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Antrim's Eric Tenney Honored



On Monday, July 6th @ 6pm in front of Town Hall there will be a short service and unveiling of the Eric Tenney Memorial Bench. All are invited to join in this dedication to one of

Antrim's finest citizens. Anyone wishing to make a donation toward the purchase of the bench please contact: Tim Morehouse at 603-588-2055.

Henniker's Ryan Towle Honored



Davis & Towle President Ryan Towle will receive the Insurance Professional of the Year award from The Insurance Library at a luncheon gala in September in Boston. Davis & Towle

Insurance Group was founded in 1954 by Ryan's grandfather Wendell Towle and has grown under both his father Jeffrey Towle's leadership and now Ryan's.

This week in history

JULY 3, 1971

The Doors' Jim Morrison dies in Paris

JULY 4, 1903

Cables in Honolulu enable telegraph worldwide

JULY 5, 1996

Scientists clone first mammal

JULY 6, 1957

Althea Gibson 1st Black player to win Wimbledon

JULY 7, 1912

Jim Thorpe triumphs at the Olympics

JULY 8, 1918

Ernest Hemingway injured in WWI

JULY 7, 1846

United States takes San Francisco



Andover emergency services were dispatched to a 1st alarm building fire at Thoreau House, Proctor Academy on Saturday, June 25. The heat and intensity of the fire quickly brought it to a 2nd and then 3rd alarm. Mutual aid from the towns of Salisbury, Wilmot, Franklin, Hill, Webster, Danbury, Tilton-Northfield, Belmont, Boscawen, Bridgewater, Bristol, New London, Sutton and Sanbornton helped Andover battle the fire and knock it down by early evening. At the time of the fire no one was home, however one family pet perished in the fire. The fire started in the rear of the building and quickly spread to the entire house. The dorm is a total loss. The building was torn down by nightfall.

Goffstown schools adopt new starting times next year

The Goffstown School Board has approved new start times for the next school year.

According to Operations Manager Scott Gross, "There are going to be changes to the Glen Lake School start and end times of about 15 minutes. Right now, they currently start at 8:30 a.m. and that first session ends at 11:00. The new schedule for next school year will be 8:45 to 11:15, and then the p.m. session currently is scheduled from 12:30 to 3:00 p.m. — that will pivot 15 minutes ahead to 12:45 to 3:15."

Gross said that there are no changes to Bartlett Elementary School.

"Maple (Avenue School), it's a five-minute shift. Currently Maple starts at 8:40 and it will start at 8:45, and, again, those

walkers will be dismissed at 3:05 versus 3:00 and then the rest of the students will get dismissed at 3:15," Gross said. At Mountain View Middle School, they'll add eight minutes to the school day. The start time will remain at 8:25 a.m., but the conclusion time will be 3:18 instead of 3:10.

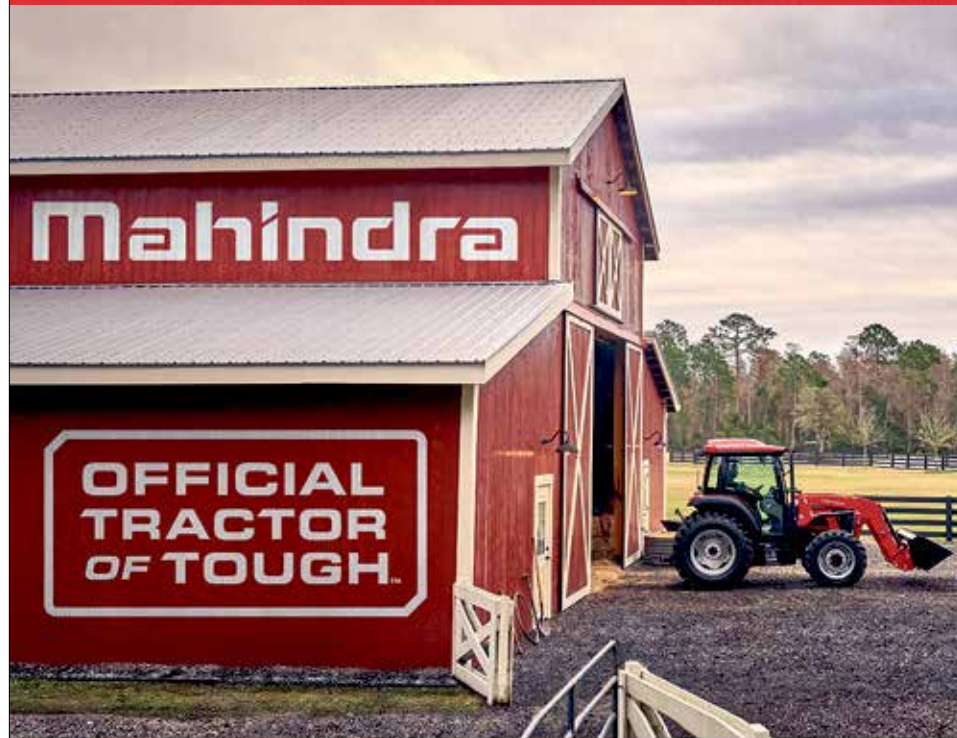
At Goffstown High, the day will begin at 8 a.m. and conclude at 2:45 p.m. "I just wanted to give you just a little bit of clarity because I think some of you have students at Maple or Bartlett and there was some, I guess, confusion as to the walkers and the other students," Gross said.

Board member Laura Fleming asked what time Glen Lake students would be getting on a bus and when they'd be getting home with the 15-minute shift.

If a student is currently being picked up at a given time, add 10 to 15 minutes, Gross said. "If you have a particular bus stop in one part of town, if there are no students mapped to that particular bus stop and the bus does not have to stop there, that could be a swing of like two or three minutes," Gross said.

On Gorham Pond Road, for example, there's been a five-minute swing on a bus route. "The plan is that we'll get these bus routes in that second week of August so that parents can know what those bus routes are," he said. For schools that shift times four minutes or so, it will be a zero- to four-minute shift in the bus route. For Glen Lake, it will be a 10- to 15-minute shift.

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Yesteryear *Local history as reported in The Messenger*

July 4, 2025

\$1,000,000.00 renovation to Hillsborough's Manahan Park
New London Select Board honors Conservation Commission's Bob Brown
Franklin man arrested for wrong-way driving and DWI
Kearsarge School Board sued for 1st Amendment violations

July 5, 2024

Newbury settles with former TA Diane Ricciardelli
Andover Lions Club donates Concord Coach to the town
Public Hearing outlines plans and schedule for New Boston Fire Station
Former Magdalen College in Warner, 8 buildings, 129 acres is for sale

July 7, 2023

2 year-old will save 8 month-old Frankestown brother
Bradford Police receive \$24,973 Dept of Justice Grant
Warner man dies after truck strikes pole in Hillsborough
DHART helicopter evacuates injured Stoddard minor

July 8, 2022

First concert for Hillsborough's revived Town Band
Prominent Hancock man indicted for rape
Clocked at 189MPH in New London
Contoocook woman charged with assault

July 9, 2021

Bridge Street Recovery opens in Bennington
Frankestown man charged in Greenfield crash
Peterborough woman injured in Keene accident
Geraghty named assistant Kearsarge principal

July 10, 2020

Ghislaine Maxwell arrested in Bradford hideaway
Frankestown landmark store reopens
Henniker woman arrested for leaving accident scene
Hillsborough Select Board considers ATV ordinance

July 12, 2019

Sylvania to remain in Hillsborough
New London's Haddad Trust to acquire 30.4 acres
Proposed expansion for Newbury Library
Henniker Town Administrator unexpectedly resigns

July 13, 2018

Antrim man is Legionnaire of the Year
New London man faces "Insider Trading" charges
Bow's K-9 Roxy locates suspected car thief
Goffstown girls recovering after being hit by a truck

July 14, 2017

Franklin City Manager leaving for Keene
New Boston Fire Chief praises Goffstown dispatcher
Sunapee REALTORS support Habitat For Humanity
Dollar General seeks Bennington variance

July 8, 2016

Andover program highlights Franklin's downtown
New London Selectmen prioritizing upcoming projects
Franklin woman guilty of social security fraud
Stoddard home fire under investigation

New London has a new Fire Chief and a possible new Ladder Truck

New London Board of Firewards Chair Steve Ensign announced the appointment of Mike Matthy as the new full-time fire chief.

Chief Matthy reported on a visit to a company that produces a flexible fire apparatus.

This new type of truck is 10 feet shorter in length and has a 70-foot ladder. It is four-wheel drive, can operate off-road, and can fit into the existing fire station. The current ladder truck

is due for replacement in 2032, but purchasing this new truck earlier could lead to significant cost savings.

The new truck is priced under \$1 million, potentially saving \$2 million in building expansion costs and additional savings from selling the current ladder truck (appraised at \$650,000-\$700,000). At this time, no tariffs apply to emergency vehicles crossing the border from Canada.

Andrew Sarnivitz has been

hired for the full-time shift captain's position (approved at March Town Meeting), starting

July 10th.

The Department has applied for the SAFER grant for person-

nel, submitted to FEMA. Notification is expected by the end of September/October.



Following last Saturday's dedication of its new fire station and while still debating potential honors for retired Fire Chief Dan MacDonald, current New Boston Fire Chief Brian Dubreuil has announced his retirement for family reasons.

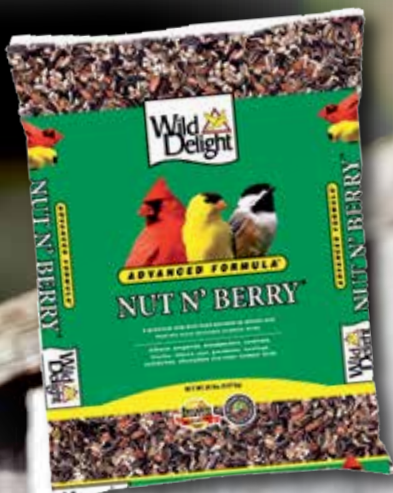


On Saturday, June 20th the Sunapee Fire Department was dispatched to a reported motor vehicle accident on Route 103 near Sanctuary Dairy. The sole occupant had self-extricated from the vehicle but was complaining of injuries. Sunapee Fire personnel immediately began assessing and treating the patient while also ensuring the vehicle was stable and that there were no fuel or fluid leaks present.

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Hometown Heroes



Newbury Fire Chief Dave Smith congratulates Newbury Firefighter/EMT Niko Cole-Johnson and Firefighter Tristan Rowe on their completion of the NH Fire Academy Firefighter I and Firefighter II certification program.



New Boston's own Natalie Wellman recently graduated from the NH Fire Academy and Emergency Medical Services Fire I & II program at the new North Country training facility.



New London Fire Chief Matthy would like to congratulate Firefighter Jacob Heath on successfully completing and graduating the New Hampshire Fire Academy & Emergency Medical Services Recruit School.



The Antrim Police Department congratulates Detective Sergeant Christensen on the successful completion of the FBI-LEEDA Command Leadership Institute (CLI). Detective Sergeant Christensen's dedication to continued professional development demonstrates a strong commitment to both the department and the community the department proudly serves.

Sean Burt wins Henniker Rotary Club's top prize

For the last 32 years, the Milford Rotary Club has sponsored its "100 Holes of Golf" fundraiser. The event consists of five rounds of 18 holes, plus an additional ten holes, rain or shine. Tee off is at 6:00 a.m. with

a finish by 7:30 p.m. During those 32 years, Henniker Rotarian Joe Clement participated in 28 of them, while consistently being the event's largest ticket seller, raising over \$100,000 for the Henniker Club.

Beginning in 2025, Scott Dias, Joe's son-in-law, took over

Joe's playing and fundraising duties, and didn't miss a beat.

He sold Sean Burt his \$5,000 winning ticket.



Scott Dias (L) presents Tooky Mills Pub owner Sean Burt with a check for \$5,000 as winner of the 100 Holes of Golf contest.



Antrim Police Officer Cole and Sergeant Hunter assisted the Antrim Recreation Department with Bicycle Safety Day.

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TAKE YOUR MEDICINE



BY SARAH CHAPIN

The strong opioid painkiller, tramadol, is not that effective at easing chronic pain for which it's widely prescribed, finds a pooled data analysis of the available research, published online in *BMJ Evidence Based Medicine*. And it likely increases the risk of serious side effects, including heart disease, the findings indicate, prompting the researchers to conclude that the potential harms of tramadol probably outweigh its benefits, and that its use should be minimized. Tramadol is a dual action opioid widely prescribed for the treatment of moderate to severe acute and chronic pain. As such, it's recommended in several medical guidelines for pain management.

A new study published in the *Journal for Alzheimer's Disease* has found that entering menopause at an earlier age is associated with an increased risk of dementia. The study also showed that hormone replacement therapy (HRT) after menopause appears to be associated with a reduced risk of dementia.

When older adults are prescribed the pain medicine tramadol alongside certain antidepressants, their risk of seizures may go up, according to a study published in *Neurology*, the medical journal of the American Academy of Neurology. While this study found a link between using the medications together and an increased risk of seizures, it does not prove one causes the other.

A new study has found that RZV achieved over 50% vaccine effectiveness (VE) against any herpes zoster (HZ), or shingles, outcome in both older and immunocompromised adults. The results suggest individuals vaccinated with ZVL should be revaccinated with two doses of RZV. The study is published in *Annals of Internal Medicine*.

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Dr. Esin Narli

Smoking and vaping have been shown to have damaging effects on your oral health. Drinking alcohol comes with its own set of problems.

Cavities: Alcohol, especially sugary drinks, promotes the growth of bacteria in your mouth. These bacteria feed on sugar and produce acids that erode your tooth enamel, leading to cavities. This is especially common in those who frequently indulge in cocktails or sugary wines.

Enamel Erosion: Alcohol is acidic, which can weaken your tooth enamel over time. Once enamel is gone, your teeth are more susceptible to decay, sensitivity, and damage.

Gum Disease: Drinking alcohol, especially in excess, can weaken the immune system, making it harder for your gums to fight off infections. As a result, your gums may become inflamed, leading to periodontal disease.

Dry Mouth: Just like smoking, alcohol can cause dehydration, leading to dry mouth. With a reduced flow of saliva, your teeth are more vulnerable to bacterial growth, plaque, and other oral health issues.

Combining Smoking and Drinking: A Dangerous Duo for Your Smile

When you combine both smoking and drinking, the risks to your dental health multiply. Both habits contribute to the erosion of tooth enamel, increased plaque buildup, gum disease, and bad breath. The combined effect is far worse than indulging in either habit separately. In fact, studies show that individuals who both smoke and drink are at a much higher risk of developing oral cancer compared to those who do just one of these.

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Around our Towns



At the 2026 Annual Meeting, Henniker voted to establish a Community Services and Care Planning Board to help coordinate services in Henniker. In future months, the Board will be contacting agencies and organizations who currently provide funding. A survey and Well Being Index will be created to help gather data in order to identify possible gaps in services. (L-R) Chairperson Cathy Dow; Town Administrator Diane Kendall; Marc McMurphy; Secretary Milli Knudsen; Marti Capuco.



The Cornerstone Quilters work on group quilt projects for charity. (L-R) Chris Burritt, Liz Fielding, Linda Demaine, Nonie Mazerski, Deb Keiner and Nancy Annis. Not pictured: Deanne Mobley, Brenda Ahlgren and Margaret Glover.



The construction of the Newbury Town Dock is nearing completion and the town dock and the town dock parking area has reopened to the public. Please feel free to utilize the dock, but be cautious where the railings have not yet been finished and where the construction workers may be finishing the dock.

Sunapee Fire Department responds to major propane leak

On Friday, June 26, the Sunapee Fire Department was dispatched to an address on Garnet Hill Road for an active propane leak after a tree, brought down by a severe thunderstorm moving through the area, fell onto a large propane tank. At the time of the dispatch, Sunapee Forestry 6 and two firefighters were already committed to a service call involving a flooded basement on Winn Hill Road. After quickly clearing that incident, Forestry 6 responded directly to the propane leak.

Sunapee Forestry 6 arrived on scene, where firefighters confirmed an active propane leak from the damaged tank. Command was established, and due to the seriousness of the incident, the response was immediately upgraded to a First Alarm Building Fire Assignment.

Mutual aid resources were requested, including:

- Engines from Newport Fire Department and New London Fire Department

- Tankers from Croydon Fire Department and Springfield Fire Department

- A station coverage engine from the Newbury Fire Department.

Sunapee Engine 2 arrived and immediately deployed a 2½-inch handline equipped with a Blitzfire ground monitor to create a continuous water stream used to disperse the accumulating propane vapors and reduce the risk of ignition.

Firefighters from Sunapee and the assisting departments worked together for more than two hours to safely control the incident while awaiting the arrival of the propane company. During that time, an estimated 20,000 gallons of water were used to disperse the propane vapors.

To sustain the operation, a tanker shuttle was established.

Newport Fire Department set up a water supply operation at Granliden Beach, where responding tankers and engines continuously filled and transported water to the scene. This coordinated operation ensured a constant water supply throughout the incident.

At approximately 7:45 p.m., the propane company arrived and successfully plugged the damaged tank, stopping the leak. Mutual aid companies were released from the scene at approximately 8:00 p.m.

Sunapee Fire Department personnel remained on scene until 10:31 p.m., assisting the propane company and standing by while the remaining propane was safely pumped from the damaged tank to prevent any further release.

The Sunapee Fire Department would like to thank all of their mutual aid partners for their outstanding assistance and teamwork during this pro-



longed incident.

They would also like to extend their sincere appreciation to Sunapee Town Hall for providing dinner to the firefighters operating on scene throughout the evening.

Through teamwork, coordinated operations, and a reliable water shuttle system, firefighters were able to safely manage a potentially dangerous emergency without injury to responders or the public.

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In Service To Others



Newport Recreation is grateful for Newport Rotary and volunteers who recently filled 75 backpacks with essential summer items for their day camp program.



Henniker Rotary Club President Dr. Ed Carrigan, (r), presents Dan DeCosta with the club's Rotarian of the Year award.

Natalie Wells announces her candidacy for NH House of Representatives

Merrimack County, District 8 representing Bradford, Henniker & Warner



Natalie Wells isn't always written in stone be-

I'm excited to have registered to run for State Representative. Great work that has been accomplished during this past Session

yond the two years. Therefore, my goal is to represent District 8 and continue the good fight.

I am a mother to two wonderful grown children and grandmother to two great teenagers. Veterans run deep in my family, being the daughter and niece of veterans, and mother to a retired Coast Guard veteran.

As a former family third-generation business owner, I under-

stand the importance of working together and putting customers first. These same principles guide my approach to public service: working together, listening to constituents, and delivering results that matter.

My business experience taught me firsthand that less regulation and lower business taxes lead to more jobs and thriving communities.

Having served two terms in the House, both times on the Election Law Committee, I'm deeply committed to election integrity. NH must maintain documentary proof of identity and secure voting practices that give every citizen confidence in our elections. My record shows consistent support for our veterans and parental educational choice – values I'll continue

championing. I will never vote for any legislation that creates a state income tax or any tax, protecting New Hampshire's competitive advantage.

Common sense, hard work, and a commitment to keeping New Hampshire the Live Free or Die state. Please join me as we fight for our values and our future.

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Mary Murphy announces her candidacy for NH House of Representatives

Hillsborough County, District 27 representing Deering & Frankestown



Mary Murphy

Mary Murphy has announced her re-election bid for New Hampshire State Representative in Hillsborough County

District 27, Deering and Frances-

town. Murphy, a Republican, will build on her success of passing bills that fulfilled her 2024 campaign promises, and will implement the NH Advantage 2.0 strategy. This plan raises state revenue through a three-pronged strategy to fund municipal property tax relief without

overdevelopment of the state. The BIA, NFIB, the Department of Business and Economic Affairs all have expressed support.

Murphy sponsored HB1374, which allows cooperative school district towns, like Frankestown and Deering, to withdraw without other towns' permission. She also co-sponsored HB1433 and secured unanimous consent to

improve childcare availability. Both bills successfully navigated multiple committees, House and Senate.

"Deering and Frankestown are my highest priority. As a proven legislator, I successfully united both parties to deliver real solutions for childcare and education. By solving complex issues like school funding and property

tax relief, I am empowering our voters and delivering concrete results," said Representative Murphy.

Moving forward, her priorities are property tax relief, boosting education proficiencies, restructuring school funding, fixing wireless cost and unreliability, and reducing healthcare costs in New Hampshire.



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Publisher's Perspective

Wake-Up America

With the 250th Anniversary of the United States of America rapidly approaching, we should be celebrating the benefits of living in the greatest country on earth.

Do we still have problems? Yes, but we are still the most free, most prosperous, most opportunist, most generous people on the planet.

Just look at the reactions of the thousands of foreign visitors who are here for the World Cup. They are marveling at our lifestyle, while we are tearing ourselves apart.

The politics of hate has left us more divided than any time since the civil war.

Several negative trends are converging to challenge 250 years of progress toward the America Dream, and unless reversed, will dramatically transform this nation.

1. Two generations of American youth, raised in the affluence of a capitalistic economy, who have had every-

thing given to them, are infatuated with socialism.

2. A steady influx of Muslim extremists into American politics has given new imputis to adopt Shira law, which is abhorrent to our Constitution and our traditional values. While we must guard against prejudice against all Muslims, we must be watchful of the extremist and remove them from our country.

3. The once proud Democratic Party has been taken over by its radical left wing of America haters, who want to open our borders, eliminate the deportation of illegal aliens, while giving them free food, housing, education and medical care.

4. Hatred of President Trump has blinded many otherwise rational Democrats into ignoring all of the above, as the fabric of our democracy continues to erode.

At my age, I will not be alive to see it, but our next generation may live in an entirely different country.

Pride Month

At the risk of offending our more conservative readers, The Messenger joins in celebrating Pride Month.

Contrary to the purveyors of hate on the left, those of us who oppose allowing boys to participate in girls sports or males using the female restrooms, bear no ill will to the LBGTQ+ community.

Although I have had little experience with transgendered people, I have, for years, known, worked with, employed and befriended several gay and lesbian individuals. Other than their sexual identity, they share the same hopes, desires and dreams as us all, and are entitled to

the same rights respect and dignity we all demand.

The internal turmoil for transgenders is even more severe. Can you imagine your whole mind and body arguing against the reality of your birth?

While transgenders should not demand that we ignore the reality of their birth and grant them special privileges, they are entitled to the very same RIGHTS of any American.

Moreover they deserve our sympathy and empathy for their struggles. Thus we share in their goal of individual pride.

Letters to the Editor

Letter to the Editor:

Nightmare Rolling in the Main Gate

The Socialist Democrats of America have arrived. Tuesday's NY State Primary is very telling. Abolish ICE, pack the Supreme Court, Medicare for all, end deportations, jobs for all, and guaranteed housing.

"A world without borders – just like a world without prisons or police – is possible, necessary, and the only way forward." (quote: Darializa Chevalier, congressional Socialist Democrat candidate elect NY13). The Democrats have tolerated and allowed the brazen expansion of Marxist Communism within their party. Democracy does not flourish or human freedom and human thought do not expand under government ultimate control.

Private property ownership will end' you will loose

your home and 'rent' from the government. Where you have any assets of value, the government will remove them to 'help' those who have less. You will be put into poverty. Food, comfort, and medicine will be doled out in an Animal Farm mentality – some are more equal than others. First they undermine the Judaeo-Christian foundation of western thought; denigrating societal advances. Next they tear down the foundations of western society. Lastly, they abrogate the electoral system to dismantle (bastardize) representative democracy.

All the while, the Democrats deny responsibility and endlessly point the finger elsewhere. The cancer has arrived and the 2026 election will be a tipping point for the USA. Who do you trust?

Stephen Pierce, Bradford



Gov. Kelly Ayotte, center, hosted a news conference at New London Town Hall to formally launch a new bail notification program that will give law enforcement officers information in real time about pending cases affecting potential suspects. From left to right with Ayotte were New London Police Chief Emily Cobb, Attorney General John Formella, State Police Maj. Chad Lavoie and State Court Administrator Chris Keating.

Hillsborough Celebrates America's 250th



Butler Park

12:00 Hillsboro Lions Club
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Fr. Marcel Martel
Invocation

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The National Anthem

12:15 - Hillsborough Historical Society
The Declaration of Independence

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The Bill of Rights

12:30 - Harmony Lodge Masons
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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

10:00am - Fracestown Community Market
Fracestown Athletic Fields

Noon - Pickleball Tournament
Tennis/Pickleball Court

1:00pm - Grills Fire Up for Hamburgers & Hot Dogs
Fracestown Athletic Fields

**2:00pm - Presentation of Colors and
Reading of the Declaration of Independence**
Main Stage at the Field

2:30pm - Kids Bike Parade
Fracestown Baseball Field Parking Lot

2:30pm - Apple Pie Contest
Main Stage at the Field

3:00pm - Skate Jam
Fracestown Skatepark

3:00pm - Hot Dog Eating Contest
Main Stage at the Field

3:30pm - Patriotic Pet Parade
Main Stage at the Field

4:30pm - Dodgeball Tournament
Tennis/Pickleball Court

5:00pm - Home Run Derby
Fracestown Baseball Field

6:00pm - Bonfire & Lonesome Train
Main Stage at the Field

July 3rd • Hollis Town Band
7PM — Skate Park

Jump start the celebration with a concert by the Hollis Town Band along with a three valley salute by the Molly Stark Cannon



It's Market Day!

Check out what our local vendors offer for your holiday celebrations!

We're grilling! Stop by the food area for FREE hot dogs, hamburgers, drinks and more!

Join the 4H, Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts for the Presentation of the Colors, followed by the reading of the Declaration of Independence and its signing by the children of Fracestown.

Decorate those bikes, scooters and wagons and join in on the kids bike parade fun! We will parade from the baseball field parking lot to the Main Stage.

Skate Jam returns! Check out the skills of our local skate friends. This was a huge success last year.

Calling all bakers! We want all the apple pies! Enter your version of America's best apple pie. All entries should be submitted to the Main Stage by 2pm.

Always a fan favorite! Take your turn at the hot dog eating contest or cheer on your favorite contestant!

Why leave all the fun to the people? Our 4-legged friends are invited to dress up in their finest patriotic garb and show off. Last year we had not one but TWO tortoises!

Get your team together and get ready for some fierce competition!

Warm up those bats and see how far you can hit it! Warning!! Fracestown is home to a couple of GBS Bobcat State Champ contenders!

Finish up the night with the sounds of Lonesome Train by the bonfire. Dancing, lounging and great company!



Sports

BASEBALL ALL-DIVISION TEAMS DIVISION II

First Team: Tobin Prieto, senior, John Stark; Isaac Clough, senior, ConVal;

Second Team: Jack Sheppard, junior, John Stark; Evan Aho, senior, ConVal; Clayton Nadzan, junior, Bow;

Third Team: Ben LaBrecque, senior, John Stark; Conor Curtis, sophomore, Bow; Jacob Filkins, sophomore, Bow; Henry Hartwell, senior, ConVal.

DIVISION III

First Team: Mike DePiano, junior, Hopkinton;

Second Team: Jackson Cote, senior, Kearsarge; Noah Byrne, junior, Kearsarge;

Third Team: Jack Bennett, sophomore, Hopkinton.

DIVISION IV

First Team: Eben Berube, senior, Sunapee;

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SOFTBALL ALL-DIVISION TEAMS DIVISION I

Second Team: Emma LeClair, Goffstown; Brooke LeClair, Goffstown;

Honorable Mention: Addie Girzone, Goffstown.

DIVISION II

First Team: Sydney Borges, ConVal; Taylor Ouellette, Bow; Katie Lorenz, John Stark;

Second Team: Kinley Moore, ConVal; Madison Oppold, Bow; Mae Hagelberg, ConVal; Chloe Hamlin, ConVal.

DIVISION III

First Team: Paige Boudette, Hopkinton;

Aurelia Salce, Hopkinton;

Second Team: Brooke Aiken, Kearsarge;

Honorable Mention: Avery Loew, Hopkinton; Alexis Shaughnessey, Kearsarge;

Cadence Smead, Hillsboro-Deering.

DIVISION IV

First Team: Bella Laflamme, Franklin; Lily Cornell, Franklin;

Honorable Mention: Gabby Stevens, Sunapee.

Second Team: Wyatt Primo, junior, attack, Bow; Cooper Twombly, junior, attack, John Stark; Quinn Cusick, junior, midfielder, Kearsarge; Shane Smith, senior, midfielder, Hopkinton; Max Sweeney, senior, midfielder, ConVal; Noah Whipple, junior, midfielder, Kearsarge; Kyle Cimis, junior, defense, Bow; Wyatt Puza, senior, defense, John Stark.

Goffstown;

Second Team: Ben Hill, sophomore, defense, Goffstown.

DIVISION III

First Team: Owen Buss, junior, attack, Hopkinton; Jackson Westover, junior, attack, Hopkinton; Sam Bennett, senior, midfielder, Bow; Kip Hedquist, senior, short-stick midfielder, Hopkinton; Ben Reardon, sophomore, long-stick midfielder, Bow; Brayden Boice, senior, defense, ConVal; Brad Ekstrom, senior, goalie, Bow.

Second Team: Wyatt Primo, junior, attack, Bow; Cooper Twombly, junior, attack, John Stark; Quinn Cusick, junior, midfielder, Kearsarge; Shane Smith, senior, midfielder, Hopkinton; Max Sweeney, senior, midfielder, ConVal; Noah Whipple, junior, midfielder, Kearsarge; Kyle Cimis, junior, defense, Bow; Wyatt Puza, senior, defense, John Stark.

ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICANS

Noah Babin, Goffstown.

BOYS LACROSSE ALL-STATE DIVISION III

First Team: Bow: Sam Bennett, sr., midfielder; Ben Reardon, so., long stick midfielder; Brad Ekstrom, sr., goalie.

Hopkinton: Owen Buss, jr., attack; Jackson Westover, jr., attack; Kip Hedquist, sr., short stick defensive midfielder.

Second Team: Bow: Wyatt Premo, jr., attack; Kyle Cimis, jr., defense.

Hopkinton: Shane Smith, sr., midfielder. John Stark: Cooper Twombly, jr., attack; Wyatt Puza, sr., defense.

Kearsarge: Quinn Cusick, jr., midfielder; Noah Whipple, jr., midfielder.

SOFTBALL ALL-STATE TEAMS DIVISION II

First Team: Savannah Chapman, sr., John Stark; Taylor Ouellette, jr., Bow; Katie Lorenz, sr., John Stark.

Second Team: Madison Oppold, jr., Bow.

DIVISION III

First Team: Paige Boudette, sr., Hopkinton; Aurelia Salce, jr., Hopkinton;

Second Team: Brooke Aiken, so., Kearsarge;

Honorable Mention: Avery Loew, sr., Hopkinton; Alexis Shaughnessey, so., Kearsarge; Cadence Smead, jr., Hillsboro-Deering.

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By: Joyce Bosse

Builder's risk insurance is a temporary property insurance product designed to cover property damage to buildings under construction, renovation or repair and on-site project materials. Some policies also cover construction project materials stored off-site and soft costs, like additional architectural or permitting fees.

Not all policies are created equal. Unlike other types of insurance, such as commercial general liability and homeowners insurance, there is no true standard builder's risk policy. This means that not all builder's risk policies provide the same coverage. When it comes to coverage for hurricane-related damages, not all builder's risk policies provide protection. Some offer no windstorm coverage at all. Others provide coverage for damage caused by wind, but not for flooding associated with a windstorm. Or they are subject to large deductibles or low caps, squeezing coverage from one side or the other — or both. That can leave policyholders in the eye of a coverage gap.

Some insurers have included anti-concurrent cause exclusions in policies in an effort to deny coverage when there is a dispute regarding the cause of the loss. An example of such an exclusion is as follows: "We do not insure for loss caused directly or indirectly by any of the following. Such loss is excluded regardless of any other cause or event contributing concurrently or in any sequence to the loss."

What can policyholders do? Carefully review your policy to ensure that both wind and flood are covered. If that is not possible, review your policy for an anti-concurrent cause exclusion and try to negotiate around it. Finally, seek the guidance of coverage counsel to determine whether the law of the applicable jurisdiction recognizes the enforceability of the anti-concurrent cause exclusion. This proactive approach before a claim may help ensure that your project proceeds with little interruption in the calm after the storm."

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The Lion Sisters, Josi and Lily.



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Claire Laroche of Goffstown
Britney Leclair of New Boston
Izzy Romein of Goffstown
Chloe Tworek of Contoocook

University of Rhode Island Dean's List

Jack Davis of Henniker
Jenna DeShane of Bennington
Sarah Haas of New London
Allie Hodgen of Bennington
Annalese Patrick of Dublin
Abby Peters of Frankestown

Clark University Dean's List

Oliver A. Bonnema, of Bradford, was named to second honors.
Juliette B. Tarsa, of Dunbarton, was named to first honors.

Emma R. St. Louis, of Goffstown, was named to second honors.
Brayden G. Hollinrake, of Goffstown, was named to first honors.

Roger Williams University 2026 Graduates

Olly Hristache of Peterborough
Bobby Schaefer of Goffstown
Evan Sidmore of New London
Sarah Vickery of New Boston

Roger Williams University Dean's List

Alexa Camire of Goffstown
Ari Henriquez of Stoddard
Olly Hristache of Peterborough
Kendall McCabe of Goffstown
Evan Sidmore of New London
Sarah Vickery of New Boston

Saint Anselm College Nurse Pinning Ceremony

Contoocook, Elizabeth Sintros
Henniker, Brianna Langdon

Hillsborough, Emily Wilkens
Weare, Andrea Seaver

University of Alabama Graduates

Kiera Gilman of Frankestown received a Bachelor of Science.
Emma Westward of New London received a Bachelor of Arts in Communication & Information Sciences.

Muhlenberg College Dean's List

Harrison Neff of Goffstown, studying Psychology.
Natalie Preble of Antrim, studying Physics and Mathematics.

Other Colleges & Universities

Kyra Defosses from New Boston recently graduated from the College of William & Mary with a Bachelor of Science degree.
Dean College is pleased to announce that Douglas Dubuque of Goffstown has earned a place on the Dean's List.

Marin Westward, of New London, NH, was named to the University of Mississippi's Honor Roll lists.

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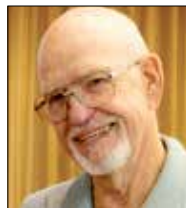
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Ronald C. Taylor

Henniker - It is with deep sadness that we announce the passing of Ronald C. Taylor, affectionately known to many as "Mr. Terrible," of Henniker. Ron passed away peacefully on June 28, 2026, at the age of 87, surrounded by his loving family. Ron was born on January 10, 1939, in Hot Springs, Virginia. Ron is survived by his beloved wife of 63 years, Martha Chase Taylor; his children, Wayne Taylor and his wife, Jill, Diane Taylor and her husband, Peter, and Sharon Buetow and her husband, Bernard. He also leaves behind his cherished grandchildren, Chase Taylor, Chelsea Taylor, Alec Buetow, Erin Taylor, Devin Buetow, and Nathan Taylor, as well as his bonus grandchildren, Caitlin McNamara, Sean McNamara, and Conor McNamara. He was predeceased by his father, George Taylor; his mother, Glenna Hite Christian; and his brother, Donald Taylor. A funeral service celebrating Ron's life will be held on Saturday, July 11, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. at the Congregational Church of Henniker. A reception will immediately follow in the church Parish Hall. Family and friends are warmly invited to attend and celebrate Ron's life. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in Ron's memory to the Congregational Church of Henniker.



Laurie Sweet Brown

Bradford - Laurie Sweet Brown of Bradford, New Hampshire, passed peacefully in her sleep on June 21, 2026. Born September 27, 1955 in Tarrytown, New York, Laurie was the beloved daughter of Richard and Laurel (Cassell) Sweet. Laurie is survived by her sons, Tate Sweetbrown and his wife, Rachel and Noah Sweetbrown; her grandchildren, Emily and Josh Charlton; her great-grandson, Alexander; her sister, Pattie Perry of Virginia; and her nieces, Sara and Stephanie Perry, and niece Abbey Sweet of New London. Predeceased by her beloved parents, Richard and Laurel Sweet, and her loving brother, Rick Sweet, she is now reunited with them in the arms of the Lord. In honor of her wishes, an informal Celebration of Life will be held on Sunday July 5, 2026, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. at the South Newbury Union Church Friendship House in Newbury NH. All are welcome to gather for refreshments, fellowship, and the sharing of memories and stories of Laurie throughout the years. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the South Newbury Union Church!



Thomas Clapp

New Boston - Thomas Clapp, age 77, of Goffstown and New Boston, NH, passed away on June 19, 2026, at Hillsborough County Nursing Home after a courageous fight with Front Temporal Dementia. Born and raised in Goffstown. He leaves behind his partner and wife, Cheryl Clapp of New Boston, NH; her children, Colette Tyler, Karin Raymond, and Tim Rider; his son, Ben Clapp (Lisa Clapp) and daughter, Heidi Temple (Scott Temple) from his first marriage; his brother, William Clapp (Barbara Clapp); sister, Sarah King; and many nieces, nephews and grandchildren. Tom's services will be held at a later date.



William Steven Kulbacki

Pensacola, FL - William "Bill" Steven Kulbacki of Pensacola Florida passed away peacefully on June 11, 2026. Born in Hillsborough, New Hampshire in 1932, the ninth of ten children to Leopold "Bill" Kulbacki and



Agnes (Rumak) Kulbacki. Bill leaves behind his wife Frances (Daigle) Kulbacki of Pensacola. He is predeceased by his siblings (Dorothy, Lydia, Fred, Etta, Evelyn, Ted, Michael, twin sister Thalia, and Kathy), wife Alice (Griffen) Kulbacki, their daughters Carol and Nancy, and survived by their sons Peter and wife Babben (West) Kulbacki of Enfield, NH, Jess Kulbacki and Thomas Kulbacki of Hillsborough, NH. Fran's daughters Jennifer of Pensacola and Julie Duncan and her children Blake and Trevor of St. Louis, Missouri. He is survived by his grandchildren Amanda and husband Edward Dunbar, Alec Kulbacki, Todd and wife Gabby Gordon, Brittney Kulbacki Hall and son Chase, Spencer and wife Cheryl Kulbacki, Braeden Kulbacki and Tryder Kulbacki and numerous nieces and nephews. His funeral will be held at the Basilica of St. Michael in Pensacola; interment will be at the St. Mary's Cemetery in Hillsborough at the convenience of his family.

Richard I. Duclos Sr.

Goffstown - Richard I. Duclos Sr. (Dick) passed away peacefully at home surrounded by his loving family and caregivers on June 26, 2026. He was 95 years old. Born in Newton, MA, to Joseph Henry Duclos and Edna Clara (nee Young), Dick was predeceased by his loving wife of 72 years (2025), and his brothers Leon, Walter, Curtis Sr. and Robert. He is survived by his son, Richard Jr., his wife, Shiuan-Lan and their daughter, Audrey; son, John, his wife, Dorcas and their children, Kayleen, Kristin, Kyle and his wife, Jacqueline. He also leaves behind his sister-in-law, Joan Tilton (son Pete), and his other beloved nieces and nephews (Lee, Peter, Curt Jr., Dee, Betsy, Edna, Bobbie and their families). Calling hours will be held on Monday, July 6, from 4-7 p.m. Funeral services will be held on Tuesday July 7, at 11 a.m. All services will be held at the French and Rising Funeral Home, 17 S. Mast St., Goffstown. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation in his memory to the Salvation Army or the Granite VNA Concord Hospice.

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Events: Community Bulletin Board

FRIDAY JULY 3

NEW LONDON CONCERT: East Bay Jazz Ensemble 6:30-8 at the Mary Haddad Bandstand.

SATURDAY JULY 4

TAG SALE: Washington Congregational Church Tag Sale in the lower level of the church and Quilt Show in the Sanctuary. Lots of bargains and attic treasures, kitchen items, linens, clothing (including a designer boutique), games and sporting goods. Come check it out between 9am and 1pm.

DEERING: celebrates America's 250th birthday, 10am-1pm, at the town hall. Games, crafts, face painting, photo ops, time capsule info, and at 11am, a reading of the Declaration of Independence. At noon enjoy a picnic with live music from the Sugar River Band. Join your friends and neighbors for this patriotic celebration!

PANCAKE BREAKFAST: 7:30-11am. United Church of Warner. Pancakes, waffles, scrambled eggs, home fries, baked beans, sausage, and beverages. Adults \$12, \$5 for children 7-12, six and under free. Benefits the Warner Historical Society and the United Church of Warner. American Legion Raffle and flag sales.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL: Hillsboro Methodist Church 1-3pm. Free.

SUNDAY JULY 5

MV19: 6pm-9pm. Newport Town Common. Bring your lawn chairs, blankets, family, and friends—these nights are all about great music and great community. Free & open to the public – weather permitting.

TUESDAY JULY 7

HENNIKER CONCERT: The Scott Spradling Band. Since 2010, the 11-piece Scott Spradling Band has played events like Best of NH, fundraisers, community events, weddings and celebrations across New Hampshire. Their repertoire spans the last 50 years, with a strong focus on 60's, 70's and 80's music, plus big band swing and current pop hits. Henniker Summer Concert Series, 6-8pm, Angela Robinson Bandstand, Community Park, Free. Donations welcomed. In case of inclement weather concert will be held in the adjoining Community Center.

NEW BOSTON CONCERT: 6pm. The Bel Airs, 5 piece vocal harmony group featuring doo wop & Oldies.

HOW TO'S DAY: At Fuller Public Library's learn how to embroider, hand stitch a pin cushion, and create a tin punched ornament to celebrate the country's 250th birthday. Register for the 1pm or 6pm class by calling 603-464-3595 or emailing Dianna at techserv@fullerlibrary.info.

FRIDAY JULY 10

NEW LONDON CONCERT: Peabody's Coal Train 6:30-8 at the Mary Haddad Bandstand

SATURDAY, JULY 11

OPTICS FOR KIDS: at 10am with Marek Haruza. Join us at the library for a closer look at the science of optics. Kids of all ages welcome.

SUNDAY JULY 12

THE FERN: 6pm-9pm. Newport Town Common. Bring your

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WEDNESDAY JULY 15

HARLEM QUARTET: at the First Baptist Church, the Grammy Award-winning Harlem Quartet brings a cross-pollination of classical, contemporary, jazz and Latin-infused repertoire to the stage.

THURSDAY JULY 16

THE LEGO MAN: as seen on NH Chronicle, will be here with lots of LEGOs for kids to create with. Bring a creation from home to share with him and the group, if you'd like. This program will run from 5-7pm for kids aged 5 and older. Register at laura@fullerlibrary.info or by calling 603-464-3595.

FRIDAY JULY 17

NEW LONDON CONCERT: Tall Granite Big Band 6:30-8 at the Mary Haddad Bandstand.

SATURDAY JULY 18

LEAPING LIZARDS!: Live at the Deering Town Hall at 2 pm. What creatures will you see? Join us for a close up look at some amazing animals. Sponsored by the Deering Library and Deering Association, and free to all.

FRIDAY JULY 24

NEW LONDON CONCERT: Studio Two 6:30-8 at the Mary Haddad Bandstand.

FRIDAY AUGUST 7

NEW LONDON CONCERT: Fish and the Folk Five 6:30-8 at the Mary Haddad Bandstand.

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Town of Hillsborough NH LEGAL/PUBLIC NOTICE

Case No 2026-08

Notice is hereby given in accordance with RSA 676:4 & 675:7 that the Hillsborough Planning Board will hold a public hearing for a Minor Subdivision at 600 Coolidge Road (Map 1 Lot 56) owned by Mary F. Bronnenberg Revocable Trust. The application is to subdivide five acres around the house and shop from the residential lot. The property is located in the Rural zone. The public hearing will be held on Wednesday, **July 15, 2026**, at 6:00 p.m. at the Hillsborough Town Offices, 27 School Street, Hillsborough, New Hampshire.

Upon a finding by the Board that the application meets the submission requirements, the Board will vote to accept the application as complete and the Public Hearing on the merits of the proposal may follow immediately. Copies of the application may be viewed at the Office of Community Planning, 27 School Street, Hillsborough, New Hampshire. Anyone with questions about this application should contact Robyn Payson, Planning Director at 603-464-7971 or by e-mail at robyn@hillsboroughnh.net

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Case No 2026-09

Notice is hereby given in accordance with RSA 676:4 & 675:7 that the Hillsborough Planning Board will hold a public hearing for a Change of Use at 315 West Main Street (Map 11K Lot 83) owned by Allan L. Kirkland. The application is to convert the former Rite Aid Pharmacy to a VIP Tires and Service. The property is located in the Commercial zone. The public hearing will be held on Wednesday, **July 15, 2026**, at 6:00 p.m. at the Hillsborough Town Offices, 27 School Street, Hillsborough, New Hampshire.

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TOWN OF HENNIKER ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

JULY 15, 2026 – 6:00 PM

1. The Town of Henniker Zoning Board of Adjustment will hold a **public hearing on July 15, 2026, at 6:00 PM at Henniker Town Hall, 18 Depot Hill Road.**

ZBA Case 2026:06: Request for Special Exception, Article XVI Non-conforming Uses, Structures & Lots, Section 133-71 Non-conforming Use, replace 10-foot-wide manufactured home with an 13.4 wide manufactured home. Applicant/owner Splash Penguin LLC, Map 5C Lot 393-A1, 566 Western Avenue, Zoned CV.

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

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