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Contoocook man honored

The Babe Ruth League International



Board of Directors has named Contoocook resident Jim Rivers to its Hall of Fame. The Hall's board of directors unanimously elected Rivers, a former softball umpire and

current broadcaster, into the Babe Ruth League Hall of Fame at its recent annual meeting.

This Week In History

January 1, 1863

Lincoln issues the Emancipation **Proclamation**

January 2, 1492

Moors lose control of Spain

January 3, 1868

Meiji Restoration occurs in Japan

January 4, 1958

Sir Edmund Hillary Reaches The South Pole

January 5, 1980

"Rapper's Delight" becomes 1st hip-hop Top 40 Hit

January 6, 1994

Nancy Kerrigan is attacked **January 7, 1927**

Harlem Globetrotters play their first game



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For the second year of a new tradition, Hillsborough residents gathered at Butler Park on Christmas Eve to celebrate the true meaning of Christmas with Candlelight Caroling. Jim Fedolfi photo.

Lack of support not the only motivation

Henniker Town Administrator seeking greener pastures

On December 11th the Henniker Select Board scheduled a Special Meeting on



short notice to discuss the resignation of Town Administrator Joe Devine, who had served in that capacity since October 21, 2019.

In his letter of resignation, dated December

1, 2021, Devine cited "lack of support" as the reason for his leaving. "While I maintain the solid support of a majority of the Board of Selectmen," he said, "it is clear I do not have the full support of everyone.... therefore, effective December 31, 2021, I will voluntarily terminate my agreement with the town.'

Immediately, although no connection

was made, it was moved, seconded and approved to remove Tia Hooper as Vice Chair of the Board and replace her with Peter Flvnn.

It now appears that lack of support was not Devine's only motivation. The Messenger has confirmed that Devine has been looking for greener pastures for some time. The December 6th Minutes of the Salem Select Board confirm that a candidate (later identified as Devine) had accepted the Assistant Town Manager's position the previous week, although he could not start until January 1st.

Devine, who was being paid \$80,000 in Henniker will receive \$120,000 for the Assistant Town Manager position in Salem, which he had applied for well before his December 1st resignation letter.

Several area public Libraries receive American Rescue Act Plan Grants

The N.H. State Library is pleased to announce that 42 New Hampshire public libraries will be receiving funding through an Institute for Museum and Library Services' "Grants to States" program that is part of the American Rescue Act Plan of 2021 and that is being facilitated by the State Library.

Aligning with the N.H. State Library's 2017-2022 five-year plan, the grants address three goals that will bolster public library services throughout the Granite State: expanding access to libraries and information services for patrons of all abilities and backgrounds; improving equity of access to library services by offering professional support for librarians and library staff; and increasing innovative services and programming that anticipate the changing needs for library services.

Public libraries from across New Hampshire, from the North Country to the Monadnock Region to the Seacoast, received funding during the competitive grant round that took place this fall.

Local Public libraries receiving the grants are:

- Dunbarton Public Library
- Goffstown Public Library
- Fuller Public Library, Hillsboro
- Richards Free Library, Newport
- Abbott Library, Sunapee
- Mansfield Public Library, Temple
- Pillsbury Free Library, Warner Projects funded by the grants must begin after January 2, 2022 and be complete by September 30, 2022.



Greenfield celebrated another successful Festival of Trees.

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Messenger readers contribute \$1,700 to Lions Club's Christmas Basket Project

Messenger readers were generous again this year, contributing \$1,700 to the Lions Club Christmas Basket Project, enabling the club to distribute full Christmas dinners to families in need.

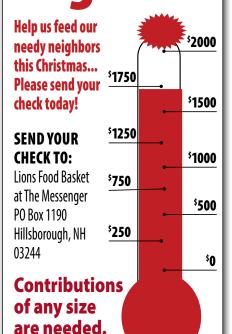
Those contributing to this neighbor to neighbor project include: The Deering Community Church Women's Guild, Don & Meg Ager, Alan & Jean Ager, Christi Jo Macomber, Nicholas & Julie Buccarelli, Wanda Robie,

Clare & James Fedolfi, Denis & Lana Dumont, Paris, Jack & Kim Wells, Judith Page & Christina Chadwick, Keith McGuire, Leigh & Joyce Bosse, Charles Colby, Lorraine Nickerson, Jane Dutton, James & Ellen McGuire, Alberta Simpson, Peter Martin, Carol & Walter Henderson, Angela Lariviere, Atchison-Wong Trust, Jefrey & Arlene Soule, Stephen & Doris Ellis, Jed & Nancy Schwartz, Julie Hughes, Walter Radermacher, Colleen Duggan.



Messenger Publisher Leigh Bosse (I) presents Hillsboro Lions Club Treasurer Alan Ager (r) with checks totaling \$1,700 contributed to the Club's Christmas Basket Project.

Urgent!!



Paula Bellemore of Goffstown to lead LCHIP Program

The Board of Directors of the New Hampshire Land and Community Heri-

tage Investment Program (LCHIP) announces that Governor Sununu and the **Executive Council** have appointed Paula Bellemore of Goffstown as the

program's Executive Director, succeeding Dorothy "Dijit" Taylor of Hopkinton, who retires December 31 after eleven years

leading the program.

Prior to joining LCHIP in 2014, Bellemore served as the executive director of the Piscataquog Land Conservancy, a regional land trust in south-central New Hampshire, where she worked for more than ten years.

A fifth-generation New Hampshire native, Bellemore's 17 years of experience in land conservation are balanced by strong administrative and managerial experience gained through a previous career in hospitality management, and a passion for preserving the state's unique heritage.

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January 1, 2021

Antrim man arrested for DWI in Hancock Washington store owner wants names of complainers Major renovations projects at Hopkinton schools "Giving Back" an Appleseed tradition

January 3, 2020

Bradford neighbors respond to Christmas fire
Only minor injuries in Antrim accident
New London Select Board approves LED conversion
Francestown receives two preservation grants

January 4, 2019

John Stark students tackle Mental Illness Antrim Board rules 175' tower has regional impact Major changes coming to New Boston Fire Department Deering man charged with domestic assault

January 5, 2018

Concerns raised on drones over Andover Hillsborough man injured in snowmobile accident Hopkinton's new Dog Park a community success Merrimack Valley High hosts Recycled Percussion

January 6, 2017

Epsom schools consider pre-employment drug testing New Boston Selectmen review police budget Belmont Selectmen to poll voters on Mill's future Family dog alerts residents to Tilton house fire

January 1, 2016

Goffstown Selectmen work website improvements Weare looking to add five new police officers Bow Police seize guns, drugs & burglary tools First Responders gather to honor Bob Pragoff

January 2, 2015

Three men arrested for Washington burglaries Goffstown woman arrested in Dunbarton Police arrest Franklin woman for fraud New Boston seeks improved communications site

January 10, 2014

Antrim police station dedicated Revolt at Emerald Lake Commission, Chair resigns No injuries in Newport five-car pileup Weare felon arrested receiving stolen flatware

January 1, 2013

Tom Yennerell named Henniker Town Administrator Union OK's merit pay for Kearsarge teachers Newport to remove 52 dead or dying trees 91-year-old woman charged with vehicular assault

January 13, 2012

Hillsborough Police Captain arrested for assault
No one injured in Newbury barn fire
Sunapee Police Chief and Officers honored
New London Board upset but will pay ambulance increase

Henniker's Capital Improvements committee attempts to eliminate tax spikes

With budget season and Town Meeting fast approaching, the Henniker Capital Improvements Committee continued its efforts to prioritize and distribute spending on major capital items in order to ensure departments have the proper equipment while preventing any spikes in real estate taxes.

The Committee carefully reviewed each request, and while no final decisions were made, preliminary spending allocations to Capital Reserve Funds were made as follows: Fire Department Equipment...\$100,000 Rescue Squad Equipment.....\$70,000 Highway Equipment*.....\$150,000 Transfer Station.....\$30,000 Parks & Recreation.....\$2,500 Police Equipment.....\$10,000 Police Building.....\$50,000 Town Building*.....\$4,000 Technology.....\$? Road Trusts.....\$25,000 Roads.....\$750,000 Revaluation.....\$?

Wastewater Plant	 \$3,200,000
Bridge Repair	 \$25,000
Library	 \$80,000
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*The allocation to the Highway Department may be altered after talking

with Leo Aucoin over his preference for an F-550 vs and F-350 truck; the allocation for Town Buildings may be increased to purchase one or two Mini-Split HVAC Systems.



After an hour of village caroling in Washington, the carolers repaired to the Congregational Church basement where a nice warm dinner of soup was served. Then it was up to the church sanctuary where they had another hour of caroling led by Noah Denslow and their ace pianist, Grace Jaeger. Pastor Beth Simmons brought Rowan and Robert who entertained everyone with their jingle bell ringing. It was a great evening.

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Second Peterborough Bridge under repair

The New Hampshire Department of Transportation continues work on the bridge that carries Routes 101 and 202 over the Contoocook River in Peterborough. A lane closure on the bridge was put in place on December 15 and will remain in place until fall 2022. The exclusive left-hand turn lane from Route 101 eastbound to Route 202 northbound/Granite Street has been removed to maintain two way traffic over the bridge. This lane closure was scheduled to coincide with the opening of the nearby Peterborough Main Street bridge. The multi-use path that runs underneath the bridge is closed during construction and pedestrian traffic is directed to use nearby sidewalks and the crosswalk at the Grove Street/Route 101/Route 202 intersection to cross Route 101/Route 202. Drivers should remain alert while traveling through the construction zone and obey all posted signs.

Pats Peak announces new "Women's Only Wednesday" lessons program

Pats Peak announces information on their Women's Only Wednesday Program and Adult Clinics on Fridays. These Weekday Lesson Clinics are a great day to learn to ski or snowboard or improve skiing/snowboarding skills with attention on individual development. These programs are great for anyone with flexibility to take time off during the week.

Learn to ski, snowboard, and race more efficiently on today's equipment with quality instruction in an Adult Clinic. These solid techniques will help improve overall skill levels from beginner to advanced.

The Adult Lesson Clinics are offered on Friday mornings only, starting January 7, 2022 and every Friday morning until the end of the season, excluding February President's Week and NH School Vacation Week.

The Adult Clinic Cards are transferable and can be used for multiple transactions on one day. They are good for the ski and ride season in which they were purchased.

On Wednesdays, starting January 5, 2022, women can participate in the WOW, Women's Only Wednesday. This WOW Program runs for seven weeks starting at 9 a.m. followed by lesson clinics, taught by women only. The morning ends with a buffet lunch with

the coaches. The cost is only \$299 for a full seven-week program, lift, lesson, breakfast and lunch (\$225 for Season Pass Holders). Skiers/Snowboarders are welcome to sign up at the Pats Peak Snowsports Desk to "Try our Program" for a daily fee of \$70/day for the WOW Program.



New Boston's rink is filled. Just waiting for cold temps to open! Volunteers are still needed for winter maintenance. To join the "Ice Crew" call 603-487-2880 to find out how to help.





Current advice from the America Dental Association tells you that if your gums bleed, make sure you are brushing and flossing twice a day because it could be a sign of gingivitis, an early stage of periodontal disease. And that might be true. So if you are concerned, see your dentist. However, a new study published in Nutrition Reviews suggests you should also check your intake of vitamin C.

This new study analyzed published studies of 15 clinical trials in six countries, involving 1,140 predominantly healthy participants, and data from 8,210 U.S. residents surveyed in the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Health and Nutrition Examination Survey. The results showed that bleeding of the gums on gentle probing, or gingival bleeding tendency, and also bleeding in the eye, or retinal hemorrhaging, were associated with low vitamin C levels in the bloodstream. Additionally, the researchers found that increasing daily intake of vitamin C in those people with low vitamin C plasma levels helped to reverse these bleeding issues.

You can attempt to keep an eye on your vitamin C intake through incorporation of non-processed foods such as kale, peppers or kiwis into your diet, but if you can't find palatable foods rich in vitamin C, you should consider a supplement of 100 to 200

If someone is on a specialized diet, such as a paleo diet, it's important that they take a look at their vitamin C intake. Vitamin C-rich fruits such as kiwis or oranges are rich in sugar and thus typically eliminated from a low-carb diet. This avoidance may lead to a vitamin C intake that is too low and is associated with an increased bleeding tendency. People who exclusively eat lean meats and avoid offal, the vitamin-rich organ meats, may also be at a particularly high risk for a low vitamin C intake.

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According to research reported in the Journal of the American College of Cardiology (JACC), the evidence continued to show no cardiovascular benefits to dietary supplements except B vitamins. No cardiovascular or mortality effects were seen with multivitamins, vitamin D, calcium, or vitamin C in a meta-analysis incorporating 156 randomized controlled trials and meta-analyses. Moderate-quality evidence was available associating folic acid and other B

vitamins with reduced stroke risk. Niacin (vitamin B-3) was tied to increased all-cause mortality when taken with background statins.

Researchers have recently discovered that cytisine, smoking cessation drug commonly used in Europe, reduces the loss of dopamine neurons in females. These findings provide potential evidence for the use of the drug to treat Parkinson's disease or stop its progression in women. The findings are published in the Journal of Neurochemistry.

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration has approved the first drug for positron emission tomography (PET) imaging of prostate-specific membrane antigen (PSMA) positive lesions in men with prostate cancer. Ga 68 PSMA-11 is indicated for patients with suspected prostate cancer metastasis (when cancer cells spread from the place where they first formed to another part of the body) who are potentially curable by surgery or radiation therapy. Prostate cancer is the third most common form of cancer in the United States. The National Cancer Institute estimated that there would be more than 190,000 new cases of prostate cancer and an estimated 33,000 deaths from the disease in 2020. While computed tomography (CT) scans, magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) scans and bone scans are conventional methods commonly used to image patients with prostate cancer, these approaches are limited in detection of prostate cancer lesions.

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A rollover in Hancock Wednesday morning resulted in no major injuries to the driver, although the driver had to be extracted from the vehicle (above photo). Even slicker roads kept Hopkinton responders busy on Christmas Day (bottom photos). Again there were no major injuries.







Inaugural Tapestry Tuesday held at New London Inn Jan. 18, 5:30pm

Join Center for the Arts, Literary Arts Guild member Dianalee Velie for the evening as she reads excerpts from her six books of poetry from different periods of her life. The most recent book will take you on a poetic journey through Italy with poems about her experiences teaching poetry in Cortona, Cannero Riviera on Lago Maggiore, and in Santa Croce di Camerina, Sicily. Diana hopes you will fall in love with the sights and sounds of these poems and develop a yearning to read more poetry and perhaps write poems about your own life experiences whether near or far.

Velie has had poems and short stories published in hundreds of magazines and journals. In addition, she leads the John Hay Poetry Society, which has been meeting for close to twenty years and has created a permanent poetry path in Newbury that honors New Hampshire Poet Laureates.

The Center for the Arts, Lake Sunapee Region Tapestry Tuesdays is a new event series beginning in 2022. On the third Tuesday of every month, they will share a variety of events ranging from lectures to poetry readings, to workshops under the title Tapestry Tuesdays. The events will be held at the New London Inn from January through October and the Inn will be providing a special menu for purchase. Most Tapestry Tuesdays are free events, please check the website to be sure.



Slick road conditions closed Route 101 in Peterborough for more than an hour on Christmas Day, as police responded to about a dozen calls for cars off the road, including the Jaffrey-Rindge Memorial Ambulance which was transporting a patient, lost control and came to rest at a stop sign. Courtesy photo.



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Publisher's Perspective

I hope you live louder

A friend sent this to me via Facebook and I repeat it here as an appropriate 2022 wish for us all. LDB

I hope you laugh more.

I hope you sing at the top of your lungs. I hope you drive with the windows down and let the wind rustle through your hair.

I hope you hug. I hope you kiss. I hope you surround yourself with people who make you feel alive. I hope you become the type of person that brings good energy wherever you go, and the type of person people want to be around.

I hope you speak what's on your mind, that you raise your voice for injustice, that you tell others that you love them, instead of waiting until it's too late.

I hope you live louder, shine brighter. From this moment on.

Marisa Donnelly



Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

On behalf of the Hillsboro Lions Club, we would like to recognize those who helped make possible this year's Christmas Food Baskets. We wish you could have heard the many thanks as families gathered their ham and or turkey dinners with all the fixings and more on December 18th.

The following is a listing of businesses, publications and charitable organizations who provided product, advertisements or services to help make this event possible. Our Goffstown family and friends provided forty complete ham dinners. Their generosity knows no boundaries or town lines!

Hillsborough OSRAM continued their tradition and donated 31 Turkeys. This large company in this small town cares about their community.

The "Messenger" publication provided free multiple weeks of advertis-

ing and solicitation for donations to help with this yearly event.

Hillsboro's JD Foods and Warner's Market Basket helped with our orders in a timely manner and to see that we had everything on our shopping list and that we spent our dollars wisely. Thank you Danny at JD Food and the Store Manager at Market Basket.

Once again the Smith Memorial Congregational Church provided the use of their Vestry to package and distribute the food baskets. Their ministry reaches the community in many ways.

We would like to recognize the Hillsboro Food Pantry, The Hillsboro Deering Schools and our local churches for their outreach to families. You made this season brighter.

The Hillsboro Lions Club hopes all had a Merry Christmas and that 2022 will be Healthy and Happy.

Ron & Kathy Audette, Co-Chairs

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The only difference between a tax man and a taxidermist is that the taxidermist leaves the skin.

- Mark Twain



Understanding Kwanzaa

December 26 marked the start of Kwanzaa, also spelled Kwanza (with one 'a' at the end). It's a seven-day nonreligious holiday observed in the U.S., meant to honor African Americans' ancestral roots. The celebration lasts until January 1st. The holiday is defined by Nguzo Saba, or the seven principles. Each day of the festival is dedicated to a specific principle, marked by lighting a new candle on the kinara, a seven-branched candelabra.

Even though Kwanzaa isn't as widely celebrated as it used to be, its seven principles still hold true for some. Here's a look at what those principles are, and what they mean.

Umoja: "To strive for and maintain unity in the family, community, nation and race."

Kujichagulia: Or self-determination. This principle refers to defining, naming, creating and speaking for oneself.

Ujima: "To build and maintain our community together and make our brother's and sister's problems our problems and to solve them together."

Ujamaa: "To build and maintain our own stores, shops and other businesses and to profit from them together." he

Nia: "To make our collective vocation the building and developing of our community in order to restore our people to their traditional greatness."

Kuumba: "To do always as much as we can, in the way we can, in order to leave our community more beautiful and beneficial than we inherited it."

Imani: "To believe with all our heart in our people, our parents, our teachers, our leaders and the righteousness and victory of our struggle."

Perhaps we are more alike than we think. **LDB**

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William F. Buckley said: "Liberals claim to want to give a hearing to other points of view, and are then shocked and offended when they discover there are other points of view."

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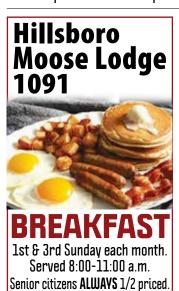


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Emerald Lake Village District Income Survey

The Emerald Lake Village District Board of Commissioners has mailed Income Surveys twice in the past few months. Trying to save the district some money, the Commissioners spent several hours on a recent Sunday going door-to-door distributing the surveys to households that hadn't yet returned their completed survey.

The Board feels that many surveys were not returned due to misunderstanding the reasons behind the survey and concerns about who had access to the completed surveys.

As residents know, the district has faced water problems for many years. These problems stem from an aging water infrastructure system that is breaking down on a regular basis. It is fraught with leaks and diminished production from its wells. Through the years, efforts have been made to fix the issues using a band-aid approach. The time has now come when band-aids will no longer save the patient: the water infrastructure system needs major surgery! And that is not inexpensive.

The current board has been very proactive through the last couple of years finding and applying for bonds and grants to make major repairs. The latest effort, voted for at the 2021 Annual Meeting, is a \$1.26 million bond — offset by a \$315,000 grant — to repair three-plus streets' water lines. As mentioned above, it's not an inexpensive job.

This is where the Income Surveys come into play. Grant monies are awarded based on need. Grant money does not have to be paid back: bonds do. Need for grant money is determined by the Median Household Income (MHI) in the district. Income surveys have been unsuccessfully distributed in the past. Because the necessary percentage of return -75% — was not reached then, the district's MHI is the same as the town of Hillsborough: \$81,000 per year. This puts the district at a disadvantage when applying for grants. The MHI calculated for the district using the returns to date $-53\% \pm -$ is \$55,000. This number is considerably lower than the MHI for Hillsborough. But the lower Median Household Income number cannot be used unless the district achieves a return rate of 75%. The advantage of achieving a 75% return rate is obvious: It allows the district to apply for, and quite likely receive, more grants in the future. And more grant money means less money needing to be raised through increased water rates.

The second concern raised by residents is: "How confidential are these surveys? I don't want the board or the district to know how much money I make; it's none of their business." The board couldn't agree more, which is why the completed surveys are mailed directly to RCAP Solutions (Resources for Communities and People), a non-profit company dedicated to helping communities achieve their full potential. (RCAP is a government-funded entity and the work they are doing for the district is at no charge.) At no time does the board see the completed surveys. RCAP calculates the MHI based on the Income Surveys it receives. However, unless they receive 75% of



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the total mailed (75% of 397 = 298), the Income Survey will all be for nothing.

The board hopes this answers residents' major concerns about filling out the Income Survey. If you've already completed yours and returned it, thank you! If you did not receive a survey or accidently tossed it, please leave a message at 603-464-3128 and one will get to you. Anyone who lives in the district year-round is eligible to complete the survey. The brief amount of time needed to complete the survey could save you money on future water bills.



BOYS BASKETBALL

Goffstown 78, Keene 42: Aiden O'Connell led the attack with 23 points.

ConVal 71, John Stark 56: Malachi Page and Christian Buffum each had 16 points to lead the way.

ConVal 77, Sanborn 73: Jason Allen had a career-high 27 points but Sanborn dropped a close one.

Bishop Brady 60, John Stark 52: After being outscored 11-2 in the second quarter, the Generals fought back hard in an exciting second half.

Kearsarge 63, Campbell 43: The Cougars led from the opening whistle.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Goffstown 49, Exeter 41: The Grizzlies prevailed in a close contest

Goffstown 63, Keene 42: Ava Winterburn led all scorers with 19 points.

Hollis-Brookline 52, ConVal 33: Senior Maddy Faber finished with a team-high 13 points.

Merrimack Valley 43, ConVal 30: The Pride led 17-4 after the first quarter and 23-7 at halftime, but the Cougars tightened things up in the third, with MV leading 28-25 heading into the fourth.

Kearsarge 67, Inter-Lakes 34: The Cougars got out to a fast start, leading 15-2 after the first quarter and 37-13 at halftime. **John Stark 54, Bishop Brady 20:** John Stark jumped out to an 18-5 first quarter lead and shut out the Giants in the second quarter to lead 34-5 at halftime.

BOYS HOCKEY

John Stark-Hopkinton-HD 5, Sanborn-Epping 2: Ethan Molnar gave JSHHD a 2-1 lead in the first period with a shorthanded goal and capped his hat trick early in the third to make it 3-1. **Manchester 6, Goffstown 2:** Goffstown's Jake Webber turned away 23 shots.

Hillsboro-Deering DECA Team excels again

Hillsboro Deering's DECA Team earned the THRIVE Level DECA Chapter Award for Community Service. This is DECA's highest award for chapters. Only Pinkerton, Lakes Region Technical, and Hillsboro-Deering earned this award in New Hampshire this year.

State provides \$100,143,752 additional funding to NH cities & towns

New Hampshire municipalities are receiving a 45% increase in revenue from the Meals and Rentals Tax, thanks to the recently enacted Republican state budget.

Under HB 2, the local share of revenues from the state's tax on restaurants, hotels, and car rentals increased to 30%, up from 22% in the last budget. Together with strong growth in New Hampshire's hospitality industry, this results in more than \$100 million going directly to local coffers to help keep local property tax rates down. In total, the New Hampshire Treasury is transferring \$100,143,752 to cities and towns. That represents an increase of 45.5% (\$32M) from Fiscal Year 2021. Area communities receiving increased funds include:

TOWN	INCREASE
Antrim	\$59,918.40
Bennington	\$33,627.03
Bradford	\$38,795.19
Deering	\$44,006.15

Francestown	\$36.329.78
Goffstown	
Greenfield	
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Hopkinton	
New Boston	\$137,191.47

New London	\$97,073.41
Newbury	
Peterborough	
Stoddard	\$30,105.97
Warner	\$66,952.53
Washington	\$26,563.61
Weare	\$207,590.18
Windsor	\$5,195.97



Simonds School students in grades 2-5 participated in Hour of Code, a worldwide coding project for students in grades 2-12. Simonds students have been focusing on building growth mindset and applied their skills by problem solving through different coding activities.



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Events: Community Bulletin Board

TUESDAY JANUARY 4

ANTRIM LEGION: American Legion Post 50 will hold the monthly meeting at the post home on West Street at 7:30pm. All members, veterans and guests are welcome to attend.

THURSDAY JANUARY 6

BOOK GROUP: Fuller Public Library's book group will meet at 6:30pm to discuss The Chaperone by Laura Moriarty. Meet from home or in the library.

SATURDAY JANUARY 8

BONFIRE: Hillsborough's 250th Celebration Kick-Off 1-4:30pm. Join us at Hillsboro-Deering High School for winter fun: Vintage snowmobiles, sledding, skating, crafts for kids and face painting, outdoor games, a bonfire with marshmallows and more! Check out HillsboroughNH250.org for all of the events scheduled for the year. Email HillsboroughNH250@gmail.com to volunteer.

VACCINE CLINIC: Hancock Library 10 am - 4pm. Pfizer, Moderna and J&J Vaccines available.

MONDAY JANUARY 10

WFFF ANNUAL MEETING: Warner Town Hall 7:00 pm. Anyone and everyone is welcome to attend. If you are considering becoming a volunteer and/or board

member, this is the meeting to attend.

TUESDAY JANUARY 11

VACCINE CLINIC: NH's Mobile Covid Vaccine Van will be at Fuller Public Library from 9-5pm for walk-in appointments. All vaccines will be available for ages 5 and up. Call the library for more information 603-464-3595.



Santa modified his sleigh to deliver personalized gifts from Smith Church to residents of Hillsboro House.







Obituaries: Friends & Neighbors Remembered

Joseph C. Cuddemi

BENNINGTON – Joseph Carl Cuddemi, a lifelong resident of Ben-

nington, NH, died peacefully at home on Dec. 15, 2021. He was 76 years old. Joe was born at Monadnock Community Hospital on March 29, 1945, the son



of Albert "Bat" and Beatrice Cuddemi. Joe was labeled the unofficial Mayor of Bennington. Joe briefly worked in the electronics industry before proudly following in his father's footsteps and taking ownership of Alberto's Italian Restaurant. Joe took the roots "Bat" created and expanded the business's footprint, adding the Barn Board room in 1972 and the lounge in 1988, additions that transformed the restaurant into a 150-seat eatery. Many patrons that came to Alberto's in the '60s, '70s

and '80s are now coming in with their children and grandchildren, making it a multi-generational establishment. Following in her father's footsteps, his daughter, Jordan, has assumed the lead role in running the business, one she plans on continuing.

Joe is survived by his wife of 36 years, Erin; his son, Anthony, daughter-in-law, Coby, and grandson, Connor; his daughter, Jordan; his sister, Connie; nephews, Seth and Kyle, and their families: and several other relatives. Joe also leaves behind his three beloved Chihuahuas, Peanut, Rustv and Mia, and cat Meeko, whom he had breakfast with every morning. Joe is predeceased by his parents, "Bat and Bea;" his sister, Carolyn; and nephew, Joe. Calling hours will be held on Saturday, Jan. 8, 2022, at Divine Mercy Parish in Peterborough, NH, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. A formal mass will

follow, commencing at 1 p.m. All are welcome. A burial for immediate family members will be held in the spring. A celebration of Joe's life for all to attend also will be held in the spring. If you have memories of Joe, pictures of or with him, or videos you would like to make with a personal message that can be shared during Joe's celebration of life, please mail them to P.O. BOX 148, Bennington, NH, 03442, or email them to info@albertosnh.com.

Arthur "Artie" F. Houle Jr.

HILLSBOROUGH - Arthur "Artie" F. Houle Jr., 64, of Hillsborough, NH and a former resident of Merrimack, NH died Sunday, December 19, 2021 at his home after a period of declining health. He was born in Nashua, NH on October 8, 1957, a son of the late Arthur F. Houle Sr. and Rita (Theriault) Houle. In addition to his parents, he is pre-deceased by a sister Elaine ▶

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Obituaries: Friends & Neighbors Remembered

Houle. Survivors include his wife of 18 Years, Catherine (Bourbeau) Houle of Hillsborough, a brother Donald Houle of Londonderry and his wife Donna: six sisters. Diane Cox and her husband Roger of Murfreesboro, TN. Carole Houle of Bedford, NH, Linda Parker of Hooksett, Roberta Compagna and her husband Mike of Merrimack, Rose Houle of Manchester, and Kathy Kierstead of Manchester, NH; and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins. Memorial calling hours will be held in the Rivet Funeral Home, 425 Daniel Webster Hwy, Merrimack Thursday, January 13, 2022 from 6-8 PM. Memorial service will be held in the Funeral Home Friday at 11 AM, with burial following in Last Rest Cemetery, Merrimack. Family requests, for those who wish may make memorial contributions to a V.F.W or American Legion in his name.

Ellen Schadegg

HANCOCK – Ellen Marie Schadegg, 78, of Hancock, passed away peace-

fully at Monadnock Community Hospital on December 15, 2021 after a period of failing health. Ellen, daughter of late August and Mary Schumacher,



was born in 1943, and raised on a working produce farm in Lexington, MA. Ellen is survived by her husband, John Schadegg; daughters, Heather Schadeggg of Lexington, MA and Holly Schadegg-Mehlenbacher of Hancock, NH (husband Joel Mehlenbacher); granddaughter, Kate Mehlenbacher; her loving sister, Mary Megson (husband James Megson) of Arlington, MA as well as many nieces and nephews. Ellen is predeceased by her brothers, August Schumacher, Jr. of Washing-

ton, DC (wife Susan Schumacher) and John Schumacher (wife Judy Schumacher), of Chatham, MA. A Celebration of Ellen's life will be held privately for family. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in Ellen's name to The Jimmy Fund.

Richard Fredericks

PETERBOROUGH – The Original Old Man: On December 12, 2021, Rich-

ard Fredericks, Rick, finished his physical journey after succumbing to four years with ALS. Rick's grandchildren, Wyatt, Maddie and, Peyton, Phoebe



and Caleb, will always remember the respect he showed each of them. The love of Rick's life was Allison. They had a connection that few get to experience. They were each other's greatest pals. A memorial will occur in the new year ▶











Obituaries: Friends & Neighbors Remembered

- dates and times will be posted in the paper and on Facebook. In the meantime, if you wish, donations can be made to Compassionate Care ALS, PO Box 1052, West Falmouth, MA, 02574 or online at CCALS.org

Alice S. (Moineau) **Follansbee**

NEW BOSTON - Alice S. Follansbee, 97, of New Boston died at home on Thursday, December 17. Born in Waltham, MA, January 23, 1924, to Alderic I. Moineau and Ruth (Frith) Moineau, she moved to Weare in 1932. Family includes daughters: Nancy Kaiser, Kansas City, Missouri; Norma Hurlbut, Hillsboro; and Shirley Hadley, New Boston; and sons, Alan Follansbee, New Boston and Gary Follansbee, Plymouth; as well as 11 grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren, and 9 greatgreat grandchildren. She was predeceased by her husband, Roy, in 1995; daughter, Helen, in 1967, and son, Roger, in 1997. Services will be held next spring at the convenience of the family.

Richard A. Leclerc

WEARE - Richard A. Leclerc. 70, of Weare, NH died peacefully at his home surrounded by his family.

Richard is survived by his wife of 46 years, Jo-Ann Leclerc and three daughters, Melissa Leclerc, Jessica Leclerc, Jodi Leclerc, daughter-in-law, Elea-



nor Swiezynski, his mother, Evelyn Bussiere, and several brothers and sisters.



Students in Ms. Randel's Spanish II class at John Stark Regional High School held a fashion show for their performance assessment for the unit on clothing. Lucas Belliveau, Ryan Sahlin, Steven Johnston, Logan Montgomery, Cody Hood, Jackson Lochmandy, and Nathaniel Houle.

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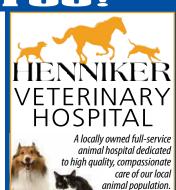
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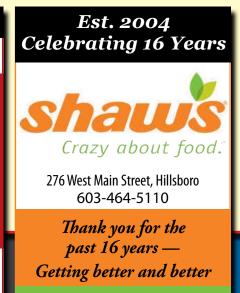
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TOWN OF HILLSBOROUGH PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The Board of Selectmen will hold a public hearing on the West Main Street Sidewalk Project on **Wednesday**, **January 12, 2022 @ 6:30 p.m.** @ the Hillsboro Deering High School Cafeteria, 12 Hillcat Drive, Hillsborough NH.



TOWN OF DEERING PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

THURSDAY, JANUARY 6TH, 2022 7:00PM

Notice is hereby given in accordance with RSA147:10 that the Deering Board of Selectman will hold a public hearing for a Watershed Protection District Septic Tank Regulation on Thursday January 6th, 2022 at 7:00PM. The meeting will be located at 762 Deering Center Road during the regular meeting of the board. If you have any questions about the public hearing please reach out to the Town Administrator or visit

https://www.deering.nh.us/sites/g/files/vyhlif3006/f/uploads/accepted changes deering septic health regulation.pdf

PURPOSE AND INTENT

The purpose is to protect water quality in the Town of Deering while providing for the public health, safety, and general welfare of the citizens of Town. The intent is to ensure that all septic tanks in the Watershed Protection District are pumped on a regular basis and properly maintained by property owners. The Town of Deering Health Officer has proposed this Regulation, pursuant to N.H. RSA 147:1, from which the Deering Select Board has approved of same with said Regulation being on record with the Deering Town Clerk, a copy being printed in a newspaper of general circulation within the Town of Deering and the posting of this regulation in 2 (or more) public places within the municipality.

PUBLIC NOTICE HILLSBORO-DEERING SCHOOL DISTRICT

PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING

The Hillsboro-Deering School Board will hold a **Public Budget Hearing** on Tuesday, January 18, 2022 (1/19/22 snow date) at 6:30pm in the Hillsboro-Deering Middle School Cafetorium.

The purpose is to receive public input on the Hillsboro-Deering School District's proposed FY2022-2023 operating budget and proposed warrant articles.

The public is encouraged to attend.

TOWN OF HENNIKER PLANNING BOARD NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

January 12, 2022 • 6:30 p.m.

The Town of Henniker Planning Board will hold a **public hearing** on January 12, 2022 at 6:30 PM at the Community Center, 57 Main Street, to discuss the following:

PB2022:01 Proposed site plan amendment to an existing self-storage facility with the addition of one new building and the expansion of three existing buildings adding a total storage area of 6,250 square feet. 804 Old Concord Road, Owner/Applicant 783 Forest Road Properties, LLC, Map 1 Lot 305-F, Zoned CH Heavy Commercial. **Application Acceptance & Public Hearing**.

Copies of all materials are available for review on the Town of Henniker's website, January 12, 2022 Planning Board meeting link as well as in person at Town Hall.



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