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New Sunapee Police Officer



Officer Gavin Fedas was recently sworn in as a full-time Sunapee police officer. Officer Fedas is local to the area and

is a graduate of Kearsarge Regional High School. With his hiring and Oath of Office, all full-time police officer positions within the Sunapee department are now filled.



An Angel Garden Created

The Bells of St. Mary's Outreach Ministry created an Angel Garden as a resting place for miscarriages, still-borns and children under age 3. The burial spot is free to any family from one of the 10 towns served by St. Mary's and St. Teresa's Churches, regardless of religion. The Angel Garden is also a peaceful place for all to grieve, meditate and pray.

This week in history

SEPTEMBER 25, 1926

Henry Ford adopts a five-day work week

SEPTEMBER 26, 1969

The Brady Bunch premieres

SEPTEMBER 27, 1937

The Bali tiger goes extinct

SEPTEMBER 28, 48 BC

Pompey the Great is assassinated

SEPTEMBER 29, 2005

NY Times reporter released from jail

SEPTEMBER 30, 1399

Henry IV proclaimed king

OCTOBER 1, 1971

Walt Disney World Resort opens



Senator Dan Innis toured Hillsboro's Three Oaks Tree Farm, touring the trails and forests alongside the UNH Cooperative Extension; the N.H. Division of Forest and Lands; Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests; Granite State Division - Society of American Foresters; and the New Hampshire Timberland Owners Association (NHTOA).

Rte 9 closed during man hunt in Stoddard



Patrick Boyer

The New Hampshire State Police began searching for Patrick Allen Boyer in the communities of Stoddard and Nelson.

Boyer was wanted on felony-level charges as well as criminal restraint and obstructing report of a crime.

Boyer was initially spotted and was involved in a pursuit between Keene and Stoddard. The pursuit was discontinued due to public safety considerations. State, County, and local police continued searching the area and located Boyer's vehicle in Stoddard. Boyer then fled from the vehicle on foot into a wooded area. Route 9 was closed as police conducted extensive efforts to search the area.

Boyer was believed to be armed and the public was warned not to approach. Residents in the Stoddard and Nelson were asked to remain in place and report suspicious activity. Boyer was eventually arrested at a Walmart in Keene.

Boyer pleaded not guilty to nine misdemeanor counts and declined to enter a plea on six felony charges. He faces 15 total charges.

Hopkinton man dies in Vermont single vehicle accident

A 73-year-old New Hampshire man died last Tuesday after crashing his truck and jumping from a nearby cliff in what investigators believe was a medical emergency.

The Vermont State Police identified the man as Stephen Lalancette of Hopkinton, NH. State police said they responded to a report of a single-vehicle crash on U.S. Route 5 South in Barnet around 4

p.m. Witnesses told investigators that Lalancette's truck sideswiped a guardrail near the Carter Road intersection, continued driving north for a short distance, and then pulled off the road.

Witnesses said Lalancette, who was driving alone, exited the vehicle and began acting erratically before jumping from the cliff. First responders pronounced him dead at the scene.

State police said a preliminary investigation suggests Lalancette may have been experiencing a medical emergency during the incident. Authorities do not consider the death suspicious.

Lalancette's body was taken to the Chief Medical Examiner's Office in Burlington, where an autopsy will be performed to determine the official cause and manner of death.

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Yesteryear *Local history as reported in The Messenger*

September 26, 2025

- Antrim Icon Eric Tenney dies at 82
- No serious injuries in Route 202/9 accident
- Major fire breaks out at Weare recycling facility
- Antrim Planning Board approves amendments to ATV & RV Ordinances

September 27, 2024

- Grand Opening of Merrimack County Savings Bank in Henniker
- Good samaritan from Windsor killed in Weare explosion
- Antrim teen killed, two others injured in Dublin crash
- Young Francestown man killed when his car hits a tree

September 29, 2023

- New Boston approves new Fire Station
- Former NEC President Michele Perkins is suing the school
- Hopkinton's Houston Barn restoration project on time & on budget
- Newbury names Diane Riccardelli as Town Administrator

September 30, 2022

- Former Hancock Police Chief indicted
- Masons honor David Tille with Community Builders Award
- Henniker department heads say "Show me the money"
- Antrim/Bennington Lions Club hosts Candidates' Night

October 1, 2021

- Antrim mourns the death of Mike Beauchamp
- Henniker Select Board reviews overnight parking
- New London Select Board critical of Eversource pole project
- Hillsborough sidewalk project delayed 'til 2025

October 2, 2020

- Antrim teenager indicted
- \$3.3 million to convert Buker to Police Station
- Bennington Inn being converted to Rehab Facility
- Two accidents and a DWI in Francestown

October 4, 2019

- Suicide of Antrim 8th grader at Great Brook School
- Goffstown teacher indicted for murder
- SAU #34 schools equipped with Stop The Bleed kits
- Colby-Sawyer raises record \$106 million

October 5, 2018

- Hillsboro teen arrested with firearm and drugs
- Testerman defeats Zink by a single vote
- Goffstown Scout to construct a bench on Rail Trail
- New London Board asks feedback on Buker Building

October 6, 2017

- Trovato pressures Pike to falsify report
- Weare officer presented Commendation
- Developers seek 7th ext. for townhouse project
- Bennington couple indicted for defrauding elderly

September 30, 2016

- New plan & timetable for Bradford Town Hall
- Hillsborough Center Church offered to town
- Indigo Blues faces Purple Purse Challenge

Settlement details of the Hillsboro-Deering gun confiscation lawsuit revealed

A Hillsboro-Deering High School graduate and school officials have agreed to settle a federal lawsuit over the search of his truck for a gun, court records show. Details of the settlement were recently released.

In a lawsuit filed at the U.S. District Court in New Hampshire, Jack Harrington, 18, said that a search of his pickup truck and glove box in the school parking lot in April of 2025 violated his Fourth Amendment rights against unreasonable searches and seizures.

The search did not yield any firearm. Court records show Harrington owned a Glock 43 handgun. With legal support from the Second Amendment Foundation, Harrington sued school superintendent Jennifer Crawford, principal James O'Rourke, assistant principal Brian McGinn and school resource officer Michael DeTurris.

The settlement agreement states that the search was

"unconstitutional" and did not meet the standard of "reasonable suspicion."

In previous court filings, school officials defended their actions, arguing that the search was not based on mere "hunch."

The search followed after a coach overheard Harrington discussing with a classmate a recent traffic stop during which he had his gun in the truck's glove compartment. The conversation took place on a bus headed to a school sporting event. School administrators were then notified of this exchange, according to the lawsuit.

While federal law states it is illegal to possess a firearm in school zones, a 2022 New Hampshire law bars police from enforcing certain parts of that federal rule. Still, state law continues to prohibit students from having guns on campus.

The settlement also states that Crawford and O'Rourke's decision to search Harrington's



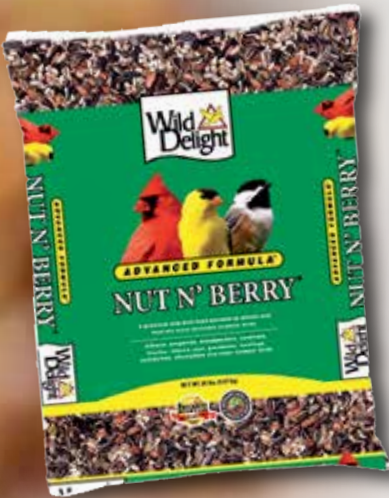
A recent Hillsboro-Deering High School graduate sued administrators at his former school for violating his constitutional rights when they searched his car for a gun last spring. He did not have a gun in the car at the time.

vehicle was based on a "good faith belief that their actions complied with the law and acted out of concern for the safety of all students and staff at Hills-

boro-Deering High School." The agreement includes a limitation stipulating that Harrington's case cannot serve as precedent for other students

challenging similar searches. This gives the school legal flexibility in handling other students or future situations. See related story on page 14.

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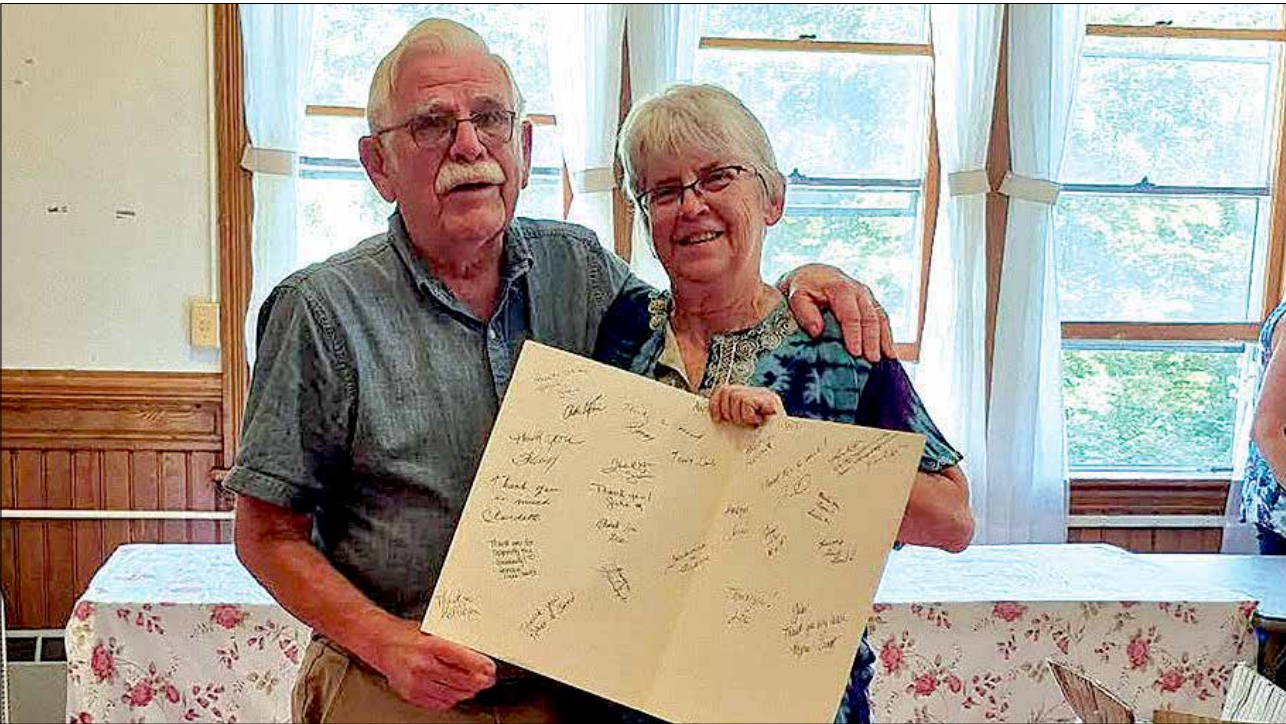
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In Service to Others



Thank you to Jack Ruderman, chair of the Hopkinton Housing Committee, for speaking recently at Hopkinton Rotary.



The Antrim-Bennington Lions Club recently received a HUGE thank-you note for its donation supporting a senior cookout hosted by Meals on Wheels of Hillsborough County.



"Let us not seek the Republican answer or the Democratic answer, but the right answer. Let us not seek to fix the blame for the past. Let us accept our own responsibility for the future."

~ John F. Kennedy

Goffstown considering an ordinance to restrict camping near Sarette Field

Leaders in Goffstown received no input during a public hearing about proposed ordinance changes to address issues associated with homelessness during their recent meeting.

The proposed ordinances deal with camping on public property, fires and cooking on town property, as well as the use of campers and other recreational vehicles on town property.

Police Chief Eric Sereno, during an August meeting, told members of the Select Board that unauthorized camping near Sarette Field left areas there in disarray and asked them to consider implementing stricter ordinances. In a Goffstown Police Department memo, officers noted that trash from encampments there migrates downstream into the culvert system responsible for moving water from the area of a landfill to the Piscataquog River. Employees of the town's Public Works Department have been required to clear trash from the culvert to prevent

its obstruction.

At another August meeting, members of the Select Board approved spending up to \$4,500 to clean up trash at encampments near Sarette Field and scheduled public hearings on the proposed ordinances, the first of which occurred Monday night.

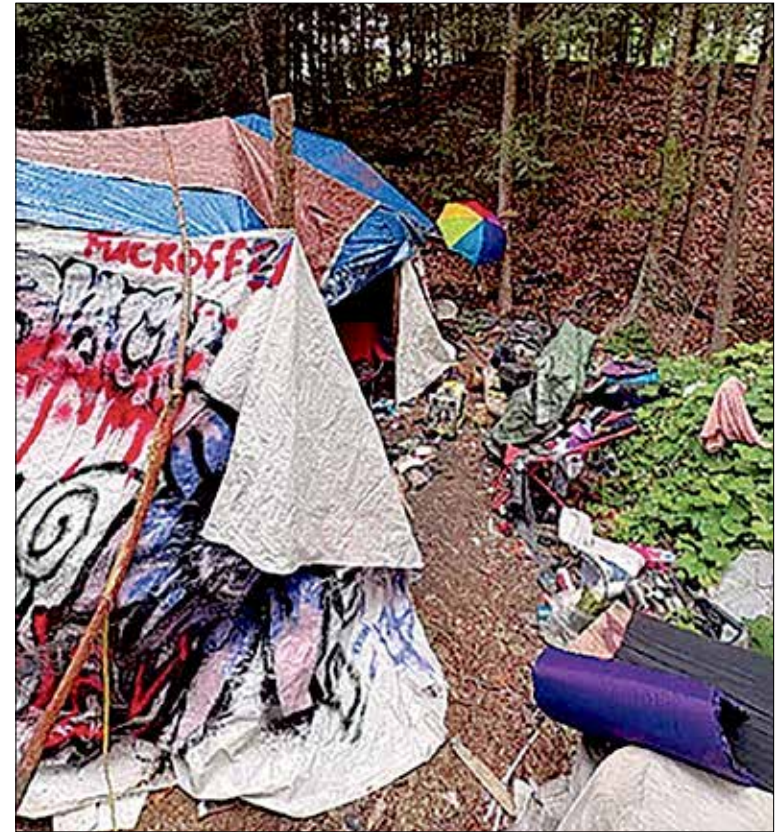
The newly proposed camping ordinance restricts the use of streets, sidewalks, squares, parks, the rail trail, public trails or any other town-owned public place from being used for camping, except with written permission from the Select Board.

In drafting the proposed camping ordinance, Town Administrator Derek Horne told Select Board members he looked at existing ordinances in Manchester and Nashua.

A difference between those ordinances is that Nashua gives a warning period of 15 days, both posted and verbal, before breaking down an unauthorized encampment.

The ordinance proposed in Goffstown delegates enforcement to the Police Department but does not specify a specific warning period prior to enforcement. At a previous Select Board meeting, members opined that leaving the department with discretion may be beneficial. In Manchester, there is no notice period. The ordinance, proposed to address fires and cooking, restricts people from cooking with fire on any property owned or operated by the town without permission, and the proposed campers and recreational vehicles ordinance restricts people from "occupying, storing, or parking and remaining in any camper or recreational vehicle" on town-owned public property, streets and rights of way except on streets where or when parking is permitted.

A second public hearing on the matter is scheduled for Sept. 28, at 6:15 p.m. and Select Board members are expected to vote on the proposed ordinances on Oct. 19.



Officials said a homeless encampment near Sarette Field and the Piscataquog River has created problems because of the trash that is left over in the area. Town workers said needles and propane tanks are a safety concern.



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BY SARAH CHAPIN

In a new study published in *JAMA Network Open* maternal plasma 25-hydroxyvitamin D levels throughout pregnancy were inversely associated with odds of offspring early childhood caries (tooth decay). These findings support the potential benefit of vitamin D supplementation before or during pregnancy in reducing the risk and severity of childhood dental caries.

The authors of the new scientific statement published in the American Heart Association's journal *Hypertension* note that single-pill combination medications are not the same as a "polypill." Single-pill combination medications combine two or more blood pressure medications into a single pill, whereas polypills combine one or more blood pressure medications with statins (cholesterol-lowering medication) and/or aspirin. Polypills aim to reduce cardiovascular risk for patients requiring multiple preventive therapies. There are several types of effective medications to treat high blood pressure, including angiotensin-converting enzyme (ACE) inhibitors, angiotensin II receptor blockers (ARBs), calcium channel blockers and thiazide-type diuretics which are first-line recommended medications. However, less than 50% of U.S. adults who have been diagnosed with and are being treated for high blood pressure achieve the recommended blood pressure goal of less than 130/80 mm Hg. Currently, there are approximately 200 unique combinations of blood pressure medications used by patients in the U.S. The four most commonly used medications are currently available as single-pill combinations. Expanding options for the medications combined within single-pill combination medications and developing additional triple and quadruple combinations may further simplify treatment and improve patient outcomes, the statement notes.

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The Weare Fire Department was dispatched for a smoke investigation at the All Seasons Campground. 911 later updated to a mobile home fire. Weare C1, Engine 2, Tanker 1, Ambulance 2, and Utility 1 all responded. Upon arrival Engine 2 reported heavy fire and struck a first alarm. The first arriving crew made quick work on extinguishing the fire and had the scene under control by 11:20 p.m. The assistance of Weare's mutual aid partners was cancelled, with exception of Henniker Engine 2 to assist on overhaul. Crews continued to work and eventually cleared the scene just prior to 12:30 a.m.

Pats Peak & Henniker Motel contribute to road paving

The Henniker Select Board held a public hearing in compliance with RSA 31:95-b to receive public comment and consider whether to accept and expend unanticipated funds for the purpose of paving a section of Craney Pond Rd.

Pats Peak Ski Area and Henniker Motel have requested to partner with the Town to rebuild and pave approximately 700 feet of Craney Pond Rd., extending from Flanders to the Henniker Hotel driveway.

At the August 18th meeting the board found:

- Total project funds are available
- Highway Department can prioritize for 2026
- Project has some public benefit
- Project is consistent with Master Plan and CIP.

Highway Superintendent Leo Aucoin recommended approval, and the board agreed, and entered a cost share agreement to accept the funds, recommended approval, and the recommendations at meeting.

Rapid response saves Sunapee heart attack victim

Sunapee Fire and New London Hospital EMS were dispatched to the Sunapee Harbor Boat Launch for a male experiencing chest pain.

Due to New London Hospital EMS being committed to other calls, an ambulance from Newport Fire was requested to respond.

Sunapee Police officers arrived on scene and advised that CPR was in progress.

The first Sunapee Fire unit arrived on scene just two minutes after being dispatched, and immediately joined Sunapee Police officers and bystanders in continuing lifesaving resuscitation efforts.

Upon arrival of Newport Ambulance, the patient was transferred to the Newport Ambulance crew, and was then transported to Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center.

Salute to Service Classic Golf Tournament to benefit NH Veterans

The Granite Irons Foundation will host the Salute to Service Classic Golf Tournament on Saturday, October 10, 2026, at Duston Country Club, bringing golfers, local businesses, veterans, and community members together for a day of golf, camaraderie, and giving back.

The four-person scramble will feature a full day of golf, BBQ, on-course games, raffles, prizes, beer sampling, and other activities, with all profits from the event benefiting organizations that support veterans across New Hampshire.

The tournament has already reached an important milestone, raising \$20,000 through sponsorships and early fundraising efforts. Organizers hope the October event will build on that success and generate even more support for New Hampshire's veteran community.

The event is being held in proud partnership with Duston Country Club, whose support and

hospitality will help make the Salute to Service Classic possible.

"We're incredibly proud of what this event has become," said Toby Carroll, Chairman of the Granite Irons Foundation. "What started as a local golf tournament has grown into an opportunity to make a meaningful difference for veterans throughout New Hampshire. Reaching \$20,000 before the tournament even takes place is a tremendous accomplishment, and we're excited to see what we can accomplish together on October 10th."

The Granite Irons Foundation was established by the team behind the successful American Legion golf tournaments held in previous years. The 2025 tournament raised approximately \$14,000, helping inspire the creation of the foundation and its broader mission of supporting organizations that serve veterans, youth, and the community.

Local businesses and organizations can still support the

Salute to Service Classic through \$200 hole sponsorships, providing businesses with signage and exposure during the tournament while directly supporting the

foundation's mission.

The Salute to Service Classic will take place Saturday, October 10, at Duston Country Club. Individuals and teams interested

in participating, as well as businesses interested in sponsoring a hole, can contact the Granite Irons Foundation at info@graniteironsfoundation.org.



Henniker residents on Long Pond were surprised to find a fairly large bear passed away about 100 feet off the North Shore. The bear had been active and last seen in the pond about two weeks prior in the same area. NH Fish & Game Officers were notified, and removed the bear.



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Hometown Heroes


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Weare police officers stopped by to help the John Stark Cheerleaders raise money.


Congratulations to Bow Lieutenant Pratte and Sergeant Welch on completing the third and final course in the FBI-LEEDA Leadership Trilogy.

Weare Fire & EMS Departments studying ways to improve employee retention

After meeting with Weare Town Administrator Naomi Bolton and Fire Chief Mark Roarick, Brian Dugan from Municipal Resources briefed the Select Board on efforts to retain volunteers in the Town's Fire/EMS Services.

He stressed that retention is a national problem, driven by generational differences, work force mobility, and a competitive market. Compensation was listed as the #1 factor affecting retention, with a median starting range of \$24.70/hour.

Weare currently pays slightly above that range.

Employee benefits were also reviewed. Weare currently offers health insurance on a 90/10 ratio and employee paid dental, vision and deferred compensation insurance along with a uniform allowance.

Many departments also offer vacation, sick, holiday and paternity leave, which Weare does

not. Dugan reported that with 17 departments participating in his survey, the results provide a useful snapshot of the competitive environment, although not every department responded to every question.

Within those limitations, the data suggests that Weare is reasonably well positioned in terms of wages but may be at a disadvantage in other areas of total compensation.

Over time, this difference could make it more difficult for Weare to attract qualified candidates and retain experienced personnel, particularly when competing with departments that offer similar or higher wages while also providing a stronger overall benefits package.

For this reason, maintaining competitive wages should remain a priority, but consideration should also be given to the overall compensation package. Strengthening benefits and

other non-wage components of compensation may help Weare

improve its ability to recruit and retain the qualified Fire/EMS

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Mark Dugan briefs the Weare Select Board.

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Publisher's Perspective

Comparing Biden Vs. Trump

Apparently, some of us have very short memories. Take a look at the below comparisons from January through July of the second year of the Biden administration with the same period under President Trump.

Overall inflation under Biden was 12.3%. Under Trump, 4.3%.

Groceries rose 15.8% under Biden, compared with 3.3% under Trump.

Gasoline increased 69% under Biden, compared with 12% under Trump.

Rent, electricity, and vehicle prices also increased

much more under Biden.

Does that mean everything is perfect today?

Of course not. Prices are still high, and families are still feeling it.

But before claiming that everything is worse now, perhaps we should remember what Americans were dealing with just a few years ago.

We may not be where we want to be yet—but let's not pretend we were better off under Biden.

The numbers are from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.



Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

Introspection is the active process of looking inward to examine your own conscious thoughts, feelings, and motives.

I have been doing a lot of introspection lately. Why am I not supportive of the current administration's policies and actions? Are my objections reasonable and valid? My notes morphed into a 3400-word critique titled "I may be a nobody but it's still my business..." I now feel justified.

My greatest revelation from that exercise is that I had written, for the first time, at age 71, two sentences which are the crystallization of one of my Core Beliefs. I wrote:

"If we Americans believe that we are bound by an idea, that we are clothed in the protection of the Constitution with rights, privileges and immunities far superior to the vast majority of the population of the Earth, then we have no right to deny those same rights, privileges and immunities to any other citizen. If we believe the Constitution is the law of the land and state, by means of a declaration, that people are endowed by their Creator with the unalienable rights of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, then it is morally incumbent on us to extend those rights to anyone who is within the Constitution's jurisdiction."

This is what I believe. I wish there were empirical evidence the current administration held the same belief.

Phil Bouchard, Deering

Letter to the Editor:

New Tax and No Tax Break

Facts Count at all Times and more so when making a decision on who to vote into office come November. A key debate will emerge on New Hampshire Tax Policy. Do we fund our local, county, and state government without broad based taxes or do we make tax changes as to how we fund government.

I loath the overworked, overused term 'fair.' Fair does not exist; it is interpreted in many ways by many people with many political views. Fair is only in the mind and voice of the one speaking.

Last spring Lexington MA voted down the school

budget. The citizens found the property tax burden too difficult. The shortfall of \$4.5 million is not resolved. Lexington is a well to do community. The median income is \$240,000. The median property tax is \$29,300. The property tax is 12% of residents income. Conclusion, after paying an income and sales tax in Massachusetts, property tax has not been offset by the proverbial income and sales tax. 12% of income is a steep property tax.

What is my point. Do not believe for a moment substituting an income or sales tax at the state level will bring down property taxes. It is a false argument that one tax will reduce another tax. In Massachusetts, the "poor" towns get more revenue from the state while wealthier towns receive a smaller share. Hence, the dilemma faced by Lexington. Secondly, local control does not exist for income and sales taxes. Local control exists in a property tax. Once local control is given over to the state, tax burden increases. Lastly, no guarantee exist that one "new" tax will reduce another tax.

Public expenditure can grow to spend the "new" tax money. Don't be fooled. Keep tax decisions local. Bradford NH is about middle of the road for NH communities. Bradford has a median income of \$84,000. The median property tax is \$7,800. The property tax is 9% of residents income. The total tax burden in New Hampshire is 10%; we are 50th in tax burden among all the states. Let's be careful how we manipulate tax policy in New Hampshire. Local control is vital to tax control. You can't put the Genie back in the bottle once government decides to add new taxes.

Stephen Pierce, Bradford

We get the government we deserve.

Dear Editor:

According to scientists' humans share approximately 60% of our DNA with bananas.

Those who would vote for Chris Pappas or Maggie Goodlander for office seem to have more in common with the banana then the rest of us. Supporting and abetting human trafficking, childhood gender mutilation surgery and unconditional abortions alone are enough to classify you as an abnormal human being. Additionally, you ►

Letters to the Editor continued

have these two stalwarts of American democracy not defending the sacred right to vote reserved only for U.S. Citizens. Yes! That is in the Constitution as is leaving immigration enforcement up to the U.S Government, not individual states.

Case in point! Goodlander served in the military (I assume it was the U.S military) and advises fellow servicemembers to do tours in Leavenworth by disobeying “Unlawful” orders from the “Commander in Chief.” Laws are not a smorgasbord where you pick and choose what laws you obey. You better not “believe” you are disobeying an unlawful order...you had better “know” it. For her to incite service members to disobey orders based on “feelings” is reprehensible. This from a person who probably can’t even define what a woman is. If you are in the military, then resign and peacefully protest. Follow your conscience. God bless you!

Congress has abrogated its responsibility and delegated more and more of these decisions like these to the executive branch regardless of the party. The legal lines are very fuzzy regardless of who the current Whitehouse resident is. Democrats held the majority for 4 years and did nothing to rectify it. They instead put their efforts into pandering to religious, gender, racial divisions and impeachment. Like a dog that can’t help but lick itself.

When your hatred for the president supersedes your love of country then it is time to go. Some veterans, regrettably, seemed to have forgotten their allegiance to the Constitution has precedence over political affiliation and “feelings.”

When every public utterance has a NAZI reference or accusing the political opposition of being a “this or that” aphobe, it is time to look in the mirror. It is time to examine which party embraced slavery, eugenics, the KKK, lynchings and gave us the Civil War. The Democrats are the party of socialist Woodrow Wilson, an elite bigot who single handily set back race relations in the country 75-100 years. Now these enlightened fools are embracing Islam as the latest minority Dajour. Perhaps some liberal women and those openly LBQTXYZ types ought to take your civil rights protests to Afghanistan or Iran in support of your sisters and fellow transsexuals. Let us know how that works out for you. Go ahead and mock them like you do Christians and Jews. You don’t have the guts! Yet it is those same Christians and Jews who do the fighting and dying, so you have the right to be stupid and safe here.

You ungrateful snots!
If Republicans don’t get off their asses and vote we get what we deserve.

Frank Pearsall, Hillsborough

Dear Editor:

Tim Morehouse is a force of nature in Antrim, NH. His energy, initiative and caring attitude permeate every aspect of the community. Tim is a volunteer who makes an impact on town programs and initiatives. His service as the President of the Antrim-Bennington Lion’s Club exemplifies is selfless commitment to serving the surrounding communities. Under his leadership, the club has increased membership which in turn has amplified club’s the contributions to numerous town activities. His efforts as a trustee in the town library contributed directly to the Tuttle Library being selected as the best in the state. He has served in numerous other capacities including Supervisor of the Checklist and Cemetery Trustee. His dedication to honor one of the town’s finest citizens, Eric Tenney, exemplifies his caring and selfless character. Mr. Morehouse volunteers in many capacities in the Town of Antrim and has built a reputation as someone who takes the initiative to find and fix problems.

Tim’s decision to run for State Representative in Hillsborough County District 30 is great news for the people in Antrim, Bennington, Hillsborough, and Windsor. He is a detail-oriented person with an intense desire to make life more affordable for every citizen. He researches issues and listens to all sides to make informed decisions. He is excited to continue his service at the state level by focusing on issues important to our people: lower property taxes, affordable housing, less expensive energy, and a lower overall cost of living.

He is passionate about improving educational outcomes and preparing our young people to be excited about entering the workforce. Tim is excited to broaden his impact by running for state office. I am confident he will serve with distinction.

Mr. Morehouse has earned the respect of all with whom he serves. He is a dynamic leader who simply gets things done. Tim will be an outstanding representative of the people in Hillsborough County District 30. I will be casting my vote for Tim and will be proud to have him representing me in Concord.

Jim Creighton, Antrim

**Government’s view of the economy could be
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Cemetery Walk set for Oct. 17-18 brings Old Hopkinton Cemetery to life

The Hopkinton Historical Society will present its 10th Cemetery Walk at the Old Hopkinton Cemetery on Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 17 and 18, at 2:00 p.m. Guests will hear the stories of early Hopkinton residents, including Revolutionary War soldiers and heroes, those who opposed the Patriot cause, an enslaved man and a slave owner, an Abenaki who helped fight the British, and a woman accused of witchcraft.

Neither a scary event nor meant to be a prelude to Halloween, the Cemetery Walk is an opportunity to experience local history, courtesy of the costumed actors who portray some of the people buried in the 250-year-old cemetery. The program is recommended for people 12 years and older.

“One of the things I love most about the Cemetery Walk is that it allows us to connect with Hopkinton’s history in a very

personal way,” said Hopkinton Historical Society Executive Director Heather Mitchell. “These were real people who lived through extraordinary times, and their stories can still surprise us, challenge us, and help us see our community in a new light.” The walk begins at the entrance to the Old Hopkinton Cemetery, located next to Hopkinton Town Hall at 330 Main St. Visitors are encouraged to wear comfortable shoes and bring a folding chair, if desired. The event lasts about 90 minutes. The event will be held rain or shine.

The play was researched and written by local historian Lynn Clark and is directed by seasoned local theater director Beth Spaulding. The all-local cast includes Tom Andrew, Roxanne Benzel, Lexi Boudreaux, Nancy Jo Chabot, Jeff Dearborn, Joanne DeBold, Katie Dillon, Jane Duggan, Ko Dustin, Gary Evans, Sherry Gould, Lissa Jones, Kath-



erine Ludwig, Mike Metcalf, Pete Mosseau, Caleb Parsons, Rhonda Sargent, Steve Shurtleff, Dijit Taylor, Jim VanDongen, Amy Weston, and Kourtnee-Marie Williams.

The Society has produced

nine Cemetery Walks over the past 17 years. In 2019, it received a national history award from the American Association for State and Local History in recognition of its Putney Hill Cemetery Walk.

Tickets are \$10 for members and \$15 for nonmembers. They are available at the event, in advance at hopkintonhistory.org, and in person at the Historical Society building at 300 Main St. in Hopkinton.

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Gun-rights group claims ‘major win’ over vehicle search at HD High School

A gun-rights organization which represented a former Hillsboro-Deering High School student in a lawsuit against school officials challenging a search of the student’s vehicle “based solely on the knowledge that he is a legal gun owner” is claiming a “major win” after school administrators admitted the search violated the teen’s Fourth Amendment rights. The Second Amendment Foundation (SAF) said the United States Constitution “worked exactly as designed” in the case of Harrington v. Crawford, involving a search in April 2025 of Hillsboro-Deering High School student Jack Harrington’s vehicle (which was parked on school grounds. The lawsuit claimed school officials searched Harrington’s vehicle without his consent following an “aggressive interrogation” by district employees “based only on an overheard conversation that Harrington lawfully owned a firearm.” Harrington owns a Glock 43 handgun, court docu-

ments show. “Maintaining safety on school grounds is a laudable goal,” said SAF Executive Director Adam Kraut in a statement. “But the Constitution demands that school officials have, at minimum, reasonable suspicion to search a student’s property. We’re pleased the school district here has admitted their errors and reinforced that the fundamental rights of their students will be respected.” Sometime in April 2025, Harrington had a conversation with another student about legally owning a gun while on a bus ride to a varsity baseball game, according to court documents. Harrington described an experience in which he had been pulled over by police while driving on a public road, during which he told the officer he had his handgun lawfully stored in the glove box of the vehicle he was driving. “At no time during the bus conversation did Jack make any threats, violate any laws, or speak inappropriately,” court documents

said. Sometime prior to April 24, 2025, Superintendent Jennifer Crawford, Hillsboro-Deering High School Principal James O’Rourke, and Vice Principal Brian McGinn became aware of the bus conversation, “or at least became aware of fragments of the conversation,” after one or more of the athletes on the bus reported to coaches what Harrington said, court documents stated. On April 24, 2025, the lawsuit claimed, the defendants removed Harrington from class based on their knowledge that he is a gun owner and “subjected Jack to a coercive interrogation without his parents or an attorney present, in which they demanded permission to search his truck, which was then parked in the HDHS campus parking lot, for firearms.” As noted in the complaint, “... after the Interrogation in which Jack repeatedly refused to consent to a search and after Jack’s parents were contacted by phone and similarly refused to consent to a



search, Defendants searched the Subject Vehicle anyway, finding no firearm.” “Publicly acknowledging that you’re a gun owner does not justify endless harassment or subject you to invasive searches,” said SAF founder and executive vice president Alan M. Gottlieb. “The overwhelming majority of gun owners are law-abiding peaceable people for their entire lives. Simply choosing to exercise your rights under the Second Amendment does not imply that you may do something criminal with a firearm and does not create reasonable

suspicion that a crime has been committed.” According to court documents, Hillsboro-Deering High School officials agreed the search of Harrington’s vehicle violated his fundamental right to be free from unreasonable searches and seizures under the Fourth Amendment, and did not meet the standard of “reasonable suspicion” for school searches as required by the U.S. Supreme Court. Officials also agreed that Harrington did not engage in “any illegal or unlawful conduct on April 24, 2025, or at any other time that justified the search.”

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- Ensuring parental support for their children’s education and upbringing
- Protecting Title IX which means girl sports and locker rooms are for biological girls only
- Life – birth to death
- Sensible zoning that respects property owner’s rights to be free from intrusive zoning restrictions
- The continued exploration for sensible energy sources
- Ensuring NH remains a caring environment for retirees and our servicemen
- Protecting all our Constitutional rights as Americans

In closing, we are fortunate to live in this wonderful place. It’s an honor that so many see our state as where they want to live and raise their family. I respectfully ask for your vote, and I hope to see you all at the polls on Nov. 3rd when you exercise the most important responsibility as a US Citizen. Voting.

Thank you, Natalie Wells <https://nataliewellsnh.com> <https://facebook.com/nataliewellsfornh> nataliewells4nh@gmail.com

Sports

FOOTBALL

Newfound 42, Hillsboro-Deering 7: Jonathan King (touchdown, 20 rushing yards), Haven Porter (58 rushing yards), Jayden Lopez-Guzman (10 carries, 65 yards), Matthew Jouvelakas (5 tackles, 2 for loss, sack), Keagan Lamos-Garon (9 tackles, 5 sack), Conor Du-mais (5 tackles, INT).

Kearsarge 43, Bishop Brady/Hopkinton 8: Kearsarge rolled to a 43-8 varsity win over Bishop Brady/Hopkinton behind a balanced offensive effort and a strong defensive performance. Aidan Ruckman scored on a 46-yard run and added a 23-yard touchdown reception from Chad Hemingway. Cam Brand added a 23-yard rushing touchdown.

BOYS SOCCER

Belmont 3, Hillboro-Deering 1: Up 1-0 at the half, Evan Martinez breakaway sealed the win for Belmont.

Hopkinton 7, Inter-Lakes 0: AJ Pratts (3 goals, 2 assists), Will Lee (2 assists), Sawyer Zipke (1 goal), Wyatt Bouffard (1 goal), Tyler Gross (1 goal), Charlie Sides (1 goal).

ConVal 3, Bow 0: The Cougars took control from the opening whistle.

Bow 5, Souhegan 2: Goals: Carter Hall (2), Milo Cocola, Blake Crowell, Isaac Roz. Assists: Carter Hall, Milo Cocola, Rowan Schlosser.

John Stark 2, Kingswood 0: Owen Gitchell goal, assisted by Cam DeNapoli. Connor Brooks goal, assisted from Owen Gitchell. Zach Morrison 1 save, Connor Brooks 1 save, Hunter Philibotte 3 saves combined for the shutout in net. Blake Maxwell led the defense.

John Stark 6, MV 1: Senior Connor Brooks (homecoming, hat trick, three goals), Rylan Grolljahn (first goal, unassisted), Zach Mor-rison set the defensive pace with a far post save early when it was 0-0.

John Stark 2, Coe Brown 2: John Stark's Desmond Bogle tied the game with a few seconds to play on a scrum in front of the goal.

GIRLS SOCCER

John Stark 3, Merrimack Valley 2: MV – Lila Gray (goal), Gabi Jones (goal), Hadley Raine (assist), Genny Blanchette (6 saves).

John Stark 4, Coe-Brown 3: Last minute goal by John Stark with seven seconds remaining in game.

Bow 6, ConVal 0: Jolee Trudel sent a great through ball to Jaeden, who struck a well-placed shot by the keeper 12 minutes in.

Pembroke 4, ConVal 0: The Spartans scored 5 minutes into the match and went on to outshoot the Cougars 31 to 5 Friday.

Kearsarge 3, Sanborn 1: Kearsarge controlled 1st with 2 goals in 1st 30 mins. Katie scored a 3rd to open 2nd. Sanborn scored on PK.

Sunapee 3, Newport 0: Avery Miller, 2 saves for third shutout of season. Newport: goalie Blythe Davis, 15 saves.

Hopkinton 3, Gilford 1: Early first and second half awarded penalty kicks.

FIELD HOCKEY

Gilford 2, Kearsarge 1: Ryley Grave scores to tie the game at 1-1.

Kearsarge 7, Laconia 0: Stella Sheets (fr) hat trick, Liberty Provo (fr) first varsity goal
Plymouth 3, John Stark 0: Stella Oullette with great carries up the field. Maxine Lun-deen with tough elimination skills.

Bow 4, Lebanon 2: Shire Kelley (2 goals, 1 assist), Peyton Vaughn (1 goal, 1 assist), Kaylee Jacques (1 goal, 1 assist), Chloe Nowa-cowski (assist).

Bow 4, Londonderry 2: Momentum start-ed when Peyton Vaughn scored on a penalty stroke in the first to get on the board 1-0.

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Photo by Eric Anderson

The Reliable Insurance Solutions team, including Julie Boggess, who is joining Reliable as a producer.

After years of serving individuals and families throughout the Hillsborough community, Butch Amadio is beginning a well-earned retirement. We congratulate Butch on this next chapter and thank him for the relationships and trust he has built over the years.

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Bow police stationed at the high school after threats on Snapchat

Bow Police had an increased presence on the town’s high school campus Monday after a student allegedly posted threats about the school on Snapchat.

Bow High School administrators notified parents about the threats Sunday night, Bow Police Chief Ken Miller said. The Bow School Resource Officer (SRO),

police, and school administrators investigated the Snapchat messages Sunday night.

“We have identified the juvenile involved and are actively handling the matter directly with the student and their family,” Miller said in a statement Monday. “There is no active or ongoing threat to our schools.

However, out of an abundance of caution, you will see extra police patrols at the schools this morning to ensure our students and staff feel safe and supported.

“We take all threats, whether made online, in person, or on

social media very seriously. We appreciate the prompt reporting from parents and students that allowed us to address this.”

Miller said any parents or students who hear or see anything related to school safety

should report it directly to the Bow police department or school officials immediately.

“Quick reporting gives us the time we need to investigate and keep our schools safe,” Miller said.

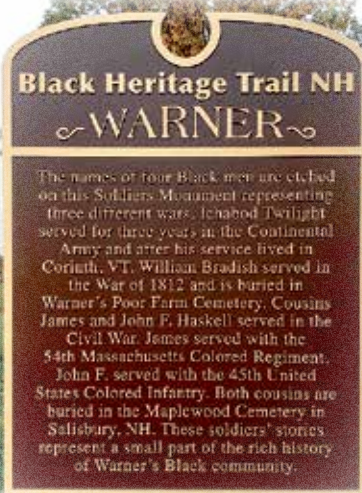


As an old Democrat I am trying my best to prevent the Democrats from winning the Midterms. Theres no question in my mind. Today the Democrats are the EVIL PARTY IN AMERICA. They are very similar to what WE SAW IN GERMANY IN 1932

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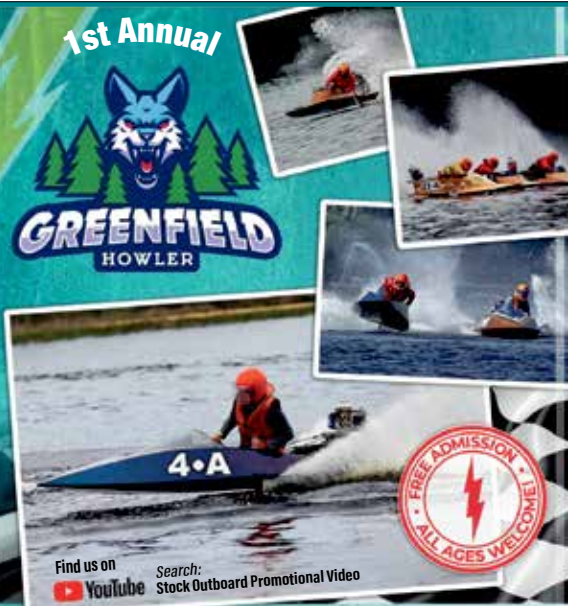
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H-D proposal to ban parents from coaching positions draws opposition

A larger than usual crowd attended the Hillsboro-Deering School Board meeting Monday evening, concerned over Superintendent Jennifer Crawford's Policy Memorandum directing H-D coaching staff not to hire non-teacher parents as coaches.

Several speakers agreed that teacher should be given preference, but parents should not automatically be eliminated if a coaching vacancy existed.

The Board agreed to have the Policy Committee review the matter and make a recommendation to the Board.

Replacement of the three school's phone system was also discussed.

The current Phone System is considered "end of life" and needs to be replaced. Phones with increasing frequency stop working. In addition, the system

is difficult to administer, lacks needed features and is expensive to maintain.

Staff recommend the phone system project be awarded to Arcomm Communications, although it was the highest of the three bids, because it included the cost to replace phones, proposed solution, has experience with the company and monthly estimated subscription cost, and Arcomm is local and can respond quickly to service calls. The Board agreed.

The Board was happy to accept unanticipated revenue received from Department of Education Security Action for Education (SAFE) Grants, which will total up to not more than \$79,342.00 for Hillsboro-Deering Elementary School, \$54,516.00 for Hillsboro-Deering Middle School, and \$43,817.00 for Hillsboro-Deering High School.



Sasha Grimes was one of several people who spoke in opposition to the superintendent's policy memo.

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Crime Watch

Hillsboro man arrested for stealing a unicycle

The Hillsboro Police Department has arrested Jackson McFarlin, age 31, of Hillsboro, in connection with the theft of an InMotion electric unicycle valued at approximately \$2,700. The unicycle was reported stolen from a Hillsboro resident on September 6, 2026. On September 10, officers were made aware that a unicycle matching the stolen property was being offered for sale on Facebook Marketplace by McFarlin. The victim also identified the item by a distinctive scuff mark present on the stolen unit. As a result of the investigation, McFarlin was arrested on September 19, 2026, and charged with Theft by Unauthorized Taking and Receiving Stolen Property, both felony offenses.

Warner man charged with fraud & theft

Nicholas Fuchs, 40, of Roslyn Avenue in Warner, on identity fraud, receiving stolen property, and theft by unauthorized taking charges, all felonies. He was accused of stealing and retaining more than \$1,000 worth of cordwood belonging to Kearsarge Neighborhood Partners and of posing as another in order to obtain bail on Feb. 6 in Warner.

Goffstown man sentenced to eight years

A man from Goffstown was sentenced to more than eight years in prison on gun and drug charges. Mark Williams, 45, was involved in a single-vehicle crash in town in October 2023. Before police arrived, he walked away from the scene — leaving a loaded 9 mm handgun as well as 41 grams of meth, 73 grams of cocaine, and 452 grams of fentanyl in

the vehicle involved in the crash. A couple of weeks later, police arrested him, and he has been in custody since. After serving his time, Williams will be on supervised release for four years.

Franklin man arrested possession of meth

Christopher Bickford, 49, of Ferncliff Drive in Franklin, on a felony count of controlled drug act; acts prohibited-meth on June 5 in Franklin. Previously, according to the indictment, he was convicted on possession in November 2020.

Franklin man charged with two felonies

Joseph T. Bowie, 44, of Memorial Street in Franklin, on pistols & revolvers; convicted felons and two controlled drug act; acts prohibited-meth and amphetamine charges, all felonies. He was accused of possessing the drugs and a 9.6-inch bladed knife in Franklin on April 9. Bowie is a felon due to a drug conviction in May 2022 in Belknap County Superior Court.

Franklin man's 2nd drug arrest

Christopher Bickford, 49, of Ferncliff Drive in Franklin, on a felony count of controlled drug act; acts prohibited-meth on June 5 in Franklin. Previously, according to the indictment, he was convicted on possession in November 2020.

Franklin man endangering a child

Kelsey C. Nagy, born in 1997, of Franklin, was arrested at 12:24 a.m. on Aug. 22 on endangering the welfare of a child and two driving after revocation or suspension charges after an incident or investigation at 216 Loudon Road.

Franklin woman charged with fraud

State Troopers arrested Heidi Johnson, 63, of Franklin, after she produced a fraudulent course completion form for an

Impaired Driver Care Management Program (IDCMP). The investigation determined that, while at a branch of the New Hampshire Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV), Johnson attempted to use the fraudulent document to reinstate her driver's license, which was suspended for a driving while intoxicated (DWI) conviction. Johnson was taken into custody and charged with misdemeanor tampering with public records or information. She is scheduled to be arraigned in Concord District Court on Tuesday, Nov. 17, 2026.

Goffstown man arrested for domestic violence

Pierre Jules Gagnon, born in 1962, of Goffstown, was arrested on two simple assault and two domestic violence-simple assault charges. He was arrested after an incident or investigation at White Park.

Bow man for assault/domestic violence

Hector G. Galvan, 27, of Merrill Crossing in Bow, on two domestic violence-simple assault-enhanced and felony counts of second-degree assault-domestic violence and tampering with witnesses and informants. He was accused of slapping a young child in the head, grabbing them by the collar, and throwing them into a baby bouncer in Bow on May 23. Galvan, according to the indictment, also attempted to get the child to withhold information and not to tell anyone what happened if they did not want Galvan to go to jail.

Hopkinton man as a habitual offender

Joshua P. Gragg, 39, of Appletree Lane in Hopkinton, on a felony count of operating after certification as a habitual offender. He was accused of driving on Montgomery Street in Concord on June 16 after the NH DMV deemed him a habitual offender in January 2025.

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Obituaries: Friends & Neighbors Remembered

Marguerite McLeod

Hancock - Marguerite “Peg” (Reynolds) McLeod, Aug. 3, 1926-Sept. 14, 2026, 100 years old. Born in Peterborough, NH, to Carl and Laura Reynolds, the third of 12 children. Predeceased by Kenneth A. McLeod Jr. on Sept. 8, 2007, survived by daughters Sharron Wilkins and husband, Stephen, of Mont Vernon, NH, and Nadene McLeod and husband, John Moir, of Piopolis, QC, and Carrabassett Valley, Maine, grandsons, Kevin Wilkins and his wife, Allyson Wilkins, and their nine children of Greenville, NH, and Kenneth Moir and his wife, Crystal Moir, of New Brunswick and Maine. Three of her siblings remain: Lillian and Brenda of Mass., and Roger of Lyndeborough. Contributions in her remembrance to either the Monadnock Community Hospital or the Union Congregational Church, both in Peterborough, NH.



Janice B. McKenzie

Bennington - Janice B. McKenzie of Bennington, New Hampshire, died peacefully at Concord Hospital on Thursday, September 10, with her husband and children by her bedside. The daughter of Francis Hanc and Josephine (Fidrych) Hanc, Janice is survived by her loving husband of 36 years, David McKenzie; daughter Emma Todd and her husband Brian of Nashville, Tennessee;



son Andrew McKenzie and his wife Christina and daughter Margot of Phippsburg, Maine; stepdaughter Amy McKenzie and her children Anita and Nima Rafi of Toronto, Canada; brother David Hanc and his wife Donna Gray-Hanc of Jefferson, Maine; niece Jocelyn Hanc and her wife Megan Marlow; nephew Ryan Hanc, his wife Morgan and their son Jonathan of Mine Hill, New Jersey; and sister-in-law Gail Bartley of Seattle, Washington. The family recommends that those who wish to make a memorial gift in Janice’s name consider their local food pantry or the Grapevine in Antrim, or their own favorite charity.

Jennifer Leigh Kinney (Conway)

Bennington - Jennifer Leigh Kinney (Conway), 54, of Bennington, passed away peacefully in the loving arms of her husband, on September 14, 2026. She was born on January 24, 1972, in Peterborough to Carole (Beauchamp) and James Conway. In addition to her husband, Robert E. Kinney, Jr., Jenn is survived by her parents; Carole and Arthur Murphy, and James and Leah Conway, her sons; James Ranta, Michael Ranta & his partner Patricia, and Blake Gregory & his partner Emily, her siblings; Jamie Conway & his wife Darcy, Thea Doyle & her husband Justin, Kenneth Conway & his wife Emma and Steven Conway; step-siblings Christine Dean & her husband Christopher and Aaron Murphy & his wife Kim, her honorary “4th son” Corey Scruton; her soul sister Dee Quinn, beloved nieces



and nephews, as well as a large extended family and several close friends. A celebration of Jenn’s life will take place on October 17th at the Meetinghouse in Greenfield from 12:30-4:30pm. All who knew her are welcome to stop by to raise a glass or share a memory.

Paul Vincent Citak

New Boston - Paul Vincent Citak passed away after a period of declining health on September 16th, 2026. Paul V. Citak was born in Lorain, Ohio on May 16, 1934, to George Citak and Mary Citak (Sadowski). He was the second of four children. Eleanor, Paul, Edward, and Joseph. Paul is predeceased by his parents George and Mary, sister Eleanor, his brother Joseph (5 months old), his daughter, Teresa Citak, and his late wife Dixie Lee. Paul is survived by his son, Paul J. Citak (Kristi) of New Boston, NH, grandchildren Amanda (Robert), Raymond, of New Boston, NH and Carey of Nashua, NH, great grandchildren Elizabeth, Arthur, and Hailey. Heart-daughter, Heather Minnich (Lee) of New Boston NH, grandchildren, Stevenna Hammond (Nicholas), Manchester, NH, Nicholas Minnich (Heena), of Ill., Daniel Minnich (Tyler) of Sanbornton, NH, Alicia Byrne (Michael), of New Brunself, TX, Alexa Willard (Nathan), of Rochester, NH, Bradley Minnich of Franklin, NH, Cole Minnich, Hannah Minnich, Mason Minnich, and Kobe Minnich of New Boston, NH. Great grandchildren Sabella, Jackson, Benjamin, and Sophia. Paul is also survived by his brother Edward Citak of Las Vegas, NV.



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PROJECT FILE # P2-525

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By authority granted under RSA 227-G:3 and 227-H:2 the New Hampshire Division of Forests and Lands is planning a forest operation that includes the commercial harvest of timber on 304 acres of the Kearsarge Mountain State Forest in the town of Warner, New Hampshire. This is a public notice to solicit comments or questions as part of the planning process. THIS IS NOT A REQUEST FOR BIDS. The Division carries out timber harvests as part of a multiple use forest and wildlife management program on State owned woodlands. Please address written comments or request for information by October 12, 2026 to Director, Division of Forests and Lands, 172 Pembroke Road, Concord, New Hampshire 03301, ATTN: Forest Management Bureau **P2-525**.

 Events: Community Bulletin Board

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 26

AUCTION: Hillsboro Methodist Church will be having their annual Talent, Goods, and Services Auction. Doors will open at 5pm for viewing, and the auction will begin at 6pm. Gift baskets, gift cards, various other items, as well as talent-associated items, will be auctioned off. For more info, contact Gene Gould, 603-464-4007.

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 28

WARNER CONCERT: Jon Nolan & Good Co. 6-8pm at the Main Street Stage. Free but donations accepted.

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 29

MUSEUM OPEN: Tour the Hillsborough Historical Society's Museum, 6pm. Meet at the library at 5:45pm to walk over, or meet us there.

LOONS: Presentation by the Loon Preservation Committee 5:30-7pm. Join the folks from Tracy Library as we welcome representatives from the Loon Preservation Committee to learn more about loons in our region. Visit the Ausbon Sargent events page to sign up through the link provided.

SATURDAY OCTOBER 3

FRANCESTOWN COFFEEHOUSE: performance begins at 7pm, doors open at 6:30pm at the Francestown Town Hall. Variety of music with featured act Greg Young and Susan Ruth of the Familiar Strangers band. Also artist's display by Abby Hedderly along with snack foods. \$8 suggested donation per person. See francestowncoffeehouse.org.

BOOK SALE: at the Deering Library; from 10am until 2pm.

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SUNDAY OCTOBER 4

BLACK HISTORY OF WARNER: The Revolution through the Early Republic Walking Tour With Lynn Clark & Rebecca Courser from 1-3 pm. Meet at the Warner Town Hall. Bring water & wear walking shoes. This is a fundraiser for the Black Heritage Trail of New Hampshire. Register at blackheritagetrailnh.org/tours/black-history-walking-tours-nh Adults \$20, Veterans & Seniors \$15, Students \$10.

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 7

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SATURDAY OCTOBER 10

UNITED CHURCH OF WARNER: Fall Foliage Festival Breakfast. 7-11am. Pancakes - Plain and Blueberry, Red Flannel Hash, Baked Beans, Scrambled Eggs, Sausage and Home Fries.

MONDAY OCTOBER 12

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TUESDAY OCTOBER 13

FULLER LIBRARY: Come join us for a Magical Mystery Tour of music and fun facts about the Fab 4, 6pm at Fuller Public Library.

SATURDAY OCTOBER 17

FULLER LIBRARY: Learn How to play Mahjong at Fuller Public Library 11am-12pm, helping to teach us will be staff and patrons from the Shedd Free Library in Washington. Please call to register, 603-464-3595.

PUBLIC NOTICE

**TOWN OF HILLSBOROUGH
SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST**

The Supervisors of the Checklist will be in session **Friday, October 2, 2026** 1:00-1:30 p.m., at the Hillsborough Town Offices at 27 School St., Hillsborough for the purpose of corrections, party changes or new registrations. New voters should bring a photo ID, proof of citizenship (birth certificate, passport or Naturalization papers) and proof of residency. Please go to www.sos.nh.gov if you have any questions, or attend any session of the Supervisors.

**DEERING PLANNING BOARD
NOTICE OF APPLICATION
SUBMISSION AND
PUBLIC HEARING**

Notice is hereby given in accordance with RSA 676:4 that the Deering Planning Board will review the following submitted application(s) for completeness on **October 14, 2026, at a meeting beginning at 6:30 PM at the Deering Town Hall, 762 Deering Center Road, Deering, NH.** If the application(s) are accepted as complete by the Board, a public hearing will follow immediately after. Applications continued to a subsequent meeting will not be re-noticed.

The following application(s) have been submitted for review and public hearing by the Planning Board:

Conditional Use Permit Application. Stephen and Margaret Carson Joint Real Estate Trust. Map 228/Lot 80, and 44 Zoski Road, in the Watershed Protection District. The applicant seeks approval for temporary impacts to lift the existing single family home and replace the foundation underneath it.

The agenda for the meeting will be posted per RSA 91-A:2. Refer to the agenda for a listing of other items before the Board, including applications and public hearings that were continued from previous meetings which may be heard prior to the above applications.

Copies of the Planning Board applications and associated materials are available for review at Deering Town Hall, 762 Deering Center Road, during normal **business hours: Monday through Thursday 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM.** Material is also available online at <https://www.deering.nh.us/planning-board>. Phone (603) 464-3248.

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The following application(s) have been submitted for review and public hearing by the Planning Board:

Conditional Use Permit Application. Harry Garabedian. Map 240/Lot 20 and 628 Reservoir Road, in the Watershed Overlay Protection District. The applicant seeks approval to construct a 16'x16' greenhouse to the existing home on the property.

The agenda for the meeting will be posted per RSA 91-A:2. Refer to the agenda for a listing of other items before the Board, including applications and public hearings that were continued from previous meetings which may be heard prior to the above applications.

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The following application(s) have been submitted for review and public hearing by the Planning Board:

Conditional Use Permit Application. Norman and Jennifer Leroux. Map 228 Lot 53 and 180 Fisher Road/149 Lake Shore Drive in the Agricultural/Residential Zoning District and the Watershed Overlay District The applicant seeks approval to construct an addition containing a bedroom and a bathroom.

The agenda for the meeting will be posted per RSA 91-A:2. Refer to the agenda for a listing of other items before the Board, including applications and public hearings that were continued from previous meetings which may be heard prior to the above applications.

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The school districts of Hillsboro-Deering and Washington are required to notify the public of the availability of the AHERA Management Plan which identifies areas having asbestos-containing materials and how these materials are being maintained in a safe manner. A copy of the Management Plan is on file for review at School Administrative Unit #34, 78 School Street 3rd fl., Hillsboro, NH. Copies of the individual building inspection reports are on file in the Facilities Director's office in the Hillsboro-Deering Elementary School. Hillsboro-Deering Middle School, Hillsboro-Deering High School and Washington Elementary School, being of recent construction, have been certified as containing no asbestos building materials.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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PUBLIC NOTICE

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Windsor and Washington**
NOTIFICATION OF RIGHTS UNDER “FERPA”

The Family and Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) affords parents and students 18 years of age or older (“eligible students”) certain rights with respect to the student’s education records. These rights are:

The right to inspect and review the student’s education records within 45 days of the day the school receives a request for access. Parents or eligible students who wish to inspect their child’s or their education records should submit to the school principal a written request that identifies the records they wish to inspect. The school official will make arrangements for access and notify the parent or eligible student of the time and place where the records may be inspected.

The right to request the amendment of the student’s education records that the parent or eligible student believes are inaccurate, misleading, or otherwise in violation of the student’s privacy rights under FERPA.

Parents or eligible students who wish to ask the School to amend their child’s or their education record should write the school principal, clearly identify the part of the record they want changed, and specify why it should be changed. If the school decides not to amend the record as requested by the parent or eligible student, the school will notify the parent or eligible student of the decision and of their right to a hearing regarding the request for amendment. Additional information regarding the hearing procedures will be provided to the parent or eligible student when notified of the right to a hearing.

The right to provide written consent before the school discloses personally identifiable information (PII) from the student’s education records, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without consent.

One exception, which permits disclosure without consent, is disclosure to school officials with legitimate educational interests. The criteria for determining who constitutes a school official and what constitutes a legitimate educational interest must be set forth in the school’s or school district’s annual notification for FERPA rights. A school official typically includes a person employed by the school or school district as an administrator, supervisor, instructor, or support staff member (including health or medical staff and law enforcement unit personnel) or a person serving on the school board. A school official also may include a volunteer, contractor, or consultant who, while not employed by the school, performs an institutional service or function for which the school would otherwise use its own employees and who is under the direct control of the school with respect to the use and maintenance of PII from education records, such as an attorney, auditor, medical consultant, or therapist; a parent or student volunteering to serve on an official committee, such as a disciplinary or grievance committee; or a parent, student, or other volunteer assisting another school official in performing his or her tasks. A school official typically has a legitimate educational interest if the official needs to review an education record in order to fulfill his or her professional responsibility.

The right to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education concerning alleged failures by the School to comply with the requirements of FERPA. The name and address of the Office that administers FERPA are:

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Directory information is not published by the school districts of SAU #34 except as this may occur in school formats such as yearbooks, award announcements, programs/bulletins published for athletic or other co-curricular events, and similar achievement-oriented publications. Policy JRA-Access to Student Records-FERPA may be reviewed on our website at www.sau34.org. A parent or eligible student who objects to a student’s directory listing in such publications should contact the appropriate school principal in writing by October 15, 2026.

Jennifer Crawford, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools, SAU #34

PUBLIC NOTICE

SAU #34

**HILLSBORO-DEERING, WASHINGTON
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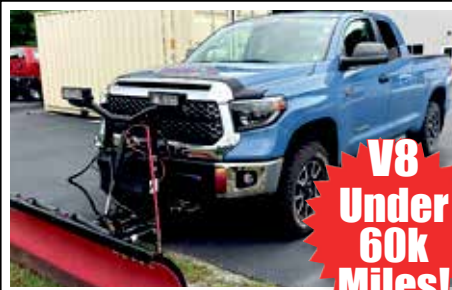
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