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National LifeChanger Award nomination

Great Brook Elementary School nurse



Linda Compton has been nominated for the 2021-2022 National LifeChanger of the Year award.

Sponsored by the National Life Group Foundation, LifeChanger of the Year recognizes and rewards K-through-12 educators and school district employees who are making a difference in the lives of students by exemplifying excellence, positive influence and leadership. To view her profile go to lifechangeroftheyear.com.

This Week In History

January 29, 1845

Edgar Allan Poe's "The Raven" is published

January 30, 1975

Erno Rubik applies for a patent for his Magic Cube

January 31, 1606

British government executes Guy Fawkes

February 1, 1960

The Greensboro Four spark the sit-in movement

February 2, 1954

Maria Tallchief, 1st Native American prima ballerina performs The Nutcracker

February 3, 2005

Alberto Gonzales becomes 1st Hispanic US Attorney General

February 4, 1980

Studio 54 hosts grand closing party



New London Police Chief Emily Cobb and Building Facilities Chair Colin Beasley reported that the Committee has reviewed 30 possible sites for the new Police Station and have narrowed the list to 9. They will shortly reduce the number to 3-5 for presentation to the Select Board.

Conflicting New London Petitions

Petitioned articles take opposite position on purchase

Two weeks ago, resident Bill Helm presented the New London Select Board with a petition signed by 77 voters asking the Board to post a Warrant Article calling for the purchase of the 41 acre Cricenti tract being the New London shopping center. Tuesday night Town Administrator Kim Hallquist reported that the Town Clerk had certified these signatures, so the article would be placed on the warrant.

However, also Tuesday, resident Peter

Bianco presented the Board with a petition of over 100 voters, opposing that purchase until it could be reviewed by the Planning Board, Housing Commission, Police Study Committee, and Building Facilities Committee.

Assuming that those signatures will also be verified, both articles will be on the warrant for voters to decide. The Select Board must decide whether to support either or neither of them.

School choice opponent's son attended private academy

The NH Journal has reported that Rep. Marjorie Porter (D - Hillsborough), one of New Hampshire's most outspoken school choice opponents stunned reform advocates by admitting that she pulled her son out of Hillsboro-Deering schools, where she herself had taught, to attend a private academy because "he was experiencing difficulties."



"It was good we had that option," said

Porter, testifying on behalf of legislation to block local tax revenues from funding Education Freedom Accounts. She also invoked the notorious "Blaine Amendment" language in the state constitution to make her case before the Education Committee.

"This is our Blaine Amendment," Porter acknowledged. "It's been called the 'anti-Catholic amendment.' I agree this is not nice, but nonetheless, it is still part of our constitution." Advocates for education reform were stunned.

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Hillsboro-Deering High School DECA students earn National Honors

Serenedy Kelley and Abigail Macdonald, both seniors at Hillsboro-Deering High School in Hillsboro, are recipients of the 2022 DECA Emerging Leader Honor Award. This award recognizes students studying marketing, finance, hospitality and management for being academically prepared, community oriented, professionally responsible, and experienced leaders through participation in DECA. The award recipient must be a DECA member in their senior year of high school with a cumulative grade point average of 3.2 or better for each of their high school semesters.

Serenedy is the daughter of Jesse and Bridget Kelley. Abigail is the daughter of Sheila and Adam Macdonald. The DECA chapter advisor at Hillsboro-Deering High School is Marc Payeur. Serenedy is the local chapter President, The Hillcat Corner store manager, and is competing in the Business Operations Research event, as well as a Hospitality event.



Serenedy Kelley

Abigail is a Chapter Project Manager and is competing in Financial Literacy, as well as Accounting. Aside from DECA, both Serenedy and Abigail are members of the National Honor Society, and National Technical



Abigail Macdonald

Honor Society. Serenedy is planning on studying Elementary Education next fall, while Abigail is planning on studying Business.

For more information about DECA, visit <http://www.deca.org>.

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U.S. News & World Report ranks Colby-Sawyer in Top 10 Best Regional Colleges

Colby-Sawyer College has once again been recognized as one of the top colleges in the region by U.S. News & World Report, earning top 10 rankings in three categories — including its first ever No. 1 ranking — in the publication’s 2022 Best Colleges issue. The annual report, released Monday, ranks Colby-Sawyer in a tie for first place in its Best Undergraduate Teaching category for regional colleges in the North, and in the top 10 in its Best Regional Colleges — North and Best Value Schools — North categories. Colby-Sawyer also earned a 19th-place ranking on the report’s Social Mobility — North list.

“Colby-Sawyer is delighted to again be recognized as a top 10 institution in three categories by U.S. News & World Report,” Colby-Sawyer President Susan D. Stuebner said. “These rankings are a valuable resource for prospective students and their families as they make decisions about college and our rankings speak to the institution’s overall strength and value, as well as to the quality education we offer.” Colby-Sawyer ranks in a tie for first place with Landmark College in Putney, VT, in the report’s Best Undergraduate Teaching — North category, representing the college’s first-ever top billing in the publication. The category recognizes schools where faculty and administrators have “an unusually strong commitment to undergradu-



ate teaching” according to the U.S. News website, and are determined using the results of a peer assessment survey of college presidents, provosts and admissions deans. The college was last recognized in the Best Undergraduate Teaching category in the 2019 Best Colleges issue when it earned a third-place ranking. “I am particularly pleased that the college was recognized for its undergraduate teaching,” Stuebner said. “Our faculty are talented teachers who are incredibly dedicated and committed to student success. This ranking is an affirmation of their hard work on behalf of our students.” Colby-Sawyer

earned an eighth-place ranking in the report’s Best Regional Colleges — North list for a fourth straight year, placing ahead of 41 similarly sized institutions from New Jersey to Maine. The category ranks both public and private institutions focused on undergraduate education that grant fewer than 50% of their degrees in liberal arts disciplines. Of the seven schools to place ahead of Colby-Sawyer in the category, six are publicly funded. The college also improved on its fifth-place standing in the report’s Best Value Schools — North list from a year ago, earning a third-place ranking in the category this year. According to U.S. News, the Best Value Schools list recognizes the overall value of institutions based on several criteria, including a quality-to-price ratio, distribution of need-based aid and overall undergraduate costs covered through scholarships or grant awards. The report bills itself as the top peer benchmarking and performance assessment tool in higher education.

ConVal School District operating budget up \$1 million

The ConVal School Board has voted to separate the proposed \$744,112 expansion of district preschool programming from the Operating Budget and submit it as a separate warrant article.

The proposal would expand the program’s classrooms to eight instead of the current five.

The Board will present voters

with an operating budget which is \$1 million to \$53.7 million. 75% is allocated for salaries, wages and benefits, with a 3% increase for the second year of the district’s transportation contract.

The district’s Deliberative Session will be on February 8 at 6 p.m., and voting will take place on March 8.

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DENTAL PROCEDURES DURING PANDEMIC ARE NO RISKIER THAN A DRINK OF WATER



Dr. Esin Narli

A new study's findings dispel the misconception that patients and providers are at high risk of catching COVID-19 at the dentist's office.

SARS-CoV-2 spreads mainly through respiratory droplets, and dental procedures are known to produce an abundance of aerosols — leading to fears that flying saliva during a cleaning or a restorative procedure could make the dentist's chair a high-transmission location.

Ohio State University researchers set out to determine whether saliva is the main source of the spray, collecting samples from personnel, equipment and other surfaces reached by aerosols during a range of dental procedures.

By analyzing the genetic makeup of the organisms detected in those samples, the researchers determined that watery solution from irrigation tools, not saliva, was the main source of any bacteria or viruses present in the spatter and spurts from patients' mouths. Even when low levels of the SARS-CoV-2 virus were detected in the saliva of asymptomatic patients, the aerosols generated during their procedures showed no signs of the coronavirus. In essence, from a microbial standpoint, the contents of the spray mirrored what was in the office environment.

"Getting your teeth cleaned does not increase your risk for COVID-19 infection any more than drinking a glass of water from the dentist's office does," said lead author Purnima Kumar, professor of periodontology at Ohio State. "These findings should help us open up our practices, make ourselves feel safe about our environment and, for patients, get their oral and dental problems treated — there is so much evidence emerging that if you have poor oral health, you are more susceptible to COVID," Kumar said.

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BY SARAH CHAPIN

Researchers have published the first direct evidence that higher omega-3 blood levels may reduce risk for death from COVID-19 infection. The report was published in the journal *Prostaglandins, Leukotrienes and Essential Fatty Acids*. There are several papers in the medical literature hypothesizing that omega-3 fatty acids should have beneficial effects in patients with COVID-19 infection, but up until now, there have been no published peer-reviewed studies supporting that hypothesis.

People who took statins to lower cholesterol were approximately 50% less likely to die if hospitalized for COVID-19, according to a new study published in *Nature Communications*.

In a study published in *Reproductive Sciences* researchers have reported that zinc supplements for men and women attempting to conceive either naturally or through assisted reproduction during the COVID-19 pandemic may prevent mitochondrial damage in young egg and sperm cells, as well as enhance immunity against the virus. In addition to benefiting couples attempting to conceive during the pandemic, zinc supplementation of up to a maximum of 50 mg per day for all adults could be beneficial in enhancing immunity and fighting the viral disease process of COVID-19. Zinc has beneficial effects as an antioxidant and anti-inflammatory agent, and could prevent or mitigate the damage in the egg and sperm cells that result from the body's immune reaction to the virus. The use of zinc could improve embryo quality and potentially lessen some pregnancy complications. Zinc can also be beneficial to the general population in enhancing immunity and fighting the viral disease process, the researchers said. The element works by combating oxidative cell damage.

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Yesteryear Local history as reported in The Messenger

January 29, 2020

- Two Bradford Select Board members resign, target third
- Gordon MacDonald is new NH Chief Justice
- Henniker voters facing double digit tax increase
- Couple donates \$10.2 million to Colby-Sawyer College

January 31, 2020

- Goffstown History Teacher honored
- Hillsboro man's reckless driving causes Antrim accident
- Proposal for Newbury Fire Station back before the voters
- Antrim establishes a Community Service Board

February 1, 2019

- New Boston couple indicted for criminal child restraint
- Hopkinton Eagle Scout going to West Point
- Dine like the Snow Train Skiers in Warner
- Antrim woman indicted for receiving stolen property

February 2, 2018

- Cost to demolish Bow Community Building in half
- Boscawen suspect bites police K9 and assaults officer
- New Boston rallies to support Judy Knight
- Goffstown man killed, Tilton woman and child injured

February 3, 2017

- 21 bed Treatment Center opens in Antrim
- Tilton family of eight homeless after fire
- Ruger sells historic Newport mill building
- Rowley #1 Don't slam into a parked state police cruiser

January 2, 2016

- Elderly Franklin man homeless after fire
- Bow may discontinue New Boston dispatcher
- Suspected Goffstown bank robber caught
- Greenfield Inn under new management

January 30, 2015

- Newport Superintendent ousted
- Bow presents plan for Public Safety Building
- Goffstown Police seek information on stabbing
- Sunapee traffic stop leads to drug arrest

January 31, 2014

- David Lantz is Newport's Citizen of the Year
- Bomb threat clears Kearsarge Middle School
- Henniker adopts "Pay to Play" athletic program
- New Boston couple assaults police officer

February 1, 2013

- Doug Mumford named Hopkinton Fire Chief
- Five towns discuss potential withdrawal from ConVal
- Martha Taylor named "Outstanding Woman"
- Sunapee seeking new Highway Director

February 3, 2012

- Plane crash kills daughter
- Peterborough crash leads to DWI arrest
- High school principal suspended
- Warner teen indicted on felony charge

Hillsborough Select Board discusses hazard waste mitigation and parking problems

The Hillsborough Select Board had a full agenda Wednesday evening. Planning Director Robin Payson presented a revised Hazard Mitigation Plan which the committee has been reviewing for the last 7 months. The Board will submit it to FEMA for approval.

The Board then undertook a discussion of the town's parking regulations, last amended in 1990.

In discussing a possible paid parking system for downtown, Police Chief David Roarick led off with a video presentation of a "Pay-By-Phone" system in lieu of parking meters.

Chair Jim Bailey pointed out that the town did not have a revenue problem, it had a problem controlling its parking lots with residential tenants occupying the spaces all day, including overnight.

During the discussion it was pointed out that the current ordinance specifically allows overnight

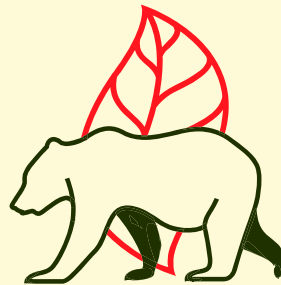
parking in the "Page Lot," the only municipal lot in Central Square.

The Board plans a further review, which may include a public hearing.



Members of the 250th Anniversary Committee presented the Hillsborough Select Board with comparative banners for the town's light poles.

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Cole Noyer was sworn in as a Junior Newbury Fire Rescue member by Newbury Select Board member Joy Nowell, as Fire Chief Henry Thomas looks on.



Peterborough Fire & Rescue personnel reviewed techniques on helping patients on ventilators. Learning to help troubleshoot potential technical problems and working together to recognize clinical challenges is the expectation of all of their EMS personnel.

Henniker Municipal Budget up 19.5% to \$6,111,445.00

The Henniker Select Board conducted a Budget Work Session Monday night in preparation for the February 1st Public Hearing.

Chair Kris Blomback opened the meeting by announcing that the proposed \$6,111,445.00 operating budget reflects a 19.5% increase over current spending. As such, the owner of a home valued at \$350,000 will pay an additional \$621.00 in taxes.

In a line by line review the Board managed to trim about \$53,000 from that figure and further reductions could be made if the town allocates some of its \$1.3 million Unreserved Fund Balance (surplus) to the budget. If \$475,000 was applied to the budget,

the tax rate would be reduced by \$1.00.

The Board also announced that it has hired Robert Garside as the town's new Building Inspector. Garside currently serves as the Building Commissioner, Zoning Enforcement Office in Groton, MA.



The Henniker Select Board listens to a presentation by Finance Director Russ Roy.



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Hailey Tilley (L) is the winner of the Henniker Community School Spelling Bee (grades 5-8). The 7th grader's winning word was PLASTRON. The winner of the Center Woods Elementary School Spelling Bee is first-grade student Joel Miller (R). His winning word was DETECT.



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Alma Mater

University of Rhode Island Dean's List

- Bradford:** Faith Leonard
- Contoocook:** Sam Rawson
- Goffstown:** Molly Carlson, Rebecca Sileo
- Greenfield:** Becca Jennings
- New Boston:** Emma Strong
- Newbury:** Audrey Kenyon
- Peterborough:** Timothy Burgess
- Warner:** Abby Collins, James Greason, Ellie Madigan

St. Lawrence University Dean's List

- Catherine O'Keeffe** of Contoocook, a member of the Class of 2022 and is majoring in psychology and government. O'Keeffe attended Hopkinton High School.
- William Peterson** of Goffstown, a member of the Class of 2022 and is majoring in sociology. Peterson attended Goffstown Area High School.
- Charlotte Powell** of Contoocook, a member of the Class of 2023 and is majoring in psychology. Powell attended Taft School.
- Marlia Richer** of Newbury, a member of the Class of 2025. Richer attended Kearsarge Regional High School.
- Emma Rothe** of Contoocook, a member of the Class of 2024 and is major-



Alma Mater continued

ing in chemistry. Rothe attended Hopkinton High School.

Abby Seward of New London, a member of the Class of 2022 and is majoring in anthropology. Seward attended Kearsarge Regional High School.

Joe Simeone of Henniker, a member of the Class of 2022 and is majoring in history and business in the liberal arts. Simeone attended John Stark Regional High School.

Nina Spinney of Newbury, a member of the Class of 2025. Spinney attended Kearsarge Regional High School.

Keenan Wilson of Frankestown, a member of the Class of 2023 and is majoring in psychology. Wilson attended Contoocook Valley Regional High School.

Clarkson University Presidential Scholars

Cassidy Jean Marshall of Hillsboro, a freshman majoring in communication.

Evan John Turner of Peterborough, a junior majoring in mechanical engineering.

Clarkson University Dean's List

Evan Bryce Miller of Bradford, a freshman majoring in mechanical engineering.

Peter David Russell of Warner, a sophomore majoring in computer science.

The Citadel's Dean's List

Nathan Riley of Goffstown, William Walker of New London, who was also awarded Gold Stars.

Other Colleges & Universities

Rian Queen from Washington was named to Curry College's Dean's List.

Lily Magoon of Warner has been named to the Muhlenberg College Dean's List.

Clara Walling of Contoocook has been named to the Dean's List at Hamilton College.

NH UNION LEADER'S 40 UNDER 40

Seven area residents have been included on the Union Leader's List 40 Under 40, including:

Ryan W. Bump • 38 • Goffstown, Captain, Derry Fire Department; Deputy Emergency Management Director, Derry

Katelyn Comeau • 31 • Bow, Pharmacy Manager, New London Hospital

Nichole Davis • 38 • Goffstown, Creative and Development Director, Hoyle, Tanner & Associates, Inc.

Michele Merritt, Esq. • 34 • Goffstown, President/CEO, New Futures

Shaughn Nalezinski • 27 • Hopkinton, Lead Blood Bank Technologist, Concord Hospital

Sara Persechino • 33 • Contoocook, Campaigns and Communications Director, Planned Parenthood of Northern New England and Planned Parenthood N.H. Action Fund & Hopkinton Moderator

Stephanie Szopa • 39 • Goffstown, Infection Prevention Officer, Elliot Health.

Stephanie Hyland (D-Frankestown) resigns



First-term state representative Stephanie Hyland, (D-Frankestown) resigned her seat in the N.H. House, citing a "mishandling of this legislative session" in a letter addressed to Gov. Chris Sununu. Hyland's district includes: Antirim, Bennington, Greenfield and Hancock, and

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Publisher's Perspective

Mike Stellato RIP

Mike Stellato passed away this week. I was blessed to have known Mike since the early 1960's. He was one of the gentlest, kindest people I have ever known. He loved this town dearly, even as he continued to root for the NY Yankees. He would give you the shirt off his back and freely volunteered his time and talents, including Lions Blood drives, coaching and operating the time clock at H-D basketball and soccer games for years. Someone reposted a Publisher's Perspective from 2018. It is reprinted today as a tribute to Mike and those like him who have made Hillsborough such a wonderful place to live, work and raise a family. RIP Mike, you will be missed by us all.

One person can make a difference

Mahatma Gandhi freed the people of India from British rule. Martin Luther King led the 60's Civil Rights movement that awakened America's conscience. Susan B. Anthony championed women's equality. The dedication and perseverance of these individuals transformed America.

You don't have to go to these lengths to make a difference:

Glenn Winters, Don Decowski and Mike Stellato took it upon themselves to form the Peanuts Instructional Soccer League and boys and girls 5, 6 and 7 year olds now have an organized activity.

Ken Matthews did more than complain about the conditions in Central Square. He took it upon himself to paint the vacant old post office building, greatly improving its appearance.

Jessica Audette single handedly started a program to provide free backpacks and school supplies to needy children. This year over 120 backpacks were donated.

Their efforts may not be the equal of those of Gandhi, King and Anthony, but their contributions have made Hillsborough a better place to live, work and raise a family.

What have you done?

Maybe you can get a straight answer

The January 14th Messenger reported that the Hillsborough Economic Development Commission was perpetuating the town's 30 years of ignoring the demise of Central Square with more talk and no action.

Rather than show me how I was wrong, or actually listing the accomplishments of the Commission, member Riche Colcomb took to Facebook to launch a personal attack, stating "The intent of the article is for the publisher to disparage anyone, or any group, who does not comply with his wishes or desires for the town."

In the 21st issue, I challenged her to

abandon the politics of hate and debate the issues. Her only response was to return to Facebook and double down by attacking my "journalistic integrity" over the last 30 years.

Apparently I can't get a straight answer, but perhaps you can. E-mail her at colcomber@gmail.com and ask two simple questions:

1. In the past, what have you done or proposed to reverse the decline in Central Square?
2. What are your current solutions to the problem?

Please share her answers as we are all eager to hear them.

AN ENIGMA

Despite the cost of living, have you noticed how it remains so popular?

Henniker Select Board approves allocating \$63,513 of ARPA Grant

Vice Chair Peter Flynn has asked to discuss the ARPA funds and possible uses. The US Treasury has offered its final rule and it has helped the Town of Henniker. Before the Town was required to use a calculation to determine how much of the \$525,333 could be used for "general spending." This was based on a determination of lost revenue.

In the final rule it was determined that you could use up to \$10 million as a standard deduction rather than using the calculation. What this means for Henniker is rather than the roughly \$200K they expected to be able to spend on lost revenue, they can now use all if they choose under this category.

The town has already allocated \$100,000 of ARPA funds towards the pre-engineering at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. This leaves \$425,333 available. Two possible uses Vice Chair Flynn has discussed are: • Replacement of the broken garage door at the Transfer Station. The quote they received

was through Crawford Door who does most of the garage door work in town. The cost is \$26,263 • Installation of mini-splits at the Town Hall. The quote received through Morrill Heating and

Cooling was in the amount of \$37,250. The total cost of these two projects is: \$63,513 and that would leave \$361,820 after the Wastewater engineering and these two projects.



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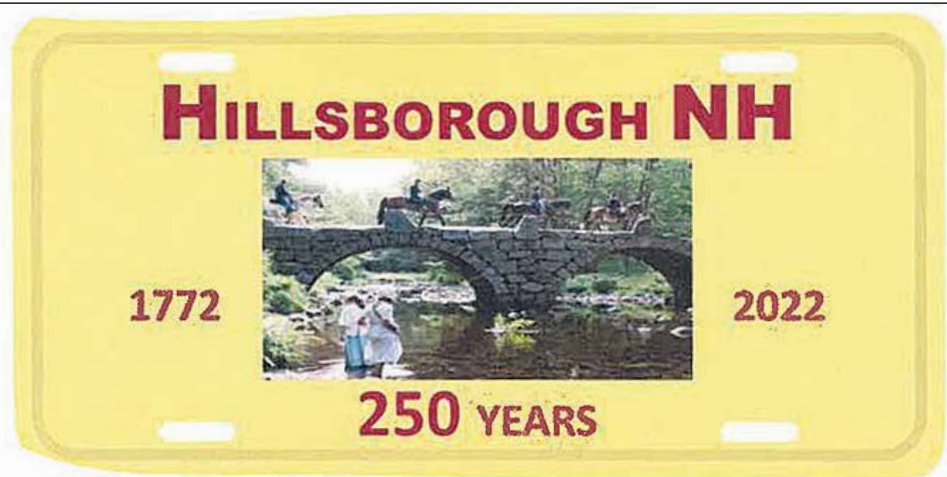
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QUALIFYING FOR A LOAN — PART III



By: Joyce Bosse

Recently we've discussed how mortgage lenders depend on underwriters to determine whether a potential homebuyer will be granted a mortgage loan. Here are some additional possible guidelines lenders and underwriters may use:

Collateral

Is the property worth what the borrower is paying for it? If not, the lender will not loan an amount in excess of the value. If the appraisal comes back less than the offer on the house, sometimes you can renegotiate the terms of the purchase contract with the seller and his/her real estate agent.

Is the property an acceptable type of property, and does it meet coding requirements and zoning restrictions? Is the property comparable to other properties in the area? Surveys are common and are used to get an accurate measurement of the land that goes with the property you are purchasing. The person who prepares the survey should be a licensed land surveyor. The survey shows the location of the land, dimensions of the land and any improvements.

Encroachments are improvements to property that illegally violate another's property or their right to use the property, such as building a fence that is actually on your neighbor's property instead of yours, or constructing a building that crosses from your property to another's property without their permission. Evidence of encroachments can slow the final approval process.

The Down Payment

A down payment is a percentage of your home's value. The type of mortgage you choose determines the down payment you will need. It can range from zero to 20 percent, or more if you wish. A higher down payment may help you qualify for a mortgage.

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Sports

BOYS BASKETBALL

Goffstown 70, Bedford 47: Aiden O'Connell's 23 points led a balanced attack.
Milford 69, John Stark 45: The Spartans took control in the first quarter, taking a 23-5 lead.
ConVal 51, Coe-Brown 47: The Cougars' 3-pointer with under 30 seconds left sealed the win.
ConVal 43, Merrimack Valley 42: Malachi Page won it at the line in the closing seconds.
ConVal 51, Coe-Brown 47: Joe Gutwein scored 10 of the fourth quarter points as the Cougars won a squeaker.
Mascenic 61, Hillsboro-Deering 38: The Hillcats could not put it all together.
Hillsboro-Deering 53, Fall Mountain 48: The Hillcats had a well-rounded team effort from both their starters and bench players to claim their first win of the season.
Kearsarge 78, Fall Mountain 25: The Cougars took a 25-0 lead after the first quarter and a 48-8 lead at halftime.
Hopkinton 44, Kearsarge 40: Gavin Davies stole the ball, drew a foul and proceeded to sink one of his two free throws as the Hawks held on for a 44-40 win.
Hopkinton 56, Campbell 54, OT: The Hawks and Cougars traded leads all game, with Campbell closing the fourth quarter with an 11-0 run to force overtime. Hopkinton's size advantage, led by Brendon Elrick's 32 points, was the difference in the game.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

John Stark 51, Oyster River 29: Stark played very good defense in the first half, and took a 28-7 lead.
Lebanon 45, John Stark 37: Stark was missing some key players and battled hard, but the Raiders outscored the Generals 13-6 in the fourth quarter.
ConVal 57, Coe-Brown 37: The Bears played to a 22-22 half-time, but ConVal controlled the second half to claim the victory.
Hopkinton 64, Somersworth 11: The Hawks jumped out to a 15-2 lead and never looked back.
Hopkinton 45, Campbell 17: The Hawks held Campbell to single digits in all four quarters.
Kearsarge 56, Hopkinton 36: The Cougars were in control and grounded the Hawks.

NORDIC SKIING

Hopkinton 1st: The Division II Hawks placed six skiers in the top 30, led by Francie Trafton (fourth, 14:51) and Ava Rothe (seventh, 15:17), as Hopkinton tied prep school Holderness at 56. Hopkinton won back-to-back titles in 2019 and 2020 in D-IV before last season's realignment from four NHIAA Nordic divisions to two.

SPECIAL OLYMPICS WINNI DIP

In high hopes people would want to sponsor him and his grandsons for the 2022 Winni Dip, Robin O'Dougherty started a fundraiser to help the cause. The money raised puts them into the chilly water and every penny supports Special Olympics NH. If you'd like to sponsor them go to this link and make the donation. <https://fundraising.sonh.org/fundraisers/robinodougherty> then click onto Middle School Dip. Thanks for any support given for a Great Cause.



New Hampshire Moose Plate.

Deering awarded \$9,961 Moose Plate Grant

The Town of Deering recently accepted a \$9,961 grant from the New Hampshire Division of Historical Resources, Department of Natural & Cultural Resources, to create a pathway from the Deering Town Hall parking lot to the historic District 1 schoolhouse.

These funds will allow for ample parking and safe access to the schoolhouse, which is currently maintained as part of the Deering Public Library. This access will allow the public to enjoy programs and services of the library while learning about the history and use of the 1810 District 1 schoolhouse. The schoolhouse was added to the New Hampshire Registry of Historic Places in 2020.

In announcing the grant award, Library Trustees noted, "In 2024, the town will be celebrating its 250th anniversary and as part of that celebration, it is our goal to highlight the importance of our historic heritage. The improved public access that this walkway will provide to the schoolhouse building will allow for its use for town programs, and as a volunteer-run library, benefiting all Deering residents. This will be an exciting step forward to increase use of the building as other renovation projects are also completed."

Prominent tax fighter Ed Naile dies at 69

Ed Naile, 69, of Deering, passed away last Friday in Concord Hospital after contracting COVID-19, getting complications and spending several weeks in an intensive care unit. Naile was one of the original founders of the Coalition of New Hampshire Taxpayers and helped build it into one of the most politically powerful, grass roots organizations in New Hampshire.



Friends note that while Naile was passionate about issues, he didn't allow debates to become

personal or nasty and had a great sense of humor. In every election cycle, Naile and his group had a prominent role as candidates were invited to sign the group's Taxpayer Protection Pledge.



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Obituaries: Friends & Neighbors Remembered

Robert Leo Bouchard

HILLSBORO - Bob Bouchard, 88, passed away on January 17, 2022 at Concord Hospital. He was born August 20, 1933 and lived in Hillsboro his entire life. He was predeceased three years ago by his wife of 67 years, Joyce, his parents, Leo and Ella Bouchard, a son, Jim, and three grandchildren, Daniel, Joclyn, and Angela. Survived by and beneficiaries of his lifetime of giving to sons and their wives, Bill and Tish Bouchard of Syracuse, NY, and Rick and Helen Bouchard of Hopkinton, NH, also six grandchildren and five great grandchildren. Due to Covid restrictions we will have a celebration of life this summer. Thanks to all of you who kept an eye on him. Donations may be made in his name to the Hillsboro Rescue Squad,



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John A. Lennox

HILLSBORO - John A. Lennox died on December 31, 2021 at The Courville in Nashua. He was born on June 10, 1928 in Weymouth, Massachusetts, a son of Allen D. and Ethel (Webb) Lennox. He was the husband of Betty J. Lennox who passed on February 14, 2003. Survivors include his four sons, Douglas Lennox of Hillsborough, NH, Scott Lennox and his wife Carol of Norwood, MA, Allen Lennox and his wife Barbara of North Attleboro, MA, and Ken Lennox and his wife Debbie of Nashua, NH; one daughter, Donna Hardwick of Nashua, NH; 14 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; 2 great great-grandchildren; one brother, Bob Lennox and his wife Joan of Pocasset, MA; several nieces



and nephews. A Graveside Service was held on Thursday, January 6, 2022. In lieu of flowers, those planning an expression of sympathy are asked to consider a donation to: Home, Health, and Hospice, 7 Executive Park Drive, Merrimack, NH 03054.

James Leon Knapton

HENNIKER - Jim Knapton died on January 16, 2022. He was 79. Jim is predeceased by his daughter Kristina. He is survived by his daughter Lisa, sister Jeannie Dacosta, 5 grandchildren, nieces and nephews. A celebration of life is being planned for Spring. Condolences to lknapton@charter.net.



Jack Harvey Tate

NEW LONDON - Jack Harvey Tate passed away very peacefully at New London Hospital on January 13, 2022,

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at the age of 85 with his life partner and husband at his side. He was born in Denver, Colorado on June 26, 1936 to Vernon H. Tate and Ruby E. (Templin) Tate. In 1960 Jack met his life partner and future husband Donald Boxwell. After 18 years of enjoying the California sunshine and lifestyle, they moved to the quiet town of Hillsboro, NH and opened an antique shop (Tatewell Gallery). Jack is predeceased by his mother, father, brother, Vernon T. Tate and half-sister, Ruby Y. (Clement) Terrell. Surviving family members include his husband and life partner of 62 years, Donald Boxwell, sisters-in-law Gloria (Talley) Tate and Barbara Boxwell, brother-in-law George Boxwell, nephew Alan Tate, nieces Gina Workman, Miriam Nordstrom, Becky Blair, and Shelda Murray.



Friends may call at Chadwick Funeral Home, 235 Main Street, New London, NH on Saturday, January 29, 2022 from 4:00-6:00 P.M. We respectfully request that all visitors wear a mask. A memorial service will be held on Sunday, January 30, 2022 at 2:00 P.M. at St. Andrews Episcopal Church, 52 Guild Road, New London, NH. (Masks and distancing required). In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to: St. Andrews Episcopal Church, Music Ministry, PO Box 294, New London, NH 03257. Interment will be at a later date at St. Andrews Episcopal Church's Kelsey Memorial Garden.

Steven P. Acorn




HILLSBOROUGH - Steven P. Acorn, 75, of Hillsborough, passed away on Sunday, January 16, 2022 at Concord Hospital with his son Charles by his side. Born on October 8, 1946 in Waltham, he was the son of the late

Charles R. and Frances G. (Keane) Acorn. Besides his parents, he was predeceased by two siblings, Russell Acorn and Shirley Acorn. He is survived by his wife Barbara (Emond) Acorn with whom he shared 42 years of marriage; their friends and family knew them as a generous, spirited couple. Sons Charles E. Acorn, Paul F. Acorn of Hillsborough, grandson Nathan S. Acorn, and his first great grandchild is expected in April. A Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, February 26, 2022 from 1PM-5PM at the Hillsborough American Legion, 538 West Main Street.



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

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 5

SNOWFAMILIES PLAY DAY: from 10am to 12pm. A perfect way to spend a winter day with the entire family. Make a Valentine's Day card, play in the snow and even learn how to track animals with Susie from the Harris Center (from 10 - 11am). Light snacks will be served. This is a "drop-in" event; registration is not required.

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MONDAY FEBRUARY 7

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WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 9

WEARE SCHOOL DISTRICT: Board Meeting at 6pm in the Weare Middle School cafe. This meeting will recess at 7pm for the Deliberative Session.

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 11

JOHN STARK DISTRICT: Board Meeting at 6:30pm in the school cafe. This meeting will recess at 7pm for the Deliberative Session.

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 12

WINTER WARMER: Fire and Ice (Ice Skating, Sledding and Fire Pits!) 4:30pm - 6:30pm. New Boston Town Hall Ice Rink. Bring your friends and family down to the Ice Rink and Sledding Hill. Enjoy the fire pits, roast marshmallows, and have a cup of Hot Choco. There is no charge and the rec

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TUESDAY FEBRUARY 15

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SATURDAY FEBRUARY 19

MAMMAL-PALOOZA - from 10 - 11:30am. In partnership with the Harris Center, we invite you to join in the mammal-mania! Walk like a bobcat, pounce like a fox, leap like a squirrel. Elementary age children are invited to join us for this fun-filled outdoor/indoor program. Meets at the Harris Center.

MONDAY FEBRUARY 21

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PUBLIC NOTICE WASHINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING

A Public Budget Hearing will be held on Tuesday, February 8, 2022 (snow date 2/9/22) at 6:00 PM in the Washington Elementary School Multi-Purpose Room.

The purpose is to receive public input on Washington School District's 2022-2023 proposed operating budget and warrant articles.

EMERALD LAKE VILLAGE DISTRICT BID SOLICITATION FOR SUMMER MAINTENANCE OF BEACHES AND PARKS

Emerald Lake Village District is accepting bids for the Summer Maintenance of Beaches and Parks. Sealed bids must be received by February 16, 2022. Mail to PO Box 1753, Hillsborough, NH 03244. For a copy of the bid specifications, email info@elvdnh.com.

PUBLIC NOTICE TOWN OF WINDSOR WINDSOR SCHOOL DISTRICT PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING

Pursuant to RSA 32:5, the Windsor School Board and the Town of Windsor will hold a public hearing on their proposed 2022-2023 School District and Town Budgets on Tuesday, February 8, 2022 (snow date 2/9/22), in the Windsor Town Hall.

- School Board Budget Hearing and Meeting at 6:00 pm
- Town Budget Hearing immediately following

Town of Weare

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The Weare Board of Selectmen will hold a Public Hearing on **Monday, February 7, 2022**, beginning at **7:00 PM** for the purpose of hearing public testimony and comment on:

The acceptance of approximately 2400 LF of Hilbren Road (off Twin Bridge Road) as a Class V Town maintained road.

This hearing will be held at the Town Office Building conference room, 15 Flanders Memorial Drive in 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 Weare

PUBLIC HEARING

The Weare Board of Selectmen will hold a Public Hearing on **Monday, February 7, 2022**, beginning at **7:30 PM** for the purpose of hearing public testimony and comment on the establishment of a special revenue fund, to be known as the Transfer Station Recyclable Special Revenue Fund, separate from the general fund, pursuant to RSA 31:95-c

This hearing will be held at the Town Office Building conference room, 15 Flanders Memorial Drive in 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.

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