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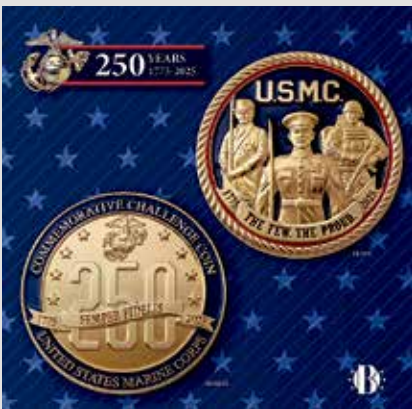
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Senator Warren
January 30, 2025



This week in history

February 15, 1903

First teddy bear goes on sale

February 16, 1923

King Tut's tomb is opened

February 17, 1970

Beetle overtakes Model T as world's bestselling car

February 18, 1929

First Academy Award winners announced

February 19, 1970

Members of the Chicago Seven are sentenced

February 20, 2018

Prince Henrik of Denmark rejects royal burying place

February 21, 1965

Malcolm X is assassinated



Farewell and good luck, Chief Galloway.

Sunapee honors John Galloway

Community turns out to celebrate Fire Chief's 25 years service to the town

On Monday, February 10th, the Town of Sunapee held an event at the Sunapee Fire Department to bid farewell to Chief John Galloway and congratulate him on his new position as fire chief for the Town of Bethlehem.

Personnel from Sunapee Fire, Sunapee Police, New London Fire, Newbury Fire, and Goshen Fire were all in attendance. Also attending were the Sunapee Select Board, Board of Firewards, Town Ad-

ministrators, and members of the public. Mike Bruno, Chair of the Bethlehem Select Board, made a special appearance and welcomed Chief Galloway to the Bethlehem Fire Department.

Throughout the night, there were multiple speeches from Sunapee Select Board Chair Carol Wallace, Board of Firewards Chair Josh Trow, Assistant Chief Dana Ramspott, Captain Steve Marshall, and the Sunapee Fire Department Association

President Joe Hampson. President Hampson presented Chief Galloway with an axe plaque honoring Chief Galloway's 25 years of service to the Town of Sunapee.

President Hampton summed up the group's feeling when he said, "Tonight, we gather not just to mark the end of an era, but to celebrate the dedication, leadership, and service of a man who has given 25 years of his life to this department and this community—Chief Galloway."

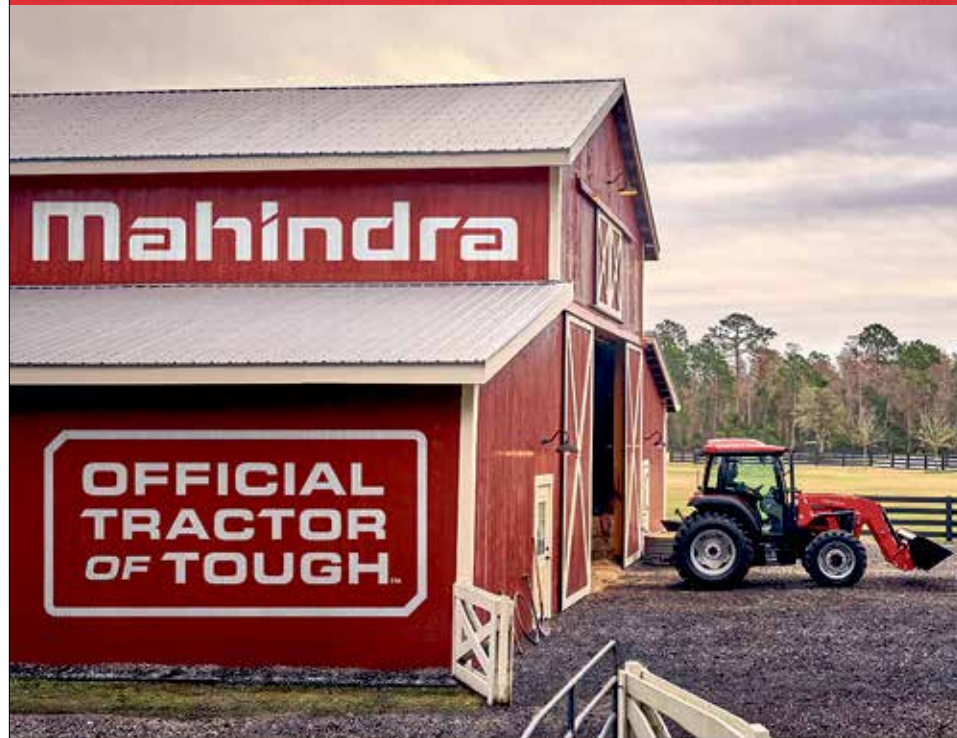
Area towns exploring regionalization of Police Departments

Following meetings with the Antrim, Bennington and Hancock Select Boards, discussing the possible regionalization of police departments, the Greenfield Select Board is supporting a warrant article to see if the town will approve a study into the possibility of regionalizing police with

Hancock. The warrant will have no tax impact. It was reported that after meeting the board decided Hancock might be the best fit for potential regionalization, as the towns have similar populations and are both in the same district court, which would enable them to share a prosecutor.

Police Chief Brian Giammarino said he had mixed feelings about the proposal. "Our primary concern is Greenfield and the safety of Greenfield," he said. "Right now, we have a full force, and we have a really fantastic force, and we would need to look at how any changes might impact that."

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Yesteryear *Local history as reported in The Messenger*

February 16, 2024

New London Dispatcher Gary Barthol honored
H-D's "Hillcat Corner" receives Gold Level International ranking
Hopkinton town budget up 6.2% - schools up 6.8%
Bennington residents approve all 28 warrant articles

February 17, 2023

Two workers injured when Bennington roof collapses
Chief Emily Cobb appointed to Police Standards & Training Council
Fireworks erupt at Washington Budget Hearing/Candidates Night
Duncan-Jenkins Trust awards 66 student & teacher Enrichment Grants

February 18, 2022

Weare rejects ban on teaching CRT
Colby-Sawyer coach arrested on child sex charges
New London to renovate Philbrick-Cricenti Bog
Diane Kendall named Henniker Town Administrator

February 19, 2021

Man dies, daughter survives Peterborough crash
Cracker Barrel is now the Hopkinton Village Store
Snowmobiler collides with Hillsborough bob house
Antrim man is sued for defrauding an investor

February 21, 2020

Center Woods teacher donates kidney to colleague
Missing Weare man's body discovered in MA
Hopkinton Fire Department promotes two
Newbury man dives into lake to avoid arrest

February 22, 2019

20-year-old Hillsborough woman killed on Main Street
Weare to pay former policeman Joe Kelley again
Henniker Rescue Squad recognized police officer
Hillsborough teenager not guilty of graduation threat

February 23, 2018

FBI Joint Terrorism Task Force at John Stark
Hopkinton taking steps to improve school security
H-D Board applies for two School Security Grants
Weare woman thankful of those who saved her life

February 24, 2017

Juvenile charged with gun threat at John Stark
Goffstown man faces felony burglary charges
The Hancock Market sold to Inn owners
Warner man convicted of several sexual assaults

February 23, 2016

H-D Elementary Principal resigns
Goffstown woman guilty of forging checks
PETA withdraws protest of Newport's "Greased Pig"
New Town Clerk/Tax Collector in New London

February 20, 2015

Deering Fire Chief quits after explosive meeting
Franklin fire leaves tenants homeless
Bow man guilty of mail fraud & tax evasion
Lux challenges Langwasser for Hopkinton Selectman

ConVal Proposal would cap school district budget

District residents will vote on petition article in March

An initiative to cap the ConVal School District's budget will be on the district's ballot in March.

A petition warrant article that would cap the budget at \$56,144,000 garnered the 25 necessary signatures to be put to voters in the district.

The budget recommended by the School Board for the 2025-2026 school year is \$61,391,446, an increase of just over 3% over this year's budget.

The budget cap warrant article states that "the School Board shall not submit a recommended budget that is higher than 29,000 dollars per pupil costs times the average daily membership in residence in the district," allowing for an increase for inflation.

The article seeking to cap the budget was informed by the School District Governance Association of New Hampshire, according to Blake Minckler, a Dublin resident and member of

the Dublin Education Advisory Committee. The organization's website states that it is "Giving voters a voice by empowering elected school district officials to reclaim control over budgets and curriculum."

The warrant article references RSA 32:5-e, which allows districts to appropriate funds based on a per pupil cost and average daily attendance.

"The calculation involved the (average daily membership), which is 1,936 students in the district, and dividing a school budget total by that figure," Minckler said. The \$29,000 figure was arrived at by dividing the approved 2023-2024 budget of \$56,388,056 by the 1,936 attendance figure.

The district's budget proposal already cuts six teachers. Property Committee Chair Jim Fredrickson of Sharon said last week that if voters do not approve the proposal, the district will have a default

budget, which would mean cutting more teachers. The default budget would be \$60.5 million. The School Board does not recommend the budget cap article.

Asked how both proposed budgets could fare before voters, Dublin representative to the ConVal School Board Alan Edelkind was unsure.

"I don't know what would happen if both warrant articles passed," he said.

The district scheduled the following public hearings on the budget cap proposal, some of which are still available to attend:

- Monday, Feb. 10, at Hancock Elementary School at 6:30 p.m. (snow date: Feb. 14).
- Tuesday, Feb. 11, at Dublin Consolidated School at 6:30 p.m. (snow date: Feb. 14th).
- Wednesday, Feb. 12, at ConVal High School at 6:15 p.m. (snow date: Feb. 15 at 1 p.m.).
- Thursday, Feb. 13, at Fran-



Moderator Neal Cass opened the ConVal School District Deliberative Session.

cestown Elementary School at 6:30 p.m. (snow date: Feb. 15 at 1 p.m.).

• Monday, Feb. 17, at Antrim Elementary School at 6:30 p.m. (snow date: Feb. 22 at 1 p.m.).

• Tuesday, Feb. 18, at Greenfield Elementary School at 6:30 p.m. (snow date: Feb. 22 at 1 p.m.).

• Wednesday, Feb. 19, at Temple Elementary School at 6:30 p.m. (snow date: Feb. 22 at 1 p.m.).

• Thursday, Feb. 20, at Pierce Elementary School at 6:30 p.m. (snow date: Feb. 22 at 1 p.m.).

• Friday, Feb. 21, at Sharon Town Hall at 6:30 p.m. (snow date: Feb. 22 at 1 p.m.).

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John Stark School budgets up a modest 2.33%

Only about a dozen people braved last Friday’s blizzard to attend John Stark’s Deliberative Session, which dispatched its business in about an hour.

The Board’s proposed operating budget was presented at \$15.5 million, an increase of \$353,617 or 2.33% over the current budget. The new two-year teachers contract would raise starting salaries by 12%, from the current \$41,739 to \$46,898.

If the budget and teachers contract both pass, it would raise the John Stark tax rate in Weare by an estimated 55

cents per \$1,000 of assessed valuation, adding \$220 to the tax bill of a \$400,000 home, and raise the John Stark tax rate in Henniker by an estimated 23 cents, or \$92 more to the bill of a \$400,000 home.

The increase would have been even larger, but the District eliminated two unfilled teaching positions, reducing salaries by \$235,394 and benefits by \$167,683.

A petitioned warrant article that would require including the estimated tax impact on all budget and warrant articles was unanimously supported by the School Board.

Kearsarge reverses its policy on transgenders in sports

The Kearsarge Regional School District has reversed its policy of transgender sports.

On Wednesday, President Donald Trump signed an Executive Order aimed at barring transgender girls and women from participating on female sports.

Kearsarge, which had previously refused to follow a similar state ban has announced that they have now “adjusted practices internally.”

Kearsarge Regional is one of three school districts in the state that has a transgender girl who has publicly indicated she wishes to play on a girls’ team.

In August, the district’s school board voted not to follow the new state law – which bars transgender girls from grades five through 12 from playing on girls’ school sports teams.

The Pembroke and Pemi-Baker School Districts who also have transgender girls who wish to play on girls’ teams have been sued by those students. A pending preliminary order issued by a federal judge in the case bars the school districts and the state Department of Education from enforcing the state law. A trial is scheduled for November.

Warner’s Magdalen College remains off the tax rolls

The Diocese of Manchester has announced that it has completed the purchase of the former Magdalen College in Warner. In September it had reached an agreement to buy 135 acres of land and several buildings that were part of the

college, which was always associated with the Catholic church, which means that the property will remain off the Warner tax rolls. Those who wanted the property to be used for more secular purposes, such as senior housing, were disappointed.

Bar Harbor Bank recognizes employee excellence

Bar Harbor Bank & Trust recently announced the winners of the Bank’s Brand Behavior Awards, a bi-annual recognition of employees who demonstrate behavior that exemplifies the Bank’s core values. Employees were presented with awards for communication, initiative, positivity, professionalism, quality, and teamwork. These values guide the actions of all Bank employees and set the expectation for customers. Employees are nominated for a Brand Behavior Award by their peers, and the winners are selected by an anonymous committee comprised of employees.

The Brand Behavior Award winners for the second half

of 2024 are:

Jeanne Canty is a recipient of the Communication Award, which recognizes employees who share the right information clearly and quickly to build great relationships. Canty, Assistant Vice President Consumer Collections Manager, joined the Bank in 2011 and works in Newport. Colleen Paquette is a recipient of the Teamwork Award, which recognizes employees who build great teams to make positive things happen. Paquette, Assistant Vice President Branch Relationship Manager, joined the Bank in 2014 and manages the Bank’s locations in Bradford.

Weare School District voters debate Tax Impact Statements & Budget Caps

The staff was still adding seats to the cafetorium as the overflow crowd filed into the Weare School District's Deliberative Session, Wednesday evening.

District Clerk Amanda Gunter opened the meeting as moderator Drake Luther had resigned. In his place, veteran legislator Neal Kirk was elected as Moderator Pro Temp.

Article 3, the School Board's proposed \$20,449,303 Operating Budget, an \$838,342 or 4.2% increase, was opposed by the

Finance Committee, which preferred the Default Budget although higher at \$20,469,757.

The proposed Budget includes nearly \$500,000 increases over five years for the new transportation contract.

After a lengthy debate, the proposed budget was passed along for ballot voting.

Article 4, a new two-year contract with the support staff was supported. It calls for increases of \$145,420 in 2025-2026 and another \$95,469 in 2026-2027.

Article 5, submitted by petition, would require that future budgets and warrant articles contain a notation of their tax impact. It was opposed by all but one School Board member, including Vice-Chair Sarah Button, who opposed posting tax information because taxpayers "should do their own

research."

Article 6, also submitted by petition, would require that future budgets be capped at \$24,767 x the number of pupils enrolled. It drew extended debate, including an amendment to increase it to \$40.00, which failed on a 40 Yes - 80 No show of voting cards.

Article 6, a resolution calling for NH legislators to refrain from expanding the voter program, sparked a heated debate. An attempt to amend it to call for a study of the voucher program failed, 43 Yes - 55 No.

The meeting adjourned just shy of three hours.



KRES-Bradford celebrated 100 days of school by dressing up and doing activities counting to 100!



Thomas Flaherty, Chair of the Finance Committee reports that the committee favors the Default Budget over the proposed.

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BY SARAH CHAPIN

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In a study in the *Journal of Cosmetic Dermatology* that included 60 individuals with mild to moderate acne, following the Mediterranean diet and taking omega-3 fatty acid supplements led to significant reductions in inflammatory and non-inflammatory skin lesions, as well as improved quality of life. Notably, 98.3% of participants had omega-3 fatty acid deficits at the start of the study. Acne severity lessened significantly in those who reached target omega-3 fatty acid levels during the study.

A new study published in *JAMA Ophthalmology* found that patients prescribed semaglutide (as Ozempic or Wegovy) for diabetes or weight loss had a higher risk of having a potentially blinding eye condition called NAION than similar patients who had not been prescribed these drugs. Notably, the study found people with diabetes who had been prescribed semaglutide by their physician and then filled the prescription were more than four times more likely to be diagnosed with NAION. Those who were overweight or had obesity and prescribed this drug were more than seven times more likely to get the diagnosis.

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Dr. Esin Narli

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Inserting the pin is a procedure normally done under local anesthesia. Not everyone, however, is a candidate for an implant. For one thing, you have to have enough bone in the jaw to support the implant. If you don't have enough bone, under some conditions the dentist might be able to graft bone. Gum condition is also a consideration when determining if some one is a viable candidate for an implant.

Even if you have implants, you'll want to continue regular visits to the dentist. For one thing, the dentist will want to check regularly on the condition of the implant and of the tissue in the immediate area of the work. For instance, tissue near the implant might not have as much blood flow as tissue elsewhere in your mouth, and therefore could be more susceptible to infection. Talk with your dentist about whether you're a candidate for an implant.

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Hometown Heroes



At February's meeting Antrim Fire & Rescue was able to catch up and recognize two retired members. Barbra Beauchamp (Top Photo) had 38 years of service. Barbra served as a first responder for the ambulance, truck engineer, and NH Deputy Forest Fire Warden and held the rank of Lieutenant. Ted Brown (Center Photo) retired with 20 years of service. Ted served as a Firefighter and for a period as department chaplain. We thank Barbra and Ted for their dedication and service to the town of Antrim.



Congrats to Weare Fire Rescue's Administrative Assistant Brittany Marcotte (Left Photo) on earning her EMT certification. Franklin Officers (Right Photo) took time out of their day to serve and share lunch with 4th through 8th-grade students at the Franklin Middle School. Officers engaged with the kids, answered questions, and emphasized the importance of community and trust.

H-D DECA's Hillcat Corner achieves Gold-Recertification

Hillcat Corner, the school-based enterprise at Hillsboro-Deering High School, was among 851 school-based enterprises achieving Gold-Recertification for the 2024-2025 school year and will be recognized during DECA's International Career Development Conference this April 26-29, 2025, in Orlando, Florida.

A school-based enterprise (SBE) is an entrepreneurial operation in a school setting that provides goods and services to meet the needs of the market. SBEs are managed and operated by students as hands-on learning laboratories that integrate National Curriculum Standards in marketing, finance, hospitality and management.

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enhance 21st Century skill development, and prepare students for college and careers.

The Hillsboro-Deering High School DECA members who contributed to the certification were Peter Beane, Jack Hebert, Liana Swirko, and Brie Proulx with the assistance of their DECA chapter advisor, Marc Payeur. The SBE at Hillsboro-Deering High School has operated for 35 years and is to be commended for this achievement.

"DECA's School-based Enterprise Certification Program is a rigorous process designed to help DECA members demonstrate their classroom learning in a practical, learning laboratory, and then translate that into meaningful outcomes," said Christopher Young, CAE, Chief Program Officer at DECA Inc. "These DECA members are practicing important workplace readiness skills while preparing for college and careers."



DECA's School-based Enterprise Certification Program provides recognition for outstanding achievement by school-based enterprises and motivates SBEs to strive for excellence and growth.

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On Monday, February 10th, Sunapee Fire, along with mutual aid from Newport, New London, and Goshen, were called to a 1st Alarm Structure Fire at 638 Route 103. While en route at 11:09, Sunapee C1 (Chief Galloway) saw a large plume of black smoke from the area and requested a 2nd Alarm. Shortly after, Sunapee C1 arrived on the scene and reported an approximately 20x30 building, fully involved with collapse. Fire personnel quickly realized that due to the driveway’s condition, design, and length, larger fire apparatus would not be able to access the fire scene. Due to this, units were forced to use Sunapee Utility 1 (a forestry vehicle) to both fight the fire and shuttle water to the scene from tankers that were staged on Route 103. The building was deemed a total loss, and the American Red Cross has been contacted to assist the residents. There were no civilian or firefighter injuries on the scene.



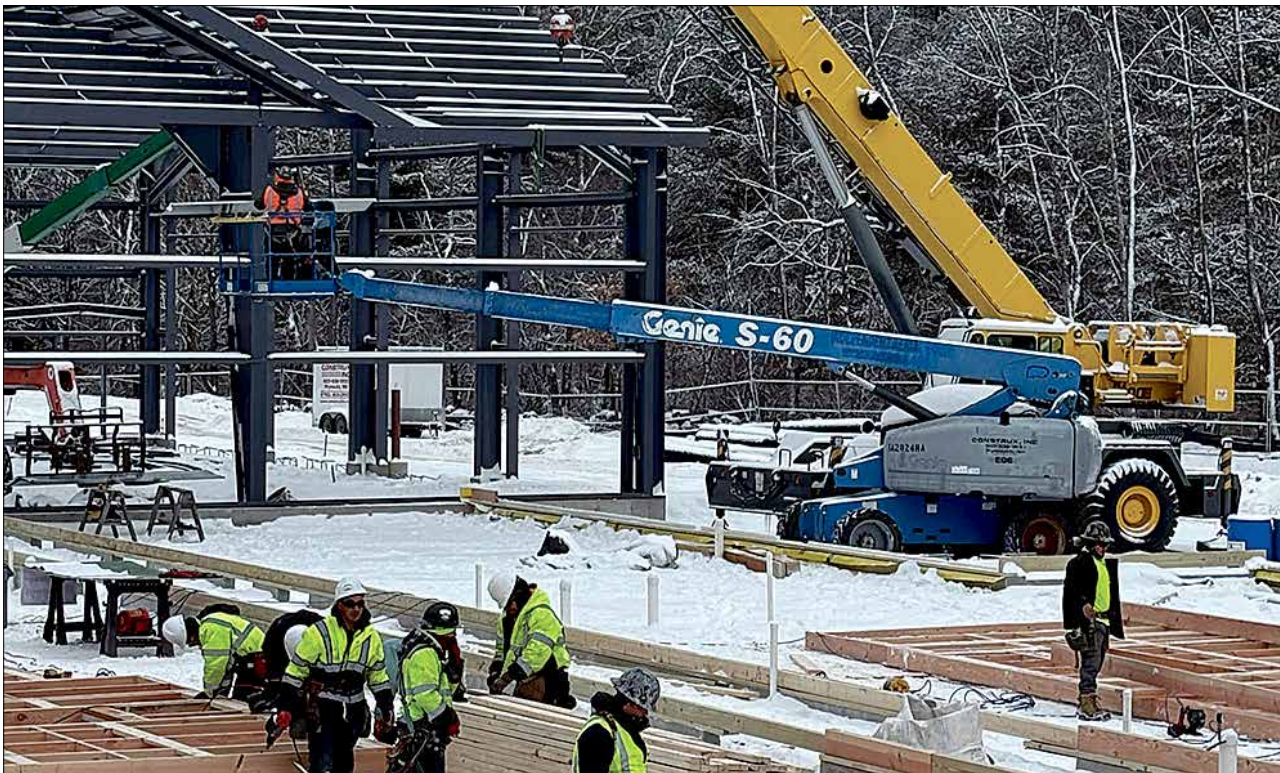
The eastbound on-ramp of the Hillsborough by-pass was reopened following the removal of a tractor-trailer that had slid off the roadway.



Sunapee Engine 2 and Utility 2 were on the scene of a Carbon Monoxide Alarm Activation. Sunapee Fire personnel discovered high CO readings within the building and had to ventilate it.



A GoFundMe page has been set up to aid a New Boston family who lost everything in the South Hill house fire last Monday. The family managed to escape with the two family pets and not much else. Anything is appreciated. Gift cards would be helpful right now as they are in need of the basic necessities. Hannaford, Market Basket, Walmart, Amazon, Target. <https://www.gofundme.com/.../support-nephews-loss-in-new>.



Progress continues on New Boston's new fire station. Although a movement to name the station after long-time Chief Dan MacDonald drew an overwhelming favorable Facebook response, the Select Board remains opposed to the petitioned warrant article.



Dunbarton's Tanker 1 and 2 responded mutual aid to assist Weare Fire Department. Weare had a 2nd alarm fire involving a large pile of logs. No one was injured and the fire was contained.



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Publishers Perspective

A Tale of Two Boards

Last week's Deliberative Sessions provided a classic contrast of responsive local government.

The Warrants at both the Weare and John Stark Deliberative Sessions contained identical petitioned articles requiring the inclusion of the tax impact of any spending item on future warrants. All that was asked was the simple transparency for local public officials to inform voters of the taxpayers' cost of their decisions.

To its credit, members of the John Stark School Board voted unanimously in favor of the article.

In contrast, the Weare Board voted 1-3-1 against it. Chair Christine Heath's flippant attitude was clearly apparent. Worst still was Vice-Chair Sarah Button who condescendingly stated that voters should "Do their own research." Member Daniel Recuperero voted in favor of the article and member William Politt was absent.

My Turn

President Trump recently signed an Executive Order banning transgender females from participating in female sports, triggering an avalanche of criticism labeling the president, and those of us who agree with his decisions, as homophobes.

Nothing can be further from the truth. Let it be said from the beginning that transgender individuals are entitled to the the same rights as us all. Moreover, they deserve our empathy. I can imagine no more

inner conflict or turmoil than to have your entire psyche telling you that you are not the sex that you were born.

Having said that, boys are boys and girls are girls, that is a fact and our empathy does not alter their delusion.

While transgenders are entitled to ALL the rights we enjoy, they, nor anyone else, are entitled to special privileges which disadvantage others.

Letters to the Editor

Letter to the Editor:

I would like to thank everyone that came to the deliberative session. At the meeting, a petition article was presented, warrant article 12, which is proposing that we rescind SB2. As a board member, we will work within the parameters that the community chooses. However, as a taxpayer and voter in this community, I have very strong feelings against rescinding SB2 for our school district.

Rescinding SB2 would change the way our school budget is voted on by eliminating the deliberative session and ballot voting in March. It would require the budget to be decided on through a town meeting style session. It was said that the people voting at town meetings are more informed about the things that they are voting on. I disagree whole heartedly with that statement. It would suppress voters in the community from having a voice. Voting is a constitutional right in this country, from local town issues to state issues to federal issues. It is protected by the constitution, and arguably the most important right in the constitution as freedom is protected by the ability to participate in a free election. Your right to vote does not depend on how informed others believe you to be. Your right to vote is yours as an American citizen and it should never be suppressed by anyone at any level based on their judgement of your competence.

Attending a meeting is not feasible for many people for many reasons. Most people in our community work and are raising their families and would be unable to participate. This does not mean that they are uninformed voters. Growing up, my father worked at the paper mill swinging shifts 7 days a week while my mom was able to stay home with us kids. Prior to SB2 being adopted, neither one of my parents were able to participate in voting for school issues. After SB2 was adopted in 1997, both

of my parents were able to cast their vote and have their voices heard. Having SB2 also allows for absentee voting providing even more access for the community.

As a community we have a choice. We can either go back to a meeting to determine the outcome of school issues, which would require hours of your time. Or, we can maintain what has been working for our community since 1997, and preserve our right to show up on voting day and cast our ballots in a free election.

Krista Davison, Hillsboro

Deering Taxpayers, friends and neighbors:

As Deering's longest tenured road agent of 31 years and a longtime resident, I find myself reflecting a lot about the good times in my career. I worked for 9 different boards of selectmen (the good, bad and the ugly) you might say. I really question the actions of the past three years. I reflect often on the person that sat in the same seat for 4 terms = 12 years. Michelle Johnson came to the board of selectmen, with lots of energy and a love for Deering, no such thing as town administrators back then and she would soon realize that there was a lot of work to be done. Michelle was hands on, strong on management, accountability and open doors.

In 12 years, Michelle was supportive during the Mother's Day flood in 2006, that took out all of Deering roads in 12 hours, Ice storm in 2008, with most of the town without power for a week, Town Hall restoration project, she was project manager, West Deering Bridge replacement, Road Bond for County Road project, doing 2.5 miles of reconstruction and resurfacing 2 miles. Michelle was a manager with expectations and goals and at the same she was always supportive of ideas. Michelle expected department heads to present monthly reports and ▶

Letters to the Editor continued

raises were based on merit and performance. Michelle encouraged community involvement and all the town committees were always full of volunteers.

Michelle filled the yearly town report with all the information a taxpayer needed to make informed decisions at town meeting, one year Deering won second place in the town report contest.

I guess by now you can see where I'm heading, its time for Deering to get back to its roots and I believe that Michelle is the one to take us there.

Deering Election! March 11, 2025 @ Deering Town Hall from 8am-7pm.

Peter Beard, Deering

Dear Editor:

Service to others is a core value that connects people and strengthens communities. Michelle Johnson exemplifies this value through her longstanding commitment and dedication to Deering, serving her community in numerous capacities.

I have had the privilege of working directly with Michelle on two key endeavors: the Trustees of the Trust Funds and the newly revitalized Deering Historical Society. In both roles, her attention to detail, organizational skill, and leadership have been second to none. Her passion for making Deering the best it can be for the entire community is unwavering and well established.

These are challenging times, and Michelle is not one

to shy away from challenges. Her proven record as a successful businesswoman and civic leader speaks for itself. As we consider the future of our town, it's essential to have leadership with the experience, skills and dedication to meet both today's needs and tomorrow's opportunities.

I encourage you to support Michelle Johnson's re-election to the Office of Selectmen. Thank you for your consideration.

Stephen Walker, Deering

Letter to the Editor:

Food pantry services are fairly common in our communities. Some run well meeting local needs on a regular basis. Some might consider reevaluating how they operate. A recent advertisement in the Messenger by the Henniker Food Pantry is a case in point. The plea is for volunteers and donations as the demand in town has risen 17% over last year.

Demand? 17%? Has the economy plummeted downward yet again? Are citizens sliding deeper into poverty? None of this is true. As some people suffer a set back; others are moving out of crisis. Perhaps the Henniker Food Pantry isn't monitoring 'need.' Show up, fill your car, say thank you, and drive away.

Generosity requires care in distribution. When things are "free" the demand skyrockets. For those who might criticize my comments; I care for the needy and protect charitable giving from the greedy. Be pragmatic, sav-

vy people discern the needy from the greedy. Food for thought.

Stephen Pierce, Bradford

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Folgers Ground Coffee **\$10.99**



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Starbucks Coffee

8 oz. 6 Pack, Selected Variety
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Sunsweet Prune Juice **\$4.99**

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Cafe Bustelo Ground Espresso Coffee **\$5.99**

22.25 oz. Can
Swiss Miss Hot Cocoa Mix **\$4.99**

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Breyers or Reese's Ice Cream

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Crav'n Flavor Saltine Crackers **2/\$5** DIVY BRAND



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Willow Tree Chicken Pie **\$3.99**

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Sports



Congratulations to #HYSAHawks girls' 3rd/4th grade Team Lovell for making it all the way to the championship this season. THANK YOU to head coach Kasey Lovell and assistant coach Melissa White for volunteering their time this season. (4th grade teammate Penny is missing from the photo).

BOYS BASKETBALL

Bow 56, Oyster River 51: The Falcons trailed by nine points heading into the fourth quarter, but outscored the Bobcats 21-7 over the final eight minutes to secure the win.

Bow 39, Milford 32: The Falcons held Milford to just 12 first-half points and Bow was able to keep up that defense to get the win against a resilient and gritty Spartan squad.

Bow 56, John Stark 34: Jake Reardon scored his 1,000th career point and the Falcons played a strong defensive game, holding the Generals to seven points in the second quarter and five points in the fourth.

Kennett 67, John Stark 57: Kennett stormed out to an 18-point halftime lead. The Generals cut their deficit to five, but Kennett held on.

John Stark 56, Souhegan 53: Souhegan was up two points at half, but a strong third quarter put the Generals on top to stay.

St. Thomas 52, Hopkinton 38: Will Chehade led the Hawks with 19 points in the loss.

Kearsarge 59, Conant 45: Conant led 14-12 after the first quarter, but Kearsarge outscored the Orioles 33-18 over the next two quarters and went 5-for-5 from the free throw line in the fourth quarter.

Kearsarge 78, Hillsboro-Deering 35: A balanced attack with all 12 players scoring helped the Cougars defeat the Hillcats on Tuesday night. Kearsarge led 45-24 at halftime.

Kearsarge 69, Newport 55: Kearsarge took an early lead with some points in transition and solid defense, and the Cougars put the game away in the fourth, outscoring Newport 22-16 and shooting 6-for-6 from

the line.

Hillsboro-Deering 58, Monadnock 36: The Hillcats took an early lead and had some good contributions off the bench later in the game as H-D picked up its second win of the season, avenging a December 19 loss to Monadnock, 58-43.

Pembroke 74, ConVal 38: Pembroke continued its offensive onslaught, scoring more than 70 points for the fourth time in its last five games.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Bow 50, Milford 48: Peyton Vaughn and Bry Szeplan led the Falcons with 15 points each.

Bow 65, John Stark 37: The Falcons led 34-23 at half-time and pulled away in the third quarter.

John Stark 58, Kennett 56: The Generals scored 23 points in the first quarter to take an early lead, but Kennett hit some 3s late to keep the game close. Korbet and Stafford led John Stark's scoring, with Stafford scoring a career-high 24 points.

Fall Mountain 52, Hopkinton 51: Fall Mountain led 31-26 at the half and 45-39 after three before the teams traded leads in the 4th. The Hawks had a shot with five seconds left, but couldn't convert as the Wildcats held on for the win.

Monadnock 42, Kearsarge 35: Monadnock led 14-9 after the first quarter and 25-11 at halftime. Kearsarge cut down the deficit in the third quarter, but ultimately fell short.

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Sports

St. Thomas 69, Hopkinton 28: The host Saints jumped out to a 20-8 lead after one quarter and limited the Hawks offensively all game to remain undefeated.

Monadnock 37, Kearsarge 29: Monadnock led 14-6 after the first quarter, 24-14 at halftime and 31-19 after three quarters. Records: Monadnock 9-2; Kearsarge 4-9.

Franklin 55, Farmington 50: After a tight game throughout, Franklin outscored Farmington 17-10 in the fourth quarter to earn the victory.

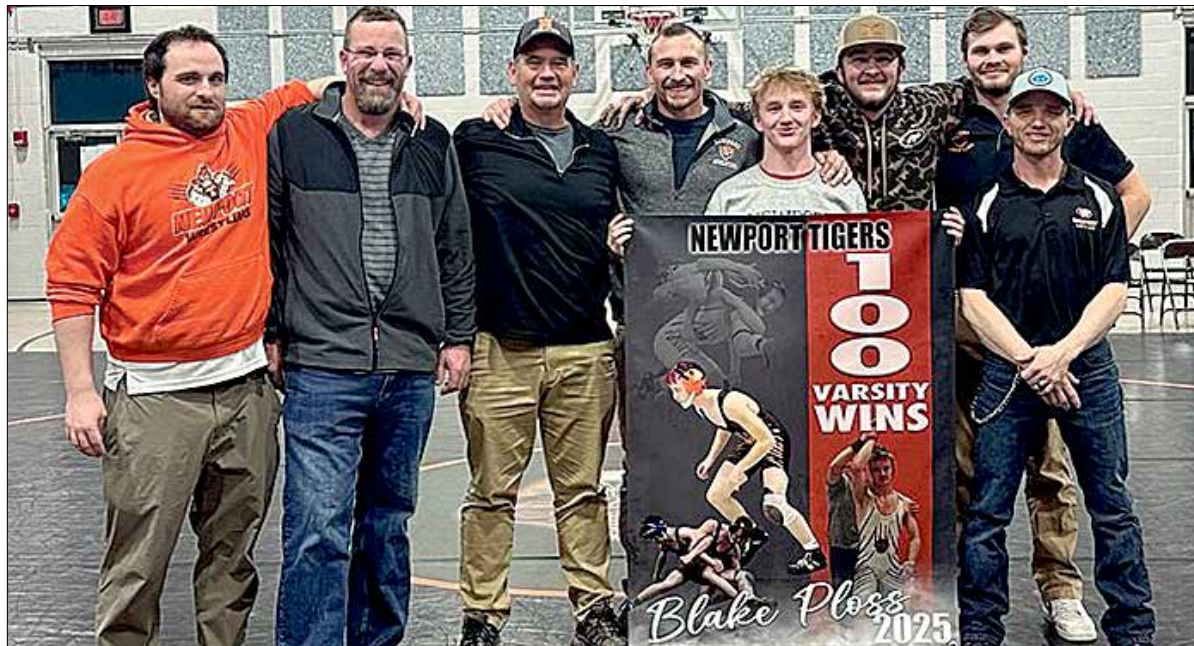
Franklin 68, Sunapee 35: Kourtney Kaplan single-handedly outscored the Lakers to lead the Tornadoes to

their fourth straight win.

Pembroke 68, ConVal 20: Pembroke raced to a 23-4 lead after the first quarter. Ten different players scored in a well-balanced effort.

BOYS HOCKEY

Bow 3, Windham 2: Highlights: Owen Webber recorded his 100th career point with an assist as the Falcons won their third game in a row to even their record at .500. Head coach Tim Walsh won his 300th career coaching victory when Bow beat Londonderry earlier in the week.



Newport's Blake Ploss achieved his hundredth career wrestling victory Wednesday, February 5 at home against White Mountains. Blake is pictured with all his coaches through the years.



A food drive at CWES yielded 3,873 pantry items for local families in need. The drive – dubbed a “Soup-er Bowl” – challenged individual classes to collect as many canned goods and other non-perishables as possible. The winning class, Ms. Sherri Dyer’s kindergarten, collected over 450 items

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By: Joyce Bosse

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When it comes to allergies, 45% of pet owners said they were happy to put up with some sneezing. If this sounds familiar, using a whole-home air cleaning device can improve your comfort while enjoying your furry family members.

Balance humidity

Maintaining your home's humidity level between 35-60% is another factor in improving indoor air quality. Mold, dust mites, and other air pollutants tend to thrive outside that humidity range. You can monitor humidity levels through a reliable HVAC thermostat and help manage it with a whole home dehumidifier and/or humidifier.

Set up an HVAC service check

It's important to test your home's indoor air quality to identify pervasive issues like pollen or allergen introduction that can negatively affect you or someone with asthma and/or allergies.

If you're experiencing health symptoms that may be related to bad air or just want peace of mind, have a specialist near you test your home's air. They can help you find solutions to reduce air pollutants and improve your home's overall air quality.

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Pictured Left to Right: Newport Police Chief Stephen Lee, Chief Deputy James Yazinski, Deputy Sheriff Bates, Deputy Combs, K9 Watson, Deputy James, Newport Detective Sergeant Alexander Marvin and High Sheriff Jayson Almstrom.

Sullivan County adds three new Deputy Sheriffs

On Monday, February 10, 2025, Sullivan County Sheriff Jayson Almstrom swore in the following personnel: Deputy Sheriff Eric Bates; Deputy Sheriff Eric James; and Deputy Sheriff Justin Combs.

These deputies are investigators who specialize in Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) and are federally funded. Deputies James and Combs have an office located

in Lincoln NH, and Deputy Combs is also a K9 handler. His black lab, "Watson," is trained to detect electronics when searching an area for digital evidence during a search warrant. When Sullivan County has a case that warrants their expertise, they will respond at no added cost to the taxpayers. Deputy Bates will be filling an open vacancy at the Sheriff's Office.

Francestown town budget up \$57,325 or 3.87%

Francestown's voters are being asked to approve a 2025-2026 operating budget of slightly more than \$2.3 million, an increase of \$57,325, or 3.87%. The tax rate would be \$4.41 per \$1,000 assessed valuation.

Town Administrator Jamie Pike explained that the town's three major initiatives of the past year included hiring a new full-time police officer, a wage and benefits study and an ongoing analysis of town revenue. The positions included in the study were road agent, heavy equipment op-

erator, light equipment operator, full-time police officer and town administrator. Budget increases include \$16,000 in fees from the Peterborough Ambulance Service. Also, the recycling center saw a \$14,000 increase due to higher waste-removal fees. Warrant Article 16 proposes establishing a contingency fund to support any unexpected expenses tied to the town's possible withdrawal from the ConVal School District, and to raise and appropriate \$20,000 for the fund.

Greenfield Town Administrator's salary questioned

Greenfield residents expressed concern about Town Administrator Aaron Patt's large raise this year.

"A 30% raise seems like a lot, especially when most people got 4%," said resident Ginnie Plourde. The Select Board, however, felt the raise was warranted.

"There are a lot of openings for municipal jobs, and there is no shortage of poaching from other towns. We have

Peterborough right down the road who can always pay more, and we feel it is very important to keep the people we have," Chair Mason Parker said. "We have A+ employees across the board, and if we don't treat them well, they won't stay. We can't expect them just to stay for our culture here; we also have to show them we appreciate them with wage increase." Greenfield's total budget decreased by \$12,748.

Goffstown Select Board to amend Noise Ordinance

The staccato-like rumbling of large trucks as they travel Route 114 toward the gas station near Mark Chantal's Goffstown house can be heard loud and clear.

Concerned about the engine braking noise and its impact on his neighborhood, especially for those living on Route 114 near Westlawn Cemetery, Chantal raised the issue with town officials in hopes of finding a solution. His complaint prompted the Goffstown Select Board to draft a proposed amendment to the town's 1997 noise ordinance

that would prohibit vehicles from using any mechanical exhaust or decompression device which results in the practice of engine braking.

The Select Board held its first public hearing on the proposal on Monday, February 10, at 6:30 p.m. A second hearing is slated for February 24. Following the hearings, board members will consider the feedback from residents and vote on whether to adopt the amendment at their meeting on March 10.



Washington Fire & Rescue's monthly meeting included a special visit from a local family whose member had experienced a major medical emergency. A quick reaction by the Rescue Squad members saved her life. In appreciation, the family supplied a delicious homemade dinner for all members. The support from the entire community is appreciated, but the special appreciation by this family was heartwarming. Bob Hofstetter photo.

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Ron Haggett

Peterborough, NH - Ron Haggett, 87, passed away Wednesday January 29, 2025 at Scott-Farrar in Peterborough. He was born on March 24, 1937 in Brooklyn, NY to Grace and Harold Haggett. Ron leaves behind his wife of 57 years, Ann; as well as his two daughters, Marybeth Fenton of Lebanon, NH [Patric] and Laura Stafford of Naples, FL; two grandsons, Samuel Fenton of Dover, NH (Kylee), and Cooper Fenton of Kittery, ME; and a great granddaughter, Samantha Fenton. Ron made it no secret about his desire to be a great grandfather, sharing with everyone that there is "a certain cache to being a great grandparent." A celebration of his life will be held at a later date. If you would like to do something to remember Ron, we suggest making a donation in his memory. James A. Tuttle Library (45 Main St. Antrim, NH 03440) or to the Antrim-Bennington Food Pantry (antrimbaptist.org /P.O. Box 206 Antrim, NH 03440).



Lois L. Nutting Fitch

Henniker - Lois Lorraine (Nutting) Fitch of Henniker died February 2, 2025. Lois was born May 21, 1918 at her grandparents' farm on Sleeper Hill, Gilford, NH, to Hannah Sleeper and George Parker Nutting. Lois was predeceased by her parents and her stepmother, Ruth A. Nutting; brother, G. Parker Nutting; and sister, Alma



Prescott, 99, who passed away in 2020. Her husband, Clarence died in 2009; her son, Robert in 1996; his wife, Nancy in 1999; and her grandson, Brian Patenaude in 2010. She is survived by her three daughters, Carolyn Patenaude and her husband, Rodney of Henniker, Joanne Grendell and husband, Bruce of Windsor, and Lorraine Edmunds and husband, Richard of Antrim; her son, James Fitch and wife, Priscilla of Henniker. She had nine grandchildren, eleven great grandchildren, who included: Thomas Patenaude and Beth with Brandon, Tyler and Carson, Mark Nutter and Ginger with Ryan, Margaret Edmunds Palango and Vern with Hannah and Thomas, Rick Edmunds and Jeanine with Andrew and Brody, Adam Fitch and Jennifer with Jack and Max, Jason Fitch, Hayden Fitch, Chelsea Prendergast with Braelyn; and several nieces and nephews. Graveside services TBD at a later date. Donations: Robert N. Fitch Memorial, Tucker Free Library, PO Box 688, Henniker, NH 03242.

Lt. Col. Robert Callahan USMC, RET.

New Boston - Robert J. Callahan, age 56, of New Hampshire, formerly of Quincy MA, died peacefully, Friday, February 7, 2025, of military acquired ALS, in the comfort of his home, surrounded by his loving family. Robert was born in Quincy (Houghs Neck) to Margaret M. (Dalrymple) and the late Edward J. Callahan, Jr.



Beloved husband for thirty years to Ivana (Hrabar) Callahan. Devoted father of Molly V. Callahan, Robert J. Callahan Jr, and Laura M. Callahan. A funeral Mass will be celebrated in St. Patrick's Catholic Church, 34 Amherst St., Milford NH on Saturday, February 15th, at 11:00 a.m. followed by Military Honors at the Church. Due to current conditions, Internment will be held in the spring at St. Patrick's Catholic Cemetery. In lieu of flowers donations in memory of Bob can be sent to St. Patrick's Catholic Church, 34 Amherst St., Milford NH 03053.

Kelly Suzanne Kruenegel

Melbourne Florida - Kelly Suzanne Kruenegel, born September 10, 1976, passed away February 2, 2025, at age 48 after a sudden illness. She is survived by her father and stepmother, Gary and Linda Blish of Claremont; her mother and stepfather, Mary and Robert Bishop of Ohio; Dennis and Gwenda McCarthy of Florida; her sister, Heidi Welch of Hillsboro; her brother, Paul Reynold of Florida and her sister, Ann Carlos.

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FRIDAY FEBRUARY 14

HOPKINTON FOOD PANTRY: The Hopkinton Food Pantry has been a vital resource for Hopkinton residents for many years. As the Pantry enters a period of transition, we are seeking volunteers to join the Board of Directors. This re-constitution of the Board is essential in preparing for the well-deserved retirement of the long-time coordinator, who has dedicated decades of service. The Food Pantry is a 501(c)(3) independent organization located at the Slusser Center. The Town of Hopkinton provides support through its Human Service Coordinator and is assisting with the recruitment of new Board members. The Board will play a key role in setting policy for the Pantry and in overseeing the transition of leadership. If you are interested in serving on the Board or would like to help with the transition, please contact Town Administrator Neal Cass at townadmin@hopkinton-nh.gov or (603) 746-8242. A meeting for all interested volunteers will be scheduled in the coming weeks.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: The Greenfield Firefighters Association is seeking new members to support the town's fire department. The association provides food and water to firefighters during extended emergencies and raises money to purchase equipment not covered in the annual budget. Volunteers also help with town events, including birthday trains, Fire & Ice and Guns & Hoses. Membership has decreased in recent years due to aging or relocation, limiting the group's activities. New members are needed

to assist with tasks such as cooking, staffing booths and decorating. Those interested can contact Louise Gryval at 603-391-1674 or ljslle@yahoo.com or attend a meeting held on the second Wednesday of each month at 6:30pm at the Greenville fire station, 38 Main St.

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 15

MORSE SPORTING GOODS SCORING DAY: 10:00am-4:00pm. Scoring Deer, Bear and Moose. Event by NH Antler & Skull Trophy Club. Anyone welcome.

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 15-16

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SUNDAY FEBRUARY 16

RETIREMENT PARTY: For Weare Town Clerk Maureen Billodeau, 1:00-3:00pm at Weare's Old Town Hall.

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 26

ANTRIM GRANGE: will host the annual Meet the Candidates Night on Wednesday, February 26th at 7:00pm at the Antrim Town Hall. Antrim voters are invited to come and hear candidates running for local office share their message, in person, at one convenient time and place. For newer voters, it is an opportunity to learn about the various positions up for election and to put a face to names that will be on the ballot at town voting day on March 11th. Refreshments will be served by the Grange members.

TUESDAY MARCH 18

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Case No.: 2025-01

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Regarding a request by Peter Hecht and Kristina Jones, appealing a decision of the Board of Selectmen denying a building permit on a private road in accordance with RSA § 674:41, II, and for variances relative to the proposed construction of a single-family residence, from Zoning Ordinance Section 4.1.4, to allow a structure of more than 35 feet in height, Zoning Ordinance Section 4.4.10, to allow a structure within 50 feet of Deering Reservoir, and Zoning Ordinance Section 4.5.8, to allow a structure within the 75 foot watershed protection buffer zone, on the property located at 517 Baldwin Road, Tax Map 235, Lot 35.

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The public is invited to attend or comment in writing to the Planning Board prior to the hearing.

The Planning Board will hold their regular meeting after the hearing concludes.

LEGAL NOTICE AND NOTICE OF HEARING

Maine Department of Health & Human Services

MAINE DISTRICT COURT

IN RE: Maddox Campbell

Doc. No.: BID-PC-24-52, FM-2024-806

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO Ashley Campbell and Matthew Maynard, whereabouts unknown: Pursuant to 22 M.R.S. §4001 et seq., the Maine Department of Health & Human Services (hereafter, "DHHS") has petitioned the Court for a Child Protection Order which has been consolidated with a Petition for Appointment of Guardian concerning the child: Maddox Campbell d/o/b: 22/8/2016 born in Nashua, NH. The mother is Ashley Campbell, and the father is Matthew Maynard. DHHS has met the requirements of M.R. Civ. P. Rule 4(g) (1) (A)-(C). Hearing on the pending Petitions will be held on **May 6, 2025 at 8:30 a.m. at York Judicial Center, 515 Elm Street, Biddeford, ME 04005. Failure to appear at this hearing may result in the issuance of a child protection order, appointment of a Guardian and/or any other order permissible under 22 M.R.S. §4001 et seq and 18-C M.R.S. §5-201 et seq.** Mr. Maynard's court-appointed counsel is: Kathy McKechnie, Esq., P.O. Box 307, Saco, ME 04072. Tel.: (207) 956-3321. Ms. Campbell's court-appointed counsel is Amanda Ramirez, Esq., PO Box 78, Newfield, ME 04056. Tel.: (207) 608-3916. Contact the court at the above address or 207-283-6000. To obtain a copy of the Petition(s), contact the court or DHHS at 207-286-2400, 457 Alfred Street, Biddeford, Maine. DHHS is represented by the Maine Office of the Attorney General, 125 Presumpscot St. Ste. 26, Portland, ME 04103.

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