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Antrim's new Eagle Scout Congratulations to Matthew Colby, Antrim Troop 2's newest Eagle Scout.



NHBOA 2021 Code Official
Peterborough Select Board Chair Tyler Ward
congratulates Tim Herlihy on being named
NHBOA Code Official of the Year.

This Week In History

January 8, 1642

Astronomer & physicist Galileo dies

January 9, 1776

Thomas Paine publishes
Common Sense

January 10, 2008

World's cheapest car debuts in India

January 11, 1954

The first weather forecaster appears on TV

January 12, 1919

"Big Four" leaders meet for the first time

January 13, 2018

Ballistic missile threat accidentally broadcasted

January 14, 1784

The treaty of Paris is ratified



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OSRAM, including the Hillsborough Plant has been acquired by an Austrian firm.

OSRAM acquired by Austrians

AMS, a leading worldwide supplier of high performance sensor solutions, head-quartered in Austria, has announced the successful closing of the OSRAM Licht AG (OSRAM) acquisition. The takeover offer was fully settled in July and the offer price paid to the holders of the tendered shares.

Alexander Everke, CEO of ams, commented, "We are proud to have successfully closed the acquisition of OSRAM as expected. Today is a vital milestone on our path to combine ams and OSRAM into a worldwide leader in sensor solutions and photonics. Together we will be able to offer customers exciting new products and solutions driving innovation in optical technologies.

Firmly rooted in Europe, we will leverage the strong technology, IP and market position of OSRAM in combination with

ams and are convinced of our potential to become a world leader in the optical space. As global ams team, we would like to welcome the OSRAM employees worldwide and look forward to starting the successful integration of the two companies."

Following the closing, ams holds 69% of all shares in OSRAM (excluding treasury shares) on the basis of the takeover offer and additional purchases equivalent to a transaction value of around EUR 2.7 billion. As the majority shareholder of OSRAM, ams expects to gain representation on the Supervisory Board of OSRAM based on its shareholding shortly, ams will announce further steps towards the integration of the two companies in due course.

A call to the Hillsborough plant for local reaction to the sale was not returned at press time.

Petitioners seek Warrant to purchase New London land

Bill Helm presented the New London Select Board with a petition with signatures of about 70 voters asking the Selectmen to place an article on the March 2022 Town Meeting Warrant to purchase the 41 acre Cricenti property, located behind the New London Shopping Center, where Hannaford, the liquor store, hardware store etc are located.

The Selectmen did not change their vote of 12-20 where they voted 2-1 not to include it. Whether the discussion will continue to the next meeting, January 24th, is unclear at this point.

Budget Advisory Committee presented its recommendation to Select Board

Lori Marko, Chair of Henniker's Budget Advisory Committee presented the Select Board with its recommendation, concerns and comments on the proposed 2022 Budget:

Recommendations

- 1. Library Cola should match the town cola @ 1.5% to stay in line with other employees.
- 2. White Birch Community Center Reduction proportionate to programs/participants numbers. There is lack of clarity in this request as far as the number of participants and services. We suggest a 20% cut in this budget line.
- 3. Planning Board Reduce budget by \$18,000. Based on two years history this line has only spent 50% or less of its budget allocation each year.
- 4. Zoning Board Reduce budget by \$3,000 based on two years history of expenses.

Concerns / Comments

1. We did discuss multiple items that make up the payroll increases. Particular concern would be those



Lori Marko, Chair of Henniker's Budget Advisory Committee, presented the Committee's recommendations to the Select Board.

added this year in addition to cola. Merit increases, longevity pay and educational reimbursement which were adopted in 2021. Since the policies adopted were not provided to the budget advisory committee, we could not determine what the total increase is to this new budget cost.

- 2. Fuel for vehicles in all budgets seem low with rising fuel prices up 36% over last year.
- 3. Solid Waste Request for crack seal. Can this be done in house by our highway department?
 - 4. Athletic Department Do they

charge any fees? It seems they may have in 2019. This could be a great source of revenue and possibly help lower the budget dollar request.

The budget committee would like more streamlined and concise information for reviewing budgets in future years. We would like this in electronic format (not pdf) so that we can streamline this process making it easier to follow budget trends etc. Additionally we would like to see a longer history of what was budgeted/spent for each department.

A five year history gives a better perspective. We would also suggest that the budget committee be able to have a review with the CIP to understand their process.

Information on the past year end should include what is encumbered in the balance of each budget. The committee would also like to review our policy statement so we could meet before November to start our research and analysis.





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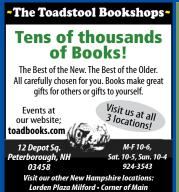
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New owners plan major expansion & improvements at Angus Lea Golf Course

The Angus Lea Golf Course, a fixture along the North Branch of the Contoocook River for more than half a century, has been acquired by a group of investors with ambitious plans for the cherished local landmark.

The 9-hole course has been owned by the Niven family since it opened in 1965. Curt and Linda Niven, who have run the operation for the past 28 years, announced their plan to retire in August. They closed with the new owners on December 1.

The new ownership group, consisting of Mike Kirouac, Danny Kirouac, Kyle Tyrrell and Dave LeClair, brings a wealth of experience in the hospitality industry to the project, as they now own and operate the popular XO Bistro in Manchester and the Main Street Grill & Bar in Pittsfield.

They plan a full remodel on the clubhouse to accommodate a full-service restaurant (a second location for the Main Street Grill & Bar) and a wrap-around deck. Other planned enhancements include the addition of indoor golf simulators and facilities for night golfing. The remodeling is expected to take at least six months and will be well under way when the course re-opens in the spring of 2022.

The new owners hope to provide more opportunities for golfers at all levels, while creating an "unapologetically fun" atmosphere for a sport that sometimes takes itself too seriously. "Historically, golf has been a game of privilege and rules and we want to break down those barriers to make golf fun and exciting for everyone,"



Expect major changes to Angus Lea this Spring.

said Mike Kirouac.

The tradition of local ownership will continue, as the new owners are from Hillsborough and well aware of the role Angus Lea has played in the community. Curt Niven has agreed to stay on for two years as a golf pro offering lessons.

"We're very excited to have new owners continue the legacy of Angus Lea in Hillsborough and growing it with a new restaurant," said Curt Niven. "So much to look forward to! We will continue to support the new leadership and feel confident that the golfers and locals will too." The community has relied on the Niven family over the years to support local schools through fundraising efforts like charitable golf tournaments, while providing seasonal jobs to local kids. "As new owners, we plan to continue these efforts and maintain a strong connection with the schools and local businesses as alumni and former residents of the town," said Kirouac.

Golf will open as scheduled

depending on weather in April/May 2022. The goal is to have the restaurant and indoor simulators completed by June, with a grand opening to include live music and amazing food.

The makeover will also involve a branding and marketing campaign, with a new logo, website and promotions for indoor golf, nighttime golf, live music and events.

"We couldn't be happier to come back to our hometown and bring an amazing restaurant with a laid-back atmosphere to all our friends and family," says Kirouac.

"We want to thank Curt and Linda for all their help and for the years of enjoyment that Angus Lea has provided not just us, but the whole community and surrounding towns. We can only hope to continue the family friendly service while infusing new energy and excitement into the community for many years to come. We can't wait to see you at Hillsborough's veteran- and family-owned, Angus Lea Golf Course."



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QUALIFYING FOR A LOAN — PART I



A mortgage lender does the best possible job of ensuring that a borrower qualifies for a loan. The final decision, however, rests with the lender's underwriter, who measures the total risk that the specific investor, who backs up the loan, is taking. Each investor (or investment company) has its own underwriting guidelines (often using statistical models), so while the underwriters evaluate many of the same factors as the lenders, they may look more closely at some areas than

others, depending on the guidelines. For example, while the lender may have pre-approved you before you chose a home, by the time you get to underwriting, you will have chosen the property you want to buy, and the underwriter will review the property details closely.

Most of the information an underwriter uses is the same as that used by the lender, but it may be evaluated differently. The underwriter will evaluate the borrower's ability to pay (income), willingness to pay (credit history), and the collateral (property).

As underwriters analyze each of these risks (although this is not a complete list), here are some possible guidelines they may use for income:

- Is the income sufficient to repay the loan? Ratio guidelines of 28 percent payment-to-income and 36 percent total debt-to-income are standard, but some programs allow for higher ratios.
- Is the income stable from month to month and year to year?
- Has the borrower been on his/her current job and in the same industry for a sufficient amount of time? A minimum of two years is the standard guide line, but exceptions can be made.
- Can the income be verified?

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January 8, 2021

Gordon MacDonald is Supreme Court Chief Justice All Hillsboro-Deering schools closed for Covid-19 New London interviews for Housing Commission Man arrested driving 132 mph in Warner

January 10, 2020

Meet Goffstown's new Police Chief Hillsborough man's plea bargain avoids rape conviction Kearsarge Regional School District budget up 3.13% Hopkinton Rescue Squad clarifies its roles

January 11, 2019

New London Select Board prioritizing demands Hillsborough Chamber hosts Business Breakfast Henniker Community School budget up 2% Kearsarge School District budget at \$43,278,985

January 12, 2018

Incoming Mayor predicts Franklin's rebirth
Jacob Merritt is Newport Troop's newest Eagle Scout
Washington man jumps from 2nd floor to avoid flames
Firefighters hampered by cold temperatures and winds

January 13, 2017

Hillsborough woman dies - three others injured in crash Chichester Board proposes full-time kindergarten Jeff Yale sworn in as new Hopkinton Fire Chief New Boston Boy Scouts Where Eagles Soar

January 8, 2016

Franklin trio arrested for trying to falsify evidence Hillsborough man, Newport woman arrested SAU 24 employees to be trained in suicide recognition MaineLine Graphics named top women-led business

January 9, 2015

\$500,000 benefactor for Fuller Library Owners vow to rebuild Jake's Market in Georges Mills New Boston Administrator reports budget surplus Dancing With The Newport Stars - Last Dance

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 11, 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

Hillsboro-Deering School's Capital Reserve Fund not limited to emergencies

At its bi-weekly meeting, the Hillsboro-Deering School Board discussed the current status of absences by teachers at the three schools. So far a total of only seven teachers were out and an average of less than 14% of students was absent.

The standard COVID protocols are being followed including cleaning, social distancing and wearing masks in all of the buildings.

Warrant Articles were discussed and voted on. Article 2 includes the salary to be paid to the District Treasurer.

The Business Administration noted that the Treasurer does a great deal of work for the District and the salary should be increased as the position hasn't had an increase in many years. It was voted to increase it to \$5000.00. The Board voted to add \$50,000 to the Special Education Capital Reserve Fund warrant article with the money coming from money not used at the end of the fiscal year.

At previous meetings Business Administrator Mary Henry and Superintendent Patty Parenteau had talked with the Board about having a warrant article for a Capital Reserve Fund. In doing research they found a current trust fund that was voted on by the Town in 2004 and is in fact a Capital Reserve Fund that is not limited to be used for only emergencies. As a result, the Board voted to add \$150,000 from any excess funds and only add \$1000 to those articles regarding HVAC, roofs and paving.

Superintendent Parenteau had noted earlier in the meeting that they would be having informational Zoom meetings for the public to hear about the Budget and to be able to ask questions. These sessions will be posted on Facebook and on the District website.



Repairs continue on the Antrim Grange.

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Hometown Heroes



Londonderry and Goffstown Fire were set up in Londonderry outside Peabody Funeral Home to help honor GPD Officer Kevin Chapdelaine, a 12 year veteran of the Goffstown Fire Department, who passed away unexpectedly. Also, members of the Patriots Guard riders were also there to assist in honoring him.



Antrim Fire got dispatched for a service call to assist a tractor trailer driver who had climbed onto the roof of his box trailer to remove the ice and snow. Once completed he found that he couldn't safely get back down the way he had climbed up.



The Hillsboro Fire Department would like to thank Franz Shattuck for his 23 years of dedicated service. Franz retired on December 31, 2021 and his wit and charm will be greatly missed.

Henniker's entire Azalea Park Riverwalk Committee resigns

The Henniker Select Board was surprised to learn that the entire Azalea Park Riverwalk Committee had submitted their resignations.

In their letter to the Board, members wrote, "Upon a great deal of discussion and consideration, The Azalea Park Riverwalk Committee has concluded that we have gone as far as we can go toward completing the Azalea Park Restoration Project."

After listing its accomplishments over the years, they added,

"Without support of Town Hall, both financial and public, we cannot go forward as a committee; and feel that a different structure and new personnel are needed. Here are our suggestions:

- 1. That members of the committee include professionals: an enqineer, landscaper, grant-writer, member of the Park Department, fundraiser, etc.
- 2. That the Azalea Park Project come under a revised Park Department. Henniker has three parks important to the vibrant life of the community-



The entire Azalea Park Riverwalk Committee has resigned and the town is seeking new volunteers.

Community Park, Woodman Park and Azalea Park, which should be under the auspices of the Park Department.

3. That Friends of Azalea Park could be made up of volunteers to help with the necessary annual maintenance of the park: cleaning the rain garden, staining the benches and picnic tables, watering the plants and preparing the annual DES report for the ARM grant. 4. Continue to work with river restoration and stormwater consultant, Tom Ballestero, to move the project forward. The current committee firmly believes that Azalea Park is a vital part of the historical, cultural and recreational resources of Henniker. The plan for its restoration is in place. The Town needs to take the reins to complete the project."



YOUR TOOTHBRUSH REFLECTS YOU, NOT YOUR BATHROOM



Good news: The bacteria living on your toothbrush reflect your mouth—not your bathroom.

After studying microbial communities living on bristles from used toothbrushes, Northwestern University researchers found those communities matched microbes commonly found inside the mouth and on skin. This was true no matter where the toothbrushes had been stored, including shielded behind

a closed medicine cabinet door or out in the open on the edge of a sink.

The study's senior author, Erica Hartmann, was inspired to conduct the research after hearing concerns that flushing a toilet might generate a cloud of aerosol particles. She and her team affectionately called their study "Operation Pottymouth."

"I'm not saying that you can't get toilet aerosols on your toothbrush when you flush the toilet," Hartmann said. "But, based on what we saw in our study, the overwhelming majority of microbes on your toothbrush probably came from your mouth."

To obtain toothbrushes for the study, Hartmann's team launched the Toothbrush Microbiome Project, which asked people to mail in their used toothbrushes along with corresponding metadata. The team then extracted DNA from the bristles to examine the microbial communities found there. They compared these communities to those outlined by the Human Microbiome Project, an NIH initiative that identified and catalogued microbial flora from different areas of the human body.

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Knee osteoarthritis (OA) patients using nonsteroidal antiinflammatory drugs (NSAIDs) showed greater loss of medial minimum joint space width than did others taking other drugs, a new review of data has indicated. But during 8 years of follow-up, no relationship was seen between joint space width and the use of statins, antihypertensives, antidepressants, osteoporosis medications, or diabetes medications, according to the study in *Rheumatology*. Current treatments for OA include both nonpharmacologic and pharmacologic

modalities, and particularly analgesics to control symptoms. Widely used analgesics include NSAIDs, cyclooxygenase (COX)-2 inhibitors, and intra-articular medications. The effects of analgesic use on structural progression in OA are unclear. Some studies have suggested that NSAIDs may block the synthesis of cartilage matrix, which could encourage the development of OA, while others have suggested that COX-2 inhibitors may be protective. Further uncertainty exists regarding the potential effects of other types of medications used for morbidities that are common among patients with OA. For instance, recent research has suggested that diabetes medications may be protective; metformin might have anti-inflammatory effects. Antihypertensive medications could reduce the likelihood of progression by alleviating the cartilage-degenerating effects of hypertension.

In a new study published in *Respiratory Research*, researchers at the National Institutes of Health and their collaborators found that inhaling unfragmented hyaluronan improves lung function in patients suffering from severe exacerbation of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD). Hyaluronan, a sugar secreted by living tissue that acts as a scaffold for cells, is also used in cosmetics as a skin moisturizer and as a nasal spray to moisturize lung airways. Utilized as a treatment, hyaluronan shortened the amount of time COPD patients in intensive care needed breathing support, decreased their number of days in the hospital, and saved money by reducing their hospital stay.

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Hillsborough K9 Gibbs aids Hancock rescue

On January 2nd K9 Gibbs and Hillsborough Police Sgt Hodgen were called to assist the Hancock Police in search-



ing for an adult female in crisis that had gone into the woods with her infant child. Temperatures were cold and rainy at the time and there was a legitimate concern for their welfare and safety.

K9 Gibbs led a search team about 1.5 miles through the woods until he located the mother and child in brush near a swamp, about 1 hour later. Fortunately the mother and infant were safe

and unharmed. Both the mother and infant were brought out to the main road to be evaluated by the Hancock Fire Department.

The mother and infant were provided services that they needed and we are very grateful for this outcome.

The searching team included assisting officers from Hancock, Greenfield and Antrim.

In a separate matter, an investigation is being conducted into a series of thefts of Amazon packages. If recently you discovered that a package was marked by Amazon as "delayed or lost in transit" and additional facts surrounding this appear suspicious, please contact Officer Bannister at (603) 464-5512.

Warner approves Tyler Lawn Care plan

At its meeting on December 14, 2021, the Warner Planning Board approved Tyler McIver – DBA Tyler Lawn Care's application. Specifically, the Planning Board approved the site plan application for a metal frame building, parking and storage associated with a commercial land-scaping business. All materials submitted as part of the application are made a condition of this approval. Other specific conditions are included as follows:

1. Re-set boundary marker at southwest property corner with either granite monument or drill hole in stone wall, as appropriate. 2. Submit written blasting plan and any accompanying reports to both the Planning Board and the Select Board. Notify the Select Board of the blasting schedule in advance.

Kearsarge District Deliberative Session Jan 8

The First Session (Deliberative) Annual Meeting of the Kearsarge Regional School District will be held Saturday, January 8, 2022 (inclement weather date: January 15) at 9:00 a.m. at the Kearsarge Regional High School Auditorium. Please note: masks will be required.

Outdoor Ropes Course returns to John Stark Regional High School

John Stark Regional High School will re-introduce the outdoor ropes course in the spring of 2022 in Outdoor Leadership and Physical Education classes.

"Until it was paused by Covid, outdoor ropes and adventure learning have been a continuous thread in a John Stark education since the beginning," commented PE teacher Deb Apiki.
"The ropes course builds a sense of community that really no other activity can do and teaches about taking healthy risks, which is a hard concept to convey. Students discover newfound self-esteem and confidence in these classes."

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Built on progression, students must take low ropes in PE I, followed by low ropes and indoor climbing in PE II before taking the Outdoor Leadership high ropes course. In preparation for the return of the ropes course, Project Adventure, the company that maintains and inspects the course, returned to John Stark in late November to provide training for staff members.



PE/health teacher Zach Shedlock, school counselor Heather Doucette, trainer from Project Adventure, PE/health teacher Cooper Gorkski, PE/health teacher Deb Apiki, school psychologist Dr. Tammy Zielinski.



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Publisher's Perspective

A New Hampshire Political Icon Retires

New Hampshire Secretary of State Bill Gardner has announced his



retirement after serving 45 years in office.

In this era of the "Politics of Hate," Bill stands tall as the epitome of what a "politician"

should be. In those 45 years, there has never been even the hint of scandal or partisan favoritism in the Secretary of State's Office.

Bill has been a leader in the fight

to keep New Hampshire's First In The Nation Presidential Primary and has been a fervant advocate for voter rights and election integrity.

Messenger readers know that I am a life-long Republican, first elected to the New Hampshire House of Representatives in 1976. I am proud to say that one of my first votes in that chamber was to elect Democrat Bill Gardner as Secretary of State, and he has made me proud every day since.

Have a long and happy retirement, Bill. You have have made a lasting positive impact on this state, and we thank you for it.



Letters to the Editor

Dear Mr. Bosse:

Please allow me the opportunity to clear up a couple of inaccuracies in the article the Messenger published (December 31, 2021) covering the departure of the Henniker Town Administrator – Joe Devine. Your article state some points that were simply not correct or don't line up with the actual timeline that occurred.

Joe Devine's expiring compensation was \$100k and not \$80K. (\$105K if you include the insurance buyout)

The board and the TA entered into negotiations, on a new three year contract on October 19, at his request.

We have been through 2 VERY qualified TA's in just 4 years. Perhaps the question that should be asked: If he entered into negotiations with us in October and it was HE that was desirous of a three year contract....what happened? The majority of the board was willing to agree to almost all of his asks and, with his insurance buyout, would have matched his new salary at the Town of Salem. Yet he still decided to move on. He outlined, in his letter of resignation, in very succinct reasons why he left. The proverbial straw that broke the camel's back if you will.

Of important to note in his letter – none of it is compensation related.

Further: Anyone that knows me will readily acknowledge I loathe adding another layer of policy and procedures to any process as all it does is increase bureaucratic red tape and prevents the board from being the most effective it can be. With that as a backdrop, I and other members of the board, are sponsoring verbiage to curtail any board members from going directly to employees (and circumventing the TA). Do you think with this proposed policy, his memo stating why he left and it not really being about compensation, that this should give someone pause and reflection as to why he was moving on? That he had something lined up to move onto is only prudent.

Just wanted to set the facts straight so that it portrays a narrative, to our constituency, that is more accurate and reflective vs what was printed. Thank you for the opportunity to comment and set the record straight.

Kris Blomback Chairman-Henniker Selectboard



Letters to the Editor

Thank you for the information, however:

- 1. Even after your proposed raise, he still receives a 20% increase in Salem.
- 2. I am sure he began negotiations with you in October, but he must have applied to Salem at the same time, otherwise he would not have been hired late November or early December.
- 3. Does anyone doubt he would have resigned with you had Salem not hired him? LDB

So proud of my Joe Bob! Today was his first day as the Assistant Town manager in Salem. After two years in Henniker, Joe left to gain more experience in a bigger town. This guy never stops amazing me, he ran a town during a pandemic, finished his bachelor's degree, helped parent 3 active boys, care for an ailing father and started his master's program. We are so beyond proud of you @jdevine14. Thank you for showing our boys to never give up on your dreams. We love you 💗

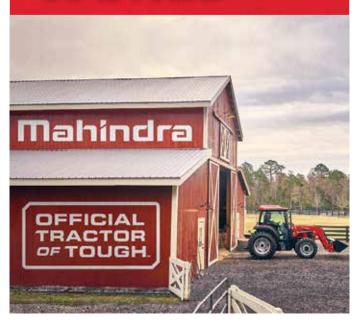


Joe Devine's wife posted this on Facebook.

Planning Board approves Dascomb cell tower

The Hillsborough Planning Board breezed through a light agenda Wednesday evening. Final approval was given to Vertex Towers' application to build a cell tower on Dascomb Street. The Board voted 5-0-1 to approve the site plan and approved the conditional use permit by a similar vote. Member Ed Suer abstained as he had missed the meetings discussing the proposal. In other action, the Board approved subdividing Jerry & Steven Leksutin's five acre parcel on Sulpher Hill Road, and approved placing two Zoning Amendments on the Ballot.

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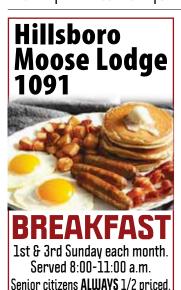


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Crotched Mountain resort in Bennington has announced that because of a late start to the ski season, it will be cutting back its operating schedule to five days a week and dropping its Midnight Madness hours. Crotched didn't open at all until December 26th, two weeks after Pats Peak and nearly a month after Wachusett Mountain in Massachusetts. Then, adding insult to injury, the facility suffered a last-minute shutdown for lift maintenance on December 28th, in the middle of school vacation week.



GIRLS BASKETBALL

Hopkinton 55, Mascenic 35: Hopkinton was led by Shayleigh Murdough and Elise Miner, with 12 points each.

Conant 47, Hopkinton 27: The two-time defending champion Orioles broke open a close game in the third quarter with 18 points in that frame, nine of them by Tenters.

ConVal 49, Sanborn 38: Maddy Faber and Allie Burgess had 15 points apiece and junior Morgan Bemont had 10 to lead the Cougars.

Pembroke 46, ConVal 31: Arenella sparked a 13-3 third quarter with seven points as the Spartans pulled away to improve to 6-1. **John Stark 63, Plymouth 21:** Plymouth scored the first four points of the game, but Stark went on a 20-2 run to end the first quarter up 20-6.

BOYS BASKETBALL

Fall Mountain 64, Hillsboro-Deering 59: The Hillcats gave a great effort on the road, but lost a nailbiter that went right down to the end.

Hopkinton 54, Mascenic 18: Hopkinton came out to a 17-8 lead at the end of the first and continued to extend the lead with strong defense, holding the Vikings to single-digit quarters. **Hopkinton 55, Conant 49, 20T:** Brendan Elrick threw down a

dunk with 1:42 left in regulation to tie the game 43-43 and the ▶



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Sports

Hawks went on to defeat the 2019 champion Orioles in double overtime on the road.

ConVal 77, Sanborn 73: The Cougars improved to 4-0 led by Jared Khalil's 23 points.

Goffstown 57, Salem 56: Cam Hujsak led with 23 points; followed by Aiden O'Connell with 14 and Jonah Lopez with 8.

ConVal 60, Pembroke 58: In a back-and-forth final quarter, Pembroke ultimately broke down in transition. After a quick stolen ConVal pass, the ball was in turn stolen right back and the Cougars sealed the game with a bucket from Owen McGuire.

Plymouth 45, John Stark 43: The Generals overcame a slow start to even the game with a strong third quarter, but a combination of foul trouble, turnovers and poor shot selection doomed the young squad.

Kearsarge 40, Conant 31: The Cougars controlled the flow in this close contest.

BOYS HOCKEY

John Stark-Hopkinton-HD 8, Laconia-W'squam-InterLakes 1: JSHHD took a three-goal lead in the first period with goals from Maughan, Arnold and Nestler, and added to the lead in the second with goals by Gagnon and Molnar.



University of Vermont Dean's List

Meredith Buckley of New Boston (Undeclared major, College of Education and Social Services).

Veronica Iredale of New Boston (Political Science major, College of Arts and Sciences).

Lila Kelsey of Contoocook (Sociology major, College of Arts and Sciences).

Maxine Asmussen of Contoocook (Environmental Sciences major, Rubenstein School of Environment and Natural Resources).

Jake Bears of New London (Microbiology major, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences).

Jenna Bears of New London (Professional Nursing major, College of Nursing and Health Sciences).

Other Colleges & Universities

Melanie Riendeau of Goffstown has been named to the Elmira College Dean's List for the Fall of 2021.

Morgan Leger, a native of Peterborough, was recently initiated into the Worcester State University Circle of Omicron Delta Kappa, the National Leadership Honor Society.

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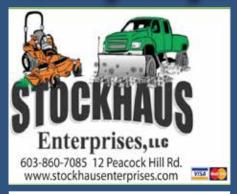
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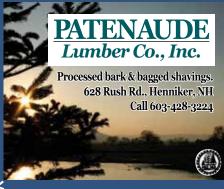


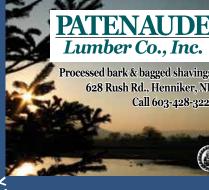
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Obituaries: Friends & Neighbors Remembered

Virginia (Ginny) Burton

HILLSBORO - Virginia (Ginny) Burton, 80, passed away Saturday,

December 25, 2021 at home with family after succumbing to complications resulting from spontaneous fractures. Virginia was born October 4, 1941 to



the late Francis (Frank) E. and Verne H. (Hall) Bolliger in Troy, NY. Virginia is survived by daughter, Linda Wood; son, Robert Burton Jr (RaeAnne); daughter, Karen Burton (Elaine); daughter, Phyllis Castner (David); son, John Burton; grandchildren, Benjamin Wood, Caitlin, Erin, Gerald, Paul, and Molly Castner; great-grandson, Aiden Terrell; sisters, Mary (late Kenyon) Bounds and Catherine (Bob) Messier; brother, Richard (Karen) Bolliger; and sister-in-law, Frances (late Paul)

Bolliger. She is also survived by Pedro Arias, and Nicholas and Zachary O'Brien. Funeral services were held on Monday, January 3, 2022 at St Theresa's Church in Henniker. Memorials may be made to Breast Cancer Research Foundation (bcrf.org).

David Wayne Powers Sr.

HILLSBORO - David Wayne Powers Sr., 84, of Hillsboro, NH, passed

away peacefully at home on Thursday, December 16, 2021. He was born on November 16, 1937 in Framingham, Massachusetts to Helen Volkes. He was



predeceased by his beloved son, David "Bugsy" W. Powers Jr. and his loving wife of over 60 years, Beverly Ann (Martowski) Powers. He is survived by three brothers, Ernie Hazard of Monterey, CA; Gordon "Brent" Hazard

of South Dennis, MA; and Steve Powers of FL. He is also survived by two daughters, Cheryl Powers of Deering, NH, and Marcie Ostertag of Hillsboro, NH. He leaves behind his grandchildren, Jennifer Gerini-Zipper, David Dunbar, Scott Gerini Jr., Zachary Powers, Jessica Hall, Jacqueline Ostertag, Codi Ostertag, and Jamie Powers, along with great grandchildren Jacob, Raegan, Wyatt, Camdyn, Zoey, Jenna, Henry, Waylen, and Ravennah. At Dave's request, there will be no services. The family is planning a private burial in the spring.

Michael Kuchinos, Jr.

ANTRIM - Michael David Kuchinos Jr., "Kuch", 61, of Antrim passed away on December 30th, 2021. Michael grew up in Whitehall, PA where he was part of a large, loving extended family. He is survived by his wife, Jill, and his children Theresa and Owen; his broth-





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er David Kuchinos and his wife Joan; his sister Susan McCann and her husband Tyler, and his many beloved nieces, nephews, and large extended fam-



ily. He was predeceased by his father, Michael Kuchinos, and his mother, Helen (Panny) Kuchinos. Calling hours will be Saturday, January 8th from 1:00 to 4:00 PM at the Hancock Vestry at 43 Main St, Hancock, NH. Masks required. The family will hold a Celebration of Life this coming Summer. In lieu of flowers, donations can be sent in Mike's memory to Antrim Recreation Youth Soccer to PO Box 517, Antrim, NH 03440 (or can be dropped off Antrim Town Hall).

Matthew W. McCalvev WEARE - Matthew Wayne McCalvey, 54, of Weare, NH, passed away on December 26, 2021, following a long battle with cancer. He was the first of four children born to Wayne

and Sherrie McCalvey of Manchester. Family includes his wife of 34 years Jessica McCalvey; mother Sherrie Mc-Calvey; father Wayne McCalvey; son Kyle McCalvey; daughter Morgan Phan and her husband David; brother Brian McCalvey; sisters Shannon Bowles and Darci Lamoreaux and mother and father-in-law Bob & Mary Morgan. Matt was the son that they never had. In lieu of flowers, we ask that donations be made to help cover Matthew's funeral expenses via the GoFundMe link: https://gofund.me/ ccdf1039.



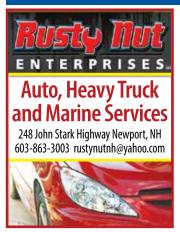
Robert E. LaGassa

NEW LONDON - Captain Robert E. LaGassa, USN (Ret.) of New London, NH

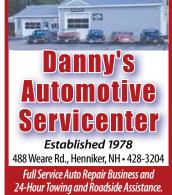
passed away peacefully at home in the company of his wife, Barbara Zoe, on Wednesday, December 29, 2021. Born 10 April, 1940 in Detroit, "Bob" was the



eldest child of Robert M. and Dorothea A. LaGassa. He is survived by Zoe, the love of his life; a daughter, Laura LaGassa of Hawaii; a son, David LaGassa, his spouse Debra, and three grandsons: Andrew, Matthew and Samuel of Palm Coast, FL; and sisters, Diane Walker of Virginia, and Peggy Cook of Michigan. Burial at Arlington National Cemetery followed a mass of Christian burial on Wednesday, January 5, 2022 at 11:00 A.M. at Our Lady of Fatima, New London, NH.



















Events: Community Bulletin Board

SATURDAY JANUARY 8

VACCINE CLINIC: Kearsarge Middle School, 12-5pm. Walk-Ins only. 3 vaccines and booster. Free to all 5 and up.

VACCINE CLINIC: 10am to 4pm at Hancock Town Library. Walk-Ins only. Free vaccine to all 5 and up. All 3 vaccines and boosters available.

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, 10am - 4pm. Pfizer, Moderna & J&J Vaccines.

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LOGGERS: The Washington Historical Society presents an online Zoom session with the remarkable Jeff Warner, folklorist extraordinaire, on Monday evening at 7:00pm. Warner relates the songs and stories of the people who worked the wintry woods, showing their humor and their grit, and giving us a glimpse into everyday life in long ago lumber camps. Access: please go to WNHHS.org and click on Upcoming Events to RSVP and receive the Zoom link.

WFFF ANNUAL MEETING: Warner Town Hall 8:00pm. 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

CRAFTER'S CORNER: Fuller Public Library from 1-3pm. Making table decorations for the upcoming GHSS Chinese New Year's Luncheon Wednesday, February 2. Join us for fun and conversation.

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.

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 12

MARKET BASKET: Shopping trips in Warner with support from the Town of Hillsborough, GHSS continues to offer shopping trips for seniors to the Warner Market Basket. Pickups are at Maple Leaf and the Park & Ride lot. Initial pickup is at 8:45am. Call Riche' Colcombe at 603-478-1989.

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TOWN OF WINDSOR SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST NOTICE:

The Supervisors of the Checklist of Windsor, NH will be held at Windsor Town Hall on January 18, 2022 from 7:00 to 7:30 pm for voter registration and updating of the checklist.

Fown of Weare, MH

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The Town of Weare Board of Selectmen will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, January 17, 2022 beginning @ 7:00 PM to hear public testimony and comment on the 2022 overall Proposed Town Budget, including all separate, special, and petitioned Warrant Articles, as well as disclosure of the Default Budget.

The hearing will be held at the Selectmen's Conference Room, 15 Flanders Memorial Road, Weare, NH. Please note, any person with a disability who wishes to attend this meeting and needs to be provided a reasonable accommodation in order to participate, should call the Weare Board of Selectmen's office at 529-7525 at least twenty-four hours in advance so that arrangements can be made.

TOWN OF HENNIKER BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING JANUARY 19, 2022 – 7:00 PM

The Town of Henniker Zoning Board of Adjustment will hold a **public hearing on January 19, 2022 at 7:00 PM at the Community Center, 57 Main Street.**

Case 1. ZBA Case 2022:01: Proposed Special Exception request per Article VIII, Section 133-33 paragraph A, to allow for an 30,000 square foot +/- expansion to the existing gymnasium complex that will include new gym space, seating areas, fitness center, locker room area, support spaces and amenities, Applicant/owner New England College, Map 2 Lot 391A, 419 z5 and 418 z1, 38 Grove Street, Zoned EOD Education Overlay District and CV Commercial Village.

Copies of all materials are available for review at Henniker Town Hall during normal business hours, as well as on the Town's website. Members of the public are welcome to attend the public hearings.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

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TOWN OF DEERING NOTICE

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TOWN OF HENNIKER NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

TWO PUBLIC HEARINGS ARE SCHEDULED JANUARY 18, 2022 • 6:15 P.M.

Public Hearing #1

The Henniker Board of Selectmen hereby gives notice of a public hearing pursuant to RSA 33:8-a on the following project requiring bonds and notes as part of the fiscal year 2022 town warrant:

 Wastewater Treatment Plan Engineering and Upgrades detailed in the asset management plan completed in 2019, \$3,200,000

The public hearing will be held on Tuesday, January 18th, 2022, commencing at 6:15 p.m. in the Henniker Community Center, 57 Main Street, Henniker, NH. The public is encouraged to attend.

Public Hearing #2

Pursuant to RSA 31:95-b and Article 33 of the 1994 Town Meeting, the Henniker Board of Selectmen will hold a public hearing in conjunction with its scheduled meeting on Tuesday, January 18, 2022, which starts at 6:15 PM at the Henniker Community Center (57 Main Street) to receive public comment concerning the acceptance of unanticipated money in the amount of \$25,203.04. The money is from a grant received by the Friends of the Henniker Rescue organization from The HDR Foundation to purchase two Zoll ventilators.



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