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Stevens High School Alumni Association Celebrates 150 Years

By Carolyn LeBlanc SHS Alumni Association

Are you ready? What an accomplishment!!! From 1871 to 2021, 150 years for our distinguished Stevens High School Alumni Association. We are the oldest active high school alumni association in the country and so proud of this. We are ready to celebrate the past 150 years with a fantastic alumni parade. Even with the past two years of a pandemic, we (Continued on page 6)

Newport Wins Grant to Build Dog Park

KNOXVILLE, TN—PetSafe brand, a global leader in pet product solutions, has announced the names of 10 new communities receiving a 2021 Bark for Your Park grant award. Celebrating 10 years of the program, PetSafe will award prizes totaling \$150,000 to build or enhance an off-leash dog park in winning communities. Newport, NH, was one of five communities chosen in the new park category. Since 2011, PetSafe has donated more than \$1.5 million to support more than 70 off-leash dog parks in the United States. The other communities include Binghamton, NY; Carbondale, IL; Creston, IA; and Milwaukee, WI. Existing parks that will receive funding include Fenton, MI; Horsham, PA; Hudson, NY; Lihue,

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125 Tables of Take-Home Treasures

St. Mary's Popular Yard Sale Set for Saturday



Event chair Norma Limoges shows off a fancifully decorated old toy chest.

Story and Photos By Eric Zengota e-Ticker News

CLAREMONT, NH—Norma Limoges gives full credit to the more than 100 people (90% of them parishioners) who make the St. Mary's yard sale a resounding success year after year. Limoges, the committee chair, said, "Yes, I organize, I recruit volunteers — everyone is a volunteer — I assign duties. But it's everyone else who makes the sale possible."

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Park, from page 1

HI; and Tyler, TX.

This year's grant contest launched in early May, and entries to build a new park or provide a makeover to an existing park were gathered from across the country. Following the submission period, 30 finalists were selected to participate in the contest voting period from August 3-31, and more than 62,000 people voted to support their favorite finalist community.

"We've seen an outpouring of support throughout our grant contest this year, and it has been fun to follow along as community members pursue a space where dogs are welcome," says Celeste Vlok, marketing manager for PetSafe brand. "PetSafe is committed to creating safe, off-leash areas for pets and pet parents to enjoy for years to come, and we wanted the final decision to be made by the people using those parks each day. Congratulations to all winners!"

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Participants entered to win funds for either a new park or to improve an existing dog park. Finalists were chosen on the level of enthusiasm and support for a dog park project within the community and the impact that a dog park project will have on the community. The five communities with the most votes pursuing a new park will soon receive \$25,000 each, and the five communities with the most votes pursuing improvements to an existing local park will be awarded \$5,000 each.

acre lot next to Advance Auto Parts on John Stark Highway and will provide space for small and large dog areas.

CPD Investigating Attempted Robbery at Pleasant Street Mobil

CLAREMONT, NH-On September 2, at approximately 10:30 p.m., the Claremont Police Department responded to a hold up panic alarm at the Pleasant Street Mobil in Claremont. The alarm was activated when two masked males in dark clothing entered the store and demanded money from the employees. "There was a belief by the employees that the suspects had a weapon," reported Claremont Police Chief Mark Chase. "The suspects fled the area on foot when the alarm was acti-

"The Claremont Police is currently seeking

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The Newport park will be installed on a 5-

vated.

any information from the public about this attempted robbery. If anyone has any information that may assist in the investigation, they are asked to call Det. Joshua Peavey at 603-504-0234 or the Claremont Police anony-

tip line

603-542- 7026," added Chase.

Cider Day September 11, 1-4pm Gazebo on the Green, Sullivan County Complex, Unity Cidery Mural Unveiling

Join us for a celebration as we unveil the new Cidery Building Mural. Local art students helped to create ideas for the mural this summer. Artist Allison Zito created the design based on these ideas and suggestions from the Natural Resources staff.

This project is hosted by Sullivan County Natural Resources Dept. and supported by Sullivan County Conservation District, Claremont Makerspace and LaValley's Building Supply in Claremont.

We will be honoring Jeff Barrette of Claremont, former county commissioner and Ink Factory owner with the grand opening of the Barrette Trail on County Lands.

Other festivities include cidery tours, lawn games, music, free fresh pressed apple cider, and more. Admission is free.

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Up and Back

Claremont to Lebanon Transit Link Achieved

By Eric Zengota e-Ticker News

CLAREMONT, NH—On Monday morning, August 30, officials from the City of Claremont, Sullivan County and Southwestern Community Services (SCS) took a bus ride to celebrate the establishment of the first fixed route, public transit "linkage" between Claremont and Lebanon. The connection is the result of an effort first identified in a study published by the Upper Valley/Lake Sunapee Region Planning Commission in 2009.

Mayor Charlene Lovett and city manager Ed Morris represented Claremont on the official inaugural ride.



Mayor Charlene Lovett and city manager Ed Morris prepare to board (Eric Zengota photo).

Lovett said, "The public has voiced the need for bus transportation between Claremont and Lebanon for well over a decade. So much so that the need for this was incorporated into our City Master Plan. We are grateful to Southwestern Community Services for taking the initiative to make this a reality. It will provide better access to rail and air travel, expanding employment, tourism and service opportunities for the people of our region."

Beth Daniels, SCS chief executive officer, noted, "Many SCS board, town and county representatives, agency staff and transit supporters in the community had a hand in this effort, from fundraising to planning to implementing, and we are proud of, and grateful for,

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Dartmouth Coach	8:48	12:47	2:51			
DHMC	9:01	1:00	3:01	4:45		
Clmt. Visitor's Center	9:50					
ebanon City Hall	10:25					
Dartmouth Coach	10:33	1:13	3:14	4:58		
DHMC	10:46					
Dartmouth Coach	10:57					
ebanon City Hall	11:07	1:23	3:24	5:08		
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Commentary

NH Delegation Announces Nearly \$6 Million in Federal Awards for UNH & Dartmouth to Invest in STEM, Climate Research

WASHINGTON, DC—U.S. Senator Jeanne Shaheen (D-NH), Chair of the Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies Appropriations Subcommittee which funds the National Science Foundation (NSF), announced with U.S. Senator Maggie Hassan (D-NH) and Representatives Annie Kuster (NH-02) and Chris Pappas (NH-01) that the U.S. National Science Foundation — with support from federal funds secured in the American Rescue Plan — has awarded the University of New Hampshire and Dartmouth College robust federal funding through the NSF Research Traineeship program. The program supports and trains graduate students and science and math professionals using specific research and development topics as focal points.

UNH will receive \$2.9 million to invest in training students through climate research in the Artic to better understand the rapidly changing Arctic environment and its impact on natural and human systems. Dartmouth will receive \$3 million to develop a graduate traineeship framed around the development of new sensors and platform technologies for health and medicine, scientific discovery, transportation, defense and more. Senator Shaheen helped secure federal dollars that support these grants during negotiations on the American Rescue Plan, which was signed into law earlier this year.

"New Hampshire is home to world-class academic institutions and research facilities, so it comes as no surprise that this robust federal funding has been awarded to innovative research and education projects at the University of New Hampshire and Dartmouth College," said Shaheen, chair of the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee that funds the awarding agency. "These grants not only invest in the future of our environment and society, but also in the workforce that will build a more sustainable and brighter future. From understanding the impact of changing climate to better predict the effects on our broader society, to investing in our 21st century economy through STEM research and innovation - these projects pose exciting opportunities for New Hampshire students today, who will become our entrepreneurs, scientists and workers of tomorrow."

"This is an exciting announcement for New Hampshire's colleges and universities. These significant awards will be a tremendous boon to the incredible research Granite Staters are doing across multiple disciplines and fields," said Senator Hassan. "As we work to tackle some of the most pressing issues of today, New Hampshire continues to set the pace and put forth some of the most groundbreaking research and innovation in America. These awards reaffirm the leadership of New Hampshire institutes of higher education in critical STEM fields, and will help strengthen our country's efforts to combat the existential threat of climate change."

"This significant federal funding from the National Science Foundation — made possible by the American Rescue Plan — is an exciting investment in Granite State students and the cutting edge research being done at the University of New Hampshire and Dartmouth College," said Representative Kuster. "I'm proud of the research taking place right here in the Granite State on climate change and new technologies for health, transportation, and more. In Congress and on the House Energy and Commerce Committee, I will continue working to support the ground-breaking research taking place at our nation's higher education institutions, especially here in New Hampshire."

"The work being done at the University of New Hampshire in climate research continues to be critically important," said Representative Pappas. "I'm pleased that these American Rescue Plan funds being awarded to New Hampshire will support job training and contribute to research that will help us combat climate change and protect our communities from its adverse effects."

"This project will prepare students for careers that address the challenges posed by a changing climate and the cascading impacts on society," said Ruth Varner, Professor of Biogeochemistry and Principal Investigator of the grant.

Community FLU CLINICS 2021

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September 21	12:00 - 2:00 pm	Sunapee Seniors at United Methodist Church
September 23	9:30 - 11:30 am	Newport Senior Center
September 28	12:15 - 2:15 pm	Claremont Senior Center
September 30	1:00 - 3:00 pm	The Center at Eastman
October 5	9:30 - 11:30 am	Our Lady of Fatima, New London
October 5	1:00 - 3:00 pm	Kearsarge Community Presbyterian Church, NL
October 7	9:30 - 11:30 am	Kearsarge Council on Aging, New London
October 12	10:00 am-12:00 pm	Wilmot Town Hall
October 12	1:00 - 3:00 pm	South Newbury Union Church
October 19	9:30 - 11:30 am	The Center at Eastman
October 21	9:30 - 11:30 am	Kearsarge Council on Aging, New London
October 26	2:00 - 4:00 pm	Our Lady of Fatima, New London

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Appointment required. Call 603-748-1731 (Mon-Fri 9am-4pm only) to schedule.



LakeSunapeeVNA.org

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have not lost our focus in making sure this organization has remained active. Even though we were not able to have in person meetings or our annual weekend event in 2020, we still managed to keep our alumni association active and our membership informed. Remember, if we should stop our meetings and activities and fund raisers, we would lose our active status. The Scholarship Funds are safe and secure, and we will be able to help Stevens students with monetary scholarships for many years to come. As long as we, as an organization, continue to work together to keep our unique status of being the oldest active organization, we WILL keep our traditions alive. Never forget, this Stevens Alumni Association is special because of the traditions and history we have kept alive over the years. And we will continue to do so WITH YOUR HELP!

Now, with all that said, let's make this Stevens Alumni Association 150th weekend celebration a very special event to add to Alumni history. Just imagine how proud those 12 students who graduated in 1871 would be to see us now and how far we have come. Who would have known, Mr. Paran Stevens, what you started when you donated that first \$10,000 to build a high school, here, in Claremont, NH, in our USA?

Saturday, October 2nd, SHS Alumni will kickoff our 150th celebration weekend with the much anticipated parade You can look at it like a double parade with two anniversary classes for every 5 year class. Just for instance, 1950 will be next to 1951, 1955 next to 1956 and so on thru 2020; and this year, 2021. How wonderful is that? Being able to mingle with friends you probably have not seen for many years will be extra special.

Take advantage, for it will probably not happen again. Please be a part of this parade, and help make it the huge success we know it can be. Call Dick Girard at 603-543-6398 or go to our website and register your class. It does not have to be a float per se; you can walk, you can ride in cars or even ride a bike, please support this parade in some manner. If you don't, you will wish you did, and if you did, you can be proud to say "I was a part of that 150th Alumni Weekend Event." Who knows, some of you are young enough to be among those who will plan our 200th Alumni celebration.

Among the marching units are 14 bands, fife and drum units, pipe bands, Bektash and spe-

cialty entries coming from Vermont, Massachusetts, Connecticut, New York and of course, New Hampshire. As of now, we have more than 17 class floats registered and hope that even more will decide to participate in this special parade. It's not too late.

The parade will start at 10:30 a.m. and will start lining up by 9:00 a.m. along Broad St., and will wind up by Middle School toward West Pleasant, and toward the center of town. It will detour at the Elks and take a left onto Summer St. and then right onto Pearl St. and proceed to Central St. up Main St. and around the Bull Pen and then back onto Broad St., where it will disband.

The Annual Business Meeting will be held in the SHS Cafeteria at the high school with a light luncheon served. The meeting time is set for 2:00 p.m. but we have no way of knowing how long the parade will last, so we are guesstimating the time. You can always visit with class mates and friends while waiting for it to begin.

As everyone should know by now, there will be no banquet this year. We will keep everyone posted as to the possibility of one for 2022.

The Chili Cook-Off will be held at the Visitors Center on North Street from noon 'til 4:00 p.m. We will have free entertainment from 5 to 8 p.m. following the cook-off. Entertainment will be provided to the public by The Backwoods Axe Co Band so bring a blanket, a chair or listen from your car.

As this is all new to us, we have no way of knowing how successful the alumni weekend will be, but we do know that we are working hard to make it a memorable weekend. There are a a number of members coming from as

far away as California to enjoy the festivities, so let's not disappoint them. Take part in your class parties and get-togethers, enjoy the parade and Chili Cook-Off sponsored by the Greater Claremont Chamber of Commerce and the Claremont Parks & Rec Dept., and for sure buy a 150th tee-shirt to support the Alumni Association. For every teeshirt sold, we make \$10, so keep the orders coming. Check with the Ink Factory for more details

on this fundraiser.

The following classes have registered floats for the parade:

1956 – Graduation Day

1955 - Tram

1961 – Commemorating Flight of Alan Shep-

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1964 - Salute to 150 years SHS

1970 – SHS Checkers

1970 - SMHS Candyland

1980 - Claremont Monopoly

1981 - Scrabble

1990 - Pass Out

1996 - Keeping the 90's Burning

2001 - Guess Who

2005 - Disneyland 50th Anniversary

2006 - Class of 2006 celebrating Facebook

2008 - Battleship

2010 – Jumanji

2015 - Hungry, Hungry, Hippo

2020 – Cards Against Humanity

RVCC - Game of Life

If your class is looking for transportation, again, contact Dick Girard and he will provide a vehicle for you to ride in. Please let him know ASAP as it takes time to plan. Floats need to be registered ASAP as Dick and his committee need time to plan space for all units. Please contact Dick Girard via phone or text at 603-543-6398 with any questions about the parade, it is not too late to register a float.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 Plumbers' License Renewal Class at RVCC

The next Plumbers' License Renewal class at RVCC is coming up Wednesday, September 15th, at 6:00 p.m. in Claremont. For more information and to register, visit https://rvcc.-coursestorm.com/category/plumbing-licensure.

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NH DHHS COVID-19 Update - September 3, 2021

CONCORD, NH – The New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) has issued the following update on the new coronavirus, COVID-19.

Please note, there will be no update on Monday, September 6 in observance of Labor Day. The next update will be issued on Tuesday, September 7.

On Friday, September 3, 2021, DHHS announced 444 new positive test results for COVID-19. Friday's results included 264 people who tested positive by PCR test and 180 who tested positive by antigen test. There were now 3,120 current COVID-19 cases diagnosed in New Hampshire.

Several cases are still under investigation. Additional information from ongoing investigations will be incorporated into future COVID-19 updates. Of those with complete information, there were ninety-one individuals under the age of 18 and the rest are adults with 53% being female and 47% being male.

The new cases resided in Rockingham (98), Hillsborough County other than Manchester and Nashua (75), Merrimack (52), Strafford (42), Belknap (27), Cheshire (26), Carroll (21), Grafton (13), Sullivan (13), and Coos (3) counties, and in the cities of Manchester (31) and Nashua (20). The county of residence is being determined for twenty-three new cases.

DHHS has also announced five additional deaths related to COVID-19:

- 1 male resident of Carroll County, 60 years of age and older
- 1 female resident of Carroll County, 60 years of age and older
- 1 female resident of Cheshire County,
 60 years of age and older
- 1 female resident of Coos County, 60 years of age and older

1 female resident of Rockingham County, fewer than 60 years of age

There were currently 129 individuals hospitalized with COVID-19. In New Hampshire, since the start of the pandemic, there have been a total of 108,713 cases of COVID-19 diagnosed.

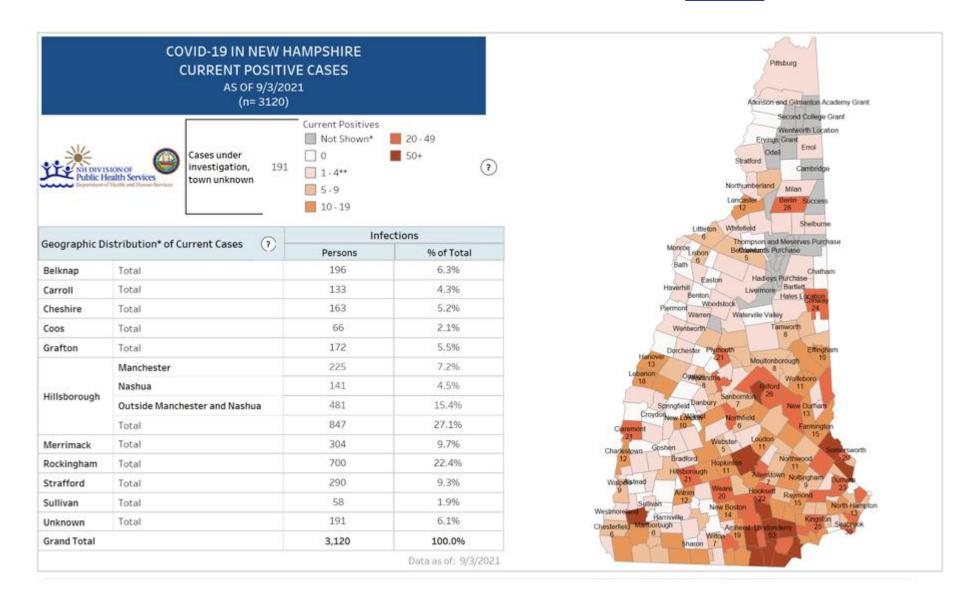
As of Friday, the 3rd, there were 21 current positively identified cases in Claremont, 12 in Charlestown and 1-4 cases in several other towns. DHHS reported 58 overall in Sullivan County, down from 66 the previous week.

COVID-19 Hotline

211NH has been mobilized to handle all COVID-19 related calls from New Hampshire residents. All residents with questions or concerns regarding COVID-19 can call 2-1-1.

Vaccine Information in NH

For vaccine information, please visit https://www.covid19.nh.gov/resources/vaccine-information.



Multiple Arrests Made Following Drug Investigation

CLAREMONT, NH—On September 3, Claremont Police Chief Mark Chase announced several arrests following a monthslong investigation.

"For approximately four months, the Claremont Police Department as well as the New Hampshire Attorney General's Drug Task Force, which includes the Lebanon Police Department, Newport Police Department and the Sullivan County Sheriff's Office conducted a joint investigation into illegal drug sales in the Claremont area,"

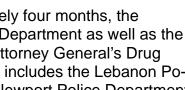
said Chase. "On September 2, several arrests were made as a result of these investigation: Jamie Huntley, age 36 Brandon, VT Charges - 3 counts of Conspiracy to commit Sales of Controlled/Narcotic drugs Mindi Thurston, age 36 Claremont, NH Charges - 1 count of Possession of Controlled/Narcotic drugs Thomas Sewall, age 46 Claremont, NH Charges - 1 count of Con-

Heather Dow, age 32 Claremont, NH Charges - 2 counts of Sales of Controlled/Narcotic drugs Chase Miller, age 29 Claremont, NH Charges - 1 count of Sales of Controlled/Narcotic drugs."

spiracy to commit Sales of Controlled/Narcotic drugs

Huntley, Thurston, Dow and Miller were being held at the Sullivan County House of Corrections and were to be arraigned in Sullivan County Superior Court on September 3, or at a later time as the court schedules, said Chase.

"Law enforcement continues to investigate the illegal sales of drugs in our com-





J. Huntley



M. Thurston



T. Sewall



H. Dow

munity. More arrests are expected," said Chase.

C. Miller



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Rep. Annie Kuster Visits Two Claremont Sites

Discusses Local Economy, Federal Funding

By Eric Zengota e-Ticker News

CLAREMONT, NH—On the morning of August 30, Rep. Annie Kuster met with Claremont mayor Charlene Lovett, station host volunteers and city officials at the Claremont Amtrak Station, which resumed service last month. The bipartisan Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, which Kuster helped advance, includes a \$66 billion investment in American railroads, with \$22 billion to be provided as grants to Amtrak and \$24 billion as federal-state partnership grants for Northeast Corridor modernization

"The Vermonter has provided a tremendous opportunity for folks in Claremont and throughout the Upper Valley to be connected to major metropolitan areas and to bring in tourists," said Kuster. "I was blown away by the dedication and spirit of the station host volunteers who help travelers navigate the rail and get to their final destination.

"In order to continue our economic recovery from COVID-19, it's critical we fully re-open the U.S.-Canada border to promote travel and tourism in New Hampshire," Kuster noted. "I remain committed to advocating to open the border to vaccinated Canadian citizens, who have historically had a tremendous impact on tourism in northern New Hampshire and in the Upper Valley."

"We would like to thank Congresswoman Kuster for her continued support of passenger rail," said Lovett. "Her visit today gave us the opportunity to showcase how the Claremont community has embraced this asset and made it an integral part of its intermodal transportation network. Further investment in passenger rail and the planned extension of the Vermonter into Montreal will only expand business and tourism opportunities for the people of this region."

In the afternoon, Kuster met with Andrew Pinard, executive director of the Claremont Opera House, to discuss the impact of targeted federal stimulus through the Shuttered Venue Operators Grant (SVOG) program on their operations and plans for the future. Kuster helped to secure critical funding for the

SVOG program in the emergency COVID-19 relief legislation that was passed by Congress and signed into law last December, as well as through the American Rescue Plan Act.

The SVOG program provides Small Business Administration (SBA) grants to support entertainment, music and art venues that were forced to shut down during the pandemic. The Claremont Opera House received \$57,171 in SVOG funds and a \$6,400 PPP (Paycheck Protection Program) loan.

"The Claremont Opera House is an incredible resource for the Upper Valley, and is a key piece of the thriving live arts economy in New Hampshire," said Kuster. "From broad community support for the Opera House to targeted federal funding from the SVOG, I was heartened to see the ongoing operations of the Opera House and to meet with Andrew Pinard to discuss their plans for the future. I will continue advocating for New Hampshire live performance venues in

Congress as we work together to rebuild from the COVID-19 pandemic."

"We deeply appreciate Representative Kuster's commitment and support for the performing arts as we continue to adjust to the ongoing pandemic," said Pinard. "As one of



On the stage of the Claremont Opera House, executive director Andrew Pinard outlines COH's current needs and future plans to Rep. Annie Kuster. Top of the list: continuing with the stainedglass renovation, a freight elevator to accommodate sets and equipment of large touring companies, signage on surrounding streets, and hiring a development director (Eric Zengota photo).

> the first recipients in the State of New Hampshire to receive SVOG funding, the notification that we are eligible for supplemental funds will go a long way to ensuring that we can continue to bring the performing arts to Claremont and the surrounding region."

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A joint activity with Exploratory Committee and Library Trustees, with a report from the Friends committee. Ideas: lay out length of current and future stacks; invite people to visit the current building prior, give reports on current progress and yet-to-be-answered questions.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8 Reading, VT Community and the American Red Crossare hosting an upcoming blood drive.

Please join our lifesaving mission and schedule an appointment today.

Drive Details: Holiday Inn, 485 Hotel Drive, Brownsville, VT, 05037, Ballroom

Date: Wed Sep 8, 2021 Time: 1:00-6:00 PM Blood Program Leader Name: Lanie Wadelton, 802-376-6676 for assistance making your appointment.

For questions, call 1-800-Red-Cros. Please come with photo ID, wear your mask, practice social distancing, and know the name of your vaccination manufacturer.

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CITY OF CLAREMONT **PUBLIC NOTICE**

VOTER REGISTRATION & CORRECTION

The Supervisors of the Checklist will be in session on Tuesday, September 14, 2021, from 7:00pm to 7:30pm in the City Clerk's Office at City Hall, for the purpose of registering new voters and making corrections to the voter checklist. You must be a registered voter to file for any position in the Municipal Election. This is the last session before filings open for the Municipal Election.

Public Notice

Claremont School Board Regular Meeting September 15, 2021 at 6:30pm **Location Sugar River Valley Regional Technical** Center

The Claremont School Board will be holding an in person regular meeting following Covid 19 guidelines. Those in attendance may need to adhere to safety rules which include: temperature check, hand sanitizer, wearing a face mask, social distancing, and others deemed necessary.

The meeting will also be available on CCTV Channel 8 and online using one of these links. You can watch channel 8 at anytime LIVE here: https://reflect-claremont.cablecast.tv/Cablecast-PublicSite/watch/1?channel=1

Or channel 10 here: https://reflect-claremont.cablecast.tv/Cablecast-PublicSite/watch/2?channel=2

Please visit our website: www.sau6.org under School Boards to review agenda.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 FRIENDS OF THE CORNISH LIBRARY MEETING, 7pm **Cornish Store Building**

The public is welcome to attend. Masks and social distancing. If you are interested and would like to be on the Friends elist, please contact Colleen O'Neill at coneillnh@aol.com or 603-398-9762.

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Yard Sale, from page 1

This year's is the 12th sale. (The otherwise consecutive run was broken in 2020, when pandemic considerations cancelled the sale.) For six days in the last two weeks, folks delivered donated items. In the gymnasium, those "everyone else" volunteers price-stickered each item. Others then put them on tables — jewelry, dolls, toys, glassware and dish sets, games, tools, and so on. Hundreds of CDs and DVDs rapidly filled several shelving units. Christmas and other holiday items crowded the stage. Small furniture lined the gym lobby.

The yard sale has three purposes, said Limoges. "First, of course, it's a fundraiser for the church. It's also like a reunion for old friends who enjoy the work because of the camaraderie. We also do outreach to those truly in need. One year a mother came in — she'd lost everything in an apartment fire — she had two children to take care of — we







went up and down the aisles collecting items she needed for a fresh start and then gave them to her ... because that's who we are."



When: Saturday, Sept. 11, 8am to 2pm Where: St. Mary's Gym, Main Street, Claremont

How to Pay: Cash and check only Eat/Drink: Morning, 144 fresh hot donuts; lunchtime, 100+ hot dogs, 400 fresh meatball subs; coffee and cold drinks all day Parking: Limited, but volunteers will carry your purchases to your vehicle.



Clockwise: Violet and Edward Small would like to remind you that Christmas is a-comin'. Thousands of items fill St. Mary's gymnasium, all at bargain prices. Archie Brassaw, 94 years old, checks every electrical





appliance to make sure it works. Nick Daignault, one of several high school students earning community service hours by helping with the sale, will gladly carry out bulky, heavy items to your car free of charge. If Stevens student-volunteers Dominic Puksta (left) and Ty Theriault can unload this dining set from one truck, they can certainly load it onto yours when you buy it.





News From the Fiske

The Fiske Free Library has purchased a selection of Launchpad tablets for circulation with grant money from the coronavirus recovery money that is designated for cities and towns. These tablets will circulate on your library card. Playaway Launchpad Learning systems are preloaded with content for kids: reading, math, stories and many other learning adventures.

Now that the Summer Reading Program is over, it's back to school and September is library card month. Stop in and see us to get your own card and see what we have in the children's room for back-to-school resources, homeschool resources and more!

Don't miss the local author reading and book signing on September 23rd at 3:30. While you are here, if you have a child or children between the ages of 0 and 5, sign them up for the 1,000 books before kindergarten program. Free books and other incentives for books read at home, at grandparents' house or daycare and pre-school count!

Call the library for more information about any of the above- 542-7017.

Suspect in Arson Case Being Held

NEWPORT, NH—The suspect in the case of arson involving the Daddy Pops Tumble Inn Diner was being held on preventive detention last week following an arraignment on Thursday.

The Valley News reported that Leo J. Leblanc, 59, pled not guilty in Sullivan Superior Court to charges of arson and attempted arson. According to the affidavit, Leblanc allegedly "kicked out the bottom window of the [diner] on July 29, poured gasoline on or around the building and caused a fire or explosion."

According to the affidavit from Claremont Police Det. Joshua Peavey, authorities recovered a red gas can. The *Valley News* reported that according to the affidavit, Leblanc's "estranged wife contacted authorities shortly after the fire and told them she suspected Leblanc may have set the blaze." According to the affidavit, the woman "has been dating the cook/manager of the diner and now lives with him. She has also worked part-time at the diner. According to the affidavit, Leblanc had burns on his right hand and tip of his nose when he was inter-

viewed by the police. Leblanc told authorities the burns had come from a grease fire, but a fire investigator said the burns looked like those from gasoline, not grease," said the affidavit.

The affidavit also said that the woman told police around Aug. 5 that Leo Leblanc had (allegedly) acknowledged setting the fire and that he "did it because love makes you do crazy things."

Back to School District Update

Visit the <u>sau6.org</u> Home page for links regarding an Opening Day Letter to Families and the Claremont School District Decision-Making Matrix 2021-22.

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Business News

D-HH Continues to Adapt to Rapidly Changing Health Care Landscape

Begins Planning for Reallocation of Resources, Staffing Shortages; Increases Wages

LEBANON, NH – As the COVID-19 pandemic continues its current surge, with increasing cases across the region as well as around the nation, Dartmouth-Hitchcock Health (D-HH) continues to adapt and adjust with new and renewed public safety efforts and messaging to meet the fierce new challenges presented by this unprecedented national health care crisis.

As COVID-19 cases – particularly among unvaccinated individuals – continue to increase across the region, D-HH re-instituted more restrictive visitor policies, and has established COVID-19 vaccination as a required condition of employment for all D-HH staff.

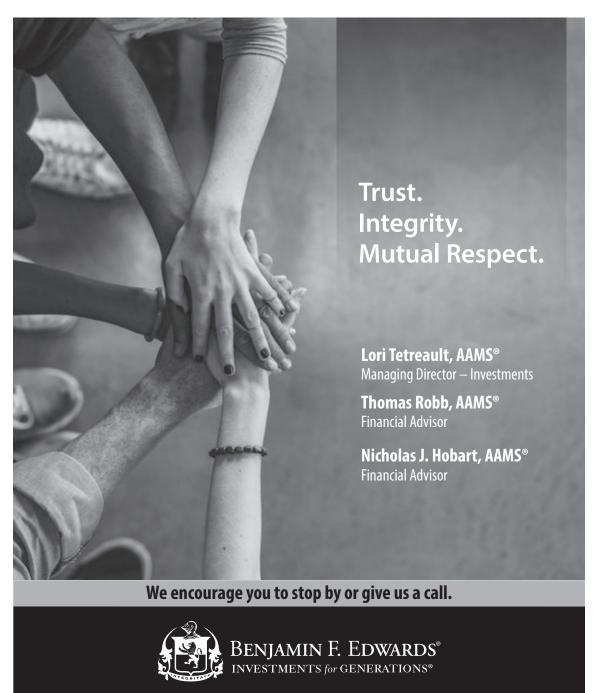
"We are, in many ways, returning to operational controls that served us well early in the pandemic," noted D-HH Chief Clinical Officer Edward J. Merrens, MD. "We realize the impact that this is having on our patients, their families, and our staff, but we ask for everyone's patience and understanding as we continue our work to be able to provide safe, high-quality care for all of our patients, as well as those who support and care for those patients as well."

A major national trend of acute shortages of staff, particularly in nursing, but also among other clinical specialties, and vital support staff such as food service and environmental workers, has been magnified by the pandemic as providers choose to leave the profession - a trend that is impacting D-HH as well. According to an April, 2021, study by healthcare jobs marketplace Vivian, four in 10 (43%) nurses are considering leaving their role in 2021 — a figure that is higher among ICU workers (48%). To address this critical shortage, in early August D-HH organized a "Managing and Staffing to Capacity" task force to remove barriers, streamline current processes, and identify creative and innovative solutions to this crisis, especially in the Inpatient Units, Perioperative and Procedural care areas at the system's flagship hospital, Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center (DHMC) in Lebanon.

The system has also begun planning for reallocation of resources and staff to address the staffing shortages while maintaining its ability to provide critical patient services.

Other steps taken by D-HH in response to the staffing situation involve ongoing efforts in recruitment and retention of qualified staff, including compensation adjustments. Earlier this vear. D-HH increased the starting rate for newly licensed nurses to \$30 per hour, made wage adjustments for experienced clinical nurses and nurse supervisors, and will provide a 2% wage increase for other staff beginning in October. Other such steps geared toward making D-HH an employer of choice are planned. D-HH also continues its strong support

and advocacy for simple preventative measures against COVID-19 including vaccination, masking, handwashing and social distancing.



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Mayoral Notes

By Mayor Charlene Lovett

September is National Recovery Month

This September marks the 32nd year that the nation has observed National Recovery Month. It is a time to celebrate the gains made by people in our community who are in recovery. It is an opportunity to promote and support evidence-based treatment and recovery practices, the recovery community and the service providers and members of the community who make recovery possible.

Today, there are over 23 million Americans in recovery from addiction to alcohol and other drugs. It is a number that signifies that people of all backgrounds in all types of communities suffer from substance use disorders. More importantly, it is testimony that recovery is achievable. It is why this year's theme is "Recovery is For Everyone: Every Person, Every Family, Every Community".

Connecting people with the right resources is critical to recovery. In New Hampshire, the state created the New Hampshire Recovery Hub with the goal of providing residents a reliable source of information and resources at any stage of recovery. It is a collaborative project of the Department of Health and Human Services, the Bureau of Drug and Alcohol Services and the Statewide Peer Recovery Services Facilitating Organization at Harbor Homes, Inc.

The Recovery Hub is a centralized online resource that connects residents with local peer recovery support services. The site includes a Meetings and Events calendar that can be sorted by location, date and topic, as well as links to state-funded recovery community organizations.

One of the 15 NH recovery centers listed on the Hub is TLC Recovery Programs, formally known as the Center for Recovery Resources, located at 62 Pleasant Steet in Claremont. Its mission is to "strengthen communities by providing peer-based recovery support, education and advocacy for individuals and families affected by addiction." Services offered at this center include individual recovery planning, support groups, community engagement and family support services.

If you, a family member or friend are seek-

ing recovery, local and state resources are available. To those who are in recovery, we take this time to celebrate with you. To the providers and community members who have assisted those either in or seeking recovery, thank you. Collectively, these efforts are building stronger communities.

For more information on the NH Recovery Hub, please visit https://nhrecoveryhub.org.

For more information on TLC Recovery Programs, please visit https://www.tlcfamilyrc.org/recovery-programs-overview.html or call 287-7127.

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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Help Grandkids Prepare for The Future

If you're a grandparent, you don't need Grandparents Day, observed on Sept. 12, to remind you of the joys of having grandchildren. Yet, you might want to use this day as an opportunity to think about ways to help provide for your grandchildren's future.

The type of gift or support you provide will be different at various stages of your grandchildren's lives. Here are a few suggestions:

When they're born...

• Open a 529 plan. It's never too early to start saving for college or other types of advanced education. To help your grandchildren meet these costs, you could invest in a 529 education savings plan, which offers potential tax advantages if the money is used for qualified education expenses. If the grandchild for whom you've established the account ends up not using it, you can change the beneficiary to a qualified family member of the original beneficiary. (Be aware, though, that a 529 plan could affect your grandchild's financial aid prospects.) If your grandchild doesn't go to a college or university, a 529 plan can also pay for expenses related to apprenticeship programs offered through trade and vocational schools and registered with the U.S. Department of Labor.

When they're children...

- **Open a savings account.** It's important for your grandchildren to develop good financial habits and one way you can help is to open a savings account for them and encourage them to contribute to it. You might even offer an incentive, such as matching their contributions, either in whole or in part. Consider shopping around for a high-yield savings account that's free to open and charges no monthly maintenance fees.
- Establish a custodial account. You may want to introduce your grandchildren to the world of investing by starting a custodial account (known as UGMA or UTMA) in their name. You can put most types of investments, such as stocks and mutual funds, inside this account and track their progress along with your grandchildren. Children often enjoy learning about investing and they may like owning shares of companies that make familiar products and services. The earnings generated by these investments can have tax implications, so you'll want to consult with your tax advisor before opening the custodial account. And you can't hold onto this account forever once your grandchildren reach the age of majority, they gain control of the account, so they can do what they please with the investments.

When they're young adults...

- **Help with the down payment on a home.** Once your grand-children are out in the world, they may well want to become homeowners. And, as you know, it can be challenging to come up with a down payment, so, if you can afford it, you may want to help in this area. You'll be doing your grandchildren a big favor, because home ownership is a key element in building wealth.
- **Provide financial guidance.** As your grandchildren join the working world, they could benefit from advice and guidance on various issues, such as setting short- and long-term goals, managing their 401(k) plans and choosing an appropriate investment mix. So, consider making an appointment for them with a financial professional.

By helping your grandchildren at different points on their road through life, you can make their journey more pleasant – and, in the process, you'll gain a lot of satisfaction.

This article was written by Edward Jones for use by your local Edward Jones Financial Advisor.

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Stars in Their Eyes

<u>Drama Campers Emote, Write,</u> Rehearse and Make a Film

By Eric Zengota e-Ticker News

CLAREMONT, NH— Theater folks are very good at improvisation. They have to be, considering how a production can go through twists and turns before opening night.



Take the students in this year's Summer Drama Club, a "camp" of the Claremont Parks and Recreation Department. They were going to spend two weeks on basics such as stage directions, vocal activities, and character development. Then they were going to split into groups, write their own plays, rehearse them, and finally perform them for family and friends on the last day.

But as camp director Ethan Lashaunce said, the plays turned into screenplays. "With the pandemic, we filmed our productions with some special effects, which is something even Claremont Middle School had to do with our spring productions. Students, parents — everyone ended up being able to watch the video of their work."

Lashaunce has been a paraeducator with SAU6 for nine years, working with students with IEPs (individualized education plans in special education). For the last seven years he's also been director of the CMS Drama Club and handles AV sound and music for inschool events. His own theater background includes doing comedy acting classes at 15, and shows at 17 at Stevens High School and for companies in Claremont and Vermont.

This is the third summer drama camp he's directed. Enrollment has increased by leaps

and bounds. "Two years ago I had five students and last year I had 9." This year, 24 took part — 13 girls and 11 boys — ranging in age from 9 to 15 and in grades 4 through 12. Some of the students had been a part of stage productions, but "ten were brand new to theater in every aspect!"

Lashaunce's goal for the camp was to "provide a basic understanding of theater and where it came from, and then help the students gain confidence to perform on stage."

Campers' comments spoke to the success of the program.

Holden, 11 — "Whether it's with people that I know or complete strangers, I want to entertain people. I really enjoyed being able to set up the scenes and props for the play my group wrote."

Jackie, 15 — "I want to follow my dreams as an actress, singer, photographer. I really enjoyed writing and acting in my own play. It was a lot of fun meeting new people."

Allie, 14 — "I learned more about drama with the theater games Mr. L does. I also learned a lot more about pantomime. It's going to help me become a better actress. I never want to give up acting. I want to keep acting as long as I can."

Oliver, 13 — "I can change who I am on stage. I am not Oliver, I'm whoever I want to be. Writing my own play, I was able to make my own character and really had fun with it."

Looking back over two intensive, creative weeks, Lashaunce noted that it was "easy to see which students took on a leadership role. They helped their groups stay focused with writing and rehearsing."

Best of all, he added, "Some students didn't have much confidence with their acting abilities. Once they started breaking out of their shell, they shone brighter than they ever have!"





PUBLIC NOTICE

Filings for the November Municipal Election will open on Wednesday, September 15, 2021. Any registered voter may file for office at the City Clerk's Office in City Hall. There is a \$1.00 filing fee for the positions of Mayor, Asst. Mayor & Council seats. The following positions are open:

ONE MAYOR POSITION THIS IS A TWO YEAR TERM

ONE ASSISTANT MAYOR POSITION THIS IS A TWO YEAR TERM

ONE WARD 1 CITY COUNCIL POSITION THIS IS A TWO YEAR TERM

ONE WARD 2 CITY COUNCIL POSITION THIS IS A TWO YEAR TERM

ONE WARD 3 CITY COUNCIL POSITION THIS IS A TWO YEAR TERM

FOUR AT-LARGE CITY COUNCIL POSITIONS THESE ARE TWO YEAR TERMS

ONE SUPERVISOR OF THE CHECKLIST FROM EACH WARD THESE ARE SIX YEAR TERMS

ONE SUPERVISOR OF THE CHECKLIST FROM WARD 1 THIS TERM EXPIRES 12/31/2023

ONE SUPERVISOR OF THE CHECKLIST FROM WARD 1 THIS TERM EXPIRES 12/31/2025

ONE MODERATOR FROM EACH WARD THESE ARE TWO YEAR TERMS

ONE WARD CLERK FROM EACH WARD THESE ARE TWO YEAR TERMS

Filings for these positions will close at 5:00 PM on Friday, September 24, 2021.



A daytime moon against a blue sky and shrouded with layers of clouds created a mystical scene.

Photo by Phyllis A. Muzeroll



Math, Reading Fill Summer Mornings

SAU6 Summer Academics a 'Huge Success'

Text and Photos By Eric Zengota e-Ticker News

CLAREMONT, NH—The inaugural SAU6/ Parks and Recreation Summer Program completed its six-week schedule with insights and accomplishments that met the expectations of



teachers, paraeducators and students alike. Morning classes focusing on math and read-

tary School. Following lunch in the cafeteria, the students spent the afternoon in activities sports, art, nature — centered around the Claremont Savings Bank Community Center. Afternoon field trips included the more "educational" ones to VINS Nature Center and Montshire Museum of Science; others were just plain fun, like Polar Caves Park and Mount Sunapee Adventure Park.

Storm Lavella-Schaudt, an SAU6 special education teacher, directed the program. He reported on the impressive numbers. "We had 225 kindergarten through 5th grade Claremont students attend one or more days. Thirty students with Individualized Educational Plans attended one, some or all weeks. On average, 140 students a week attended the morning classes, and 132 took part in the afternoon activities — which they could do only if they were in class." In total, there were 29 days of academics/social skills practice with same-grade

The program, Lavella-Schaudt emphasized, would not have been possible without the participation of the 20 classroom teachers, one ESOL (English to Speakers of Other Languages) teacher, 25 paraeducators, one school nurse and one secretary, who made up the summer faculty.

Students enrolled in the last week filled out a survey. "Overall, they enjoyed the program," noted Lavella-Schaudt. "And they loved the field trips and the community center."

"Parents were very appreciative of the program," he added. "They said that the community needed it, especially after dealing with COVID last year. Lots of parents commented that their child made a friend from another school during the summer program, and that they are going to continue fostering that friendship going forward."

Lavella-Schaudt acknowledged that "there are areas for improvement. We'll work collaboratively as a team to ensure those areas are fixed for the future. We'll work with vetting volunteers for next year so that more can help



participate in the program. Next summer will run a little smoother."





Sports/Recreation

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09/24/21		Kearsarge		05:00 PM
09/28/21	at	Newport		04:00 PM
09/30/21		Franklin		05:00 PM
10/04/21	at	Bishop Brady		04:00 PM
10/05/21		Mascoma Valley		07:00 PM
10/07/21	at	Laconia		04:00 PM
10/09/21	at	Newport		11:00 AM
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Shutout win for the Stevens girls varsity soccer team as they dominated the Knights from Kingswood High School Friday evening at The Parker Sports Complex.



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SHS Boys Soccer

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Exciting win for the
Stevens boys varsity soccer team Thursday afternoon over Bow High
School. This overtime game
brought a win for the Cards
(Courtesy photos)



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Turning Points Network Charity Golf Day at Eastman Golf Links

The Turning Points Network Charity Golf Day at Eastman Golf Links will take place on September 10th. Participants may form a group (doesn't need to be foursome) and register a teetime with the pro shop. This is a casual outing with the mission of raising money for Turning Points Network. Pro Shop phone number is (603) 863-4500. Cost:

- Members \$65 (includes cart rental) or \$55 (if member has a seasonal/private cart)
- Non-members \$95 (includes cart rental)

Payment will be made in the pro-shop as you check-in for your tee time on September 10th. \$50 donation per player will go directly to TPN.

All participants will be entered in a drawing for a few fun prizes. Skill prizes will be awarded with a closest to the pin contest for men on Hole #3 and for women on Hole #7. Winners of the drawing will be notified via phone by close of day Tuesday, 9/14.

Turning Points Network is a local, non-profit charity whose mission is to prevent violence, promote respect, and strengthen lives.

Championship Games End Parks & Rec Softball Season

CLAREMONT, NH—The summer of 2021
— and especially July — was the rainiest in decades. Nevertheless, the adult modified and the adult coed slowpitch softball leagues, programs of the Claremont Parks and Recreation Department, carried on in the face of cancellations, rescheduling and a lot of muddy cleats.

Regular season games gave way to playoffs, which culminated in championship games over the past two weeks. The champs whooped, the fans cheered, and everyone went home thinking, Next year will be even better (Courtesy photos).

SHS Golf Season Opens

The Stevens golf team opened their season at The Claremont Country Club Wednesday afternoon in a drizzle. They split, defeating John Stark while getting nipped by Hopkinton.

Pelham Dominates in SHS Football Opener

The Stevens football season began this past Friday night right where it ended last year, in Pelham. Unfortunately, the result was the same. After finishing as the Division III Runner Up, following a loss to the Pythons, in last November's State Championship Game, the Cardinals dropped to 48-6 decision to a Pelham team that returned 18 starters from that team.

Pelham scored on their first two possessions, and then returned a Stevens fumble for a touchdown to run out to a 21-0 first quarter lead. The Cardinals trailed 41-0 at the half to a very talented Pelham team. Stevens finally dented the scoreboard in the third quarter as senior Zack Bundy sidestepped a Pelham pass rusher and connected with junior Kaden Thyne for an 84 yard touchdown pass. Thyne took Bundy's pass in full stride at about the 50 yard line and outraced the defender to the end zone. The conversion pass was no good. Pelham added a late score to account for the 48-6 final.

Stevens will hit the road next Saturday as they look for their first win of the season, traveling to Tilton, to take on the Winnisquam Bears. Game time is 2:00PM.

Adult Modified Champions

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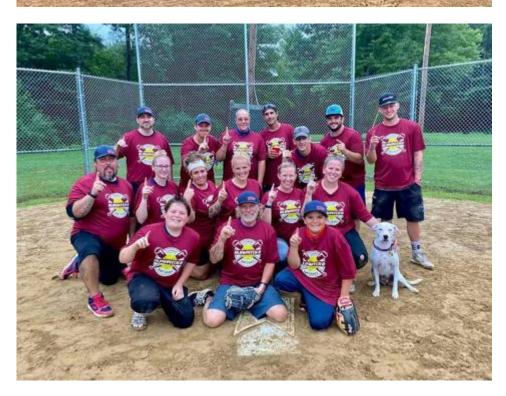
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Adult Coed Slowpitch B League Champions

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Inspiration

One More Off My Bucket List!

By Priscilla Hull

A cool September afternoon and some of my family and I head up to the Quechee Balloon Festival. Years ago, Cathy and I took my older grand-

son up to see the festivities. Who knew a gramma, grandson and aunt could have such a great time but we did. The three of us dreamed about going up in a balloon, but at that time it felt impossible. However, we made up for it by picking a balloon and chasing it! Chasing balloons with Cathy was fun while it lasted!

Then there was September 3, 2021; Cathy and Steve and I and their 10-year-old son off on a balloon chase of our own! We got to Quechee with our vouchers for Cathy and me. No turning back now. As we stood on the field overlooking the field of balloons, a feeling of excitement was with us! Which was ours? We had no idea! All the balloons were so colorful. We finally were assigned our balloon! What a lucky pick for us! The Androscoggin Balloon company from Lewiston, Maine. Now we'd learn the basics and protocols of ballooning! First things first, the pilot is always in charge. He might ask for help, but don't pull strings or lean out of the basket or move around, changing places. Stay near the side of the basket. Wear a hat if you're tall enough, it gets fairly warm, when the flame is ignited. The landing protocols are pretty direct and very important, bend your knees and keep them loose. Hold high on the upright with one hand and the side of the basket or lower on the upright with the other and face forward!



As luck would have it, they were one crew member short so Steve was enlisted! Before ascension, small helium balloons were sent up. They let the pilots know the direction and force of the wind so they'd have something to gauge their flight pattern (sort of). The balloon was inflated with a giant powerful fan and then the flame blew helium into it. At this point the balloon seemed to come alive and it was time to board the basket! Quickly because the balloon was ready. We were pushed and pulled into the basket! And next thing we knew we were airborne.

What beautiful country we live in. We flew in the direction of the Gorge, identifying VINS and others points. Then, there was the Gorge which was easily identified and then followed down stream a ways. You can try, but you can't truly imagine the beauty of drifting down over the river at that point. We spotted deer at one point and had fun watching the miniature cars traveling on ribbons of road. Too soon it was time to find a field for landing! Over to the left was a perfect place. No electric wires or fences. Out of the trees came a couple of horses so that wouldn't do! So up we went to clear the next ridge and there was a perfect yard. We were in flight about half an hour.

Landing was an experience! We remembered all the rules. Sometimes the pilot will do a maneuver called "tree tipping" to slow the balloon a bit. I watched and realized my hand would be shredded if I kept it high on the bar, so I quickly moved it to a safer place, turned my head, and ducked behind the pilot. Good move. It was just a couple of seconds and we bumped on the ground to a stand still. Well, almost. Again the balloon wanted to go up but our pilot has been doing this for 21 years, so he was in control. We had about 10 minutes of rocking while waiting for the crew in the two trucks. Then we poured out of the basket as quickly and ungracefully as we poured into it! The helium was released, the air was pressed out, even the 10-year-old "crew member" was pressed into service. Suddenly we knew the ride was over!

It was a most memorable evening and something special to hold onto forever!

It made me think: "Let the rivers clap their hands; let the hills sing for joy together before the Lord, for he comes to judge the earth. He will judge the world with righteousness, and the people's with equity."

Psalm 98:8-9

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

Claremont NH Historical Society & Off Broad Street Players present



The Spírits of Claremont 2021 Cemetery Walk Sunday, September 19, 2021, 2pm

Union and St Mary Cemeteries, Old Church Road, Claremont, NH Free and open to the public; donations accepted

The Spirits will tell their stories in the garden in Union Cemetery. Some chairs will be available, but visitors are welcome to bring their own folding chair or to stand. The Show will last about a half hour and you will be encouraged to walk through the cemetery to visit the graves of those whose stories were told. The actors will not be masked during the performance but will be keeping distance between each other and the audience. We respect everyone's efforts to stay safe during the pandemic, so we welcome audience members to wear masks. Maintaining social distancing when seated may not be possible. We hope that the outdoor venue will provide more safety than being indoors.

For information & to give us an idea of how many to expect, please call Sharon Wood, 603-542-6454 or sharon_wood@pobox.com

Calendar Of Events

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11 ENERGY EXPO 2021 Presented by the Cornish & Plainfield Energy Committees

11am-3pm (Rain or Shine!)

Plainfield Elementary School Gym, 92 Bonner Rd., Plainfield, NH

Come find out about:

- 1. Solar Energy
- 2. Weatherizing your home
- 3. Heat pumps
- 4. Energy efficiency incentives from NHSaves
- 5. Community Power
- 6. Low interest energy loans
- 7. E-bikes take them for a ride & watch an electric mountain bike be assembled!
- 8. Electric vehicles & charging stations
- 9. Lebanon Ford will have an all-electric Ford Mustang Mach-E on display

This event will be our largest and most comprehensive showcase of energy savings ideas, systems and techniques. There will be plenty to see and do, and many energy experts will be available to answer all your questions.

Presenters include:

Solaflect Energy -- solar trackers & Sonnen batteries

Ted Stiles, Yankee Thermal Imaging - buttonup presentation

Henry Herndon, Community Power Coalition of NH (CPCNH)

Phil LaMoreaux, NHEC for NHSaves Sarah Brock, Vital Communities Mascoma Bank

Karl Kemnitzer & Bill Cable will assemble an electric mountain bike

Hanover Adventure Tours, 12 different e-bike models for test runs

We will require that people wear masks & practice distancing when indoors.

Soo-Nipi Quilters Guild Biennial Quilt Show Opens Sept. 11th

NEWPORT, NH—The "Together Again with Quilts" exhibit presented by the Soo-Nipi Quilters Guild of Newport opens September 11th at the Library Arts Center in Newport and runs through October 13th.

The Library Arts Center is located at 58 North Main Street, Newport; gallery hours are Tuesdays to Fridays, 11:00 AM through 4:00 PM, and Saturdays, 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Bar Harbor Bank and Trust is sponsoring the event.

Members of the Guild will be on hand to answer questions about the display.

Children are welcome to attend the quilt show and take part in an "I Spy" activity, finding objects in the quilts.

At the quilt show, you will be able to view the beautiful raffle quilt pieced by members of the Guild and machine quilted by Nancy Graham. Tickets will be on sale for \$1.00 each or \$5.00 for six tickets. The drawing will be held on Wednesday, Oct. 13, at 4:00 PM.

St. Mary Alumni Invited to Join SHS Alumni Parade

CLAREMONT, NH—Calling St. Mary Alumni, an invitation has been extended by the Stevens Alumni Parade committee to participate in their parade on Saturday, Oct. 2. Class rosters (1957 to 1971) are available if St. Mary Alumni wish to enter a float

in this parade. For more info, call Claire Lessard, president, St. Mary Alumni Assoc., (603) 543-3617.

COH Pop-Up Concerts Series

CLAREMONT, NH-As part of its reopening and updated Membership Program, the Claremont Opera House has kicked off the summer season with a series of smaller pop-up concerts outside at **Arrowhead Recreation** Area. These pop-up concerts have something for everyone, are geared to get you out of your seats dancing, and are part of increasing the membership support of the COH.

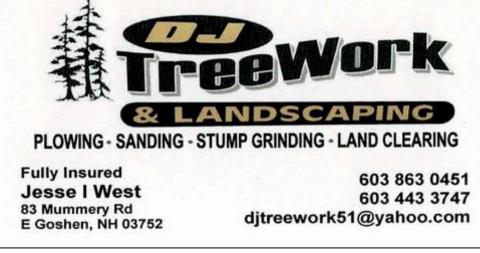
Sept. 11 - Dixieland Jazz with the COH Orchestra, led by Director Gerry Grimo and members of the East Bay Jazz, will take you back to the start of jazz in New Orleans. Tickets for all summer pop-up concerts are \$15.00 for adults and \$8.00 for K-12 students. Silver and Gold Members receive free tickets in reserved pods according to their membership selection. Tickets and Member Program information is available online at www.claremontoperahouse.org.

All concerts run from 6-8PM. In the event of rain, the concerts will be canceled.

ST. MARY'S ANNUAL GIGANTIC INDOOR YARD SALE

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2021 8:00 AM - 2:00 PM GYM - MAIN STREET, CLAREMONT, NH

OVER 125 TABLES
THOUSANDS OF ITEMS FOR SALE
LAY AWAY SERVICE
CARRY OUT SERVICE
FOOD/BEVERAGES





Lake Sunapee VNA Offers Three Grief Support Groups

NEW LONDON, NH - Lake Sunapee VNA now offers three virtual grief support groups for the community. The "Newly Bereaved Widows Group" is for women who have experienced the loss of their husband within the last year and is held on the third Thursday of every month from 10:00-11:00am. The "Widow to Widow Group" is for women in all stages of grief and meets on the first Monday of every month from 3:30-5:00pm. Newly bereaved widows are welcome at this group as well, especially if they are feeling the need for more frequent support. In addition, a "Bereavement Check-in" group is available for men and women on the third Wednesday of every month from 4:00-5:00pm.

All of these groups provide an opportunity for participants to come together in a safe place of compassion and confidentiality. Attend once, multiple times or as needed. If interested, email your contact information to loconnor@lakesunapeevna.org and a member of the Lake Sunapee VNA bereavement team will call you with further details.

Cemetery Walk for 2021 Announced

CLAREMONT, NH—A "Spirits of Claremont" Cemetery Walk will be held on Sunday, September 19, at 2pm in the adjoining St. Mary and Union Cemeteries on Old Church Road. Costumed actors will share stories of local history, blended with the magic of theater on an outdoor stage.

Following a theme inspired by the current pandemic, featured characters will be doctors who served our community, scientists whose work had impact on medical research, benefactors of the "new" Claremont General Hospital, and others whose lives and deaths had great impact on Claremont.

This will be the first outdoor walk in ten years. OBSP members have been anxious to resume performing after the COVID-19 pandemic interrupted their rehearsals for a dinner theater show planned in 2020.

In addition to the September 19th in-person event, a new episode of "Spirits of Claremont" is being produced and will be ready for broadcast on CCTV later this month. Check the

"Claremont NH History Museum" and "OBSP Claremont NH" pages on Facebook for more details or contact Sharon Wood at 603-542-6454.

VFW Post 808 Events

SEPTEMBER 11, 2021 (Saturday); 8-9 PM; VFW's Last Fool Standing

VFW Post 808 will be hosting its first Last Fool Standing competition at the Post Home on 150 Charlestown Road, in Claremont. Five people will try to endure one hour on stage without laughing. Each competitor will have to contend with each other and the audience for the chance to win a cash prize. Audience participation is encouraged. The audience will be asked for a \$5 entry fee which will automatically enter them into a 50/50 raffle drawing to be called at the end of the competition. Proceeds from the raffle will go to the VFW's Voices of Democracy program. For a full breakdown of the rules, please see VFW Post 808's website. Competitors must be entered by no later than SEPTEMBER 1 at 10 PM.

Link: https://vfwpost808.wordpress.com/ 2021/07/18/9-11-last-fool-standing/

Charlestown VFW Bingo Schedule

CHARLESTOWN, NH—Charlestown VFW Bingo is offering a weekly opportunity for some entertainment and socializing while helping us to raise funds for our many Veterans programs. Wednesday nights at 5:00 p.m. for early birds and 6:30 p.m. for regular fun and games. Currently, we play 12 regular and two 2 part games, as well as a 50/50 game, Winner-take-all game, Carry Over Coverall game and a Jackpot game. The Governor's emergency order concerning COVID has expired. It is now time to take the lessons we have learned over the past year plus and act accordingly. If you're sick - stay home. Cover your nose / mouth when you cough, wash and / or sanitize your hands frequently, and we'll all be healthier. The attendance limitation has also ended. In keeping with the state CDC recommendations, if you have a compromised immune system you may still wear a mask for your own protection. We still have masks and hand sanitizer for anyone that may desire either product. The Charlestown VFW Post is located at 365 Lover's Lane Rd, Charlestown, NH.

Updates to our schedule and the weekly carry over coverall game can be found on our Facebook page.

SHS Alumni Celebration Info

CLAREMONT, NH—As plans for the 150th shift into high gear, the Stevens High Alumni has highlighted the many ways alumni, businesses and donors can get involved:

For general information on the association — and to pay your dues or make a donation — go to <u>stevensalumninh.com</u>

Email <u>alumni@stevensalumninh.com</u>
Phone the office at 603-542-8987
Find out more about Alumni Weekend at <u>stevensalumninh.com/news/10408/alumniweekend-2021/</u>

 To order imprinted "Class of YYYY" shirts, visit inkfactoryclothing.com.

Saint-Gaudens National Historical Park Now Open Daily for the Season

Hours of operation are seven days a week from 9:00am-4:00pm through October 31st. The Little Studio, Atrium and New Gallery Complex, Picture Gallery and Stables are open. Zoe Dufour, our 2020/2021 Sculptor in Residence, is on-site at the Ravine Studio and will be hosting several virtual and in-person workshops throughout the summer and early fall. Currently the Visitor Center is open only for restrooms and Aspet, the home of the Saint-Gaudens Family, remains closed until further notice.

The fee for the park is \$10 per person and may be paid using https://www.recreation.gov. Those 15 and under are free and National Park annual and Lifetime passes are honored. Call 603-675-2175 and press '0' to reach an attendant during normal business hours.

Claremont Senior Center News

Applications for the Winter Wonderland Fair on Nov. 6 will be going out soon. If you wish to display your wares, please call the 542-5798 for an invitation. Tables are provided. Come walk through our Winter Wonderland.

New activities at the center:

Ladies, come play pool on Monday mornings. All skill levels are welcome.

Wednesday at 4:00 is for Corn Hole. All skill levels are welcome.

Claremont Senior Center is now open daily! Monday 9 – 3

Tuesdays 9 - 3; 6 - 9

Wednesdays 9 – 3

Thursdays 9 - 3; 6 - 9

Friday 9 - 3

Masks required for those entering that are NOT fully vaccinated (i.e., required dose(s) plus 14 days) and recommended for others

Meals are still Drive Thru takeout ONLY on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Call 543-5998 before 10:30 AM for reservations, \$5 non members, \$4 members. Pickup between 11:45 and 12:15. Menu is subject to change (according to what is available!).

Laughter and good conversation always welcome here. And wacky weather jokes.

Claremont Senior Center, 5 Acer Heights Rd. Claremont, NH. 543-5998.

Claremont Fire Dept. Log

Sunday 8/29/21-

0036- Engine 4 responded on Central Street for a medical call

Monday 8/30/21-

Tuesday 8/31/21-

0753- Engine 4 responded on Washington Street for a medical call

0808- Engine 4 responded on Goss Street for a motor vehicle accident

2058- Engine 4 responded on Central Street for a medical call

Wednesday 9/1/21

1221- Engine 4 responded on Pleasant Street for a medical call

1501- Engine 4 responded on East

Street for a detector sounding

1806- Engine 4 responded on Raymond Place for a medical call

Thursday 9/2/21

0315- Engine 4 responded on Chestnut Street for wires down

0432- Engine 4 responded on Broad Street for a motor vehicle accident

2131- Engine 4 responded on Maple Avenue for a lift assist

Friday 9/3/21

1413- Engine 4 responded on Paddy Hollow Road for a medical call

1727- Engine 4 responded on Leet Drive for a water problem

1840- Engine 4 responded on Pleasant Street for a medical call

2029- Engine 4 responded on North Street for a medical call

Saturday 9/4/21

0256- Engine 4 responded on Manor Drive for a medical call

1317- Engine 4 responded on Lincoln Heights to check the well being

1330- Engine 4 responded on Hemlock Road to assist the ambulance

2038- Engine 4 responded on Main Street for a suicidal subject

2156- Engine 4 responded on Piper Hill Road for a medical call

25th Annual Source to Sea Cleanup Tackles River Trash

Registration is now open for Connecticut River Conservancy's (CRC) 25th annual Source to Sea Cleanup on September 24-26. The annual Source to Sea Cleanup is a river cleanup coordinated by CRC in all four states of the 410-mile Connecticut River basin (NH, VT, MA, CT). This event is one of the largest river cleanups in the country. Thousands of volunteers remove trash along rivers, streams, parks, boat launches, trails and more. Anyone interested in getting dirty for cleaner rivers can get more information and register at www.c-triver.org/cleanup, or join a virtual Cleanup Coffee Hour on September 9 to learn more.

"For our 25th anniversary we wanted to make this year's Cleanup a truly community-driven event," said Stacey Lennard, CRC's Cleanup Coordinator. "The Source to Sea Cleanup strengthens community while cleaning up our rivers and streams. It's an opportunity for you to make a difference. Our new registration system lets anyone report a trashy site and volunteer in whatever capacity they can – all in one place."

For the last 25 years, CRC has coordinated this annual event across four states, targeting trash-ridden sites, organizing volunteers, and equipping them with the tools needed to get the job done. The new streamlined registration process will allow anyone to report a site in

need of trash removal, start their own cleanup group, or find a local volunteer group to join. Groups can clean up anywhere trash is found or can adopt one of the reported trash sites in need of cleaning. Group leaders can order free gloves and trash bags from CRC through the same system. Participants are also encouraged to share photos and videos of their experience using hashtag #RiverWitness on social media.

"If you need help finding a site you can check out our map of reported trash sites in need of adoption or get in touch with us," Lennard said. "Make sure you're familiar with what's out there and what risks there may be for your volunteers. Scouting your site ahead of time is very important."

Group leaders are an essential part of the Source to Sea Cleanup, responsible for bringing together a team of volunteers, scouting a cleanup site and collecting, disposing and tallying trash. Cleanup volunteers can use the CleanSwell smartphone app, developed by the Ocean Conservancy, to tally this year's trash.

Over 1,300 volunteers participated in last year's Source to Sea Cleanup, held across the entire month of September due to the pandemic. Two hundred groups collected 34.9 tons of trash along 262 miles of river, according to CRC's trash tallies.

Leading up to this year's Source to Sea Cleanup, CRC is hosting a series of virtual Cleanup Coffee Hours. The final Coffee Hour on September 9 at 5pm is an open session for any questions you may have. You can watch recordings of prior Coffee Hours on CRC's YouTube channel to learn more about registering for the Source to Sea Cleanup, connecting with a group, choosing a Cleanup site, tallying and disposing of your trash. Coffee Hour details and registration can be found at www.c-triver.org/events.

Since 1952, Connecticut River Conservancy has been the voice for the Connecticut River watershed, from source to sea. They collaborate with partners across four states to protect and advocate for your rivers and educate and engage communities. They bring people together to prevent pollution, improve habitat, and promote enjoyment of your river and its tributary streams. Healthy rivers support healthy economies.

To learn more about CRC, or to make a contribution to help protect your rivers, visit www.c-triver.org.

Remembering Loved Ones...

Life Tributes

Obituaries May Be Found On Our Website

We post obituaries on our website to make them available in "real time," as they are released by funeral homes.

We will continue to publish them here weekly, as well, for your convenience if you wish to print out any of them.

Dwight Davis, 76

Dwight Davis, 76, died unexpectedly August 28, 2021 at his home in Claremont, NH.

He was born December 18, 1944, the son of Maurice Davis and Ellen Hill Davis.

He was a resident of Claremont for the past 3 years, lived in Ascutney, VT, for several years with his beloved wife, Janet Davis before her passing in 2015. Dwight's lifelong residency is Newport. He attended Newport High School and immediately served in US Army during the Vietnam War 1963. He was decorated with two medals: Marksman, National Defense Service Medal and the Vietnam service medal, Sharpshooter.

Returning home in 1969, Dwight married and had two children, Matthew and Michelle Davis. In the mid 80's, Dwight met and married his beloved, Janet Davis, and remained married for 34 years. He was a talented contractor, worked at Sturm Ruger, the VA hospital and was the Sexton of both Brownsville and Sheddsville cemeteries until his passing.

Dwight had a love a photography that he shared with his close friend, Barbara Putnam. His works had been accepted by the National Geographic, VINS and the Audubon Society Vermont where he kept watch over several Eagle's nests, owls and vultures.

Dwight helped with Meals on Wheels, was always helping others, his heart, sense of humor, loyalty and sense of family will deeply be missed.

In addition to his parents, Ellen Hill Davis and Maurice Davis, he was predeceased by his wife, Janet Davis.

Surviving family includes his children: son, Matthew Davis; daughter-in-law, Theresa Davis; daughter, Michelle Davis Widmer; sonin-law, Kevin Widmer; daughter, Jennifer Courcelle; son-in-law; Ron Courcelle; son, Robert Davis.

Grandchildren: Lynisha Avery, (great granddaughter, Juliana Parker), Shane Davis, Stephanie Dougie, Jonathan Davis, Jolene Courcelle, Samuel Courcelle, Jackson Courcelle.

Brothers and sisters: John Davis, Richard Davis, Janet DeRose, Nancy Davis and many cousins, nieces, and nephews.

A service of remembrance was held on Friday, Sept. 3rd, at the Ascutneyville Cemetery in Ascutney, VT.

The Stringer Funeral Home is assisting with arrangements.

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SAT/SUN/MON, SEPTEMBER 11, 12 & 13 Annual Book Sale

Friends of the Philip Read Memorial Library

Plainfield, NH, Town Hall

1079 Rt. 12A

Plainfield, NH

Saturday, Sept. 11, 9am-5pm

Sunday, Sept. 12, 9am-5pm (half-price day)

Monday, Sept. 13, 4-7pm (reduced pricing)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19 PENNY SALE IN CLAREMONT

1:00 PM (doors open 12 noon) St. Joseph Church Hall - Elm St. - Claremont, NH

200 Prizes / Refreshments
Sponsored by and Benefit of
Catholic Daughters of the Americas
Ct. Virgil H. Barber #892 - Claremont, NH
Mask required

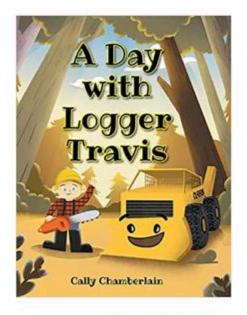
Eye doctors shouldn't have fine print.

-Dr. Sam Giveen

At Doctor Sam's Eye Care, everything is right up front. From eye exams to glasses to contact lenses to whatever treatment you need, our prices are as comfortable as our chair-side manner. Visit

Doctor Sam's and see for yourself.

(603) 543-2020 9 Dunning St, Claremont (we're right there by the hospital)



A Day with Logger Travis

Author- Cally Chamberlain

The Fiske Free Library will be hosting a reading and book signing

By Cally Chamberlain, who will be reading from her new

children's book-

A Day with Logger Travis

The Book signing will be at the library on

Thursday, September 23, 2021

at 3:30 p.m.

Travis starts up his chain saw-vroom, vroom!

Follow Travis as he works with his team, Clark the skidder and Jack the log truck, to take trees from forest to mill.

Cally Chamberlain, is a working Mom who fell in love with watching her son and others fall in love with the stories they read. This inspired her to want to create some of this magic in writing stories of her own. She hopes you will enjoy her vision of a day with a small-time logger, inspired by her son, Travis falling in love with the family skidder.

Call the library for more information- 542-7017

The Claremont City Council will hold a public meeting on <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>September 8, 2021</u>, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall. Note earlier start time.

To watch the meeting via Zoom, click the link below:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87916056352?pwd=VDdXVWppaDJuOXZITEV2a2tPQkc3dz09

Passcode: 739587 Or by telephone: 1-646-558-8656, Webinar ID: 879 1605 6352, Passcode: 739587

The Zoom link is provided for the public's convenience. If you are having trouble with the Zoom link, please join us in the Council Chambers of City Hall.

AGENDA (Revised)

- 6:00 PM 1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 6:02 PM 2. ROLL CALL
- 6:04 PM 3. NON-PUBLIC SESSION PURSUANT TO RSA 91-A:3,II(a) —PERSONNEL
- 6:34 PM 3. AGENDA CHANGES
- 6:35 PM 4. REPORT OF THE SECRETARY
 Minutes of August 18 and 25, 2021, City Council Meeting(s)
- 6:37 PM 5. MAYOR'S NOTES
- 6:42 PM 6. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT A. COVID-19 Update
- 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 24))
 - 9. OLD BUSINESS
- 7:10 PM A. Station Host Program Proposal
 - 10. NEW BUSINESS
- 7:20 PM A. Property Maintenance Policy Discussion (City Manager)
- 7:40 PM B. Private Lead Water Line Replacement Discussion (City Manager)
- **BREAK**
- 8:05 PM C. Drinking Water and Groundwater Trust Fund Grant (City Manager)
- 8:15 PM D. Transfer Station Ad Hoc Committee Discussion (Council)
- 8:35 PM E. City Debt Discussion (Councilor Contois)
- 8:50 PM F. Departments Efficiency Study & Strategic Planning Discussion (Council)
- 9:05 PM 11. COMMITTEE REPORTS
- 9:10 PM 12. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND DIRECTIVES
- 9:15 PM 13. CONSULTATION WITH LEGAL COUNSEL
- 9:20 PM 14. ADJOURNMENT
- PLEASE NOTE: Claremont City Council's next scheduled meeting will be on Wednesday, September 22, 2021, at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall.

