Pelletier, Brian Stenkowski, Kessler Stoops-Carrel, Elijah Valley, Keith Whitney, Ryan Wloszczyna.

Grade 6 High Honors: Emmitt Allen, Victor Boucher, Reagan Brown, Cyrus Dunlap, Caitlyn Fowle, Maya Gerena-Diaz, Trinity Gernat-Hemenway, Addison Hardwick, Caleb Heider, Josie Hodsdon, Kaylee Lagasse, Lindsay LaPlante, Holly Lyons, Mallory Mason, Gwyneth Moritz, Samuel Phelps, Garrett Reed, Noah Regis, Haley Samuelson, Charlotte Sanders, Luke Schoel, Anthony Spinale, Elena Spinale, Van Stahlin, Levi Strange, James Tatro, Parker Theberge.

Honors: Soren Andersen, Jameson Beauchamp, Rebekah Belcher, Charles Christgau, Joseph Cole, Stephen Covey, Payton Cronan, Bridey Davison, Rylan Davison, Trystan Fogg, Ronan Fortin, Gabriel James, Evan Kerr, Ryan Lambert, Joshua Luce, John Maguire, Lucius Mangold, Oliver Smith-Aucoin, Sophia Solod, Tempest Surprenant, Jayla Syrotchen, Brandon Valley.



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Hillsboro-Deering High School Craft Fair a success

On December 4th, the Class of 2024 partnered with the National Honor Society to host this year's Craft Fair and holiday activities. With a total of 26 vendors and a good turnout, overall, it was a success. Thank you to all the vendors, attendees, and organizers of this event. It was a lot of fun for everyone involved.

Weare planning to celebrate the 250th anniversary of the Pine Tree Riot

Tom Flaherty, Vice President of the Weare Historical Society met with the Select Board to request permission to use the Town Hall on April 9th for a John Stark Theatre production commemorating the 250th Anniversary of the Pine Tree Riot. Originally approved for the Middle School stage, the school has now withdrawn permission because of the pandemic. The group expects about 100 people to attend the production and will be responsible for cleaning the facility.

The Board was sympathetic but left the matter open to see the status of the pandemic.

The Pine Tree Riot occurred at Quimby's Inn in South Weare on April 14, 1772. The event that spring morning was precipitated by men from Weare and surrounding towns illegally cutting white pine trees reserved for masts for the Royal Navy. But there was much more to it. The story of the English need for ship's masts, ship's timber, and naval stores and young



Tom Flaherty.

New Hampshire's ability to provide these commodities is a tale of market dynamics, imperial politics, ecological shortsightedness, and crafty survival tactics.

The Weare men were ultimately arraigned and paid a light fine, but their rebellion against the crown, which preceded the Boston Tea Party (1773), helped set the stage for the Revolution. People in New Hampshire were prob-

ably more offended by the pine tree law than the Sugar Act of 1764; the Stamp Act (a rebellion that took place in Portsmouth, NH, in 1765); and the duty on tea, passed in 1773, which precipitated the Boston Tea Party. According to Weare's 1888 history, "The only reason why the 'Rebellion' at Portsmouth and the 'Boston Tea Party' are better known than our Pine Tree Riot is because they have had better historians."

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Dr. Esin Narli

Q: How much does what we eat affect our oral health?

A: Unfortunately, our increasing exposure to so-called "modern" food has over years had a deleterious affect on our dental health. In 1939, Dr. Weston A. Price, a dentist and pioneering nutritionist, published the book "Nutrition and Physical Degeneration." He reported in the book that so-called "primitive" societies that followed a diet of indigenously produced food had nicely shaped jaws that held an abundance of strong, pearly white teeth. And this was without the benefit of modern dental care.

As "modern" foods, particularly white flour and sugar, were introduced, dental problems followed, including the previously rare issue of cavities. Price found that "primitive" diets were rich in calcium, other minerals and in what's called essential fat-soluble vitamins—A, D, E and K, for example. The diets also were heavy in eggs, butter and fish.

It remains true today that a balanced, nutritious diet is good not only for dental health, but also for your overall well-being. Fresh fruit and vegetables, especially the green leafy variety, prepared so as to retain their nutritional value, are especially good for dental health. Try to avoid processed foods, sugar, white flour and the fast food so prevalent in our world. Talk with your dentist for more tips on nutrition and oral health.

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BY SARAH CHAPIN

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration has approved the first generic of glucagon for injection, for the treatment of severe hypoglycemia (very low blood sugar), which may occur in patients with diabetes mellitus. The drug is also indicated as a diagnostic aid in the radiologic examination of the stomach, duodenum (the first part of the small intestine beyond the stomach), small bowel and colon when diminished intestinal motility (reduced ability to move) would be advantageous. Severe hypoglycemia occurs when a patient's blood sugar falls to a level where he or she becomes confused or unconscious, or suffers from other symptoms that require assistance from another person to treat. Typically, severe hypoglycemia occurs in people with diabetes who are using insulin treatment.

Treatment with abatacept (Orencia), a widely used arthritis drug, reduced the rate of acute graft-versus-host disease (GVHD) and was not associated with increased rates of disease relapse or infection, investigators reported in the *Journal of Clinical Oncology*.

New research reported in the *Journal of the American College of Cardiology* (JACC) has found that vitamin D supplements "do not benefit cardiovascular health in the general population and therefore should not be taken for this purpose. Even the benefits of supplemental vitamin D on bone health appear overstated for the general population." The researchers also found calcium to be potentially harmful. These two supplements, often taken together for bone health, had no heart benefits when looking at the totality of observational and randomized studies such as ViDA and the more definitive VITAL trial.

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Sports

GIRLS ALL-DIVISION TEAMS

DIVISION II FIRST TEAM

Midfield: Arden Ulmer, John Stark

SECOND TEAM

Defense: Sam Veilleux, John Stark

HONORABLE MENTION

Goalie: Emaly Roy, John Stark

Defense: Kendall Larson, ConVal

DIVISION III FIRST TEAM

Goalie: Emily Fleegle, Hopkinton

Defense: Kally Murdough, Hopkinton

Midfield: Ashlee Brehio, Hopkinton, Caroline Camp, Kearsarge

Forward: Annie Higginbotham, Hopkinton

SECOND TEAM

Forward: Loren Charron, Hopkinton, Thea Spanos, Kearsarge

HONORABLE MENTION

Midfield: Jessica Carney, Hopkinton, Kimmy Nadeau, Hillsboro-Deering

Forward: Eva LaValley, Hillsboro-Deering

NH LIONS CUP TEAM

Ashlee Brehio midfield, forward, Hopkinton Annie Higginbotham, forward, Hopkinton Caroline Camp, midfield, Kearsarge Thea Spanos, midfield, forward, Kearsarge

BOYS ALL-DIVISION TEAMS

DIVISION II SECOND TEAM

Defense: Carter Rousseau, ConVal

Forwards: Zach Burgess, ConVal

HONORABLE MENTION

Goalie Miles Lanier, John Stark Wyatt Beaulieu, ConVal

Midfielders: Bryson Boice, ConVal

DIVISION III FIRST TEAM

Goalie: Aidan Burns, Hopkinton

Defense: Peyton Marshall, Hopkinton, Sam Boulton, Kearsarge

Forwards: Quinn Whitehead, Hopkinton

SECOND TEAM

Defense: Josh Duval, Hopkinton

Midfield: Bryce Charron, Hopkinton Toby MacLeod, Kearsarge

HONORABLE MENTION

Midfield: Parker Root, Kearsarge

Forwards: Dylan Selby, Kearsarge

NH LIONS CUP TEAM

Bryce Charron, Hopkinton, midfielder

Hillsboro-Deering Bowlers open the season

HD Bowling opened the season this past weekend in Merrimack, losing to Goffstown and Merrimack. Sophomore James Sanborn was HD's top bowler for the day. The Hillcats look to rebound next weekend in Merrimack as they compete against Hollis-Brookline, Raymond and Coe-Brown. The match starts at 9:00 a.m. and spectators are welcome.



Hillsborough Planning Board reviews new commercial projects

After deferring a decision on the Brett Davison subdivision for the third time, the Hillsborough Planning Board accepted two other proposals as complete.

Engineer John Newman (left photo) presented a proposal from Patriot

Holdings, LLC for a mixed personal storage facility next to Tractor Supply. It would consist of Contractor units with a reception office and storage, tradition self storage units and a climate controlled building.

Peter Mellen (right photo) pres-

ents LJM's proposal for a 60'x60' maintenance shed, 30'x40' office and 40'x40' equipment storage area on its Antrim Road property.

The Board set times for each to have a site walk and future public hearing.

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Publisher's Perspective

The proper response to bungling bureaucrats

Facebook just flashed back this Publisher's Perspective from 2018. Although the posting is dated, the message remains valid during this special season, LDB.

I just learned that this may be the last year the town of Durham decorates a tree for the holidays on public land. Apparently, Durham's Human Rights Commission has recommended ceasing the longtime tradition, with members saying it is associated with the Christian faith and Christmas celebrations, which may be exclusionary to some people who follow different faiths or are an atheist.

The issue flared up after Rabbi Berel Slavaticki at the UNH & Seacoast Chabad Jewish Center asked to place a 9-foot menorah in the same public park on Main Street where the tree is lit.

Slavaticki was asked to complete an application for a permit, which was denied by a bungling bureaucrat, Town Administrator Todd Selig, who decreed that Slavaticki could host a one-time ceremony at a different public park, which took place Sunday evening, the first night of Hanukkah.

Selig said that he views decorating the town's tree as a nonreligious symbol, but a menorah is a religious symbol and subject to more scrutiny. Kitty Marple, who describes herself as a person of no religious affiliation, is the chairman of the Human Rights Commission and the Town Council. She said she could support a winter carnival theme. The only proper response to Selig and Marple is BULL #@*+.

We all know that the 1st Amendment says, "Congress shall make no law respecting the establishment of a religion." We often forget that it goes on to say, "or prohibiting the free exercise thereof." Non-Christian or non-believers should not be offended when we celebrate the birth of Jesus, any more than we should be offended when our Jewish friends celebrate Hanukkah. Whether we honor a different God or the same God by a different name, we need always remember that all the world's races and great religions share the same moral lessons and values and that on this small planet, we truly are all brothers and sisters. And, we all have the right to celebrate our beliefs freely.



Residents of the Kearsarge Regional School District Proposed construction and renovation for a STEAM Wing at the Kearsarge Regional High School. Please join us for an informational online forum that will be available via Zoom Wednesday, December 15, 2021 from 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. This will be a bond item on the ballot in March of 2022.

Washington Elementary School hosts “Eyes on Owls” program

On Monday, December 6th, Washington Elementary School hosted the “Eyes on Owls” program. Mark and Marcia Wilson, the hosts of the program, work with permanently disabled owls to care for them. They brought in 6 of these owls: a barred owl, snowy owl, 2 screech owls, a saw-whet owl, and a great horned owl.

Kindergarten and 1st graders learned about the owls, saw them up close, and practiced their owl calls. Second through 5th grade also learned about the different owls in our region.

“This program aligns to our science curriculum and provides an ‘eyes-on’ experience for students,” Kelli Colarusso, Teaching Principal of WES, explains. “The kids were extremely

engaged and asked a lot of great questions!”

Thank you to the Duncan-Jenkins Trust for funding this program. Students at WES sure did have a “hoot”!



Mark and Marcia Wilson thrill the students.

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Lt. James Assad.

Goffstown sailor is home for the holidays

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Assad serves at Navy Medicine and Readiness Training Unit, Portsmouth, located in Portsmouth, New Hampshire. As a member of the U.S. Navy, Assad, as well as other sailors, know they are a part of a tradition providing unforgettable experiences through leadership development, world affairs and humanitarian assistance.

"I'm proud of my time in the military," said Assad. "I have learned perseverance and discipline. I've also learned a lot about myself--more than I ever thought I could."

Sailors help maintain America's advantage at sea. This means they do not always get to celebrate holidays with their loved ones.

Assad is grateful that this year that isn't the case. "I want my family to know this: thank you for everything and I love you," added Assad.

H-D receives 3 grants totaling \$4.9 million

At their recent meeting of the H-D School Board, members discussed the usual topics of COVID protocols and the budget, but also discussed the ESSER funds and where that money is being spent. In total, the District has received three grants, for over \$4.9 million dollars. Each grant has a deadline by which the money must be spent, and have certain restrictions as to how.

In addition, the Board discussed the trust funds and whether or not to individually fund them next year or to have a Capital Reserve Fund that would have fewer restrictions of its use. The Board would, as with the other funds, need to vote on the spending and have a Public Hearing before expending any of those funds. The advantage to this type of fund is that emergencies are by nature unforeseen and the ability to fix things immediately can be a huge advantage. The Board also approved the Teacher's contract (Collective Bargaining Agreement) and voted to put it on the Warrant for the voters.

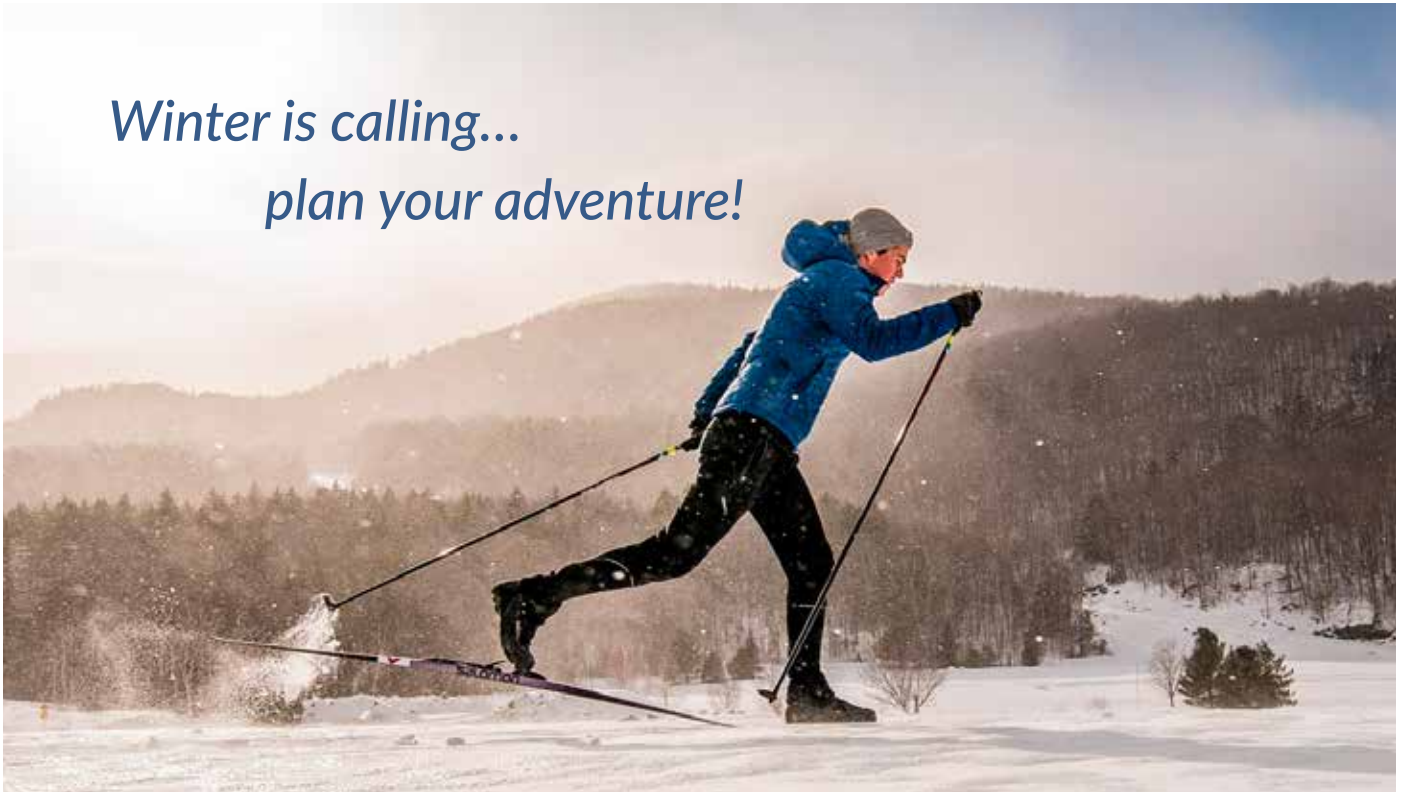
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Weare Middle School students “Engage, Enrich, and Extend”

Students in 7th and 8th grade at the Weare Middle School who are not taking a foreign language now have the opportunity to take an elective class during that time period called E3—Engage, Enrich, and Extend. One of the electives within E-3 is Tools, Tech, and Talk, team-taught by Instructional Technology Specialist Chrissie Sargent, Tech Ed teacher Mark Boucher, and Enrichment Coordinator Wil Crabtree.

In a recent unit, students in Tools, Tech, and Talk learned about the history and science of hot air balloons. Working in groups, they created a research poster on lighter than air flight by either balloons or airships. They had to find visual primary sources (mostly historical photos) and explain the images, cite their sources. “It was exciting to share with them how research skills are used in hands-on professions and that the skills they learn in school have many real-world applications,” said teacher Wil Crabtree.

“Our students also presented to



L-R: WMS Tech Ed teacher Mark Boucher helps student Sean Crean with the hot air launcher.

the class how hot air balloons work and made hot air balloons out of tissue paper,” explained Chrissie Sargent, a teacher on the team. “It was a memorable day when students were able to launch their hot air balloons, using a propane-powered hot air launcher, outside on a beautiful fall day,” she

continued.

Other topics covered in E-3 will include creating websites, planning and building a model city, 3D printing, learning communications skills through formal presentation, and learning about a range of tools, from power saws to computers.

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or service. A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date. Please share condolences to alb Maddox@mcttelecom.com.

Judith Emery Millican Bixler Collier

PETERBOROUGH - Judith Emery Millican Bixler Collier, 92, peacefully died of natural causes on December 3, 2021. She was the daughter of Capt George and Mrs Grace Emery. She grew up on a ranch in Colorado during the Depression and lived in many parts of this country during her father's naval service. She lived and taught kindergarten and/or first grade on American military bases in Germany and Chateauroux, France as well in Waltham, MA. She married Robert G. Millican of Winchester, Massachusetts and his four daughters: Janet M. Todd of North Bennington, VT; Nancy M. Rogers of Wool-



wich ME; Margaret M. Rikert of Portland, OR; Kate M. Harlow of Rowley, MA. They then added a son: Andrew E. Millican of Sudbury MA. Upon Dr Millican's passing, she married Herbert E. Bixler of Jaffrey, NH who had 3 grown children: Agnes B. Kurtz of Dartmouth, NH; Elizabeth Bixler of Ithaca NY, and Sidney Bixler (who predeceased Judith). Upon the passing of Herb Bixler, Judith married Abram T. Collier and became involved in the lives of his four grown children and their families: Debbie C. Zug of PA; Linda C. Kenerson of Wellesley, MA; Joyce C. Fernside of Peterborough NH, and Charles W. Collier, who predeceased her. A Memorial service will be held for Judith at the All Saints Episcopal Church in Peterborough NH in the spring.

Calvin "Cal" Kenneth Sholl

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twelve great grandchildren. A gathering celebrating Cal's life will be held in the coming year. Memorials may be

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Connor Nixon, 5th grader at Sutton Central School, was invited to be one of six students in the state of NH to be a member of the NH Kid Governor's Executive Council.



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Events: Community Bulletin Board

FRIDAY DECEMBER 10

JINGLE BUS: Hey Bradford, hop on the Jingle Bus at 6:30pm. Enjoy Christmas music as we tour the holiday lights displays in town. Space is limited and pre registration is required.

SATURDAY DECEMBER 11

SUICIDE TRAINING: Director Melissa Gallagher has announced that Antrim's Grapevine is hosting its second suicide-prevention training. Offered in partnership with New Hampshire's chapter of the National Alliance on Mental Illness and sponsored by support from the David Day Memorial Foundation, the four-hour workshop will take place via Zoom from 9am to 1pm.

POP-UP AT THE PARK: Oak Park, Greenfield 11am - 2:00pm. Support local makers, gift and handmade creations.

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA: 7:30-10:30 at Slusser Center to benefit Operation Christmas. Age 12+ is \$7, 5-11 is \$5, under 5 free, Family Max is \$24.

SUNDAY DECEMBER 12

"THE CHRISTMAS CAROL" at The Palace Theatre. Cost \$10.00. Leaves Shaws Parking lot at 10:45am. For information or reservations contact Lou Ellen at 464-5138.

MONDAY DECEMBER 13

BOOK GROUP: Military History Book Group at Fuller Public Library will meet at 2pm to discuss Chief Joseph by Kent Nerburn. All are welcome to attend.

TUESDAY DECEMBER 14

CHRISTMAS LIGHTS: (storm date Dec. 16th) Christmas Light Tour at NH Speedway/Dinner @ 99 Restaurant. No charge for bus, pay your own meal. Leaves Shaws parking lot at 3pm. Reserve your seat by December 10th. For information or reservations contact Lou Ellen at 464-5138.

CRAFTER'S CORNER: from 1-3pm at Fuller Public Library. Join us for 2-3 crafts each month, bring a friend and craft together.

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 15

SHOPPING TRIP/LUNCH: No charge. Leaves Shaws parking lot at 9:30am. For information or reservations, contact Lou Ellen at 464-5138.

FRIDAY DECEMBER 17

SANTA DRIVE THROUGH: 6:00-7:30pm at Washington's Center Fire Station. Meet Santa, get a present and some treats.

MONDAY DECEMBER 20

LIGHT UP NEWBURY: Business and residential decorating contest. Register at Syd@recreation@newburynh.org by Dec. 10. Winner receives a \$50 gift card, runner-up at \$25 gift card.

TUESDAY DECEMBER 21

BOOK GROUP: Fuller Public Library's Mystery Book Group will meet at 6:30pm to discuss Magpie Murders by Anthony Horowitz.

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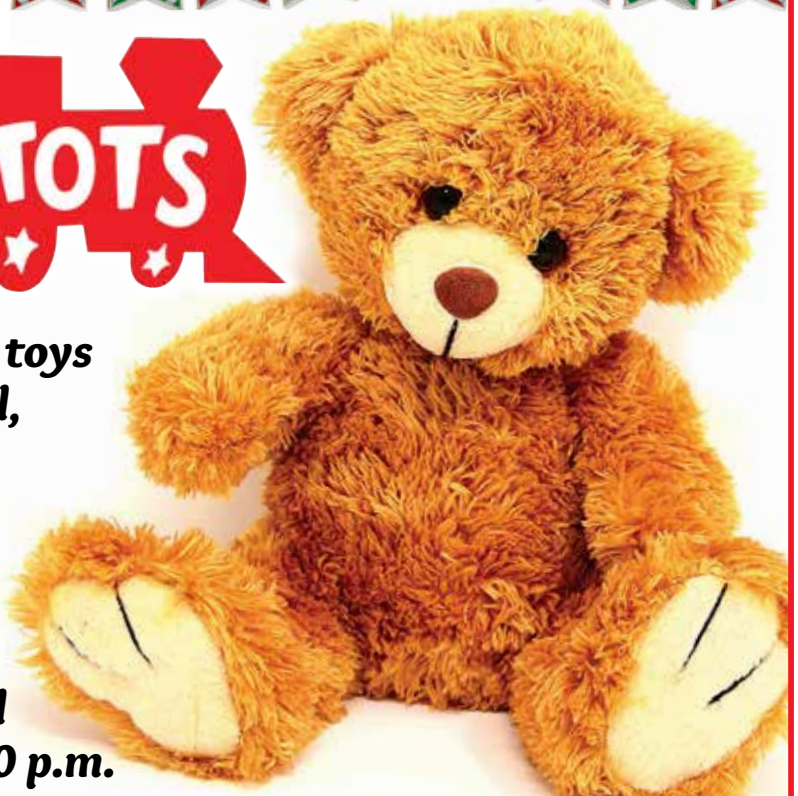
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