

## Cardboard Sled Race Feb. 15th

CLAREMONT, NH—The annual Cardboard Sled Race and pancake breakfast are coming up on February 15th; get started on designing and making your sleds now! Categories are youth, adult, family and business. Rules are basically the same as in the past, cardboard and tape only, no tape on running surface, wax the running surface. Make it sturdy and colorful and costumes are encouraged. Challenge your friends, neighbors and other businesses. Pricing structure has changed a little, \$10 for one person, \$15 for two and \$20 for 3 or more."

Visit the Arrowhead website for more details. [arrowheadnh.com](http://arrowheadnh.com). Fundraising benefits the Arrowhead Recreation Area.



## SHS Team Wraps up Home Bowling Match

Both the varsity and JV bowling teams placed first and won their overall matches at SHS's final home bowling match on Saturday. It was also the seniors' last home match for the SHS bowling team as they competed against Souhegan and Pinkerton. Congratulations to Keehgan McAllister, Kassie Melcher, Logan Steadman, Brennon Richardson and Phil Mason.

## SHS Scores 'Hoops For Hope' Wins

The Stevens Boys basketball teams played just a single game apiece due to the weather postponing the Friday games at Plymouth.

The JV boys traveled to Fall Mountain on Monday and returned home with their third win of the season 46 to 35.

The game was tied at 19 heading into the half but the Cardinals outscored the Wildcats 18-6 in the third quarter on the strength of an 11 point effort from Brennan Huntoon, who ended up with a game high 17 points. Ty The-



**The Cardinals varsity basketball teams swept the Wildcats from Fall Mt. at Carr Gymnasium Tuesday evening. The boys started off the night with an impressive 50-38 victory, and the girls closed things out with a 46-45 nail biter. Both pink "Hoops For Hope" basketballs stay with Stevens for the year. The SHS Athletic Dept. thanks everyone who donated money to the Norris Cotton Cancer Center at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Hospital (Courtesy photos).**

riault scored 7 points, and Trystan Lane added 6 points, while Dominic Puksta hauled down 5 rebounds.

The varsity boys hosted the Wildcats in their annual "Hoops For Hope" Varsity Boys and

Girls doubleheader to raise money for the Norris Cotton Cancer Center at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Hospital. Both teams would like to thank all who donated money. It turned out to be a

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**Wins, from B1**

great night for the home teams as the Girls would take a late lead and hold on for a 46-45 win in the nightcap. In the opener, the Cardinals jumped out to an early 16-6 lead after a quarter on the strength of 12 points from Clayton Wadsworth. Stevens went into halftime still leading 27-14. The Wildcats would cut into the lead in the second half and trimmed the lead to 5 points in the final quarter, but Owen and Alex Taylor would connect on 5 of their 6 free throws down the stretch, and the Cardinals would grab their first win of the season 50-38.

Wadsworth ended the night with a career high 28 points. Matt Jones and Owen Taylor each chipped in with 5 points apiece. Taylor also had a game high 9 rebounds, and his brother Alex grabbed 7 rebounds, as did Tyler Bonneau.

With the Plymouth game rescheduled for Monday, Stevens will play 3 games this week. Monday they travel to Plymouth. The JV game begins at 4:30 with the varsity game following at 6:00. On Wednesday the team will play at Hanover. The JV game starts at 5:00, with varsity playing at 6:30, and on Friday Stevens will host the Con-Val Cougars with the JV playing at 5:30, and the varsity game starting at 7:00.

**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	L 39 - 54
01/10/20	at Merrimack Valley	L 34 - 55
01/17/20	at Bow	L 38 - 71
01/21/20	Newport	L 38 - 48
01/28/20	Lebanon	L 37 - 79
01/31/20	Coe-Brown Northwood	L 23 - 49
02/04/20	Fall Mountain	W 50 - 38
02/10/20	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

**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	L 38 - 58
01/10/20	Merrimack Valley	W 54 - 46
01/17/20	Bow	L 40 - 50
01/21/20	at Newport	W 58 - 46
01/24/20	at Hollis-Brookline	L 49 - 58
01/28/20	at Lebanon	L 38 - 62
01/31/20	at Coe-Brown Northwood	L 42 - 61
02/04/20	Fall Mountain	W 46 - 45
02/10/20	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

**Lebanon-Stevens-Kearsarge Girls Ice Hockey**

12/14/19	ConVal-Conant	W 10 - 0
12/18/19	Bedford	W 12 - 0
12/20/19	at Oyster River-Portsmouth	L 0 - 1
01/02/20	at St. Thomas-WNC-DOV	L 1 - 4
01/04/20	at Berlin-Gorham	T 3 - 3
01/11/20	Exeter	W 5 - 2
01/14/20	Bishop Brady-Trinity-West	T 3 - 3
01/16/20	Pinkerton	W 3 - 2
01/24/20	at Keene-Mon-Fall Mountain	W 3 - 0
02/01/20	Berlin-Gorham	L 3 - 5
02/04/20	Keene-Mon-Fall Mountain	W 9 - 3
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
02/17/20	at Concord	Postponed to 02/19
02/17/20	at Bishop Guertin	07:55 PM
02/19/20	at Concord	03:30 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
01/11/20	at Merrimack	L 1 - 6
01/13/20	at John Stark-Hopkinton	W 3 - 1
01/25/20	at St. Thomas Aquinas	L 0 - 1
01/29/20	Berlin-Gorham	L 1 - 5
01/31/20	Oyster River	L 1 - 2
02/05/20	at Winnacunnet	08:45 PM
02/08/20	Dover	L 2 - 4
02/10/20	Kingswood	05:30 PM
02/12/20	at Spaulding	07:00 PM
02/15/20	Portsmouth-Newmarket	07:10 PM
02/16/20	at Kingswood	02:00 PM
02/19/20	at Berlin-Gorham	06:30 PM
02/22/20	Merrimack	06:40 PM
02/26/20	Keene	04:50 PM



Despite several weeks of battling illnesses, the Springfield JH & HS wrestling team trekked to Mt Mansfield HS recently for a full day of wrestling. Senior Brandon Bennett chalked up another first-place standing after many nail-biting moments; senior Skylar Wallace secured a solid 4th place win, and excellent effort was put forth by Tim Amsden, Cole Wright, David Rigney, Logan Webster, and Bryan Stafford. JH wrestlers competing were Hunter Ferland (3rd place), Dillan Lacasse (3rd place), Marshall Simpson (3rd place), Armando Stettner (2nd place), and Noah Markwell (2nd place). Photo: Dillan Lacasse reaches for his opponent's leg (Cathy Bennett photo).

# Inspiration

## Faith and Hope

By Priscilla Hull

In the New Testament of the Bible, the author of a letter or possibly sermon to a Hebrew congregation addresses faith in this way: *"Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen."* Hebrews 1:1.

There is discussion in religious circles as to the author of this address and its purpose. While it seems to be written as instructions to a newly birthed religious sect, it might also have been written addressing an audience who is in need of encouragement and support. It was probably written in the later time of the first century to encourage and support the new Christians as they were struggling with their belief. However, debating the author and origin is not why I'm here. Many today are struggling to sort out beliefs about faith. I strongly feel that most people today are struggling with the difficulty of belief. We are like the father whose son was freed of the demons who cried out, "I believe! Help me with my unbelief." (Matthew 9:24). We just don't know how and who we should believe. So, we struggle. Some give up, finding not enough proof to believe in a creator, God, who is demanding and benevolent, generous and jealous. It is a difficult journey to separate out God from our own demands.

We don't see God. We don't feel and we don't hear Him. Do we know that something that we can't feel, hear or see is real? Can we understand and accept the fact that God is real? That is Faith. That is the ability to know, with no tangible facts, that faith is real. It discounts our discomfort in believing in something that we can not feel, hear or see. I do understand that in this world of instant gratification and self-satisfaction, it is difficult to find comfort in something or someone who is not tangible. Even the wind we can feel and see its results.

It is through faith, that we can believe that God exists. That faith is supported by scriptures, but those scriptures were written thousands of years ago. So how can we know for sure that they aren't just stories made up and told over and over until we believe in their fact? In fact, we don't, but it is faith that makes us believe.

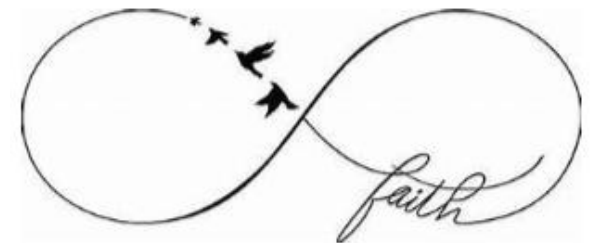
Hope, is a very different thing. In his quote, the author says that "Faith is the assurance of things hoped for." That makes me think that hope is something that we create for ourselves. Such as: I hope the sun shines all week! Or, I hope the Red Sox win the World Series. Hope is my desire, it is a goal I have for myself. Faith, on the other hand is the path to the reality of that hope. I can dream up or imagine that hope, but faith is what leads me to the belief that Hope will be fulfilled.

The question remains, what is the difference between faith and hope? In faith we believe without doubt, whether we have any proof of some- things. If we have faith, we will find that our hope will be fulfilled. The difficult part is that we aren't in charge, and that weakens our faith. I want my hope to be real, but on my terms and in my reckoning. Sadly, or, as I believe, happily it doesn't work that way. We cannot manage our future. We are only one piece in a puzzle that is being put together by some other force. We just don't know the consequences. I'm willing to do my part in that puzzle, but I know I can't put it together so when a piece I have doesn't fit where I think it will, I have faith that someone else knows better and will finish the puzzle to the benefit of the world and, I hope it will be a benefit to me too.

Hope for the best, have faith that it will happen.

2 Corinthians 5:6-7 *So we are always of good courage . . . for we walk by faith, not by sight.*

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



## Calendar Of Events

### AARP Meeting Feb. 13 Includes Valentine's Party

CLAREMONT, NH—The Claremont Area AARP Chapter will meet Thursday, Feb. 13, at 1 P.M. at The Earl Bourdon Centre at 67 Maple Avenue for a Valentine's Party and entertainment with Marie Allen. Dues are \$5/year and are due for 2020. Any senior on either side of the river can join. Members are asked to bring non-perishable items for the weekend backpack program hosted by Trinity Episcopal Church. Refreshments will be served.

#### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13

##### Lake Sunapee VNA Annual Meeting

Lake Sunapee VNA invites the community to its Annual Meeting to be held on Thursday, February 13, at 4:00pm at the Wilmot Community Association Red Barn on 64 Village Road in Wilmot, NH. The meeting will include highlights of 2019 initiatives and accomplishments, annual staff and volunteer award presentations, refreshments, and remarks by Dr. Donald Eberly reflecting on the agency's 50th Anniversary this year.

RSVPs are appreciated by contacting Cathy Raymond at 603-526-4077 x231 or [craymond@lakesunapeevna.org](mailto:craymond@lakesunapeevna.org). Lake Sunapee VNA serves every town in Sullivan County, as well as western Merrimack County and lower Grafton County.

##### Milk and Cheese Please

February 29, 2020

##### Newport Middle High School

9:00am-2:00pm

Come learn about several different kinds of cheese, how cheese is processed, where cheese comes from, handwashing, food safety, knife cutting skills, nutrition and cooking!

There will be door prizes, games and kids will cook their own lunch. It's also a great place to practice some ideas that youth can use at this spring's Grilled Cheese Challenge at the NH Makers' Expo on April 25th.

Open to all youth ages 8-18 (Youth ages 8-11 need to be accompanied by an adult).

Youth do not need to be a 4-H member of an existing 4-H club in order to participate.

To register, please email Lynn Brewer ([lynn.brewer@unh.edu](mailto:lynn.brewer@unh.edu)) at the Sullivan County 4-H office by February 21st.

### 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 parents, 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](mailto: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](mailto:claremontscout@gmail.com) for more info or come and join us at one of our upcoming meetings.

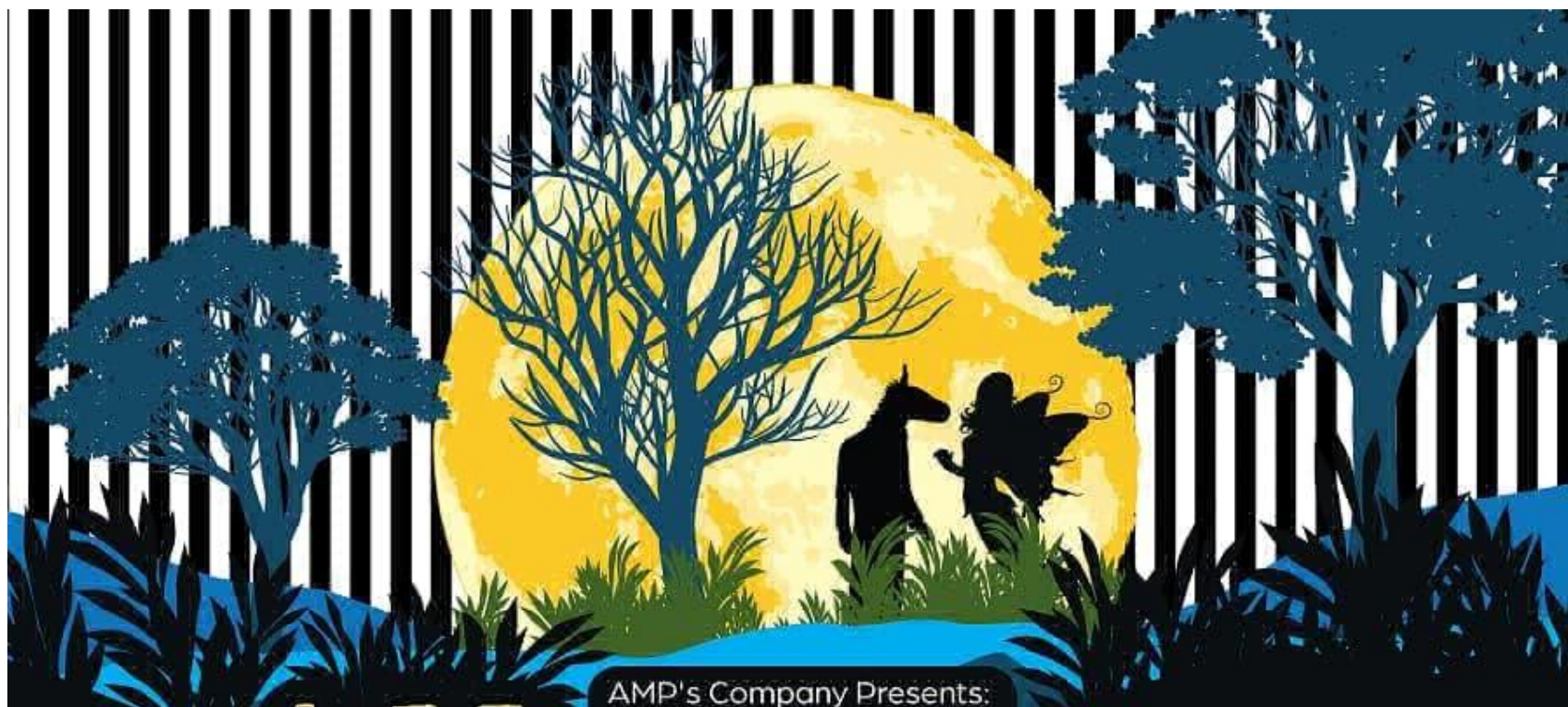
### Arrowhead Seeks Volunteers

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.

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

The best contact is email; you can also leave a Facebook or phone message. email: [arrowhead@arrowheadnh.com](mailto:arrowhead@arrowheadnh.com) - best contact method.

Phone: (603) 542-7016 - Leave a message.



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## *Arrowhead Pancake Breakfast*

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## 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.

### 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. Call (802) 457-3368 x 226, or email us at leah\_marshall@partner.nps.gov. Be sure to tell us how many are coming.



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	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<div style="font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold;">1st</div> <div style="background-color: #0070C0; color: white; padding: 5px; text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">WEEK of the month</div>	<b>BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC</b> COA, New London 9:45 – 11:15 am Lebanon Senior Center 10:00 am – 12:00 pm	<b>BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC</b> Lake Sunapee VNA 9:00 – 11:00 am Newport Senior Center 10:45 am – 12:00 pm	<b>FOOT CLINIC</b> Mascoma Senior Center, Canaan 9:00 am – 12:00 pm Plainfield Libray 12:00 – 4:00 pm	<b>BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC</b> Claremont Senior Center 10:30 am – 12:00 pm  <b>FOOT CLINIC</b> Claremont Senior Center 8:30 am – 3:00 pm Lake Sunapee VNA 9:30 am – 1:30 pm	<b>FOOT CLINIC</b> COA, New London 9:30 am – 1:00 pm
<div style="font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold;">2nd</div> <div style="background-color: #0070C0; color: white; padding: 5px; text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">WEEK of the month</div>		<b>BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC</b> 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 <b>FOOT CLINIC</b> Bourdon Centre, Claremont 8:00 am – 12:00 pm Sugar River Mills, Claremont 12:30 – 2:00 pm	<b>FOOT CLINIC</b> Claremont Senior Center 8:30 am – 3:00 pm	<b>BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC</b> Charlestown Senior Center 11:00 am – 1:00 pm  <b>FOOT CLINIC</b> Charlestown Senior Center 9:00 am – 4:00 pm Lake Sunapee VNA 9:30 am – 1:30 pm	<b>FOOT CLINIC</b> COA, New London 9:30 am – 1:00 pm
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<div style="font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold;">4th</div> <div style="background-color: #0070C0; color: white; padding: 5px; text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">WEEK of the month</div>	<b>FOOT CLINIC</b> Newport Senior Center 9:00 am – 3:00 pm Lake Sunapee VNA 9:30 am – 1:30 pm	<b>BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC</b> Lake Sunapee VNA 9:00 – 11:00 am Cornish Town Hall 11:15 am – 12:30 pm  <b>FOOT CLINIC</b> Lebanon Senior Center 10:00 am – 2:00 pm	<b>FOOT CLINIC</b> Newport Senior Center 8:30 am – 3:00 pm	<b>BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC</b> CSB Community Center, Claremont 9:30 – 11:00 am Plainfield-location varies 11:30 am – 1:30 pm  <b>FOOT CLINIC</b> Lake Sunapee VNA 9:30 am – 1:30 pm	<p><i>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: <a href="http://LakeSunapeeVNA.org">LakeSunapeeVNA.org</a></i></p>

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#### Steven E. Sims 53

Steven E. Sims, 53, of Twistback Road in Claremont, NH, passed away unexpectedly at his home on Wednesday, February 5, 2020.

A celebration of life will be held at Stringer Funeral Home on Tuesday, Feb. 11th, from 3 to 5 PM.

#### Ruth L. Hall, 90

Ruth L. Hunt Hall, 90, passed away peacefully and surrounded by loved ones at the Elm Wood Center in Claremont, NH, on Tuesday, February 4, 2020.

Born at home in Cornish, NH, on August 27, 1929, to parents Leslie M. and Florence (Higgins) Hunt, Ruth attended Cornish Elementary School and graduated from Windsor High School in Windsor, VT. She married John E. Hall on August 30, 1947 in Ascutney, VT. Ruth worked at several places, retiring from her favorite job as a nanny for two young children in Windsor, VT.

She was predeceased by her husband John on April 30, 2003.

She is survived by her son, John H. Hall and his wife, Diane, and her grandchildren, whom she loved dearly and was very close to: Kristi Dompier of Spofford, NH, and her husband Steve and their two chil-

dren, Jacob and Justin; John F. Hall of Claremont, NH, and his wife Melissa and their daughter Emilee; Jaclyn Stanley of Brownsville, VT, and her husband Mark; and step-grandson, Tyler Roots of Golden, CO, and his daughter Adeline.

There will be a graveside service on Saturday, February 15, at 11:00 a.m. at Mountain View Cemetery in Claremont. Dress warmly and come early. The service will be followed by refreshments at a location to be announced.

The Stringer Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

#### Stanton P. Nutting, 67

Stanton P. Nutting, 67, of Broad Street in Claremont, NH, died Tuesday (Feb. 4, 2020) at Elm Wood Center following a period of failing health.

He was born in Lebanon, NH, on February 23, 1952 the son of Wallace P. and Frieda B. (Mills) Nutting and had been a longtime area resident, growing up in Cornish, NH. Stanton

was a veteran of the United States Marine Corps. He was an outdoorsman and enjoyed hunting, fishing and camping. He also loved spending time with his family. Stanton was employed in the maintenance department at Wal-Mart.

Members of his family include a son, Eric Nutting and his wife, Stacey, Charlestown, NH; a daughter, Heidi Nutting, Lebanon, NH; three grandchildren, Zachary Nutting, Marissa Nutting, Ariel Dashnaw, his longtime companion, Cathy Nunn, three brothers, Peter Nutting, Ted Nutting, Steve Petrocelli.

He was predeceased by his parents, his stepmother Ruth Nutting who help raise him and a brother Stuart Nutting.

A Memorial Service will be held at 6:30 pm on Thursday (Feb 13) at the Roy Funeral Home, 93 Sullivan Street, Claremont, NH. Friends may call at the funeral home from 4:30 pm until the time of services.

The family suggests that in lieu of flowers, contribution may be made to the Roy Funeral Home.

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You are invited to share a memory of Stanton with the family or leave a message of condolence in the family guest book at [www.roy-funeralhome.com](http://www.roy-funeralhome.com).

### **Louise Yacovone, 73**

Louise Whitney Yacovone, 73, passed away peacefully on Friday, January 17th, 2020, at the McClure Miller Respite House in Colchester, VT, after a four-year courageous struggle with Leukemia.

Louise was born in Battlecreek, MI, on February 22, 1946, the oldest of two children born to the late John and Eleanor (Whitney) Belkovicz. Louise was raised in Claremont, NH, and graduated from Stevens High School in the class of 1964. She graduated from North Hampton Commercial College and worked for many years at Pratt and Whitney in Hartford, CT. She married and relocated to Newton, NH, where she became interested in the teaching profession. In 1977 she graduated from Rivier College with a BA in Special Education.

Louise became a devoted special educator in NH for many years. She had a special gift working with children and several have reached out as adults thanking her for always believing in them.

She eventually returned to Claremont and enjoyed substituting in area schools. She held a permanent substitute position in special ed at Claremont Middle School before moving to Jericho, VT.

Louise was a bright light with a kind and compassionate spirit. Over the years she touched the lives of many. She volunteered for Special Olympics and became an adaptive ski instructor at Ascutney Mountain. Louise also worked at Crotchet Mountain as a residential counselor for youth living with developmental and physical disabilities. She became a strong advocate and mentor for those experiencing mental health challenges, leading recovery workshops in NH and VT.

Louise's greatest joy was becoming a devoted mother to her only daughter and more recently she was able to cherish many special moments with her beloved granddaughter. In recent years she found peace in the natural world and enjoyed hiking, kayaking and gardening. She was an active member of Claremont Garden Club and enjoyed planting flowers around Claremont town center in the spring.

Louise was predeceased by her parents and beloved grandson, Mario Ragonese of Danville, NH; She is survived by her daughter, Lauren Ragonese and her husband, Eric and daughter, Scarlett of Danville, NH; sister, Connie Belkovicz and partner, Craig Newman of Jericho, VT; former husband, Robert Yacovone and his wife, Sharon, of Newton, NH; several cousins and extended family. She will also be missed by many dear friends and her beloved cat, Annie.

Her family wishes to thank the incredible staff and volunteers at the McClure-Miller Respite House in Colchester, VT, for the exceptional care and compassion Louise received in the past several months.

Contributions in Louise's memory may be made to Outreach for Earth Stewardship, Shelburne, VT; McClure Miller Respite House, Colchester VT; or Springfield VT Humane Society.

A spring graveside memorial service is planned on May 16th at 2:00 at the Mill Cemetery, in Meriden, NH.

The Stringer Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

### **Donald Stearns, Jr., 62**

Donald "Skeets" Stearns Jr., 62, of Charlestown, NH, passed away at home on January 30, 2020, after a courageous battle with cancer.

Skeets will be dearly missed by all his family and friends.

He leaves behind his wife, Stella, of 38 years. His sisters, Donna Lewis of Windsor, VT, and Vickie Jones of Charlestown; two daughters, Jennifer Ayotte of Pennsylvania and Joanne Madeja of Celine, TX; seven grandchildren, Jordon, Josh and Jayme Robiltille, Robbie, Zachary, Alyssa and Ryan Madeja; three great grandchildren; his friend (brother), Bart Dole of Cornish. He was close to his four sisters-in-law, Sophia, Barbara, Christina and Lila and their families. He also leaves behind many aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews.

Skeets was predeceased by his mother Joyce, his father Donald and nephew Paul Jones.

He enjoyed spending time in his garage, where you could find him working on projects for around the house or hanging out with family and friends. He was always there to lend a helping hand whenever needed.

A celebration of life will be held at a later date.

The Stringer Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

### **Cindy L. Nieters, 53**

Cindy L. Nieters, age 53, passed away peacefully at her home in Charlestown, NH, on Friday, January 31, 2020, after a four-year battle with pancreatic cancer. She was born in Weymouth, MA, on October 14, 1966, to Shir-lene Deschaine and John Shea.

She is survived by her husband Michael J. Nieters; they married June 21, 1991; her son, Michael S. Nieters of Claremont, her daughter Rachel E. Nieters of Claremont, her son Brian G. Nieters of Charlestown, her son Joshua M. Nieters of Claremont, and her son Jason R. Nieters of Charlestown and her grandchildren Jada And Remy Nieters of Charlestown, Liam And Maddox Doherty of Claremont, and Jaxen Nieters and Leo Hoisington, also of Claremont. She is also survived by her four sisters Christina Kenney, Kimberly Reynolds, Denise Feeney, Joanne Shea.

Cindy was an advocate for the homeless and disabled throughout her career. She was a very caring and kind soul; she was a beacon of strength for those who couldn't find theirs. She touched many lives and will be missed dearly.

A Celebration of life was held at Stringer Funeral Home in Claremont, NH on Saturday, February 8.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to The Cancer Treatment Centers of America.

## **Claremont Fire Dept. Log**

### **Sunday, February 2nd**

2216 E1 responded to a medical call on Pearl St.

### **Monday, February 3rd**

0220 E1 responded to a medical call on Summer St.

0257 E1 responded to Bible Hill Rd for people stuck on ice.

0839 E1 responded to Pleasant St for an alarm sounding.

1717 E1 responded to a medical call on Spofford St.

1802 E1 responded to Main St for a smoke investigation.

### **Tuesday, February 4th**

0202 E1 responded to a medical call on Broad St.

1658 E1 responded to Krista Pl for an odor of propane.

1736 E1 responded to a medical call on Oakwood.

2105 E1 responded to Broad St for a well-being check.

### Wednesday, February 5th

0702 E1 responded to Broad St for a smoke investigation.

2010 E1 responded to a medical call on Twistback Rd.

### Thursday, February 6th

1201 E1 responded to a medical call on Bowen St.

1247 E1,L2 responded to Elm St for a box alarm.

1909 E1 responded to Washington St for a motor vehicle accident.

2324 E1, E3 responded to Manor Dr for smell of smoke in a building.

### Friday, February 7th

1647 E1 responded to Bible Hill Rd for a line down.

1656 E1 responded to Puckershire Rd for a line down.

1710 E3 responded to Douglas Ave for a tree on wires.

### Saturday, February 8th

0036 E1 responded to Spring St for a vehicle stopped.

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16

#### Living A Sustainable Lifestyle: Tea & Talk 3-4:30 pm at the Cornish Store.

Explore some of the major challenges facing our global environment and how you can take action to help on a local level. Bring a healthy snack to share and a passage from a favorite environmental book to share and discuss, then share your strategies for how to live more sustainably and encourage others.

Topics could include environmental philosophies, clean soil, water, air, and food initiatives, reducing single use plastics, sustainable cleaning products, pollinator gardens, buying local, clean compost, and zero waste practices.

Bring your favorite mug and a short reading to share. Tea will be provided.

## Claremont Senior Center, Inc.

ATTENTION: Please vote on Tuesday, February 11th. Exercise your right to choose.

The Center will be open Mon. Feb.17th.

It looks like we will have to wait awhile for that Tulip garden. But we guess the snow will provide a little of that Nature's fertilizer. Nicer garden. Our events are on the calendar and boy, is it full! The concerts are lined up and ready to go. We can look forward to some great local entertainment. The Craft Fair and Penny Sale are inked in. The Fall brings the Car Show, a surprise in September, the Vendors Fair and the Winter Fling. The Saturday dinners are set for each month. Our calendar is looking good! It is so full of monthly events we ran out of ink. Jim, our interim director, was nice enough to buy some pens. We have left plenty of room for your events. So please call for your date today.

The Claremont Country Quilters met on Wed. Feb. 5th. It was a wonderfully, chatty meeting. Paper Piecing was presented. A new Quilting lesson will be taught or discussed at next month's meeting on March 4th. We will let you know what that will be. We know there was a lot of laughter coming from that room.

Gobble! Gobble! Yes, the Turkey Dinners have returned. On Saturday, Feb. 15th, Ken and the volunteers will present a complete Turkey Dinner. Roast Turkey, Gravy, Mashed Potato, Vegetable, Cranberry Sauce and Our fabulous Homemade Desserts. Time-5PM-7PM, Adults-\$10, Children 10 and under-\$6. Open to the Public. Take outs and Walk in orders are available. Please call 603-543-5998. Believe us, after this meal, you may not eat for a couple of days. Join us!

Quick Takes: Foot Clinic-Wed. Feb.12th and Wed. Feb. 19th. Blood Pressure-Thurs. Feb. 20th-11AM-Noon. AARP Tax Preparation has started. Call for an appointment soon. Final date-April 10th.

The Bingo volunteers are asking that you adhere to the rule that no cards be sold after 12:45 PM. The money for the Winner distribution is counted at 12:46 and must be counted before the first game at 1PM. Please help us complete the task. We do not wish to turn anyone away.

Here is the menu for Tuesday and Thursday. Tues. Feb.11th -Soup, BBQ Chicken Legs, Oven Roasted Potato, Broccoli, Cupcakes. Thurs. Feb.13th -Valentine's Day, Tossed Salad, Spaghetti and Homemade Meatballs, Garlic Bread, Tapioca Pudding.

Please check the Calendar when you come in for lunch or to try the free 30 day membership. Also grab a newsletter and the menu. We are adding new things all the time. We would not want you to miss something you may want to try.

Thought of the Week-Behind every great man is a woman rolling her eyes.

Have a great week everyone. Be careful and stay warm. Remember Spring will get here on her own time and will be appreciated when it does.

Laughter and lively conversation always welcome here. We could use some early garden tips also.

Claremont Senior Center, 5 Acer Heights, Claremont, NH,(603)543-5998. Smoke Free.

Open Daily-9-3, also Tuesday and Thursday-6-9-Game Night, Sunday-1-4, Members and Invited Guests.





The Claremont City Council will hold a public meeting on Wednesday, February 12, 2020, at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall.

**AGENDA (Second Revision)**

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| 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   |
|         |     | Minutes of November 7, 2019, January 2, 8, and 22, 2020, City Council Meetings                    |
| 6:37 PM | 5.  | MAYOR'S NOTES   |
|         |     | Volunteer Recognition - Robert Landry, Dan Decker and Michael Stringer                            |
| 6:42 PM | 6.  | CITY MANAGER'S REPORT   |
| 6:55 PM | 7.  | APPOINTMENT TO BOARDS AND COMMITTEES  |
| 7:00 PM | 8.  | CITIZEN'S FORUM (Comments on Non-agenda Items Limited to 5 Minutes per Speaker (Council Rule 23)) |
|         | 9.  | OLD BUSINESS  |
| 7:10 PM | A.  | Water Street Parking  |
| 7:25 PM | B.  | City Manager Goals  |
| 7:40 PM | C.  | Legislative Updates   |
| BREAK   |     |   |
|         | 10. | NEW BUSINESS  |
| 7:55 PM | A.  | Road Maintenance 101 For Administrators & Elected Officials                                       |
| 8:35 PM | B.  | Accept Donation of Smoke Alarms from Rexel Group Company  |
| 8:40 PM | C.  | Resolution 2020-16 Over-Expend Airport Budget – Public Hearing                                    |
| 8:55 PM | D.  | Discuss Planning Board Change from 1/22/2020  |
| 9:10 PM | E.  | Council Rule Change   |
| 9:20 PM | 11. | COMMITTEE REPORTS   |
| 9:25 PM | 12. | FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND DIRECTIVES  |
| 9:30 PM | 13. | CONSULTATION WITH LEGAL COUNSEL   |
| 9:35 PM | 14. | ADJOURNMENT   |

PLEASE NOTE: Claremont City Council's next scheduled meeting will be on Wednesday, February 26, 2020, at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall.