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Hopkinton Police Promotion

Brian O'Connor (R) was officially sworn in recently as the next Lieutenant of the Hopkinton Police Department. Lieutenant O'Connor has proudly served the Town of Hopkinton for the past 16 years.



Goodlander at Space Force

Congresswoman Maggie Goodlander recently toured the New Boston Space Station.

This week in history

MAY 15, 1856

San Francisco establishes Committee of Vigilance

MAY 16, 1920

Joan of Arc is canonized as a saint

MAY 17, 1954

Brown v. Board of Education is decided

MAY 18, 1980

Mount St. Helens erupts

MAY 19, 1780

New England's Dark Day sends animals and citizens into panic

MAY 20, 1862

President Abraham Lincoln signs the Homestead Act

MAY 21, 1971

Marvin Gaye's album "What's Going On" is released



Stacy Hannings is all smiles after earning a Master of Business Administration degree from Colby-Sawyer College. Photo by Isabel Gabriel

Colby-Sawyer College holds its 188th Commencement

Colby-Sawyer has conferred 269 degrees, celebrated academic excellence and presented an alumna with the college's highest honor at its 188th Commencement on Saturday, May 9.

College President Dean McCurdy, who began his tenure in June 2025, presided over his first Commencement in New London. He presented 4 Doctor of Nursing Practice, 57 master's, 198 bachelor's and 10 associate degrees at the 10:30 a.m. ceremony at the Dan and Kathleen Hogan Sports Center.

McCurdy also awarded Lisa Hogarty '81, outgoing chair of the college's Board of Trustees, with the Susan Colgate Cleveland Medal for Distinguished Service. Hogarty earned a Bachelor of Fine Arts in theater at Colby-Sawyer, worked on Broadway and is now senior vice president of real es-

tate planning and development at Boston Children's Hospital. Hogarty has made her alma mater a philanthropic priority. Brandon Arvesen, assistant professor of creative & professional writing, was presented with the Jack Jensen Award for Excellence in Teaching, the college's highest faculty honor. As is custom for the recipient of the award, Arvesen delivered the Commencement's keynote titled "What Comes Next."

Caitlynn McAllister received the Colby-Sawyer Award, given to the senior selected by faculty for best exemplifying the college's ideals. McAllister majored in addiction studies and minored in psychology and sociology and human services. She will pursue a Master of Social Work at Colby-Sawyer.

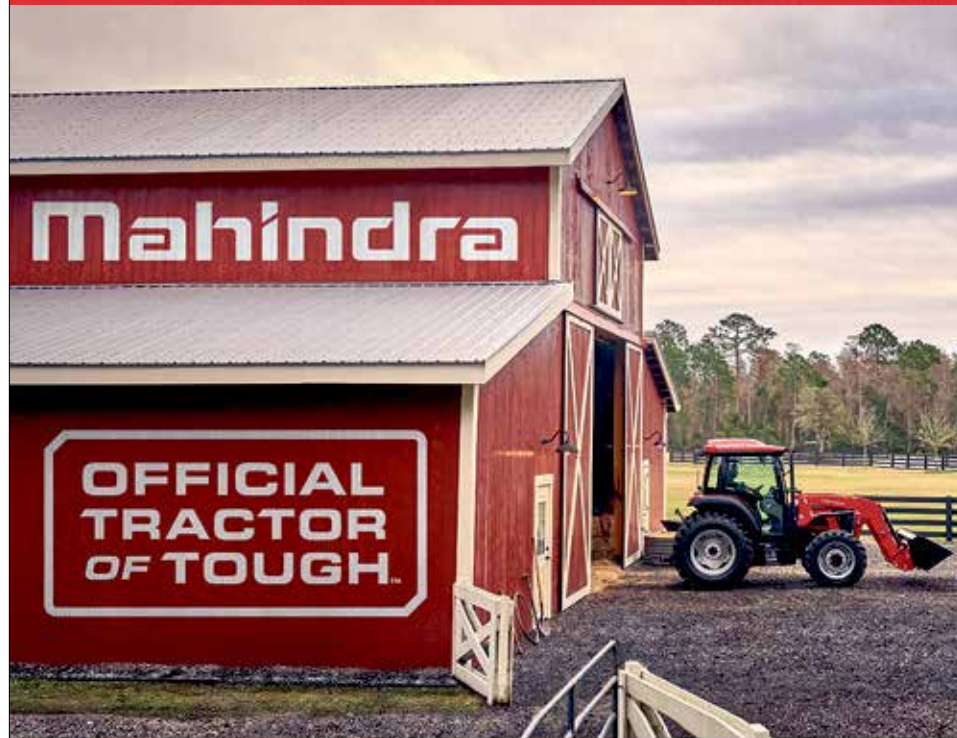
JJ Davis was presented the David H. Winton Baccalaureate Award for ranking

highest in scholarship. The business administration major recorded a 3.97 grade-point average. The former standout track & field athlete will work for his family's construction company.

Sophie H. Pedro delivered the senior Commencement address titled "More than a Place." Pedro is earning a Bachelor of Science in Nursing with a minor in healthcare management. The captain of the women's lacrosse team plans to begin a nursing career.

And, Jeff Larson gave the college's inaugural Graduate & Professional Studies speech at Commencement titled "What We Carry Forward." Larson, who is earning a Master of Social Work, will begin his career as a primary therapist at a substance use treatment facility in New Hampshire.

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Yesteryear *Local history as reported in The Messenger*

May 15, 2025

New London's new police facility put on hold
New Boston moderator wrong to deny amendments to tax cap warrant
Three injured in Antrim head-on collision
Head-on crash on Hillsborough's Henniker Street

May 17, 2024

Washington woman faces DWI charge after New Hampton crash
Fleeing driver fails to elude Peterborough Police
Troop 529 honors three new Eagle Scouts
Two H-D students receive DECA's "Emerging Leader Awards"

May 19, 2023

1 dead, 1 injured in Franklin crash
Newport voters reelect one selectman, oust the other
John Stark senior violated civil rights writing racist graffiti
Newbury exploring options to become an Aggregate Power Community

May 20, 2022

H-D Board wants to retain most of \$2 million surplus
New England College promotes Dr. Wayne Lesperance
Hancock & Greenfield form "Powder Mill Republicans"
Moving tribute to officer Rory Bohanan

May 21, 2021

Exodus of Bennington officials continues
Chamber opposes proposed Noise Ordinance
New London Select Board rescinds Mask Mandate
Controversial Peterborough Town Clerk reelected

May 22, 2020

Six Hopkinton Budgets presented - All six defeated
Weare Select Board rescinds reprimand to Town Clerk
Hillsborough Police respond to three accidents
Hillsboro-Deering planning a traditional graduation

May 24, 2019

Plan NH charrette cite increased downtown parking
Henniker approves new Fire/Rescue workers
H-D's Alex Ager Artistic Director at Kearsarge Chorale
Man charged with New Boston hit & run

May 25, 2018

Deering Fire Dept upset over Selectmen's minutes
Andover man dies in Alexandria accident
Stoddard crash after 2nd DWI in 2 days
DAR honors ConVal students and faculty

May 26, 2017

Officer involved shooting in Hopkinton
Hobby Lobby to occupy former Tilton Shaw's
Sunapee Police Chief to lead Training Council
DOT wants improvements to intersection in Antrim

May 20, 2016

Goffstown can not collect from Dunbarton
1971 Franklin murder receives another look
ConVal student faces sex assault charges in 3 towns
Bow drinking water quality study released

Weare Representative defiant in face of pending censure

Two-term State Rep. Travis Corcoran, R-Weare, will face a recommended vote of censure for his social media posts that targeted two House Democratic colleagues with what some viewed as antisemitic and offensive comments.

House Legislative Administration Committee Chairman Gregory Hill, R-Northfield, had brought to the panel a proposed reprimand, a less significant punishment for Corcoran's commentary.

A bipartisan group of members on the committee said they found Corcoran's comments offensive enough to warrant the higher penalty that an opponent to the idea, state Rep. Kevin Ver-ville, R-Deerfield, had called a "finger wag of a different color."

Rep. Jeanine Notter, R-Merrimack, said she struggled with Corcoran using a phrase linked to the Holocaust as the daughter of someone who served in units

of Gen. George Patton's Third Army, which helped liberate a major Nazi concentration camp in April 1945.

"Those were scenes that haunted him the rest of his life. He rarely spoke of it but he did say, 'They were so hungry, we fed them and they died,'" Notter recalled.

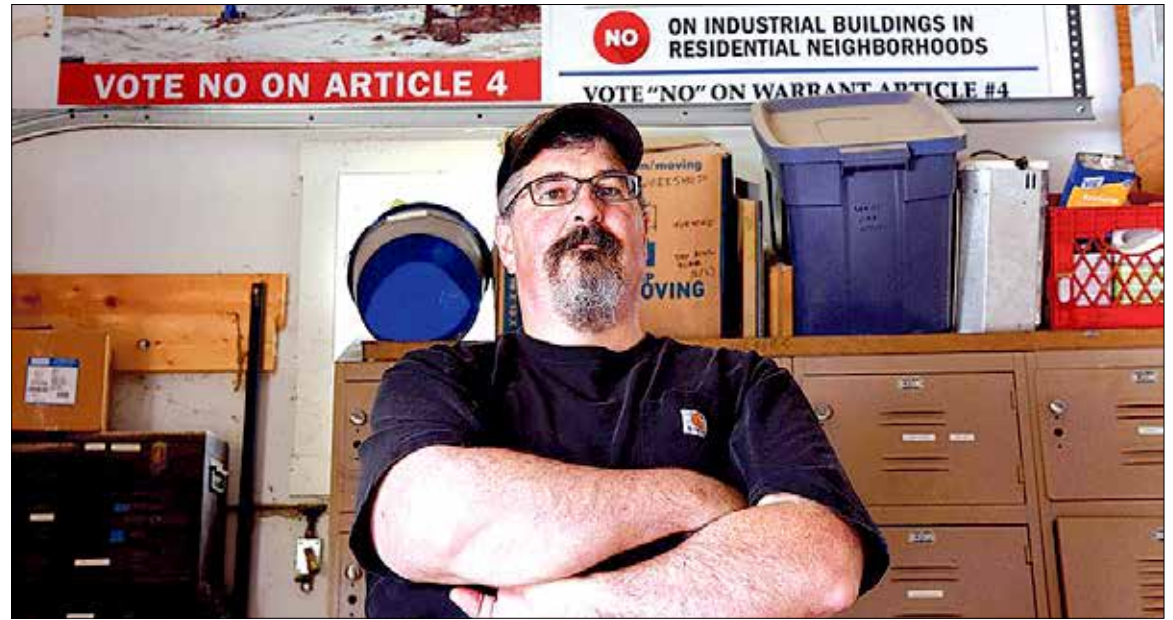
In past posts on X, Corcoran had called for a "final solution" for State Rep. Jessica Grill, D-Manchester, who is Jewish, after she had invited friends to a karaoke night event.

He once posted about supporting the deportation of Rep. Luz Bay, D-Dover, who was born in the Philippines.

Corcoran said when he made these and other controversial posts, he was joking or being sarcastic.

After a brief recess, the committee voted 10-2 for censure.

Gov. Kelly Ayotte condemned Corcoran's comments. "It's just



Rep. Travis Corcoran

wrong and does not represent New Hampshire; it does not represent New Hampshire values. It clearly doesn't represent his constituents when he makes those kind of statements. And the House will decide what the

appropriate punishment is, but I certainly wouldn't vote for him," Ayotte said.

On X, Corcoran reacted to Ayotte's remarks. "You can give the middle finger to the governor with no repercussions, but if

you go against the Theater Kid caucus, you truly have touched the third rail of NH politics," he posted in response to Ayotte's statements.

Corcoran represents the towns of Goffstown and Weare.

An advertisement for Henniker Farm & Country Store. The top part features a photograph of the store's exterior, a large red building with a white porch, and a sign that reads "HENNIKER FARM & COUNTRY STORE" with the phone number "603-428-3255" and the website "www.hennikerfarm.com". Overlaid on the photo is the text "It's Springtime at the Farm!". Below the photo, there is a large red banner with white text that says "Great prices and friendly service from your local family business". Underneath this banner, it says "Come in and browse our great selection of:" followed by a list of items: "Clothing", "Footwear", "Pet Food", "Pet Supplies", "Lawn & Garden", "Livestock Feed", and "Wild Bird Feed". On the right side, there is a blue circular graphic with a green dollar sign and the text "Learn how you can earn Henniker Farm Bucks!". At the bottom, there is a dark red banner with white text that says "HENNIKER FARM & COUNTRY STORE" and "110 BRADFORD RD. • HENNIKER • 428-3255 OPEN: M-F 8-6; SAT. 8-5; SUN. 9-1".

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In Service To Others



The Hopkinton Rotary Club inducted its newest member, Kent Smith.



The Henniker Area Rotary Club presented Officer Tom Houghton and his canine, Aspen, of the NH Fish and Game Conservation Canine Department, with a check for \$3500 from the Club's 34th Rabies Clinic.

Bow High School staff member removed after “unnamed allegations”

Police said they are investigating an “allegation” involving a Bow High School staff member who was removed from school grounds last Thursday.

The name of the staff member nor the exact nature of the allegation has not been released after Bow Superintendent of Schools Marcy Kelley sent a notice to families of students at 8:52 a.m. Friday, notifying them that the school administration “recently became aware of an allegation involving a staff member.”

“It is important for families to know that this matter does not involve any current or former Bow High School student,” the notice reads. “Upon receiving this information, we acted immediately and removed the individual from our building within the hour. We took swift action to address the situation.”

The matter has been referred to the Bow Police Department. “While this remains an on-

going personnel matter and we are limited in what we can share, at this time we have no reason to believe that any Bow High School students are involved,” Kelley’s notice to families says. “Please know that the safety and well-being of our students remain our highest priority.”

Asked if the allegation involved a Bow High School coach, as several sources claim, Kelley wrote in an email: “Personnel matters involving employees (including coaches) are confidential and we have no comment at this time.”

Bow High School Principal Matt Fisk also declined comment.

Bow Police Lt. Matt Pratte has confirmed that an active investigation led by Detective Sgt. Tyler Coady is underway. “We don’t believe it involves a juvenile or current student at Bow High School,” Pratte said in a phone interview. “We also believe there’s no threat to any-

one at the school, or the general public.”

Pratte said he was unable to

comment further due to the ongoing nature of the investigation, but said his department was not

involved in the removal of the staff member from Bow High School grounds last Thursday.



Jace and Griffin were outside Sully’s in Goffstown fundraising for their high school baseball team when they found a bag containing \$75 in gift cards dropped by a customer. They immediately turned it in to the management team. Integrity is doing the right thing even when no one is watching. Best of luck this season and throughout your high school journey. You are setting a great example for others!

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BY SARAH CHAPIN

Giving a P2Y12 inhibitor anti-clotting drug to patients with coronary artery disease is associated with lower rates of cardiovascular death, heart attack and stroke compared with traditional aspirin, with no increased risk of major bleeding, finds a study published by *The BMJ*. P2Y12 inhibitors are often given to patients alongside aspirin ("dual therapy") after percutaneous coronary intervention (PCI) — a procedure to widen or unblock a coronary artery — to help prevent cardiovascular events including heart attack and stroke. After several months, patients are usually switched from dual therapy to life-long aspirin. P2Y12 inhibitors include clopidogrel, ticlopidine, ticagrelor, prasugrel, and cangrelor.

Long-term use of benzodiazepine and related drugs has been linked to poorer quality sleep in older adults with insomnia. While they are cheap, commonly prescribed and widely available, these drugs are also addictive: quitting cold turkey can lead to serious withdrawal symptoms, including increased risk of falls, hospitalization and cognitive issues. A new study published in the journal *Sleep* shows that use of benzodiazepine and benzodiazepine receptor agonists (BZRA) can also affect brain rhythms during sleep that are important for memory and cognitive health in adults aged between 55 and 80.

Methotrexate, a common medication used to treat rheumatoid arthritis, has a newly recognized useful secondary effect to lower blood pressure and potentially reduces the risk of heart disease in people with this condition according to a new study published in *Annals of Medicine*. Occurring in about one in 100 people, rheumatoid arthritis (RA) is a common autoimmune disease which leads to inflammation and pain in the connective tissue of a patient's joints.

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FROM CAVITIES TO SLEEP APNEA: DENTISTS CAN ASSUME NEW ROLE IN SAVING LIVES



Dr. Esin Narli

A patient dozes off in a dental chair despite the anxiety of an impending procedure. A seemingly unremarkable act but — for dentists versed in the latest sleep research — this red flag hints at a life-threatening condition.

New research suggests dental professionals have unique opportunities to screen for conditions such as obstructive sleep apnea, a disorder that affects millions of Americans and is linked to serious health risks, including cardiovascular disease and neurodegeneration. It also challenges dentists to look beyond teeth and gums to the broader landscape of patient health.

Dentists can be the first line of defense in identifying sleep disorders. They often see symptoms long before physicians. Indicators like tooth grinding, tongue scalloping or even a patient dozing off in the chair can be early signs that something more is going on. Sleep disorders such as obstructive sleep apnea affect more than half of Americans at some point in their lives. Many cases go undiagnosed, but dentists can play an important role in reducing those numbers.

The review outlines several key indicators that dental clinicians should look for during examinations, including enlarged jaw muscles, scalloped tongue edges, white lines on the cheeks, restricted visibility of the throat, dental wear patterns and tiny cracks on teeth. These physical signs, combined with patient history and simple screening tools, can help dentists identify at-risk patients with up to 80 percent accuracy.

Another sign of concern, according to the review authors, is bruxism, commonly known as teeth grinding. Contrary to long-held beliefs, the studies suggest teeth grinding is often a symptom of underlying sleep issues rather than a standalone problem caused by dental misalignment.

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Around Our Towns



The N.H. Division of Historical Resources has announced that the State Historical Resources Council has added Washington's Purling Beck Grange Hall to the N.H. State Register of Historic Places. Initially a Methodist church when it was built in 1859, Purling Beck Grange Hall is the only remaining building in Washington that is primarily identified as a grange hall. The timber-framed, clapboarded structure has a short, square tower that sits back from the gabled front; inside, the single undivided hall has a stage with a proscenium frame. In the mid-twentieth century, the grange constructed an addition for a commercial kitchen, pantry and two dry privies.



The ConVal School Board has outlined the timeline and next steps for Francelstown's withdrawal from the nine-town school district, with the official withdrawal date estimated to be July 1, 2027. Francelstown will hold a Special Town Meeting to vote on a warrant which would enable the creation of the new Francelstown School Board, and to authorize the board to raise and appropriate funds for the new school district. Francelstown has stated it would like to pursue withdrawal from SAU 1 as well, but withdrawal from the SAU is a separate process which cannot be initiated until Francelstown has a school board in place.

Sunapee Fire Dept. responds to large oil/fuel spill in Georges Mills Harbor

On Wednesday, May 6th, the Sunapee Fire Department was dispatched to Georges Mills Harbor for a reported oil/fuel spill.

Sunapee Rescue 1 arrived on scene at 10:41 a.m. and reported a large spill with a visible sheen in the water caused by a ruptured hydraulic line on a tow truck. Incident Command was immediately established, and personnel from Sunapee Fire quickly initiated containment operations.

Sunapee Boat 1 was deployed to the scene and utilized to rapidly place containment booms in the water while crews operating from shore deployed absorbent spill pads. Speedy Dry was also used to mitigate and clean up portions of the spill located within the parking lot area.

Due to the size and complexity of the incident, along with limited staffing resources affecting multiple departments, including Sunapee, mutual aid assistance was requested from the following

departments:

- New London Fire Department
- Springfield Fire Department
- Goshen Fire Department
- Grantham Fire Department
- Enfield Fire Department
- Newbury Fire Department

The Mid-Western New Hampshire HazMat Team was also activated and responded to assist with spill mitigation operations. In addition, the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services responded and provided technical assistance on scene.

The Sunapee Fire Department was further assisted by the Sunapee Police Department, who deployed a drone to provide responders with an overhead view of the incident scene. The department would also like to thank the staff from Sunapee Town Hall for delivering food to first responders operating on scene, as well as Sunapee Recreation Department for providing



Georges Mills Harbor.

tents for crews working during periods of heavy rain.

Crews from all responding agencies worked for close to three hours to contain and clean up the spill.

The incident was declared under control at 1:10 p.m., and

all units cleared the scene at 1:57 p.m.

While Sunapee Fire personnel were committed to the incident, Lempster Fire Department provided station coverage at the Sunapee Fire Station. During that time, Lempster Fire re-

sponded to a medical emergency within the Town of Sunapee, resulting in one patient being transported. The Sunapee Fire Department would like to extend its sincere appreciation to Lempster Fire for their assistance and support.

At this time, the majority of the spill has been successfully contained and cleaned up. A small section of containment booms will remain in place near the boat launch area at Georges Mills Harbor. Please note that the boat ramp remains OPEN to the public.

The Sunapee Fire Department respectfully asks the public not to remove, move, or tamper with the containment booms remaining in the water.

These booms may remain in place for up to a week, if not longer, while crews continue to monitor the area.

The containment equipment will be removed once it is determined safe to do so.



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Sierra McDonald of Goffstown



Jeffrey Cincevich of Manchester

Goffstown Police arrest two for Criminal Mischief

On April 21st the Goffstown Police responded to Lions Field for a report of criminal mischief. Upon arrival, the officers observed several items sprayed with vulgarity and racial slurs throughout the ballfields. Police responded to the same location again on April 29th and observed the same vulgarities and racial slurs.

The Goffstown Police Department completed an

investigation, identified two suspects responsible and arrested both. They have each been charged with one count of Criminal Mischief and, due to the amount of damage caused, both charges are Class B Felonies.

The suspects arrested are identified as:

Sierra McDonald, 24, of Goffstown and Jeffrey Cincevich, 22, of Manchester.

Antrim Grange hosts Community Awards Night May 20

Antrim Grange's annual Community Awards Night will be held May 20th at 7:00 p.m. at Antrim Town Hall. Community Citizen, Educator, and other special awards will be presented to recipients voted by the members of the Grange. The public is invited to attend, celebrate, and show appreciation for our local volunteers and heroes. A time of fellowship and refreshments will follow the ceremony. Through education, advocacy, and community ser-

vice, the Grange is an organization where every individual is empowered to contribute to the well-being of their hometowns, and where the rich tapestry that weaves from rural areas through cities is celebrated and preserved for generations to come.

For more information about Antrim Grange or the Community Awards Night, please call 588-6615 or check for updates on the Antrim Grange Facebook page.

Join History Alive at Hillsborough's Kemp Park

FRIDAY MAY 29TH:

- 8:30 - set up
- 9:00 - Drumming - Mike Franklin
- 9:20 - Round 1 Railroads tour
- 9:40 - Round 2 Mills and the river
- 10:05 - Round 3 Abenaki Stories/plants
- 10:30 - Round 4 Abenaki baskets
- 10:55 - Round 5 F. Pierce BBQ Oven
- 11:20 - Round 6 Truck museums
- 11:45 - Visit any booths missed
- 11:50 - Ice Cream
- 12:00 - OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
- 1:00 - Abenaki Storyteller
- 2:00 - History of the River
- 3:00 - Close down

SATURDAY MAY 30TH:

- 8:30 - set up
- 9:00 - Drumming - Mike Franklin
- 10:00 - Railroad tour across town
- 11:00 - Mills Stories - Woods/Morse
- 12:00 - Canoe History - Robert Goodby
- 1:00 - Railroad stories - Dale Russell
- 2:00 - Abenaki presentation and auction/raffle winners
- 3:00 - Close down

For updates on the 2026 History Alive schedule, visit historyalivenh.org or check their facebook page.

The event is sponsored by NH Humanities Council with help from NH Charitable Foundation.

New Boston Police Dept commends Sergeant Matthew Sullivan

For an investigation that led to a Conviction of a Child Predator



Sergeant Matthew Sullivan

revealed that the interaction occurred on an online platform known as Discord, a popular communication application that allows text, voice, and video chat. Due to its use of private and invitation only servers, Discord can be challenging to monitor.

Sergeant Matthew Sullivan of the New Boston Police Department led this investigation and worked collaboratively with the New Hampshire Child Advocacy Center and Detectives from the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force to expand the scope of the case. Through this collaboration, Sgt. Sullivan identified multiple usernames and email addresses associated with the concerning communications. He drafted numerous search warrants and dedicated countless hours reviewing communications and data obtained through those

warrants.

Approximately two months into the investigation, Sergeant Sullivan identified specific devices and account identifiers connected to the Discord profiles, allowing him to significantly narrow the list of potential suspects. Ultimately, he was able to identify not only the individual responsible but also the specific device used to commit the offenses.

Although Sergeant Sullivan had sufficient evidence to pursue charges in the State of New Hampshire, he continued to proactively collaborate with a Detective from the North Canton, Ohio Police Department to determine whether additional victims existed and whether charges could be pursued in that jurisdiction. Recognizing that extradition to New Hampshire was unlikely, Sgt. Sullivan remained

committed to assisting North Canton Police by sharing investigative findings and intelligence.

As a result of this interagency cooperation, North Canton Detectives were able to charge:

Travis Bertram, age 42, of North Canton, Ohio

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In October 2025, Mr. Bertram pled guilty to the aforementioned charge and was sentenced to the maximum allowable penalty of 12 months in the House of Corrections. Upon any potential release, he is prohibited from having contact with juveniles and from accessing the internet.

Despite the fact that no charges were ultimately filed within the State of New Hamp-

shire, Sergeant Sullivan remained diligent and unwavering in his efforts to ensure that this individual was held accountable. His persistence directly contributed to another agency's ability to bring the offender to justice.

As Chief of Police, I am beyond proud of Sergeant Sullivan's commitment, professionalism, and dedication to this investigation and to the victims impacted by these crimes. This case exemplifies the exceptional work performed daily by the officers of the New Boston Police Department—work that often occurs behind the scenes and goes unnoticed.

We would also like to extend our sincere appreciation to all partner agencies involved for their collaboration and support throughout this lengthy and complex investigation.

- Chief Stephen Case



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Publisher's Perspective

A different take on Donald Trump: (a non-political agenda)

How right Charles Krauthammer was on his take on Trump when he first wrote this column in March 2018 before his death on June 21, 2018. LDB

Trump Is Not A Liberal or Conservative, He's a "Pragmatist." (Definition: A pragmatist is someone who is practical and focused on reaching a goal. A pragmatist usually has a straightforward, matter-of-fact approach and doesn't let emotion distract him or her.)

"We recently enjoyed a belated holiday dinner with friends at the home of other friends. The dinner conversation varied from discussions about antique glass and china to theology and politics.

At one point, reference was made to Donald Trump being a conservative, to which I responded that Trump is not a conservative.

I said that I neither view nor do I believe Trump views himself as a conservative. I stated it was my opinion that Trump is a pragmatist. He sees a problem and understands it must be fixed. He doesn't see the problem as liberal or conservative, he sees it only as a problem. That is a quality that should be admired and applauded, not condemned. But I get ahead of myself.

Viewing problems from a Liberal perspective has resulted in the creation of more problems, more entitlement programs, more victims, more government, more political correctness, and more attacks on the working class in all economic strata.

Viewing things according to the so-called Republican conservative perspective has brought continued spending and globalism to the detriment of American interests and well being, denial of what the real problems are, weak, ineffective, milquetoast, leadership that amounts to Barney Fife Deputy Sheriff, appeasement oriented and afraid of its own shadow. In brief, it has brought liberal ideology with a pachyderm as a mascot juxtaposed to the ass of the Democrat Party.

Immigration isn't a Republican problem, it isn't a Liberal problem, it is a problem that threatens the very fabric and infrastructure of America. It demands a pragmatic approach not an approach that is intended to appease one group or another.

The impending collapse of the economy wasn't a Liberal or Conservative problem, it is an American problem. That said, until it is viewed as a problem that demands a common sense approach to resolution, it will never be fixed because the Democrats and Republicans know only one way to fix things and the longevity of their impracticality has proven to have no lasting effect. Successful businessmen like Donald Trump find ways to make things work, they do not promise to accommodate.

Trump uniquely understands that China's manipulation of currency is not a Republican problem or a Democrat problem. It is a problem that threatens our financial stability and he understands the proper balance needed to fix it.

Here again, successful businessmen, like Trump, who have weathered the changing tides of economic reality understand what is necessary to make business work,

and they, unlike both sides of the political aisle, know that if something doesn't work, you don't continue trying to make it work hoping that at some point it will.

As a pragmatist, Donald Trump hasn't made wild pie-in-the-sky promises of a cell phone in every pocket, free college tuition, and a \$15 hour minimum wage for working the drive-through at Carl's Hamburgers.

I argue that America needs pragmatists because pragmatists see a problem and find ways to fix them. They do not see a problem and compound it by creating more problems.

You may not like Donald Trump, but I suspect that the reason some people do not like him is because:

(1) he is antithetical to the "good old boy" method of brokering back room deals that fatten the coffers of politicians;

(2) they are unaccustomed to hearing a president speak who is unencumbered by the financial shackles of those who he owes vis-a-vis donations;

(3) he is someone who is free of idiomatic political ideology;

(4) he says what he is thinking, is unapologetic for his outspoken thoughts, speaks very straightforward using everyday language that can be understood by all (and is offensive to some who dislike him anyway) making him a great communicator, for the most part, does what he says he will do and;

(5) he is someone who understands that it takes more than hollow promises and political correctness to make America great again.

Listening to Hillary Clinton and Bernie Sanders talk about fixing America is like listening to two lunatics trying to "out crazy" one another.

Jeb Bush, John Kasich and Marco Rubio are owned lock, stock, and barrel by the bankers, corporations, and big dollar donors funding their campaigns. Bush can deny it, but common sense tells anyone willing to face facts is that people don't give tens of millions without expecting something in return.

We have had Democrats and Republican ideologies and what has it brought us? Are we better off today or worse off? Has it happened overnight or has it been a steady decline brought on by both parties?

I submit that a pragmatist is just what America needs right now. People are quick to confuse and despise confidence as arrogance, but that is common among those who have never accomplished anything in their lives (or politicians who never really solved a problem, because it's better to still have an "issue(s) to be solved," so re-elect me to solve it, (which never happens) and those who have always played it safe (again, all politicians) not willing to risk failure, to try and achieve success).

Donald Trump put his total financial empire at risk in running for president and certainly did not need or possibly even want the job; that says it all.

He wants success for the U.S. and her citizens because he loves his country.

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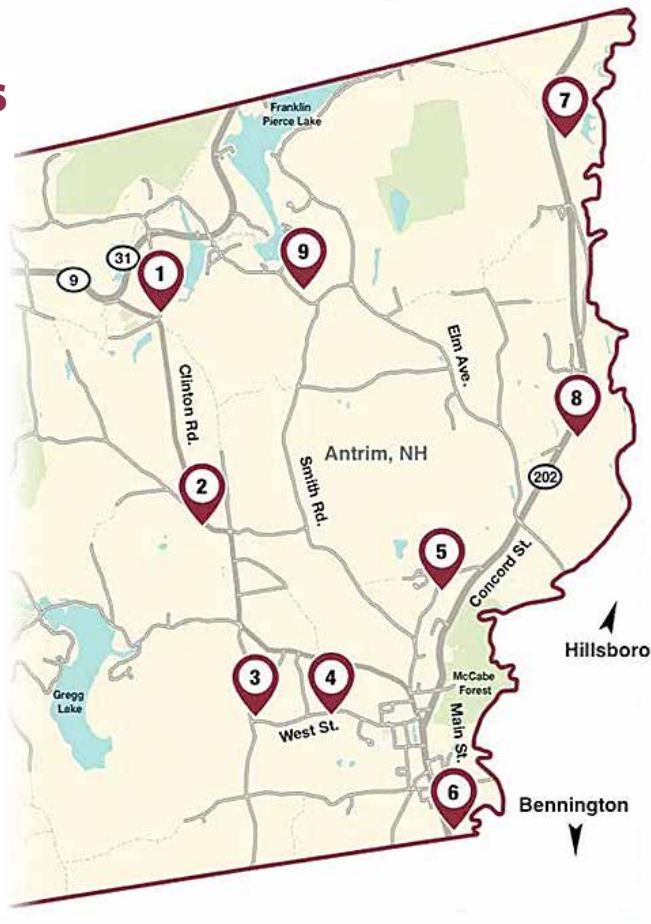
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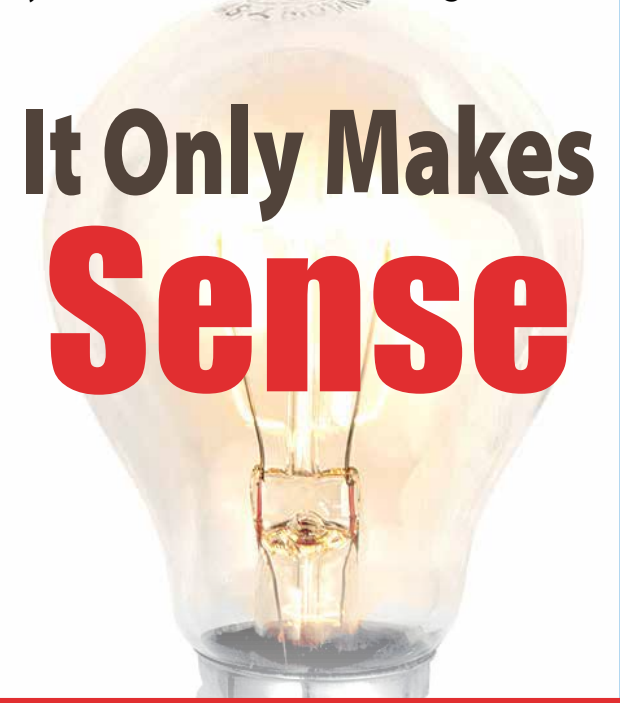
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The Antrim Community Board has created a map of Antrim's farm stands, highlighting local farmstands at several locations around town. Maps are available at the Town Hall, Rick and Diane's Pizza, Edmund's Ace Hardware, Trends of Fashion, the Antrim Post Office and Bank of NH, and Tuttle Library. Farmstand operators who would like to be included can email information to acboard21@gmail.com.

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GIRLS LACROSSE

Hopkinton 24, Brady 5: The Hawks had offensive contributions from 12 different players as they flew over the Giants.

Hopkinton 17, Bow 11: Hopkinton's draw team won the possession battle and the Hawks converted possessions into goals.

Hopkinton 23, Trinity 11: The Hawks' ride and defensive leaders rose to the challenge in a bruising tilt at Petersbrook Field.

John Stark 16, Derryfield 12: Claudia Dustin 4 goals, 4 assists; Zoe Lawson 10 goals; Addie DeCew 1 goal, 2 assists.

John Stark 15, Coe Brown 12: Zoe Lawson (200th career point, 7 goals), Claudia Dustin (2 goals, 2 assists), Aislyn Smith (2 goals, 1 assist), Addie DeCew (1 goal, 1 assist), Addy Brunini (2 goals, 3 assists), Hannah Perkins (1 goal), Rowin Ledy with 9 saves in goal.

BOYS LACROSSE:

Coe-Brown 14, Hopkinton 4: The Hawks struck first, but the Bears responded with seven straight goals and never looked back.

Hopkinton 16, Bishop Brady 7: The Hawks held the lead by controlling the ball and thwarting the Giants' strong offensive pushes.

Hopkinton 14, ConVal 13: The Hawks led until late, when the Cougars took the lead, followed by a final surge by the Hawks.

Hopkinton 14, Stark 10: Hopkinton took an early lead and held it throughout. John Stark played hard and made the game close.

Hopkinton 13, Kearsarge 12: An action-packed game of

drastic runs. Cougars 2-1. Hawks 5-3. Cougars 8-5. Hawks 11-8. Hawks 13-12.

SOFTBALL

Trinity 14, Hopkinton 12: After scoring only three runs through the first three innings, Hopkinton had a hot inning of their own in the top of the fourth, plating 10 runs. Trinity switched pitchers and the Hawks only managed another couple of baserunners after that.

Brady 8, Hopkinton 7: In the 7th Hawks scored 5, but just fell short.

Fall Mt. 5, Hopkinton 4: Fall Mt. played well and kept the game close. They hit the ball well and won in the bottom of the 7th.

Hopkinton 14, Mascoma 1: Hawks broke it open in the third, Boudette led with a walk and battled around the order, scoring 7.

Bow 25, Hanover 5: Huckins and Klunk and Avery Ayers combined for 6 runs on 3 hits.

Bow 21, Pembroke 5: Cadence Malone had 3 hits and 3RBIs. Gabby Klunk had her first varsity hit.

Kingswood 10, Bow 2: Raegan Wyman had a bunt single to load the bases in a key moment for the Falcons.

Kearsarge 21, Mascoma 0: The girls went out and played a complete game both offensively and defensively.

Bishop Brady 20, Kearsarge 8: Down 8-7 in the bottom of the third inning Brady's offense scored 8 in the bottom of the 3rd.

BASEBALL

John Stark 5, Lebanon 1: The Generals broke a 1-1 tie and a third inning by plating four runs, highlighted by Bogle's ▶

Sports - continued

double.

Pembroke 5, John Stark 4 (8 inn.): Getting 3 runs in the 7th to tie the game and walking off on a Jack Pearson HBP.

Pembroke 9, Bow 7: Zac Bemis with a 2-run double in the 8th inning.

Kingswood 8, Bow 2: Peyton Larrabee 2 run home run in

the 6th inning, making him a perfect 3 for 3 in the game.

ConVal 6, Bow 5: Brady Anderson (2 singles), Clayton Nazdan (2 hits, 1B, 2B).

Hopkinton 13, Mascoma 1: Mike DePiano (5 IP, 1 H, 10 Ks; 3-3 at the plate), Devin Allen, Jack Bennett, Sawyer Zipke, and Kyle Buelte 1 hit each.

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Other Colleges & Universities

Jamison Banks, a freshman Philosophy major at Grove City College from New London, has been named to the Dean's List with High Distinction for the fall 2025 semester.

Maria Dufour, a member of Stonehill College's Class of 2028 from Goffstown, was recently honored at the institution's Student Life Awards, held Sunday, April 26, 2026. This program celebrates community members for their outstanding contributions to the betterment of Stonehill.

Natalie Preble of Antrim received the Robert W. and Edythe M. Mull Award for Excellence in Mathematics during Muhlenberg College's 2026 Honors Convocation ceremony.

Makayla Strickulis, a member of Stonehill College's Class of 2026 from Goffstown, was recently honored with a certificate of achievement at the Scholars Celebration.

Adam Dunn Rose was recognized in the University of Georgia's Class of 2026 spring Commencement.

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Elkins Fish & Game Club awards 9 scholarships

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The club started their scholarship program in 1993 and has sent more children to Barry Conservation Camp than any other organization. The club also sponsors the Coyote Den Cabin at the camp.

Carla Marshall, the club's scholarship

coordinator, presented the scholarships to the children, along with a special "Team 200" tee shirt and Junior Membership card.

Also on hand were NH Fish & Game Conservation Officer Jim Cyr and NH Fish & Game Advertising & Promotions Director Mark Beauchesne, who spoke with the children and their parents. The club received a proclamation from the Town of New London and a proclamation from Governor Kelly Ayotte acknowledging this momentous occasion.



Bank of New Hampshire has announced renovation plans at its Antrim office, which require temporary closures. ATM: Will be unavailable on Saturday, June 6 and Sunday, June 7. Service will resume on Monday, June 8. Drive-up & Lobby: Will be closed for a two-week period, June 6-21. The Night Drop will remain accessible with deposits credited Monday - Friday. Deposits made on Fridays and Saturdays will be credited the next business day. Safe Deposit Box access will be limited. Access with a 24-hour notice by contacting Rose Novotny, AVP - Antrim Banking Office Manager, at 603.528.8100 or via email at rose.novotny@bnh.bank. The anticipated reopening is scheduled for Monday, June 22.

N.H. Supreme Court hears case against New Boston Police Officers

The living conditions forced upon Olivia Griffin as a child were so inhumane that a judge awarded her nearly \$30 million in damages from her adoptive parents.

But whether the New Boston police department, which responded to the home repeatedly over nearly a decade, should also be held financially liable is now before the NH Supreme Court.

The justices heard oral arguments on Tuesday during which Griffin's attorney, Michael Lewis, said the police department's failure to investigate her safety made them negligent. New Boston police were called to the home in 2007 and twice in 2009 for allegations of domestic violence, child and elder abuse involving other members of the household. In 2011, Griffin's older brother detailed the abuse his sister faced, which included psychological taunting, a lack of food, and confinement inside a windowless room in the basement.

In 2015, Griffin, who was 12 at the time, jumped out of a second-floor window to escape. She fled to a neighboring town before

she was ultimately returned by New Boston police to her home.

"Week after week, (police) left her there to be subjected to more violence and more risk of violence in the same home," Lewis told justices.

But New Boston police argue that they did not have firsthand knowledge of abuse against Griffin. The department's attorney, Brian Cullen, said that there is no evidence that she disclosed her living conditions to a police officer in 2015.

"What we do know is that there's no suggestion in the record or even today, that Miss Griffin, that Olivia, provided him with any information to suggest that she had been abused," said Cullen.

He added that police do not necessarily have the "duty to go back in time and look at the other issues" under state law, such as previous calls to the home.

Justice Melissa Countway appeared to take exception to that argument, asking Cullen, "How is there no duty if you have a 12-year-old who has been located in a different town and you're trying to figure out what

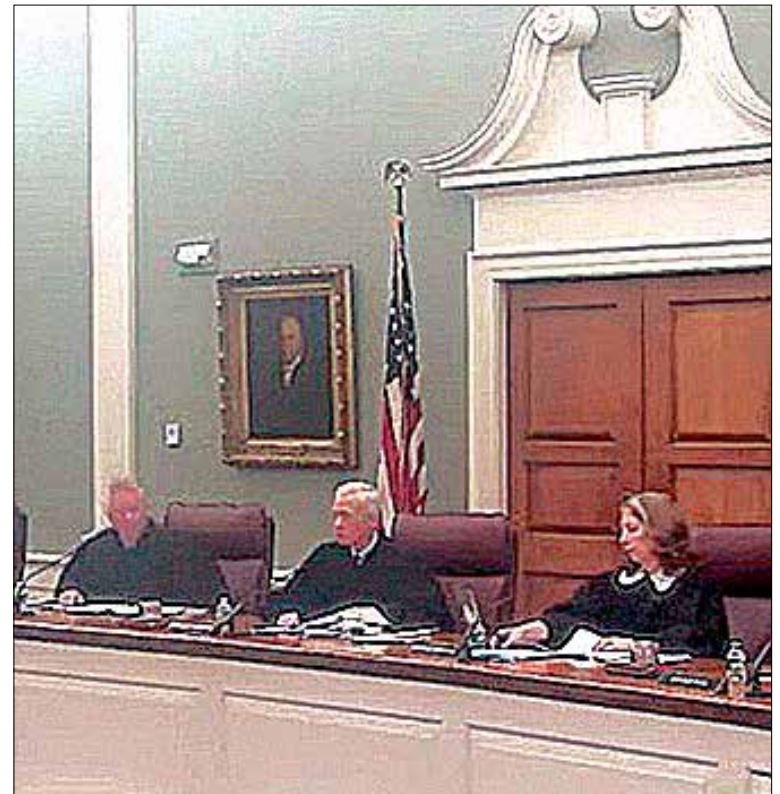
to do next?"

In 2018, Griffin, then 15, scratched her way out of a room in the basement and fled to safety. She was placed in a foster home, and police filed criminal abuse charges against her parents, Thomas and Denise Atkocaitis. Her father was found guilty and served six months in jail, while her adoptive mother served no time.

Griffin initially sued both her parents and the New Hampshire Division of Children, Youth and Families, as well as New Boston, seeking financial damages. After hearing her testimony, Superior Court Judge John Kissinger awarded Griffin nearly \$30 million in compensation from her parents, a figure believed to be far in excess of what they could afford. The state settled the case with Griffin for an undisclosed amount.

But Kissinger dismissed the case against seven named New Boston police officers, ruling they didn't have actual knowledge of the abuse she endured.

During 30 minutes of oral arguments, the justices hearing the case asked sharp questions



Chief Justice MacDonald, center, and Associate Justices Patrick Donovan and Melissa Countway are pictured during Tuesday's oral arguments.

of both attorneys. The court will now decide whether to order the civil case against the police to resume in the superior court or uphold Kissinger's ruling dismissing the suit.

After escaping from her home, Griffin completed high school and, in 2025, graduated with honors from Plymouth State University, where she was elected class president.

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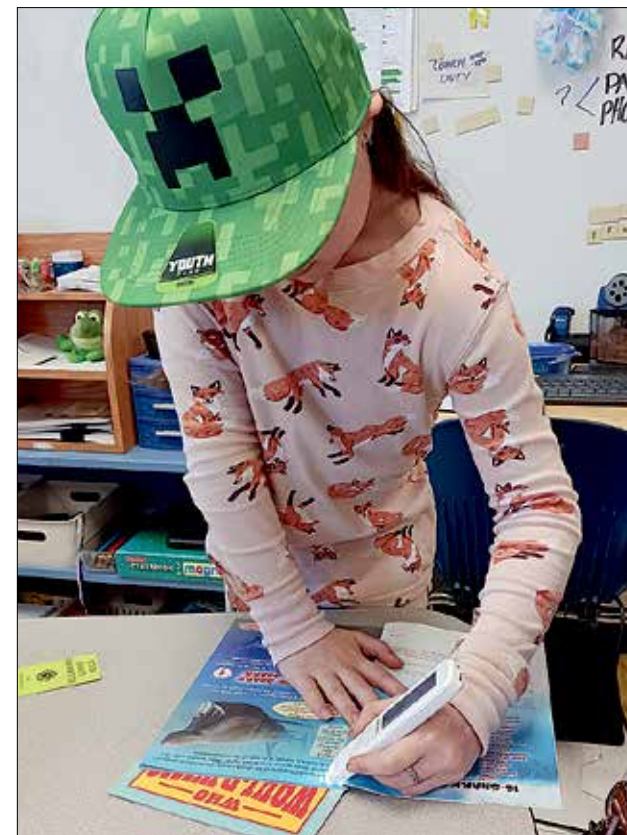
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The device does not replace a teacher but rather is a tool to help

students meet their educational goals and with added self confidence. The Hillsboro Lions purchased five C-Pen Readers for Hillsboro Deering Elementary.

The Lions received a letter from an HDES student. He wrote, "Thank you for the Reader Pens. They will help us so much because it helped me understand words better. I could also read words way faster and I

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Deering Professor Don Johnson remembered & honored

When the Scholarship Committee of the Eleanor A. Campbell Charitable Fund met on May 9 to deliberate on scholarship awards for 2026, it voted to remember the first local recipient of a scholarship given by Dr. Eleanor Campbell.

Don Johnson of Deering attended Keene State College. In his lifetime,

he was a professor at New York University and an active member of the Deering community.

He served as president of The Deering Foundation, which carried on her legacy of scholarship support after she passed away. He was also active in the Eleanor A. Campbell Charitable Fund, the public charity

created out of the Deering Foundation. In June, \$66,000 in scholarship aid will be awarded to seniors and college students from Hillsboro, Deering, Washington, Windsor, Weare and Henniker.

In remembrance of Don, one scholarship will bear his name this year.

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Obituaries: Friends & Neighbors Remembered

Kevin 'Merlin' T. Allen



Bradford - Kevin "Merlin" Allen finally found peace and will be reunited with his parents, William and Betty Allen, his brother Jimmie, and his dogs, JD and Little D. He leaves behind many brothers, Carl, Mark, Murph, Craig, Ray, David, and Nathaniel; sisters, Alexa and Knicole; his baby girl, Jen; and the love of his life, Linda; plus his two spoiled grand-puppies, Harley and Miya. A Celebration of Life will be held on July 11, 2026, at 2 p.m. at 24 Upper Ridge Road in Newbury, N.H.

Philip John Duke



Hillsboro - Philip John Duke, 88, of Hillsboro NH passed peacefully at home on March 24, 2026. Born in Sheffield, England in 1937, he was the only child of Maurice and Elsie (Barker) Duke. He was loved and will be greatly missed by daughters Mandy Vara and Darcy Duke, sons-in-law Cecil Vara and Ryan Evans, granddaughter Casi Vara and partner Leevi Fergusson, and newly-born great-granddaughter Ruby Rose. A private celebration of life will be held with family and friends on Saturday, May 23, 2-4pm - email ekud1937@gmail.com for information. Donations can be made in Phil's memory to the Northern Nevada Railroad: <https://nnry.com/donate/>

Stephen MacDonald



Antrim - Steve MacDonald passed away April 7, 2026 surrounded by his wife, children and grandson after a 16 year battle with Parkinson's Disease. Steve was born on March 13, 1948 to William B. and Jean (Tracy) MacDonald. He is dearly missed by family and friends; Diane his wife of 34 years, son Nathan of Milford, NH, daughter Mairin of Concord. Diane's sons Brian French of Mammoth Lakes, CA, and Brandon French of Bennington, NH. His first wife Mary MacDonald of Milford with whom we enjoyed many an extended family celebration. Grandchildren Stephen Brooks of Concord and Larissa French of Mammoth Lakes were his pride, joy and hope for the future. He was predeceased by his parents Bill and Jean, sister Michelle and brother Andrew. He is survived by he sister Diane MacDonald of Connecticut, Roger of Maryland and Daniel of Tennessee as well as numerous nieces, nephews and friends. Services will be held Monday, May 18th at 11 am at St. Theras Church in Henniker with Father Marcel officiating. Following service a reception and celebration of life will be held at the Presbyterian Church in Antrim from noon - 3 pm. Per Steve's request donations in his memory can be sent to the Grapevine Family and Resource Center, 4 Aiken St., Antrim, NH 03440 or the Antrim/Bennington Food Pantry, % Baptist Church, 85 Main St., Antrim, NH.

Jonathan Clarner

Hopkinton - Jonathan Clarner, 84, of Hopkinton,



NH, passed away peacefully on April 18, 2026. Jon is lovingly remembered by his beloved wife of 23 years, Diane Stewart Clarner; his son, J. Douglas Clarner; and his children by marriage, Jay Stewart, David Stewart, and Erica Bullard; his brother, Peter Clarner; and his sister, Nancy McLane. He was a cherished grandfather and great-grandfather who took immense pride in his family. Jon was predeceased by his first wife, Marge Clarner. A Celebration of Life will be held at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Hopkinton, NH on May 31, 2026 at 1:30pm. A reception for family and friends will follow the service. For a full tribute to Jon's life, please visit Legacy.com. In lieu of flowers, please consider a gift in memory of Jonathan Clarner to The Boys & Girls Club, 55 Bradley St, Concord, NH 03301 or Family Promise of Greater Concord, 79 Clinton St, Concord, NH 03301.

Robert J. Page



Warner - Robert J. Page, age 87, died peacefully and unexpectedly at home Monday May 4 2026 in Warner. Robert was the son of Helen and Lester Page of Contoocook. He is survived by his sister Mary Wilkens of Hopkinton and his daughters Sheryl Mallock and Mary Woodbury of Eastport Maine. He is also survived by his first wife Betty Hunter living Canada. Robert was predeceased by his parents, his sister Rosalie Vennaro, his brother Victor (Snooky) Page, and his second wife Nellie Cooper Page.

Robert is survived by his nieces Corinne Wilkens of Hopkinton, Kimberly Izad in Arizona, and nephew Eugene Mayo in Port Charlotte Florida. Robert is also survived by his long time companion Kathy Bowers of Warner and her children Alan Partridge and Kathy Brown. Internment will be in the Contoocook Village cemetery. Services for friends and family will be scheduled at a later time.

Jeanne Galster



Henniker - Jeanne Galster, 85, peacefully fell asleep at her eldest son's home on May 3, 2006, after a long illness. She was born on July 14, 1940 in Auburn, N.Y. to Kenneth F. Arnold and Marion (Cronk) Arnold. Jeanne was predeceased by her husband of 62 years, Laurance P. Galster, and her daughter-in-law Robyn (Aulmick) Galster. She is survived by her sons Alan (Susan) and Kenneth of Kirkville, NY, and her daughter Mary Brayman (Timothy) of Jamesville, NY. She also leaves seven Grandchildren and two Step-grandchildren, and eight Great-Grandchildren and ten Step-Great-Grandchildren. Memorial contributions can be made to Sightforlife.org.

Alex Charles Finnemore

Webster - Alex Charles Finnemore, 36, of Webster, NH, passed away unexpectedly on May 4, 2026. Alex was born July 1, 1989 in Concord, the son of Douglas Finnemore and Lisa (Proulx) Byron. Remaining to cherish Al-



ex's memory are his wife of 16 years, Sarah; daughters, Callie Ann and Piper Rose; mother, Lisa (Proulx) Byron and husband, William Byron of West End, NC; brother, Bradley Finnemore of Ossipee, NH; sister, Courtney Duclos and fiancée, Brody Coburn-Crowley of Lee, NH; grandmother, Rose Finnemore of Tilley, New Brunswick; grandfather, Joseph Proulx of Contoocook, NH; mother-in-law, Theresa Finnemore of Webster, NH; father-in-law, John Poole and wife Tracey of South Carolina; as well as numerous nieces and nephews, aunts and uncles, cousins and friends. Preceding Alex in death was his father, Douglas "Big Daddy" Finnemore; grandmother, Carol Proulx; and grandfather, Reginald Finnemore. Visitation will be held Friday, May 15, from 4-7 pm at Holt-Woodbury Funeral Home, 32 School Street, Hillsborough, NH. A celebration of life is planned for later this summer. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial donations in Alex's memory be directed to the charity of your choice.

Georgianne Wood



Warner - Georgianne Wood, 75, of Warner NH passed away on May 6, 2026, after a series of illnesses. Georgie was predeceased by her husband, David Wood Sr., her parents George and Mary Beasley of Henniker, a sister Patricia Stafford of Hillsboro and a brother John Beasley of Bradford. She leaves behind two sisters, Sandi Beasley-Loman of Hillsboro and Marie Knolls of Hudson, Florida. Her children, David Wood Jr. and his wife Monica of Lake Placid, Florida. A daughter Deanne Wood and fiancé William Iler of Fort Walton Beach, Florida and her son Todd Wood of Warner New Hampshire, as well as six grandchildren, five great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. In lieu of flowers please make donations to Wings of the Dawn <https://wingswildlife.org/> in memory of Georgianne.

Bryant Lee Stockwell



Warner - Bryant Lee Stockwell passed away suddenly on May 5th having suffered a catastrophic stroke. He was 48 years old. Bryant was born in Warner, on August 27, 1977 to Sue Bartlett and Phil Stockwell on the family farm. Bryant is survived by his parents Sue Bartlett and Phil Stockwell of Warner, his wife Jessica Racy Stockwell, his sister Kirstyn Sterling, her husband Tyler and their children Hans and Iris of Cottonwood Heights, Utah, Jessica's sister Kristal Cerone and children Alexa, Luca, and Andrianna, and many aunts, uncles, cousins, and nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his grandparents Eva and Bryant Stockwell of Peterborough and Shep and Lee Bartlett of Warner.

Send your Obituaries to: PO Box 1190, Hillsborough, NH or email leighb@tds.net

Events: Community Bulletin Board

FRIDAY MAY 15

DEERING LIBRARY: presents "Returning North with the Spring: Retracing the Journey of Naturalist Edwin Way Teale", a program from John Harris, adjunct faculty member in Environmental Science at Franklin Pierce University. Please join us at Deering Town Hall at 6:30pm. This program is sponsored in part by New Hampshire Humanities.

SATURDAY MAY 16

FISHING DERBY: The Andover Fish and Game Club's spring fishing derby will be held on May 16 with stocking at 5pm, as usual kids are invited to help stock. On derby day refreshments are free and no entry fee is required. Registration starts at 7am but one can enter until derby ends. Kids and parents all will enjoy this. Come join us! This event is being held at The Andover Fish and Game Club on Highland Lake.

SATURDAY MAY 23

KCPC CHARITY YARD SALE: Kearsarge Community Presbyterian Church, 82 King Hill Rd, New London, will host its 34th annual Yard Sale. Church rooms and outdoor tents will be filled with furniture, clothing, electronics, housewares, toys, jewelry, tools, yard/garden equipment, and sporting goods. All proceeds will go to charities. Outdoor sales start 7:30am; Church doors open 8am; Sale ends at 1pm. Everything must be sold! More info at: <https://www.facebook.com/NHchurchyardsale>.

FLY FISHING ON THE COMMON: The Elkins Fish & Game Club is holding its 14th Annual "Fly Fishing on the Common" event. This is an introductory class on fly fishing, to be held at 10am at the Town Common on Main Street in New London, NH. Slots are limited and registration is required. Full details and sign-up instruction can be found elkinsfishandgame.net/fly-fishing_details.

PLANT AND SEED SWAP: at the Deering Library starting at 10am. Bring any plants or seeds that you would like to share. Then, take home new varieties from your friends and neighbors. No need to bring anything to take things home. This was very popular last year, so come early. The sale ends at 1pm, or when all

plants have found a home.

KEARSARGE CHORALE: will present its spring program, Celebrating America, under the artistic direction of Alex Ager at KRHS in North Sutton at 3pm. The program comprises a mix of American composers and lyricists as we celebrate America's 250th anniversary, with local instrumentalists of the New London Brass joining the Chorale for four songs. Advance sale tickets at \$15 each (students free) are available on the Chorale's website (www.kearsargechorale.org), from Chorale members and at Tatewell Gallery and Morgan Hill Bookstore in New London. Tickets at the door will be \$20 each.

MONDAY MAY 25

FULLER PUBLIC LIBRARY: 11am, Memorial Day Ceremony with the Hillsborough American Legion. Join us for a brief ceremony honoring those that served, and those that lost their lives.

SATURDAY MAY 30

CARDBOARD BOAT BUILDING CLASS: The Elkins Fish & Game Club is holding a class on building a cardboard boat. The class will be held at the Tracy Memorial Library meeting room at 304 Main Street in New London. This is informal instruction and you can drop in anytime between 10am and 12pm. This is a great project for youth groups or scouts.

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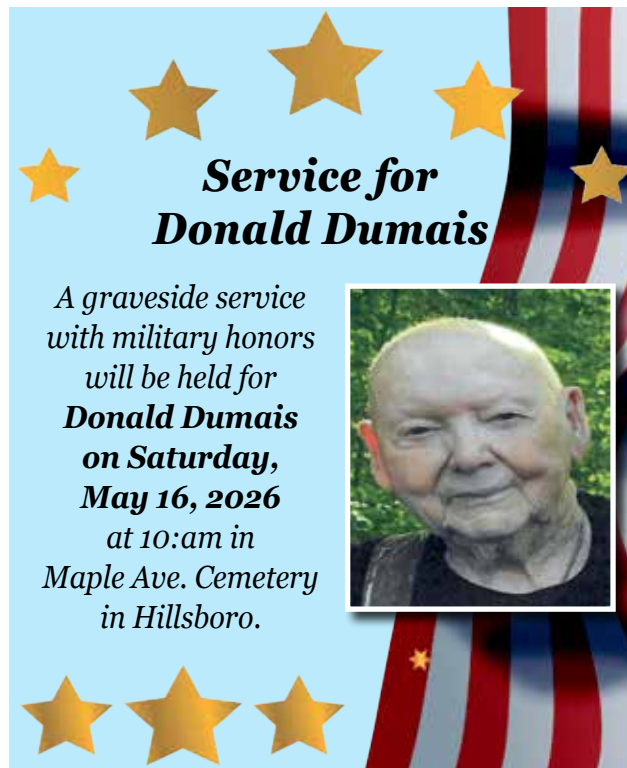
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For any questions, please contact Mark Nichols at the Hillsboro-Deering School District. mnichols@hdsd.org Phone 603-464-1141

Town of Weare

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