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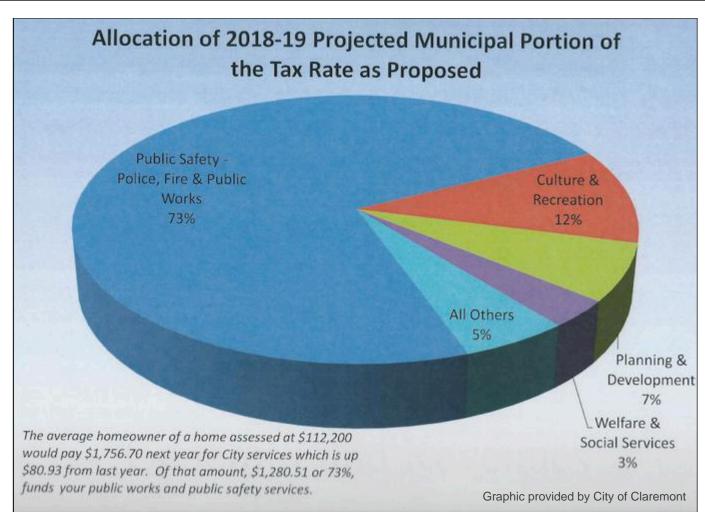
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2019 City Budget of \$17,332,188 Proposed

By Phyllis A. Muzeroll e-Ticker News

CLAREMONT, NH—Claremont City Manager Ryan McNutt has released his proposed Fiscal Year 2019 City Operating Budget which totals \$17,332,188, exclusive of the Wastewater (\$2,739,776) and Water (\$2,197,013) departments. The City Council will begin reviewing the proposal this month.

In his letter to councilors, McNutt said, "The community's resources are finite and we must acknowledge the strain. The City does not plan on replacing one firefighter who retired. Additionally, due to two open positions in the Police Department and the lengthy nature of that hiring process, we will likely see some retention of funds over the course of the fiscal year."



McNutt continued, "The Administration must endeavor to find and fix inefficiencies and be the good stewards of taxpayer dollars. To this end, we have begun conversations with our neighboring communities in Sullivan County regarding services that can be shared and regionalized.

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Three, Including SHS Senior, Lose Lives in Cornish Crash

By Phyllis A. Muzeroll e-Ticker News

CORNISH, NH—On Thursday May 3, at approximately 1:50 p.m., New Hampshire State Police Communications received a call regarding a two-vehicle collision in Cornish. The New Hampshire State Police were on-call for Cornish at the time of the collision, and the Plainfield Police Department was requested to respond until Troopers could arrive on scene. Once on scene, it was determined that a head on-collision had occurred between a 2005 Ford Taurus and a 2017 International 1300FBC, registered to Loomis Armored US LLC and driven by Robert Santos.

The occupants of the Taurus were identified as: Daniel Churchill, the driver, age 54, of Claremont, Zachary Richards, age 18, of Claremont, **(pictured right)** and Patricia Churchill, age 79, of Hartford, VT. **(Continued on page A2)**



Crash, from A1

The New Hampshire State Police Collision Analysis and Reconstruction (CAR) Unit was called to investigate this collision. Preliminary investigation indicates that the Taurus was northbound on Route 12A when it came into the southbound lane. The Loomis Truck was unable to avoid a collision, and the two vehicles collided. All of the occupants of the Taurus received fatal injuries as a result of this collision. The driver of the Loomis truck, and his passenger, received no injuries. Route 12A was closed for a number of hours as a result of this collision. The New Hampshire State Police CAR Unit was assisted on scene by the Cornish Fire Department, Windsor Fire Department, Plainfield Police Department, Claremont Police Department, New Hampshire State Police Troop C, and New Hampshire State Police Troop G.

This collision remains under investigation at this time. Anyone who may have further information related to this crash is asked to please contact Trooper Michael McLaughlin at

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Daniel Churchill and Corine Richards, Zachary's mother, were engaged; Patricia Churchill was Daniel Churchill's mother.

Richards was due to graduate from Stevens High School in June. His obituary reads as follows and is also posted on our website:

Zachary James Richards, 18, of Claremont, NH, passed away suddenly due to a car accident on May 3, 2018. He was born in Claremont, NH, on January 4, 2000, the son of Corine M. Richards and Timothy Sherwood. He was due to graduate from Stevens High School in June.

Zachary was a member of the Cool Cats. He enjoyed swimming, going for walks and working on cars. He wanted to become a mechan-

He is survived by his mother, Corine; his father, Timothy; two half-brothers, Trevor Sherwood and Timothy Sherwood Jr.; grandmother, Rosemary Richards; grandfather, James Richards and many aunts, uncle and cousins.

A funeral service was scheduled for early Monday afternoon at Stringer Funeral Home in Claremont, Monday, May 7th. Burial was to follow in St. Mary Cemetery.

CFD Called to Scene of Barn Ceiling Fire

CLAREMONT, NH-The Claremont Fire Department responded to a reported barn fire located at 114 Sugar River Drive last Monday morning. The call was reported to the Claremont Safety Services Dispatch Center

initial report from the first arriving Claremont Fire Department units, including Car 1 and Engines 1, 2 and 3, was light smoke conditions coming from the exterior of the barn. The fire was isolated to the interior ceiling. The fire was quickly extinguished but required extensive overhaul and removal of ceiling panels to

find and extinguish deep seated embers."

The fire was reported under control at 10:05 a.m., and all units were released from the scene at 11:46 a.m. The fire was accidental in nature and caused by combustibles and flammables stored too close to a wood-fired furnace which was being used to provide heat to the building, said Burr.

The following fire departments sent mutual aid: Newport Engine to the scene and a Ladder to cover the station; the Cornish Fire Department also sent an Engine to cover the station. Golden Cross Ambulance responded to the scene along with multiple Claremont Police units to provide traffic control along the intersection of Case Hill Road and Sugar River Drive.

One Claremont firefighter was sent to Valley Regional Hospital to be evaluated for a minor

at 9:40 a.m. According to Claremont Fire Chief

Bryan Burr, "The

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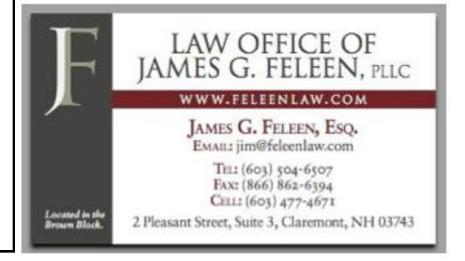
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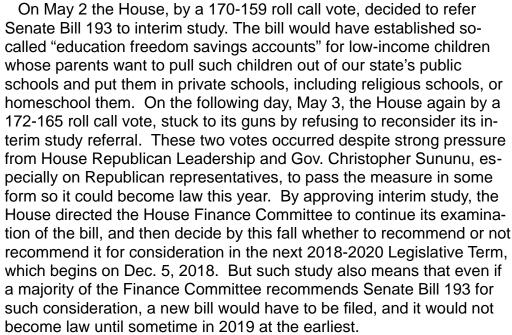
Commentary

NH House Happenings

By Rep. John Cloutier

Battle Over SB193 Continues

A controversial school choice measure is still alive at the insistence of New Hampshire's Senate, despite the fact that the State House of Representatives believes it needs further work.



However, later on May 3 the Senate voted 14-10, along party lines, to attach Senate Bill 193's language in the form of an amendment onto House Bill 1636, which the House had earlier passed on March 6. As originally passed, this bill would have established a study committee on teacher preparation and education programs, relative to the use by chartered public schools of unused district facilities, a bill sponsored by a trio of Democratic representatives led by Concord's Mary Stuart Gile. Now the original bill with the attached language establishing education freedom savings accounts will return to the House on May 10 and we representatives will have three choices to make. First, we can concur with the Senate's amendment to the bill, not only again approving the original bill, but also making education savings accounts, popularly known as school vouchers, law. Second, we can non-concur with the amendment, and stop not only such savings accounts, but also the establishment of an important study committee from becoming law. Or third, we can non-concur with the amendment and ask for a House-Senate Committee of Conference that could hammer out a compromise version of House Bill 1636, which might include education savings accounts. So the battle continues.

As readers of this column should know by now, I am against Senate Bill 193, for various reasons which I believe I have already mentioned previously. Yes, I did vote to refer the measure to interim study, but I did so because the only viable alternative was to approve this terrible legis-



lation. But frankly, I believe sending the bill to interim study will just be a polite way of ensuring it never becomes law. Currently, the Finance Committee, like other House committees, is controlled by Republicans. Even if a majority of Finance, which has spent the last four months examining this measure and considering three revised versions of it, were to suddenly recommend it for future legislation, the political landscape may be different. In other words, the November 2018 elections could likely result in both the House and Senate flipping from Republican to Democratic control, a result that would spell doom for a similar bill. Anyway, as of today, I plan to vote to non-concur with the attached education savings accounts amendment to House Bill 1636, even if such action results in the rejection of the original bill sponsored by fellow Democratic representatives.

On May 3 the House by simple voice vote gave final approval to its amended version of Senate Bill 313, which would continue expanded Medicaid, a vital health insurance program for approximately 53,000 eligible New Hampshire residents. Final approval came after brief floor debate, and adoption on a 303-29 roll call vote of a key amendment to the bill made by the Finance Committee, which had overwhelmingly recommended it for final approval. The legislation as amended by the House now returns to the Senate for its consideration, though my informed sources indicate that the Upper Chamber will likely concur with the amendment and send it to Gov. Sununu for his expected signature.

Senate Bill 313's amended version as given final approval by the House would reauthorize expansion of Medicaid, which would now be officially known as the New Hampshire Granite Advantage Health Care Program, rather than the present New Hampshire Health Protection Program. Reauthorization would last for approximately five years, in other words Dec. 31, 2023, unless a state evaluative commission recommends in 2023 that the program end, or the United States Congress converts Medicaid into a block grant program. Medicaid coverage for eligible residents within specified income ranges would be provided through several managed care companies operating in our state. Also some beneficiaries would be required to work, participate in work training, or do community service with certain exemptions. Finally, the remaining 10 percent of Medicaid not paid for by the federal government would be paid for through New Hampshire's private insurance companies and hospitals as well as some money from the State Alcohol Fund. In words, no State General Fund dollars would be used.

Senate Bill 313 is sponsored by six Republican legislators led by Wolfeboro Sen. Jeb Bradley, who is also Senate Republican Leader. The bill was adopted by the Senate on March 8 by a 17-7 roll call vote. It was then given preliminary approval by the House on April 5 after the House Health, Human Services, & Elderly Affairs Committee had unanimously recommended preliminary approval.

I voted for Senate Bill 313's preliminary approval in April, and again voted for final approval on May 3. While the bill may not be perfect, the bill as amended by the House is a reasonable bipartisan compromise. that protects over 50,000 eligible New Hampshire residents from losing their needed health insurance, helps residents suffering from opioid and alcohol addictions, and benefits our state's hospitals and other medical care providers. **Email:** jocloutier@comcast.net

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and click on "Who Is My Legislator"

Hassan Statement on Report Confirming Fentanyl as Number One Killer in Opioid Epidemic

WASHINGTON, DC—Senator Maggie Hassan released the following statement Wednesday after a report published in the journal JAMA confirmed that synthetic opioids such as fentanyl have surpassed prescription opioids as the top killer in the opioid epidemic:

"This report confirms what we already know to be true in New Hampshire – fentanyl is the deadliest opioid and it is killing more people faster, with smaller amounts," Hassan said. "The spread of synthetic opioids like fentanyl is exacerbating the devastating opioid crisis that's taking lives every day and taking a massive toll on our economy in New Hampshire, which is why I'm at the U.S.-Mexico border this week focusing on how we can strengthen drug interdiction efforts and prevent the flow of fentanyl across our borders. We know that to combat this crisis we must – in addition to supporting law enforcement efforts – implement a comprehensive strategy that includes strengthening prevention, treatment, and recovery efforts. I will continue working across the aisle to ensure that those on the front lines and those struggling with addiction have the support and resources from the federal level that are necessary to turn the tide of this deadly epidemic."

Hassan is at the U.S.-Mexico border this week, meeting with Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) and U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) agents on the ground to discuss how Congress can better support their efforts to detect, intercept, and halt the trafficking of fentanyl and other illicit drugs. Hassan will also meet with Mexican officials to build upon existing partnerships with Mexico focused on combating the opioid epidemic and strengthening national security.

Shaheen, Collins Introduce Bipartisan Bill to Revitalize America's Forest Economy

WASHINGTON, DC—U.S. Senators Jeanne Shaheen (D-NH) and Susan Collins (R-ME) have introduced the Community Wood Energy Innovation Act of 2018. This bipartisan legislation promotes energy security and supports rural economies by helping to incentivize the removal and repurposing of low-grade and low-value wood. The bill would reauthorize the Community Wood Energy Program, a competitive grant program that aims to assist state and local governments with the costs of installing high-efficiency, biomass-fueled energy systems, such as combined heat and power (CHP). The Community Wood Energy Program expires at the end of 2018.

The Shaheen-Collins bill would also expand eligibility for the Community Wood Energy Program to private entities and create markets for low-grade wood by providing \$25 million in annual funding to support capital investment, through matching grants, in facilities and systems that use these materials. The legislation will prioritize projects in areas with the greatest impact on local forests and those with limited access to natural gas, where this low-grade wood can be used for advanced wood heating.

"Today more than ever, low-grade timber markets in New England are struggling, placing a significant strain on family-owned lumber mills and New Hampshire forest owners, big and small," said Shaheen. "Our bipartisan legislation provides a multi-pronged solution that will help jumpstart markets for low-value wood, invest in rural energy needs and create jobs in New Hampshire's forest-dependent communities."

"Woody biomass is a cost-effective, renewable, and environmentally friendly source of energy that creates jobs here in New England," said Collins. "Our bill to reauthorize the Community Wood Energy Program supports the adoption of wood energy systems and helps grow the market for low-grade, low-value wood that landowners routinely remove to promote healthy forests. We encourage our colleagues to support this bipartisan legislation that would spur new economic activity and protect our beautiful forests in Maine and across the country."

Shaheen has long advocated for America's forests and initiatives that would survey and repurpose biomass for clean energy initiatives. Recently, she led a bipartisan letter, cosigned by Collins and 48 other Senators, advocating for funding for the Land and Wildlife Conservation Fund and the Forest Legacy Program, both of which provide critical funding to preserve public lands and protect forests.

Claremont Mobile Home Total Loss Following Fire

CLAREMONT, NH—The Claremont Fire Department responded to 13 Madison Place for a reported electrical fire on Tuesday, May 1, at 10:16 a.m. as dispatched by Claremont Safety Services Dispatch Center. An off-duty Claremont Fire Captain who was in the area at the time of the call confirmed with the dispatch center that the home was well involved in fire, reported Claremont Fire Chief Bryan Burr.

"First arriving crews faced extensive fire conditions at the rear portion of a mobile home," said Burr. "The fire was knocked down and deemed under control at 10:35 a.m. All units were back in quarters at 12:42 a.m."

The home suffered ex-

tensive fire damage, including extensive smoke and heat damage to portions not directly affected by flames. The mobile home is a total loss and was reported as not insured. There were no injuries reported, said Burr, although a number of small animals, including rabbits and chinchillas, were reportedly lost. The Red Cross was notified to help the family.

Mutual Aid was provided by Ascutney Fire, Cornish Fire and Newport Fire. Newport provided assistance at the scene with an engine.

The cause of the fire is electrical in nature as determined by the department fire investigator, said Burr.

This was the second fire in Claremont last week. On Monday, the CFD was called to the scene of a barn fire at 114 Sugar River Dr. That fire was accidental in nature and caused by combustibles and flammables stored too close to a wood fired furnace which was being used to provide heat to the building. That fire was isolated to the interior ceiling. The fire was quickly extinguished but required extensive overhaul and removal of



ceiling panels to find and extinguish deep seated embers.

This mobile home was a total loss following a fire on Tuesday (Bill Binder photo).

CITY OF CLAREMONT INVITATION TO BID

UTILITY APPRAISAL SERVICES BID-# 18-001

The City of Claremont, NH is seeking bids for the appraisal of certain Utility Properties located in the City.

Interested parties can contact the City Assessing Office by fax at 603-542-7014 or e-mail at kburkhamer@claremontnh.com with questions.

Sealed proposals must be received in the City Manager's Office, 58 Opera House Square, Claremont, NH 03743, no later than Thursday, May 24, 2018 @ 2:00 P.M. at which time they will be opened and publicly read aloud. Please mark "UTILITY APPRAISAL SERVICES, BID #18-001" on the outside of the sealed envelope.

Joseph W. Lessard, Jr., CNHA Interim Assessor

Older Americans Month 2018: Engage at Every Age

Across the country, older Americans – a rapidly growing population – are taking part in activities that promote wellness and social connection. They are sharing their wisdom and experience with future generations, and they are giving back to enrich their communities. They're working and volunteering, mentoring and learning, leading and engaging.

For 55 years, Older Americans Month (OAM) has been observed to recognize older Americans and their contributions to our communities. Led by the Administration for Community Living's Administration on Aging, every May offers opportunity to hear from, support, and celebrate our nation's elders. This year's OAM theme, "Engage at Every Age," emphasizes the importance of being active and involved, no matter where you are in life. You are never too old (or too young) to participate in activities that can enrich your physical, mental, and emotion well-being.

It is becoming more apparent through research that remaining socially engaged can improve the quality of life for older adults. New Hampshire's ServiceLink Resource Centers will use OAM 2018 to focus on how older adults are engaging with their community, friends and family. Throughout the month, the ServiceLink ADRC Association will share stories about older adults in NH who inspire us to continue to work hard in supporting efforts to improve the quality of life for older adults.

ServiceLink encourages you to spend time celebrating the older adults in your life. Send us a post card, letter, or email with a story about your favorite older American and we will create a compilation to share with Governor Sununu, Senator Shaheen, Senator Hassan, Representative Kuster, Representative Shea-Porter, and state and local legislators, in honor of Older Americans Month 2018. Send your story to ServiceLink ADRC Association c/o Merrimack County ServiceLink, PO Box 1016, Concord, NH 03302, or email it us to info@mcservicelink.org. You can also get involved with healthy aging initiatives in New Hampshire. Contact your local ServiceLink Resource Center, www.servicelink.nh.-gov, 1-866-634-9412, or connect with the NH Alliance for Healthy Aging (NHAHA), http://nhaha.info/contact-us. About...

ServiceLink is a program of the NH Department of Health and Human Services. Through contracts with local agencies around the state, ServiceLink helps individuals access and make connections to long term services and supports, access family caregiver information and supports, explore options and understand and access Medicare and Medicaid.

AHA is helping build meaningful partnerships that support and promote healthy aging in communities throughout New Hampshire. For more information find us on the internet at http://nhaha.info/contact-us.



Budget, from A1

Emergency communications, for example, are a prime area for savings. There is very little need, given the advancements in technology, for each community to bear the costs of a service that can operate countywide at a shared cost. For Claremont, such an opportunity can potentially save hundreds of thousands of dollars year-over-year."

McNutt also cited the continual loss in state aid as having a detrimental effect on the "revenues that Claremont has relied upon to reduce reliance on local property taxes...House Bill 413 failed by one vote. This legislation would have restored state funding to cover a portion of some employee retirements and might have offset as much as \$.50 of the tax rate."

McNutt praised City employees for their efforts to secure grants and other agency resources to reduce the burden on the tax rate, saying that "In 2017, these talented folks brought in over \$1,000,000 in grants that otherwise could have equaled approximately \$1.40 in additional taxes."

If the council were to pass the proposed budget as presented, it would add 81 cents to the tax rate, or \$15.65 for the City portion. The department request came in at \$18,108,804.43, or an estimated tax rate of \$17.56.

One item adding dollars to the proposed budget is \$235,000 for property revaluation. The budget includes \$225,000 for paving, but McNutt said there is \$75,000 in encumbered funds that would increase that total to \$300,000. While the City would like to spend \$750,000 annually on paving, that alone would add a dollar to the tax rate, he said.

McNutt said that "We have seen commercial development in the City despite the tax rate and we are beginning to see positive trends in residential real estate. In the first quarter of 2017, Claremont saw approximately 26 home sales close. In the first quarter of 2018, that figure has jumped to 164. These increases were across all price levels, pointing to some indications for recovery. While the recovery is slow, the signs are promising and we must ensure we invest where we can act as a force multiplier towards growth."

The next fiscal year, he said, will be a "challenge" as the City strives to mark "continued revitalization of the downtown, increase investment in preservation of our roadways and maintain and protect our...City Hall and Claremont Opera House."

School Board Discusses Head Lice Policy

By Phyllis A. Muzeroll e-Ticker News

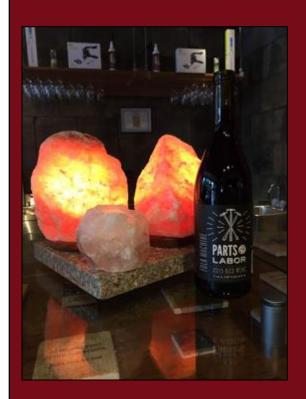
CLAREMONT, NH—The Claremont School Board held Wednesday's meeting at the SHS auditorium, hoping that the planned discussion of the school district's head lice policy would draw a large crowd; the issue regarding head lice has been one that has concerned many parents dealing with outbreaks, particularly at the grade school level, yet only about a dozen people showed up for the meeting. Board member Steve Horsky led the discussion, presenting a policy draft of his

own, using a combination of "no-nit" policies he sourced from other schools. He said he was only too familiar with the issue, having had outbreaks that affected his own children. "One thing that should be mentioned is that this problem, while being primarily an elementary grade level issue, still affects the parents at the daycare level," he told the *e-Ticker News* later. "Most daycares in our City have a "no-nit" policy and call parents to pick up the child when their child arrives with an infestation. Thus, sending a child home from school is no worse than what the daycares do."

The district is currently using a policy that does not advocate the no-nit practice, citing CDC studies that say the rate of infestation is about the same and that it is more expensive to implement. "The point of the 'no-nit' policy is not to limit the ability of a child to attend school and receive an education, rather it is designed to prevent further transmission," said Horsky. "Mayor Lovett was spot on that we need to prevent the transmission and the easiest and most black and white method is a 'no-nit' policy. We already have a nurse in every school and have had that staff level prior to the adoption of the existing policy; thus, we do not need a new position or staff member to handle such a mundane task of looking for lice. The sticks used for looking through hair are very inexpensive. To go through our entire student body with the salaried employee (nurse) and these sticks it would be a cost of just under \$16 per time, which is less than one bottle of Rid or Nix." Horsky said he had pushed to get the policy debate moving due to the number of parents who had contacted him directly after he was elected to the school board this year.

His policy draft calls for community education, regularly scheduled screening and temporary dismissal from school until all lice and eggs (nits) are removed. "Back when I was in school, we had a no-nit policy and it worked well," Horsky said. Board member Jason Beware, who said his family has also dealt with the problem, said "It's very expensive" to buy the necessary products to get rid of the lice and nits. Board vice chair Rebecca Zullo said that they needed to "compromise and take everyone into consideration. I don't like the idea of a kiddo being pulled out of class in the middle of the day and being sent home." A child can often have an infestation for as long as a month before being found.

The board took limited action Wednesday night, passing a motion to look at amending the current policy.



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Check with Fire Department for Open Burning Conditions

CLAREMONT, NH—The Claremont Fire Department would like to remind residence and property owners that with spring upon us it also provides prime conditions for brush fires. Residence and property owners are reminded to check with the fire department to inquire if conditions are acceptable for open burning.

Permits are required for all types of open burning to include fire pits, campfires and yard cleanup brush piles. Claremont along with the NH State Bureau of Forests and Lands have rules and regulations when it comes to open burning. Staff are on duty to assist in providing information by calling 542-5156 and stopping by the fire station located at 100 Broad Street for a written permit.

New MakerSpace Workshops This Week

CLAREMONT, NH—Want to learn a new, creative skill? You're in luck! The Claremont MakerSpace has three workshops taking place this week! These introductory workshops cover topics including quilting, 3D printing, and CNC routing. To learn more and RSVP, visit: www.claremontmakerspace.org. Space is limited, so make sure to sign up soon.

For more information, please email the Claremont MakerSpace at: <u>info@twin-statemakerspaces.org</u>.

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DPW SEASONAL POSITIONS

The City of Claremont is accepting applications for seasonal positions in the Department of Public Works. Individuals will be required to use powered equipment such as lawn mowers and weed wackers and must be able to perform physical duties such as raking and lifting. Must be 18 years of age.

Seasonal hours are 7:00 AM – 3:00 PM, Mon. – Fri, weather permitting. Hourly wages are \$9.00-\$15.00. Candidates must successfully complete pre-employment requirements which include criminal background checks, physical and drug screen.

Apply on line at www.claremontnh.com or in person to the Human Resources Coordinator at City Hall, 58 Opera House Square, Claremont, NH 03743 Position will remain open until filled.

The City of Claremont is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Turning Points Network reported a great turn out at the 12th annual Steppin' Up to End Violence 5k walk and fun run on Saturday in Claremont. "Thanks to the lovely weather, a total of 626 people (485 adults and 151 kids) stepped up today to help us raise \$71,142.02," said the organization. "We had 76 teams, 13 of which were power of 10 teams, and 89 passionate volunteers. The top five fundrais-





ers were the KCPC Saints, Shapiro Schleppers, Be The Change, SUUper TrUUpers, and the Senior Peacekeepers. Turning Points Network's staff and board would like to extend a huge thank you to everyone who volunteered and participated this year, and an extra special thank you to Becky, a survivor, who spoke to the crowd. In the words of one runner, 'I step up to help people know that they do not have to be silent and alone.' This is just one example of the power of standing with survivors, and Steppin' Up to help them." Photos: Start of the 5K, four Newport firefighters were among the participants. The overall winner was Elijah LaFleur; the first female to complete the race was Kristi Snider.

Photos by Bill Binder

CITY OF CLAREMONT REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Complete 2019 Statistical Revaluation and Subsequent Cyclical Inspections and Updates of Values of the City of Claremont, NH

RFP-# 18-002

The City of Claremont, NH is seeking bids for the complete statistical reappraisal of all taxable, non-taxable and exempt properties situated within the City of Claremont, New Hampshire with the exception of Utility, Telephone and Cell Tower properties for the fiscal year 2019 with cyclical inspections over the subsequent 4 years and updates of value in 2021 and 2023.

Interested parties can contact the City Assessing Office by fax at 603-542-7014 or e-mail at kburkhamer@claremontnh.com with questions.

Sealed proposals must be received by the City Manager's Office, 58 Opera House Square, Claremont, NH 03743, no later than Thursday, May 24, 2018 @ 2:00 P.M. at which time they will be opened and publicly read aloud. Please mark "2019 STATISTICAL REVALUATION SERVICES, RFP #18-002" on the outside of the sealed envelope.

Joseph W. Lessard, Jr., CNHA

e-Ticker Business News

Sununu Nominates 27 Regions in New Hampshire for Federal Opportunity Zones <u>Claremont, Newport Included on List</u>

CONCORD, NH—New Hampshire Governor Chris Sununu has nominated 27 low income census tracts of the state to be designated as Opportunity Zones, part of a federal program encouraging economic development and investment in neighborhoods around the country. Governor Sununu made the announcement from Marceau Park in Franklin, one of the areas designated Thursday.

In New Hampshire, the areas nominated include tracts and contiguous tracts, ranging from the Manchester Millyard, downtown Rochester and tracts in the Seacoast, to the White Mountains and the North Country.

"New Hampshire's resiliency lies in our local communities - they are the backbone of our society and the focal point of cultural activity," said Governor Chris Sununu. "For far too long, however, some neighborhoods have been left behind. While some have thrived in recent years, others are struggling to keep up. Today, we are announcing 27 Opportunity Zones across the state to encourage investments in areas that are often left behind. Opportunity Zones provide tax incentives to investors to reinvest unrealized capital gains into neighborhoods throughout the state. These local neighborhoods deserve an economic boost, and that is what we are going to give them. The goal is simple: to create jobs, to increase wages, and to revitalize communities across the state."

"Our goal was to designate tracts that present the best opportunities for investment and can leverage other state and federal resources. My hope is that once this program is fully deployed, it can serve as catalyst to bringing economic opportunity to New Hampshire communities," said Taylor Caswell, Commissioner, New Hampshire Business and Economic Affairs.

The program was created by the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, which provides federal tax incentives to investors in areas designated as an Opportunity Zone and is administered by the U.S. Treasury Department. States were re-

quired to designate 25% of the low income census tracts in the state as Opportunity Zones. Investors can defer capital gains on earnings reinvested in the zones and long-term investments maintained for over 10 years do not have to pay additional capital gains taxes on earnings from Opportunity Zone investments.

Final designations are subject to federal confirmation and final rules for the new Oppor-

tunity Zone are being developed by the US Treasury.

List of communities that will be nominated for Federal Opportunity Zones:

- Berlin
- Claremont
- Colebrook, Atkinson and Gilmanton Grant

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Zones, from A13

- Conway/North Conway
- Derry
- Dixville Notch, Columbia, Millsfield, Errol, Dummer, Milan, Cambridge, Success, Erving and Wentworth's location, Second College Grant
- Dover
- Durham
- Franklin
- Keene
- Laconia
- Lancaster, Kilkenny
- Lincoln, Easton, Waterville Valley, Livermore
- Littleton
- Manchester
- Nashua
- Newport
- Plymouth
- RaymondRochester
- Seabrook
- Somersworth
- Stratford, Groveton (Northumberland), Stark, Odell

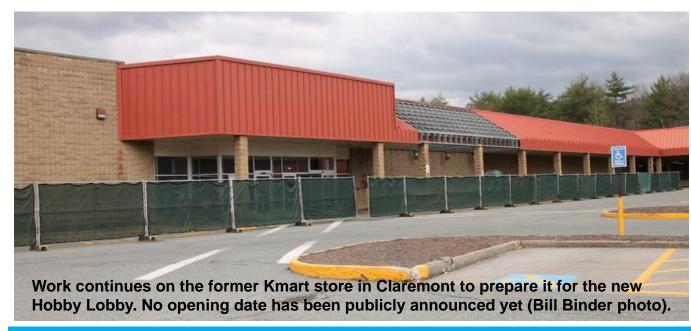
UVLSRPC Annual Meeting Tuesday, June 19

The UVLSRPC Annual Meeting is Tuesday, June 19, at Dowd's Country Inn, 9 Main Street, Lyme, NH. The Social Hour begins at 5:00 p.m.; Business Meeting at 5:45 p.m.; Dinner and Program from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Event speaker is Ben Kilham who is often called "New England's Bear Whisperer. He has been rehabilitating and releasing injured, orphaned and abandoned black bear cubs brought to him by the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department since 1993.

For more information, please visit: http://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/event?

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Business Leaders Breakfast on Housing Set for May 11

Panel will Discuss the Residential **Construction Market and Ongoing Projects**

WHITE RIVER JUNCTION, VT- Business and community leaders from throughout the greater Upper Valley region are invited to the Spring Business Leaders Breakfast on Housing from 7:30 to 9:00 a.m. Friday, May 11, at the Fireside Inn in West Lebanon. The event, hosted by the regional nonprofit organizations Vital Communities and Twin Pines Housing, brings leaders together to better understand the housing market in the region and the role of workforce housing in vibrant local economies and communities.

"The critical need for affordable housing in the region affects both residents and employers. Involving the entire community in the discussion is essential to finding solutions," said Andrew Winter, executive director of Twin Pines Housing.

The breakfast will feature a panel on "Residential Construction in the Valley: Market Analysis and Ongoing Projects," moderated by Upper Valley Haven Executive Director Sara Kobylenski. Panelists include Lebanon City Planner David Brooks, Doug Kennedy of Doug Kennedy Advisors, and Winter. Buff McLaughry of Four Seasons Sotheby's International Realty and Lynne LaBombard of Housing Solutions Real Estate will also discuss the latest on the Upper Valley home purchase and rental markets.

"These breakfasts have for years offered a space for local business, nonprofit, municipal and community leaders to come together to better understand the housing challenges that face residents in our region," said Vital Communities Executive Director Tom Roberts. "Vital Communities is glad to be involved in the event and in other efforts to help leaders focus on meeting the region's workforce housing needs."

The Spring Business Leaders Breakfast on Housing is generously sponsored by Mascoma Bank. Registered attendees are encouraged to make a \$10 minimum contribution at the door

to cover the cost of the breakfast and support Vital Communities' housing program.

To register or learn more contact Rachel Darrow at rachel@vitalcommunities.org.

Vital Communities, a nonprofit organization based in White River Junction, Vt., brings together citizens, organizations, and municipalities to take on issues where an independent voice and regional approach are essential. Working together, we make our region a better place to live, work, and play every day.

Twin Pines Housing is the leading developer and provider of affordable housing in the Upper Valley region for individuals and families with low to moderate incomes. Its mission is to strengthen the community by developing and improving affordable homes for individuals and families, and to support its tenants and owners. Twin Pines Housing currently owns nearly 420 rental apartments with another 100 units in development. To learn more visit twinpineshousing.org.

Bankers President/CEO explained. "We rely on their feedback to recognize and honor one individual who has led by example, who has put their community first and whose dedication has gone beyond what is expected of them."

The 2018 Community Banker of the Year Award review panel will be made up of several leading public officials. Nomination letters should include an outline of the individual's recent activities along with achievements, and should be accompanied by at least one letter of recommendation from a community or civic organization. The award will be presented at NH Bankers' Annual Conference, being held September 7-9.

The deadline for nominations is Friday, June 22, 2018. Nomination letters should be mailed to the New Hampshire Bankers Association c/o Sue McKee, P.O. Box 2586, Concord NH 03302-2586, or via email to smckee@nhbankers.com.

NH Bankers Association Seeks Nominations for "Banker of the Year" Award

CONCORD, NH—The **New Hampshire Bankers** Association (NH Bankers) is seeking nominations for its "2018 Community Banker of the Year Award." Candidates for this award shall be any New Hampshire bank employee and respected community leader who has gone above and beyond in making a significant impact in their community through their time and service.

"We are asking our small business owners, community members and leaders to think about a member of the banking industry who has gone above and beyond for their community," Christiana Thornton, NH

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Conversation About Vaping and Other Trends to be Held in Sunapee

SUNAPEE, NH—Sunapee residents are invited to a Community Conversation on Thursday, May 10, at 6:30 p.m. at the Abbott Library. Police Chief David Cahill and Sunapee School District Superintendent Russell Holden will lead a conversation about vaping and drug-related trends in their schools and community. The results of the school district's recent Youth Risk Behavior Survey will also be discussed.

Farmers Market Accepting Vendors

CLAREMONT, NH—The new Claremont Farmers' Market is open for business. Organizers are actively searching for vendors for the following: Farmers with fresh fruits and vegetables, meats, flowers, baked goods, homemade crafts, and food trucks. They are also looking for entertainment. The market will be held on Saturday mornings from 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. in the Visitors Center Green beginning May 26th and running each Saturday through September 8th.

Please visit the market website at: http://www.claremontnh.com/ residents/departments/parks-and-recreation/farmers-market.aspx to download a vendor application or for more information.

"New England Quilts and the Stories They Tell"

CORNISH, NH—Quilts tell stories and quilt history is full of myths and misinformation as well as heart-warming tales of service and tradition. A program on the topic will be held Tuesday, May 8, at 7:00 p.m. Pam Weeks weaves world history, women's history, industrial history and just plain wonderful stories into her presentation. Participants are invited to bring one quilt for identification and/or story sharing.

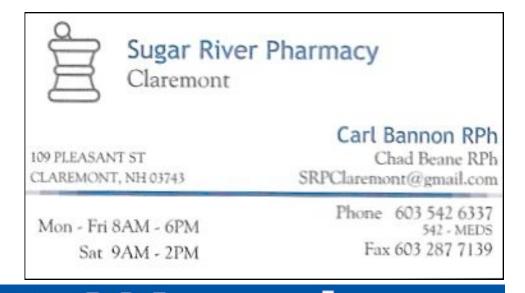
Cornish quilters are encouraged to participate.

This program is sponsored by the NH Humanities Council and will be held at the Cornish Meetinghouse, Meetinghouse Drive, Cornish Flat, NH.



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Mayoral Notes by Charlene Lovett



Creating a Culture of Diversity

When an 8-year old, bi-racial boy was hurt in a near hanging incident in August of 2017, Claremont was catapulted onto the national stage. Members of the City Council and the Administration were contacted by both residents and Americans across the nation demanding action. It was the catalyst that began a community-wide discussion on issues of discrimination, and the need to create a culture in which all people are valued.

Since last year, discussions have occurred at both the leadership and grass root levels, and action steps have been taken to raise awareness and broaden the dialogue. The City Council, Administration and community organizations worked together to create events in honor of Martin Luther King Jr. and Black History Month. People in the community went to the State Legislature to testify in favor of House Concurrent Resolution 13, condemning hate crimes and any other form of racism in NH. TLC Family Resource Center has partnered with schools to introduce children to age-appropriate literature on diversity.

Just recently, Rural Outright of TLC partnered with Amplified Arts to perform The Laramie Project, a play about the reaction of Laramie residents to the 1998 murder of Matthew Shepard who was a 21 year-old homosexual attending University of Wyoming. It is a compelling and thought provoking story told from the perspective of the people who knew both Matthew and the two men who killed him. The Laramie Project has been performed around the world, but the performance in Claremont was the first to be done in NH.

Because the play draws on hundreds of interviews, news reports and

other writings, the actors play multiple roles. The Claremont performance was comprised of high school students, each playing 8-10 roles. It was a challenging venture, both in terms of content and delivery, but it was superbly done by our young adults as evidence by the sold out performances.

On Thursday (May 3rd), Claremont hosted the Governor's Advisory Council on Diversity and Inclusion. It was the 3rd listening session of many that will be held throughout NH. The purpose of the session was to hear from NH citizens as to how discrimination has impacted them, what could be done to combat discrimination and how to advance diversity and inclusion.

Cultural change is never a quick process, and we will need to continue our commitment to be a place in which all people are valued. However, we can be encouraged by the fact that our actions over the last 8 months have raised awareness, broadened the discussion, and created change. We can also be encouraged by the fact that our efforts at the local level are supported by the State through the passage of HCR 13 and the creation of the Governor's Advisory Council on Diversity and Inclusion.

Charlene Lovett is the Mayor of Claremont and welcomes your feedback. Please email questions, comments or concerns to her at clovett.ccc@gmail.com.

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Mother's Day - Financial Gifts for Your Adult Children

Mother's Day is almost here. If you're a mother with grown children, you might receive flowers, candy, dinner invitations or some other type of pleasant recognition. However, you might find that you can get more enjoyment from the holiday by giving, rather than receiving. The longest-lasting gifts may be financial ones – so here are a few moves to consider:

Contribute to your child's IRA. If your children have earned income, they are eligible to contribute to an IRA, which offers tax benefits and an almost unlimited array of investment options. You can't contribute directly to another person's IRA, but you can write your child a check for that purpose. This could be a valuable gift, as many people can't afford to contribute the maximum yearly amount, which, in 2018, is \$5,500, or \$6,500 for those 50 or older.

Give gifts of stock. You know your children pretty well, so you should be familiar with the products they buy. Why not give them some shares of stock in the companies that make these products? Your children will probably enjoy being "owners" of these companies, and if they weren't that familiar with how the financial markets work, having these shares in their possession may greatly expand their knowledge and lead to an even greater interest in investing.

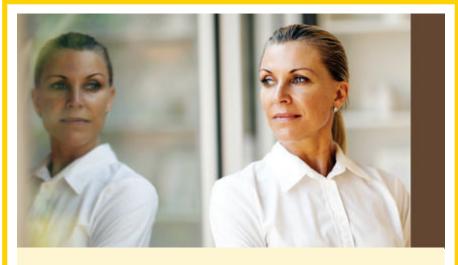
Donate to a charity in your child's name. You might want to donate to a charitable organization that your child supports. In years past, such a donation might have earned you a tax deduction, but the new tax laws, which include a much

higher standard deduction, may keep many people from itemizing. Still, it's possible for a charitable gift to provide you with a tax benefit, depending on your age. If you're 70 $\frac{1}{2}$ or older, you must start taking withdrawals from your traditional IRA and your 401(k) or similar employer-sponsored plan, but by moving the withdrawal directly to a qualified charitable group, the money won't count as part of your adjusted gross income, so, in effect, you can get a tax break from your generosity.

Review your estate strategy. Like virtually all parents, you'd probably like to be able to leave some type of legacy to your children, and possibly your grandchildren, too. So, if you haven't already started working on your estate strategy, consider using Mother's Day as a launching point. At the very least, you'll want to write your will, but you may need much more than that, such as a living trust, a durable power of attorney and other documents. And don't forget to change the beneficiary designations on your life insurance and retirement accounts if you've experienced a major life change, such as divorce or remarriage. These designations are powerful and can even supersede whatever instructions you might have left in your will. As you can guess, estate planning can be complex, so you almost certainly will want to work with a legal professional to get your arrangements in order.

Mother's Day is a good opportunity for your children to show their love for you, and you can do the same for them by helping bolster their long-term security through financial gifts and legacy planning.

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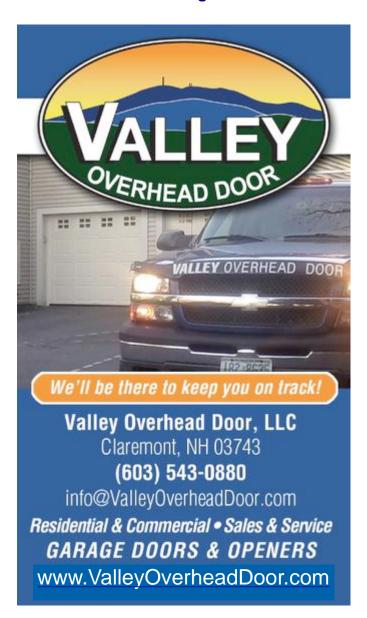
Save A Stray Fundraiser for SCHS June 23

NEWPORT, NH—Please join Sullivan County Humane Society on June 23 in Newport at the Corbin Covered Bridge for its fifth annual Save a Stray 5k. Pre-registration is \$20 or \$25 the day of the event. Children under 12 are free. First 100 paid supporters to sign up will receive a free event T-shirt. There will be prizes for top male & female runners plus prizes for age groups.

Registration the day of the event starts at 8:30 a.m., and the run/walk starts at 10:00. Dogs are welcome but must be leashed and will start at the back. This event is for a great cause and, with your support, will allow the SCHS to continue to help the many animals in need. Please join us!

Visit http://www.sullivancountyhumanesociety.org/ for more information and to register.

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It's About Food





Light Fare

My Magic Kitchen has done it again. A bag of very small Bell peppers in a variety of colors has appeared on my counter. They are about the size of jalapenos. They are the same shape more or less and come in red, yellow and orange. Cute. What am I supposed to do with them?

I realize that I can easily stuff them but with what? The imitation crab salad from the cucumber cups should work. As I look them over, my wife asks what I'm going to do with them (If you have no idea, why did you buy them in the first place?). I said I was going to stuff them and she asked to have them as an entree with Spanish Rice. OK.

For those who lost the recipe for the imitation crab salad or who haven't seen it before, here is the recipe:

Crab Salad

6 oz. Imitation crabmeat cut up into tiny pieces to fit in the peppers 2 tbsp mayonnaise

2 tbsp finely chopped onion

2 to 3 tsp chopped fresh dill

8 to 10 drops hot sauce

In a small bowl, combine all the ingredients, add salt and pepper to taste. Set aside.

Cut the large ends off of the peppers and clean out the inside as needed. Very few seeds. Saute the peppers in oil until tender. Remove from skillet and let cool.

Once the peppers are cool enough to handle, stuff each one with the crab mixture. These will make great appetizers or a side dish.

This really fit into her idea of Light and Healthy. Except she asked for Spanish rice with it. I didn't stop to think. The Spanish Rice clashed with the stuffing in a big way. She didn't say anything because that is what she ordered. Big mistake. Serve this with Jasmine rice or Basmati or white rice. Keep the side dish rather bland.

Ordering Light and Healthy in a Restaurant

A lady is sitting down in a restaurant. The waitress asks if she can get her anything. The lady looks her right in the eye and says: "I'm going to order the garden salad but you are going to bring me the lasagna by mistake."

In some places lasagna is considered light and healthy. I'm trying to find those places. So far it's only been in my kitchen, but I'll keep looking.

Play with your food. Something good will come out of it.

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BRAT Unveils 2018 Plans

SPRINGFIELD, VT—The Black River Action Team, in their 6th year of water quality monitoring in southeastern Vermont, unveils plans for 2018.

River Dipper volunteers sample 14 sites on the main stem of the Black River and select tributaries, each month from May through September. BRAT will continue weekly monitoring 6 swimming holes for bacteria, with results being posted at the "Is It Clean?" website hosted by the Connecticut River Conservancy at http://connecticutriver.us/site/content/siteslist.

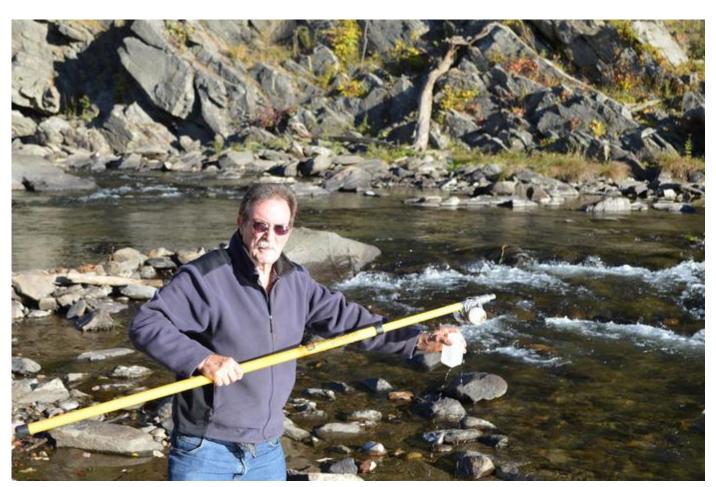
For 2018, students from three Springfield schools will conduct bioassessment projects, learning about the aquatic macroinvertebrates ("river bugs") that live at some of the River Dipper sites. The biological data will support the chemical results, deepening and strengthening the overall picture of water quality in the watershed. "These young people are going to be the next generation of town managers, select board members, landowners, and voters," says BRAT Director Kelly Stettner. "I'm eager to help them make connections between land and water, humans as part of the larger ecosystem, and themselves with the river." This educational partnership is made possible by a grant from the Vermont Watershed Grant Program and support from the participating schools. Projects range from on-site "bug hunts" and exploring leaf packs, to nature journaling and designing and deploying a water sampling device. Learn about the Watershed Grant Program at http://dec.vermont.gov/ watershed/cwi/grants/watershed-grants

A display will be installed at the Springfield Town Library for the month of June as a tribute to National River Appreciation Month; the display of BRAT and student work can be viewed just inside the library entrance at 43 Main Street starting the first week of June.

Contact Stettner at <u>blackrivercleanup@gmail.com</u> or visit <u>www.BlackRiverActionTeam.org</u>.

Elks Bake Craft, Bake Sale May 12

Claremont Elks Lodge #879, located at the corner of Summer and Pleasant Streets, will be holding a Mother's Day Craft and Bake Sale on May 12th from 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Show Mom your appreciation and celebrate her special day by stopping in and picking up a homemade baked good or handcrafted gift.



BRAT volunteer Rodger Capron collecting water sample from the Tolles Dam swimming area in Weathersfield (Courtesy photo).



DPW workers in Claremont were out marking and locating water shutoffs and marking the road last week for the start of the Main St. project which begins today, Monday. Residents are reminded to seek alternate routes (Bill Binder photo).

GENERAL FLUSHING AGENDA IN CLAREMONT

Please be prepared to experience water discoloration at ANY TIME 5/14 – 5/23

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MONDAY 5/14

Winter Street (below Water Treatment Plant) Veterans' Park area Washington Street and neighborhoods

TUESDAY 5/15

Water Street and Mill Road
Opera House Square
Main Street (142) to Union Street
Broad Street
High Street neighborhood
Chestnut Street and sides
Sugar River Drive and Case Hill
South Street
Pleasant Street and sides to Drapers Corner

WEDNESDAY 5/16

North Street / Lincoln Heights Lower Hanover Street, Lafayette Lower Elm Street and neighborhoods to Main Street Main Street and neighborhoods to Coy Bridge

THURSDAY 5/17
Park Avenue area
Myrtle Street / Bluff area
Central Street and Pearl Street areas Summer
Street
Maple Avenue area and sides

FRIDAY 5/18

Grissom Lane to River Road (junction) Industrial Blvd.

Sullivan Street and Twistback Road areas Old Church Road and Plains Road areas

MONDAY 5/21 through WEDNESDAY 5/23 Bible Hill / Ridge / Durham neighborhoods Ledgewood Road and Glenwood Drive areas Charlestown Road and sides to Lane Ridge Winter Street (above Water Treatment Plant) Thrasher Road, Slab City Hanover Street Elm Street and Dunning Street areas

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Got History?

To provide the community with a source of the rich history viewing at the Opera House, the Board of Directors has started an acquisition campaign for donations to be part of the new exhibition space: The Director's Lounge. This space, located under the clock tower, will be cared for by COH BOD's members and staff. These objects will be exhibited for patrons and guests during major events at the Opera House. If you are considering adding an object to the Claremont Opera House Director's Lounge display please contact Jason Farrell at 603-542-0064 or via email at artistrypartners@aol.com. Your Opera House is a registered 501c3 nonprofit on the National Register of Historic Places (Courtesy photo).

Screening of "It's Criminal" Planned

CLAREMONT, NH—The public is invited to attend a screening of "It's Criminal" on Thursday, May 10, at 6:00 p.m. The free event will be held in the Stevens High School auditorium, located at 175 Broad Street in Claremont. Please use the event entrance. No refreshments are allowed. The film will be moderated by Director Signe Taylor and a panel of people represented in it.

"It's Criminal" highlights the economic and social inequities that divide the United States and offers a vision of how separated communities can learn to speak to each other. Poignant and personal, the 80-minute feature documentary shares the life-changing journeys of incarcerated women and Dartmouth College students working together to write and perform an original play that explores the often painful and troubled paths that landed the women behind bars and also shares some of their fragile visions for the future.

It's a transformational movie that delves into privilege, poverty and injustice and asks viewers to think about who is in prison and why. In addition to exploring disparities, "It's Criminal," also captures how the students and prisoners struggle and ultimately succeed in overcoming their fears and prejudices to form hard won bonds of friendship, showing that empathy is a powerful force that can help bridge the divide. co-sponsored by System of Care-FAST Forward, Turning Points Network, TLC Family Resource Center, and Quaker City Unity Friends Meeting.

Claremont Area AARP Chapter to Meet May 10

The Claremont Area AARP Chapter will meet May 10 at noon at the Imperial Chinese Restaurant on Washington Street for lunch. Members are reminded that lunch and tip will be on their own and to ask for a senior citizen discount when paying. Installation of new officers for the 2018-2019 season will take place after lunch. Entertainment will follow with singer and guitarist Joe Jennings, thanks to the generosity of member Pete Toner.

Mother's Day

Plant and Bake

May 12th 10– 1pm

First United Methodist Church

Summer / Bond St. Claremont NH

Surprise Mom with a beautiful Potted Plant or Herb Dish Garden and yummy desserts.

Assorted Bundt Cakes and Cupcakes

All homemade!



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