



The SHS Boys JV and Varsity basketball teams had their home openers Friday evening at Carr Gymnasium against the Bobcats from Oyster River High School. See story, page B2 (Courtesy photos).

Big Green Overcome 3-0 Deficit to Tie Dutchwomen

By Charlotte Brackett, Courtesy of Dartmouth Sports

HANOVER, NH— After trailing by three goals in the first, Dartmouth women's hockey scored a trio of unanswered goals to send the game Saturday to overtime, eventually tying Union by a score of 3-3.

Sophomore Gabby Billing the Big Green's first and third tallies, while classmate Sara McClanahan also ended the game with two points from one goal and one assist. Freshmen CC Bowlby and Georgia Kraus both had helpers.

In net, rookie Hannah Humphreys almost matched her season-best saves (34 at Cornell on Oct. 27) by stopping 33.

"I'm really proud of the effort and resiliency we showed in the third period and in overtime," head coach Laura Schuler said. "We worked hard to come back, and I thought our penalty kill down the stretch was very good. With that said, there were details of our game that were missing. We need to do a better job making sure we're mentally ready to play how we know we can play."

The first shot of the game resulted in a goal for the Dutchwomen at 2:18 and one more added at 6:20 gave the visitors a 2-0 edge very early in the opening stanza. The Big Green found their way into the game and had some good chances but saw themselves behind by three after yet another Union tally. With 20 seconds to go, too many Dutchwomen on the ice during a Green breakaway resulted in a penalty shot for Billing, getting the home team back within two.

Humphreys and the Dartmouth defense looked good in the second and kept Union out of the net the entire time while also not being able to get
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SHS Girls Basketball

12/13/19	Souhegan	W 64 - 26
12/18/19	at Kearsarge	L 41 - 44
12/20/19	Laconia	L 38 - 45
01/03/20	at Oyster River	W 69 - 36
01/07/20	at Fall Mountain	05:30 PM
01/10/20	Merrimack Valley	07:00 PM
01/17/20	Bow	07:00 PM
01/21/20	at Newport	07:00 PM
01/24/20	at Hollis-Brookline	06:00 PM
01/28/20	at Lebanon	06:30 PM
01/31/20	at Coe-Brown Northwood	06:30 PM
02/04/20	Fall Mountain	07:00 PM
02/07/20	Plymouth	07:00 PM
02/12/20	Hanover	07:00 PM
02/14/20	at ConVal	06:30 PM
02/18/20	Newport	07:00 PM
02/21/20	at Timberlane	06:30 PM
02/25/20	Kearsarge	07:00 PM

SHS Boys Basketball

12/20/19	at Laconia	L 26 - 69
01/03/20	Oyster River	L 26 - 56
01/07/20	at Fall Mountain	07:00 PM
01/10/20	at Merrimack Valley	06:00 PM
01/17/20	at Bow	07:00 PM
01/21/20	Newport	07:00 PM
01/28/20	Lebanon	07:00 PM
01/31/20	Coe-Brown Northwood	07:00 PM
02/04/20	Fall Mountain	05:30 PM
02/07/20	at Plymouth	06:00 PM
02/12/20	at Hanover	06:30 PM
02/14/20	ConVal	07:00 PM
02/18/20	at Newport	07:00 PM
02/21/20	John Stark	07:00 PM
02/25/20	Kearsarge	05:30 PM
02/28/20	Laconia	07:00 PM
03/03/20	at Souhegan	06:30 PM
03/05/20	at Kearsarge	06:30 PM

Lebanon-Stevens-Kearsarge Girls Ice Hockey

12/14/19	ConVal-Conant	W 10 - 0
12/18/19	Bedford	W 9 - 0
12/20/19	at Oyster River-Portsmouth	L 0 - 1
01/02/20	at St. Thomas-Winnacunnet	L 1 - 4
01/04/20	at Berlin-Gorham	T 3 - 3
01/08/20	at Concord	05:30 PM
01/11/20	Exeter	06:20 PM
01/14/20	Bishop Brady-Trinity-West	05:50 PM
01/16/20	Pinkerton	07:20 PM
01/18/20	at Bishop Guertin	06:10 PM
01/24/20	at Keene-Mon-Fall Mountain	03:00 PM
02/01/20	Berlin-Gorham	06:20 PM
02/04/20	Keene-Mon-Fall Mountain	06:40 PM
02/08/20	at Hanover	07:10 PM
02/11/20	at Man. Central-Memorial	04:30 PM
02/15/20	Souhegan	05:10 PM
02/25/20	at Kingswood	07:00 PM

Lebanon-Stevens-Mount Royal Boys Ice Hockey

12/18/19	at Alvirne-Milford	W 5 - 0
12/21/19	Somersworth-Coe-Brown	L 2 - 3
12/23/19	at Goffstown	L 3 - 7
01/08/20	at Kingswood	07:00 PM
01/11/20	at Merrimack	04:00 PM
01/13/20	at John Stark	07:00 PM
01/18/20	Kingswood	05:30 PM
01/25/20	at St. Thomas Aquinas	01:00 PM
01/29/20	Berlin	04:00 PM
01/31/20	Oyster River	07:30 PM
02/05/20	at Winnacunnet	TBA
02/08/20	Dover	03:10 PM
02/12/20	at Spaulding	07:00 PM
02/15/20	Portsmouth-Newmarket	07:10 PM
02/19/20	at Berlin	TBA
02/22/20	Merrimack	06:40 PM
02/26/20	Keene	04:50 PM

Hockey, from B2

past goalie Bella McKee.

Having been down by two goals since the first period, tallies by McClanahan at 5:03 and one on the power play by Billing at 7:04 of the third suddenly made for a tied game. With neither team able to find the back of the net, the game went to overtime.

Dartmouth started the extra period on the penalty kill and Union took advantage of that fact, firing shot after shot at Humphreys, but the Big Green defense came up big with a handful of blocked shots. Another penalty for the home team gave the Dutchwomen another shot, but they were turned away each time.

The Big Green will be home again next weekend, hosting Princeton and Quinnipiac.

Cards Host Oyster River; Bobcats Take the Win, 56-26

The Stevens boys' basketball teams got back in action after the holiday break as they welcomed the Oyster River Bobcats to Frederick Carr gymnasium on Friday night. The Bobcats would return home with a 56-26 victory over the Cardinals.

Oyster River jumped out to a quick lead and never looked back in earning the road win. Matt Jones again led the Cardinals with 7 points and also grabbed 7 rebounds. Cooper Moote tossed in 6 points while Ty Bonneau added 5 points. Owen Taylor chipped in with 4 points and 6 rebounds, and Brady Moote hauled down 7 rebounds for the Cardinals.

In the JV game, Oyster River also jumped out to a quick lead and led 20-4 after a quarter. Stevens would close the gap to 7 points late in the game but the junior Bobcats ended up with a 57-42 win. Ty Theriault scored 9 points and grabbed 5 rebounds. Brennan Huntoon also had 9 points, while Tucker Derosier scored 8 points, and Trystan Lane chipped in with 7 points.

The JV teams will host the Wildcats of Fall Mountain on Monday night in a JV double-header. The JV Lady Cardinals will play at 4:30, and the JV boys will tip off at 6:00. On Tuesday night the varsity boys and girls will travel to "The Den" in Langdon to take on the Wildcats. The girl's game will begin at 5:30 and the boys will start at 7:00.



NHIAA Division III Stevens High School All-State Players Announced

Keaghan McAllister
1st Team All-State Running Back
Phillip Mason
2nd Team All-State Defensive Tackle
Matt Jones
All-State Honorable Mention Defense

Quentin Bicknell
1st Team All-State Middle Linebacker
Hunter Paradis
2nd Team All-State Defensive End
Alex Taylor
All-State Honorable Mention Offense

Tucker Derosier
2nd Team All-State Offensive Line
Lucas Mudge
2nd Team All-State Defensive Back
Owen Taylor
All-State Honorable Mention Offense

Inspiration

The New Year is Here

By Priscilla Hull

Sometime in my teens or early twenties, I decided not to make New Year's resolutions any more, so for about 60 years I haven't made a single New Years resolution! Why? Everyone does! Well, almost everyone does! At that time, I decided that resolutions for the New Year took time away from the actual doing of something. I decided that the difficulty of sticking to a resolution didn't make my life different. I had tried the common resolutions: doing my homework before doing anything else; not having sweets with both lunch and dinner, so as to eat healthier - nearly impossible with a father who loved sweets and a mother who loved baking them; avoiding unnecessary trips to the store; limiting buying books to an average of two a month - haha! There were lots of others that I had tried during my early teens and none of them lasted more than a few weeks.

It always made me depressed and angry with myself when I failed at one or more of the resolutions. I decided, at some point that I'd had enough of this self inflicted pain. It didn't make me any more disciplined or a better person. I was a high school and college musician and we know it takes self discipline to be successful even as an amateur musician and I was fairly successful, playing in band, orchestra, first chair in state band and orchestra. So I knew that I had self discipline. Studying was a necessary part of life at that time and to get where I wanted professionally, I had to study. So that was no challenge. The things that I'd make resolutions about were just never as important as studies and music, so they seemed petty and unnecessary.

I suppose, no, I know there are people who make resolutions and stick to them at least through part of the year, but how many make life changes because of a New Year's resolution? Maybe a fleeting few, but most of us do what I did and make a resolution and then something gets in the way and so the resolution is broken and not reinstated. Be assured that I am not finding fault or blaming, merely stating a common thought.

So as the year 2019 fades into our memories and the new year of 2020 unfolds, I will once again be without a New Year's resolution for the New Year. I don't feel bad about it. I'm busy enough trying to keep up a restricted diet which excludes many of my favorite things anyway, and I'm living just fine! I wish for the same thing, year after year. I use my energy to work for the community in the only ways I know: feeding the hungry, working for justice, helping my neighbor. To me that's just as important as any resolutions.

Enjoy your resolutions, I wish you success with them. I hope they make your life a little better. Have a good time living up to your expectations and I'll have a good time living up to mine which haven't changed through many years.

Maybe, after all, I do make a resolution, that I will work, in whatever capacity I am able, to bring justice to my little corner of the world!

Happy New Year! May the New Year be filled with Joy, Peace and Justice!

Let justice roll down like a river and righteousness like an ever flowing stream.

Amos 5:24

Priscilla Hull is the Lay Leader of the First United Methodist Church in Claremont, NH.



Calendar Of Events

Croydon Ladies Auxiliary Bingo

CLAREMONT, NH—Croydon Ladies Auxiliary Inc. Bingo, every Thursday night. Doors open at 4:30 p.m. and games start at 6:30 p.m.

Kitchen open for supper and snacks.

Pink Diamond and 6 Spot Bingo tickets for chances to win lots of jackpot money. Three raffles each week to win scratch tickets, free plays and gifts.

The winner take all pays out between \$600 and \$900 each week.

Held at the Claremont Senior Center at 5 Acer Heights Road in Claremont.

Questions? Call Sandy at 603-543-7118.

Kinship Raising Support Group

NEWPORT, NH—A support group in Newport for kinship raising family member's kids is meeting 10:00 a.m. to noon every other Friday. Meetings held at the old Towle School, 86 North Main Street. Learn more at New Hampshire Grandparents raising Grandchildren on Facebook; check the page for updates or call Stacey Hammerlind at 802-478-0844.

Overeaters Anonymous Big Book Meetings

CLAREMONT, NH—Overeaters Anonymous Big Book Meetings are held at Valley Regional Healthcare in Claremont on Wednesdays from 3:30-4:30 p.m. in the library. Please use Main Entrance on Elm Street.

Claremont La Leche League

CLAREMONT, NH—Breastfeeding questions? Get answers and meet other breastfeeding mothers. Claremont La Leche League Claremont La Leche League will be meeting on the 3rd Thursday of the month at the TLC Family Resource Center, 109 Pleasant Street: Mornings, from 9:30—11:00 a.m., evenings, 5:30—7:00 p.m. LLL Leaders are trained and accredited through LLLI to offer help to par-

ents, families, and communities to breastfeed, chestfeed, and human milk feed their babies through parent-to-parent support. A leader will be available to answer your questions.

Assistance, information, and support are also available via telephone, email, and the LLLI website. ClaremontLLL@gmail.com, Jess (603) 630-0184, Zariah (603) 306-9892; they may also be found on Facebook.

Caregiver Support Group

SPRINGFIELD, VT—A Caregiver Support Group (formerly Alzheimer's Support Group) is available to help enhance the lives of individuals with Alzheimer's disease and other dementias. Presented by Alzheimer's Association, Vermont Chapter, the Caregivers Support Group meets the third Wednesday of every month, 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. at Springfield Hospital Library, Level D, Springfield.

Join the Boy Scouts

CLAREMONT, NH—If you have a young man going into 6th grade and is 11 years old that you think needs an advantage in life, then have them consider becoming a Boy Scout. Boy Scouts learn valuable skills in leadership, team building and self-reliance. Boy Scouts that earn the rank of Eagle have a high likelihood of becoming successful in life and stay active in their communities. When the school starts, Troop 38 of Claremont, NH, meets every Thursday 6:30-8:00 p.m. at St. Mary's church gymnasium. Join us for a good time and new adventures.

Contact Alex Herzog, Scoutmaster of Troop 38, at claremontscout@gmail.com for more info or come and join us at one of our upcoming meetings.

Beginner Zentangle at CMS

CLAREMONT, NH—Zentangle is a simple-to-learn method to create beautiful art by drawing simple patterns. The process is a mindful and meditative art form that some use to enhance creativity, increase focus, or just to relax. In this class, participants will learn philosophy, method, and approach to creating Zentangle art. Students will put pen to paper and learn to tangle beautiful patterns on small square paper tiles. All materials will be provided by the instructor in class. If you can draw a line and very basic shapes, you can create

beautiful work! No artistic experience is required, but artists looking to incorporate something new into their practice are welcome. Ages 12 & up.

8 - 12 allowed with parent/ guardian accompaniment.

Workshop Fee:

CMS Members - \$35

Non-Members - \$40

About the instructor: Lora Gerard

Lora Gerard, CZT, has been creating Zentangles and Zentangle-Inspired-Art for many years, using a wide variety of media. She also does many other crafts and arts, integrating Zentangle whenever possible. She became a Certified Zentangle Teacher in 2019 and hopes to give many people access to this inexpensive, fun, creative, and portable art form.

To register, please go here:

<https://claremontmakerspace.org/events/#/event/2020/1/13/beginner-zentangle>.

Claremont Makerspace, 46 Main St., Monday, Jan. 13, 6:00 p.m.

Arrowhead Seeks Volunteers

CLAREMONT, NH—Arrowhead is all-volunteer and has a critical need for winter time volunteers this season; please consider volunteering. "Just give us whatever time you can, it really will make a big difference," said Chuck Allen of the Arrowhead Recreation Club.

Outside help includes lift operators and attendants, tubing area monitors, ski and snowboard instructors.

Inside needs include concessions help, grill/fry cook, ski/snowboard rental shop people and first-aid, training provided.

Operating days and hours;
Regular hours: Friday night 6-9PM, Saturday 10AM-4PM, Saturday night 6-9PM and Sunday 10AM-4PM.

Special hours, school vacation weekday periods 12-4PM in February.

Anyone who can volunteer or knows someone who can or would like more information, please contact the facility as it is looking to establish a pool of volunteers and start scheduling people.

The best contact is email; you can also leave a Facebook or phone message.

email: arrowhead@arrowheadnh.com - best contact method

Phone: (603) 542-7016 - Leave a message
web: www.arrowheadnh.com



Valley Regional Annual Meeting

Tuesday, January 21, 2020, 5-7 PM

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Joe Perras, CEO and CMO of
Mt. Ascutney Hospital & Health Center, Windsor, VT

Claremont Savings Bank
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152 South Street, Claremont

Newport Historical Society Museum Hours

NEWPORT, NH--Interested in local history? Come visit the Newport Historical Society Museum, 20 Central St., Newport, NH. Located in the 1837 Nettleton House, the museum has two floors of annually changing displays to wander through.

Open Sundays (except holiday weekends), from 10AM to 2PM, and by appointment by calling 603-863-1294. The museum is free, heated, air-conditioned, and handicapped accessible.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 10

Full Moon Snowshoe Hike and Astronomy Program

5:30-7:30pm

Location: Forest Center at Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller NHP, Woodstock, VT
Join us at Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller National Historical Park on Friday January 10th for a nighttime hike under January's full "Wolf" moon. Learn all about the moon and its different phases and take a look through one of the high powered telescopes. Please dress warmly and wear sturdy footwear. Snowshoes will be provided along with light refreshments.

Pre-registration is recommended. To register or learn more call (802) 457-3368 x222 or email us at emma_beck@partner.nps.gov.

You may also visit <https://www.nps.gov/mabi/index.htm> for more information regarding this program.



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MONTHLY FOOT & BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC SCHEDULE

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1st WEEK of the month	BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC COA, New London 9:45 – 11:15 am Lebanon Senior Center 10:00 am – 12:00 pm	BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC Lake Sunapee VNA 9:00 – 11:00 am Newport Senior Center 10:45 am – 12:00 pm	FOOT CLINIC Mascoma Senior Center, Canaan 9:00 am – 12:00 pm Plainfield Libray 12:00 – 4:00 pm	BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC Claremont Senior Center 10:30 am – 12:00 pm FOOT CLINIC Claremont Senior Center 8:30 am – 3:00 pm Lake Sunapee VNA 9:30 am – 1:30 pm	FOOT CLINIC COA, New London 9:30 am – 1:00 pm
2nd WEEK of the month		BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC Lake Sunapee VNA 9:00 – 11:00 am Bourdon Centre, Claremont 10:00 – 11:00 am Grantham Methodist Church 11:15 am – 12:00 pm (Apr-Dec) Sugar River Mills, Claremont 1:00 – 2:00 pm FOOT CLINIC Bourdon Centre, Claremont 8:00 am – 12:00 pm Sugar River Mills, Claremont 12:30 – 2:00 pm	FOOT CLINIC Claremont Senior Center 8:30 am – 3:00 pm	BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC Charlestown Senior Center 11:00 am – 1:00 pm FOOT CLINIC Charlestown Senior Center 9:00 am – 4:00 pm Lake Sunapee VNA 9:30 am – 1:30 pm	FOOT CLINIC COA, New London 9:30 am – 1:00 pm
3rd WEEK of the month	BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC Lebanon Senior Center 10:00 am – 12:00 pm	BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC Lake Sunapee VNA 9:00 – 11:00 am Bradford Senior Center 11:00 am – 12:00 pm Newport Senior Center 11:00 am – 12:30 pm Marion Phillips Apts, Claremont 1:00 – 2:00 pm FOOT CLINIC North Ridge, Warner 9:30 – 11:30 am Marion Phillips Apts, Claremont 1:00 – 4:00 pm	FOOT CLINIC Claremont Senior Center 8:30 am – 3:00 pm	BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC Claremont Senior Center 11:00 am – 12:00 pm FOOT CLINIC Lake Sunapee VNA 9:30 am – 1:30 pm	
4th WEEK of the month	FOOT CLINIC Newport Senior Center 9:00 am – 3:00 pm Lake Sunapee VNA 9:30 am – 1:30 pm	BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC Lake Sunapee VNA 9:00 – 11:00 am Cornish Town Hall 11:15 am – 12:30 pm FOOT CLINIC Lebanon Senior Center 10:00 am – 2:00 pm	FOOT CLINIC Newport Senior Center 8:30 am – 3:00 pm	BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC CSB Community Center, Claremont 9:30 – 11:00 am Plainfield-location varies 11:30 am – 1:30 pm FOOT CLINIC Lake Sunapee VNA 9:30 am – 1:30 pm	These events take place every month, except on holidays. Foot Clinics are by appointment only and cost \$25. For more information or to verify a date, call 603-526-4077 or visit: LakeSunapeeVNA.org

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Dona F. Stripp, 81

Dona Fay Stripp, 81, of Charlestown, NH, passed away unexpectedly on December 31, 2019.

Dona was born on June 4th, 1938, to Floyd and Bernice (Brinkman) Hoag in Medina, NY. She was raised in East Pembroke, NY, and graduated from Corfu Central School in 1955.

After graduation, she began her banking career, at the age of 17, at the Marine Trust in Batavia, NY. She continued her banking career at the Wyoming County Bank in Wyoming, NY, where she became a Branch Manager and Officer of the Wyoming Branch. Dona worked at the Wyoming Branch until her retirement.

Dona married the love of her life, Wayne H. Stripp, on January 24th, 1959. Together they had two children, Wayne and Lisa.

Throughout her life, Dona was a School Board Member in Wyoming, NY, a Treasurer of the Silver Lake Cottage Owners Association in Perry, NY, an employee of the Fletcher Farm Craft School in Ludlow, VT, and a past President of the Granite State Doll Club. After the passing of her beloved husband in 2002, she also became an avid volunteer at the Pink Smock Shoppe at Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center in Lebanon, NH.

Dona was predeceased by her husband, her parents and her brother, David Hoag.

She is survived by her children Wayne David (Ellie) Stripp and Lisa (P. Kevin) Chamberlain; her six grandchildren, Sarah Chamberlain, Joshua (Amanda) Chamberlain, Jacob Chamberlain, Jeremy Chamberlain, James Chamberlain and Francis Stripp; and her two great granddaughters, Hailey Chamberlain and Brooke Chamberlain, who were her pride and joy.

Per Dona's request there will be no formal calling hours or funeral services at this time. There will be a burial and Celebration of Life at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to either the American Diabetes Association or the Children's Hospital at Dartmouth Hitchcock (CHAD) in Lebanon, NH.

The Stringer Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Esther W. Adams, 87

Esther Welch Adams, age 87, died on December 30th, 2019, at Maplewood Nursing Home.

She was born September 26, 1932, the

daughter of Edith (Bagley) Simpson and Everett Simpson. She attended local schools and graduated from the Elliot Community Hospital School of Nursing in 1954. She worked in area hospitals and retired from Fall Mountain School District in 1994 after being employed as a school nurse in Charlestown area schools for 19 years.

She married Alfred Welch in October 1954.

She was predeceased by Alfred and two grandchildren. She is survived by her son Gary Welch and wife, MaryLou of Naples, FL, her daughter Lori Jones and her husband, Douglas, her son, Mark Welch and her daughter, Lynn Welch all of Charlestown, NH. Also, survived by nine grandchildren and nine great grandchildren, as well as her surviving spouse, Robert Adams of Walpole, NH.

No memorial service is planned at this time. The family will have a celebration of Esther's life in July 2020. Donations may be made to Maplewood Nursing Home, 201 River Rd. Westmoreland, NH 03467.

The Stringer Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

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Gleora M. Payette, 79

Gleora M. "Cleo" Payette, 79, of Lincoln Heights in Claremont, NH, went home to be with the Lord on Monday (December 30, 2019) at Cheshire Medical Center following a brief period of failing health.

She was born in Philipsburg, NJ, on June 29, 1940, the daughter of Harvey and Anna (Myers) Abbott. "Cleo" had been employed as a Licensed Nursing Assistant at the Sullivan County Nursing Home for 30 years and was employed as a homecare specialist for some time in Arkansas where the families that she served considered her an angel. "Cleo" lived a life of service. She enjoyed cake decorating and made many wedding cakes and specialty cakes for family and friends. She also enjoyed crocheting, puzzle making and crossword puzzles, dancing. Following the death of her husband James Payette, Sr. in 1991, she was a member of the Monadnock Singles Club.

Members of her family include two daughters, Ann Cogle, Orford, NH; Gleora Fisher, Goshen, NH; two stepdaughters, Freida Goins, TN; and Crystal Hawkins, Claremont, NH; two stepsons, James Payette, Jr., New Bloomfield, PA; Clarence Payette, Claremont, NH, 13 grandchildren, several great grandchildren and one great great grandchildren; a sister, Dora Schaeffer, Ruffin, SC, and several nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by a daughter, Pauline Cogle, a step-daughter, Corrine Olsen, a stepson, George Payette, a granddaughter, Erica Anderson, a brother, Kenneth Abbott and a sister, Bertha DeNoyelles.

There will be no visiting hours. Graveside committal services will be held at 1:00 pm on Sunday, May 3, 2020, in Pine Grove Cemetery in Newport, NH.

You are invited to share a memory of "Cleo" with the family or leave a message of condolence in the family guest book at www.royfuneralhome.com.

Harriet Austin

Harriet DeCelle Austin returned home to her Heavenly Father on Friday, December 27th, 2019, surrounded by the love of her family. She was born on January 2, 1942, in Fort Edward, NY, to Harriet Sexton DeCelle and Theodore DeCelle. She came from a large family with many siblings, including Robert DeCelle, William Sexton, Juanita Austin,

Theodore DeCelle, Paul DeCelle, Richard DeCelle, Rita Ferland, Florence Angelo, Bonnie Durgin, Linda Bullis and Francine Wilkerson. In 1960 she married Andrew Austin and they had five children: Andrea (Gregory) Sharp, Francis (Teresa) Austin, Colleen (Robert) Haehnel, Katrina, and Juanita (Eric) Johnson. Harriet was the proud "Grammy" to 18 grandchildren and

24 great-grandchildren. In 1988, she married Donald Melcher. They were married for 12 years.

She was preceded in death by her daughter, Katrina, son-in-law, Gregory, and siblings Robert, William, Juanita, Theodore, Rita and Bonnie. What a joyous reunion they must be having!

Claremont Senior Center, Inc.

Ice is nice.....in drinks or on rinks, but not on roads, driveways or walkways. That was not "nice ice". We hope all of you stayed safe. We did hear of a couple of incidents with our seniors. We wish them well. As we write today, Jan. 1st, we are reminded of our resolutions. We all made a list of those big ideas for this year. Well, a little advice here that we just read this morning. Take small steps to do three small improvements. Not so overwhelming.

Let's eat!! Here is the menu for Tuesday and Thursday. Tues., Jan. 7th-Soup, Baked Haddock, Sweet Potato, Green Beans, Blueberry Parfait. Thurs., Jan. 9th- Soup, Fresh Made Stuffed Peppers, Rice, Broccoli, Ice Cream Sandwich.

Let's eat some more! Get your food bibs out! We are having an Italian dinner on Sat., Jan. 18th. Details will be forthcoming. We guarantee you won't leave hungry. Save the date.

The Men's Breakfast will be on Mon., Jan. 13th at 8:15. Pancakes, Bacon or Sausages, Juice, Coffee and a Guest Speaker. Open to the public. Men only. Sorry girls. Members-\$2, non-members-\$3, Guy talk-Free.

We will be decorating up a storm at the Center on Tues., Jan. 14th. A professional cookie decorator will be in the house to help us learn to embellish cookies creatively. Both men and women are invited. Cost: Members- \$5, non-members-\$6. Please sign up by coming in or calling (603) 543-5998. Start your new year with a fun project that you may be able to use with your grandchildren.

We have received some lovely gifts for our Penny Sale in May. Our shelves have plenty of room for more, so don't be shy. We are looking to receive new or gently used items. You may leave them with the receptionist marked Penny Sale, We will gently set them on the shelf to await a winner's home. Thanks!

Corn Hole will resume on Wed., Jan. 8th at 4PM. We have a great group playing, but would welcome more. For those who cannot toss too far, we will move the boards closer. Great exercise and fun.

Cribbage will restart on Mon., Jan. 6th at its new time-1PM-3PM. Gather a few friends and come play. Of course, you can play anytime we are open including Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6PM-9PM and Sundays 1PM-4PM.

Quick Takes: Foot Clinics-Wed., Jan. 8th and 15th.

Blood Pressure-Thurs.,Jan. 16th -11PM-Noon.

Don't forget to pay your dues, renew, (good stuff coming!), or try that trial membership you have been wanting to do. You have nothing to lose. We offer fun, conversation, laughter, food, exercise, games, companionship, technology. Did we mention fun? Join us. Our receptionist will help you sign in.

Thought for the Week: This year, don't count the days, make the days count.

Have a good week everyone and watch that ice.

Laughter and lively conversation always welcome here.

Claremont Senior Center, 5 Acer Heights Rd., Claremont, NH, (603)543-5998, Smoke Free. Hrs.-Daily-9AM-3PM, Also-Tues. & Thurs.-6PM-9PM, Sun.-1PM-4PM.

Harriet worked many years at Sturm Ruger until deciding to continue her education in nursing. She enjoyed serving the elderly patients in her care in New London and Hanover. She was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints and served in many positions in her church community for over 57 years. She loved spending time with her family, visiting with friends, crocheting and traveling.

A funeral service was held on Saturday, January 4th, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, Rte. 5, Ascutney, VT. Interment followed in Pine Grove Cemetery, Newport, NH.

You are invited to share a memory of Harriet with the family or leave a message of condolence in the family guest book at www.royfuneralhome.com.

Jay Shattuck, 58

Jay Shattuck, 58, of Claremont, NH, passed away on December 21, 2019, after a courageous battle with early onset Alzheimer's. Jay's kind soul, humor and a ready smile will be missed by his wife, friends and family. We especially want to thank everyone at Woodlawn, Seasons and Hospice who gave him love and respect over the past years. Also for providing unending support to his wife.

After graduating from Stevens High School in 1979, Jay enlisted in the United States Marine Corp. He retired from the Army National Guard after a tour in Kuwait. He ended his career after nearly 27 years at Pine Tree Casting in 2014. From there he volunteered at the Claremont Soup Kitchen, always ready to help others.

Jay was the beloved husband of Bette. Donations in his honor should be made to Alzheimer's or any animal rescue of your choice.

Funeral services will be held privately.

The Stringer Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Claremont Fire Dept. Log

Sunday, December 29th

1743 E3 responded to Washington St for a motor vehicle accident.

1906 E3 responded for the ambulance on First St.

2039 E3 responded to a public as-

sist on Green St.

Monday, December 30th

0452 E3 responded to a medical call on Sugar River Dr.

0929 E1 responded mutual aid to Charlestown for a structure fire.

1022 E3 responded to Chellis St for a low hanging wire.

1354 E3 responded to a medical call on Pleasant St.

1832 E3 responded to a medical call on Pheasant Ln.

1955 E3 responded to South St for a hydrant struck by a vehicle.

Tuesday, December 31st

0724 E3 responded to School St for a smoke investigation.

1104 E3 responded to North St for a well-being check.

1324 E3 responded to a medical call on Main St.

2217 E3 responded to the foot bridge for a lift assist.

2305 E3 responded to a medical call on Pleasant St.

Wednesday, January 1st

0021 E3 responded to a medical call on Central St.

1249 E3 responded to Charlestown Rd for a box alarm.

2002 E3 responded to a medical call on Heritage Dr.

Thursday, January 2nd

0942 E3 responded to a medical call on Winter St.

1113 E3 responded to Petrin Heights for a tree on wires.

1157 E3 responded to Colonel Ashley Lane for an alarm sounding.

1301 E3 responded to a medical call on Broad St.

1815 E3 responded to a medical call on Royce St.

Friday, January 3rd

0839 E3 responded to Winter St for a chimney fire.

0841 E1 responded to Main St for an odor of propane.

1300 E3 responded to Franklin St for wires down.

1825 E3 responded to a medical call on Main St.

Saturday, January 4th

0357 E3 responded to Maple Ave for a fire alarm sounding.

0902 E3 responded to Pleasant St for a fire alarm sounding.

1146 E3 responded to a medical assist on Pleasant St.

1347 E3 responded to Timson St for wires down.

2317 E3 responded to Main St for a motor vehicle accident.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22

Cold Comfort: Winter Wildlife Adaptations Working Woodlands Workshop 10am-12pm

Location: Forest Center at Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller NHP, Woodstock, VT

Vermont wildlife knows how to get creative when it comes to the winter months. Join NPS Science Communication Specialist Ed Sharron to learn who is active and who is hibernating during these harsh winter months. NPS Science Communication Specialist Ed Sharron will begin with an indoor discussion that explores how animals meet their basic winter needs for food, water, and shelter. Then, head outside for a snowshoe hike investigating different habitats. Event open to all ages!

Please dress appropriately for outdoor activity, and bring a water bottle and snowshoes if possible. Adult and children's snowshoes are available if needed. Event will continue snow or shine! Co-sponsored by Vermont Coverts and the Vermont Woodlands Association.

Please pre-register as space is limited. To register or learn more call (802) 457-3368 x 226, or email us at leah_marshall@partner.nps.gov. Be sure to tell us how many are coming.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 29

'Cool' Snow Sculptures for Families 10am-12pm

Location: Saint-Gaudens National Historical Park

You've got one extra day this year ~ why not spend it playing in the snow? Join us at Saint-Gaudens NHP for Building 'Cool' Snow Sculptures ~ get inspired by Saint-Gaudens own sculptures! Please dress appropriately for the weather; light refreshments included.

Pre-registration is recommended. To register or learn more call (802) 457-3368 x222 or email us at emma_beck@partner.nps.gov.

The Claremont City Council will hold a public meeting on Wednesday, January 8, 2020, at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall.

AGENDA (Revised)

6:30 PM 1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
 6:32 PM 2. ROLL CALL
 6:34 PM 3. AGENDA CHANGES
 6:35 PM 4. REPORT OF THE SECRETARY
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6:37 PM 5. MAYOR'S NOTES
 6:42 PM 6. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT
 6:50 PM 7. APPOINTMENT TO BOARDS AND COMMITTEES
 6:55 PM 8. CITIZEN'S FORUM (Comments on Non-agenda Items Limited to 5 Minutes per Speaker (Council Rule 23))
 9. OLD BUSINESS

7:05 PM A. Elderly Exemptions and Veterans Credit
 10. NEW BUSINESS

7:15 PM A. CDBG Planning Study Grant Application

The City proposes to submit an application for funding titled Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Planning Study Grant for up to \$25,000 from its application authority for 2020 to the NH Community Development Finance Authority for an assessment of the water and sewer systems, plans, and cost estimates to replace/upgrade the systems as needed at Sugar River Cooperative, a 30 unit manufactured housing park located at Upham Place in Claremont, NH.

Application for Grant – Public Hearing

Review and Adopt or Re-adopt City's Residential Anti-Displacement and Relocation Assistance Plan – Public Hearing

7:30 PM B. CDBG Emergency or Housing Grant Application

The City proposes to submit an application for funding titled Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Emergency or Housing Grant for up to \$500,000 from its application authority for 2020 to the NH Community Development Finance Authority for improvements at 147 Main Street. The city to retain up to \$25,000 for administration costs and subgrant the remainder to New England Family Housing, or a related entity to be determined, to bring 7 units of low-and moderate- income housing back onto the market.

Application for Grant – Public Hearing

Review and Adopt or Re-adopt City's Residential Anti-Displacement and Relocation Assistance Plan – Public Hearing

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7:55 PM C. CDBG Feasibility Study – Public Hearing

Update on the results of the feasibility study, as part of a 2019 Planning Study Grant from the NH Community Development Finance Authority, to assess the condition and suitability for long term use of the building located at 169 Main Street, on behalf of the Claremont Learning Partnership.

8:10 PM D. CDBG mid-Grant Hearing – Public Hearing

Mid-grant update to hear public comment on the Farwell Block Dental Center Expansion Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Housing and Public Facilities project. The project involves rehabilitation and construction of an elevator and stair tower to provide access for expansion of the Sullivan County Oral Health Center/Community Dental Center, to the third floor of the Farwell Block.

8:25 PM F. Discussion of Citizen Proposed Task Force on Climate

8:40 PM G. Discussion of Citizen Questions Regarding Refugees

8:55 PM H. Transfer of Funds for Non-Union Pay & Classification Study – Public Hearing

9:05 PM I. City Manager Goals

9:15 PM 11. COMMITTEE REPORTS

9:20 PM 12. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND DIRECTIVES

9:25 PM 13. CONSULTATION WITH LEGAL COUNSEL

9:30 PM 14. ADJOURNMENT

PLEASE NOTE: Claremont City Council's next scheduled meeting will be on Wednesday, January 22, 2020, at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City