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Newport Man Sentenced to 70 Months for Unlawful Possession of Firearms

CONCORD, NH—Jacob Valley, 26, of Newport, NH, was sentenced to 70 months in federal prison for unlawful possession of firearms, Acting United States Attorney John J. Farley announced Friday.

According to court documents and statements made in court, on November 15, 2019, law enforcement officers searched Valley's home pursuant to a federal search warrant. During the search, they found firearms and ammunition. As a person with felony convictions, Valley is legally prohibited from possessing firearms and ammunition.

Valley previously pleaded guilty on March 23, 2021.

"In order to protect our citizens from violent crime, it is important to keep guns out of the

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hands of criminals," said Farley. "By working with our law enforcement partners to enforce federal gun laws, we are preventing criminals from using guns to commit acts of violence and helping to keep the Granite State safe."

This matter was investigated by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives, with assistance from the New Hampshire Attorney General's Drug Task Force; the Sullivan County Sheriff's Office; the Manchester Police Department, Claremont Police Department, Charlestown, Police Department; and the New Hampshire State Police. The case was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Anna Dronzek.

Authorities said that the case is "part of Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN), the centerpiece of the Department of Justice's violent crime reduction efforts. PSN is an evidence-based program proven to be effective at reducing violent crime. Through PSN, a broad spectrum of stakeholders work together to identify the most pressing violent crime problems in the community and develop comprehensive solutions to address them."

Common Milkweed Pod Collection 2021 September 15 - October 30

NH Fish & Game and UNH Cooperative Extension are calling on New Hampshire residents for milkweed pod collections!

The seeds from the milkweed pods will be sown by NH Department of Transportation into conservation corridors, designated areas along highways that are planted with native perennials to benefit pollinators.

> Milkweed is the

sole host plant for monarch butterflies to lay their eggs and for caterpillar feeding. It also serves as a food source for many other pollinator species. The disappearance of milkweed across the U.S. has contributed to the 80% decline of the eastern monarch butterfly population over the last 20 years. State and federal agencies, conservation organizations and others are working hard to increase the amount of milkweed on the landscape, and you can help by contributing to this important source of local milkweed seeds.

Collecting Milkweed Pods

Only collect the pods when they are dry and grey/brown. If the center seam pops with gentle pressure, they can be harvested.

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Write the date and county collected on the bag.

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For a list of collection sites, visit https://extension.unh.edu/milkweed.

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Commentary

NH House Happenings

By Rep. John Cloutier

'Veto Day' on the Horizon for the House



New Hampshire's House of Representatives is likely to return to the State House in Concord later this Fall for a one-day gathering to take up at least four House bills recently vetoed by Gov. Christopher Sununu.

However, the date for the "Veto Day" meeting usually held in September has yet to be scheduled by House Speaker Sherman Packard for various reasons. Among other challenges is the fact that both the House Chamber and Concord's Storrs Street Parking Garage, where many representatives are assigned to park, including myself, are at present undergoing renovations. According to Speaker Packard's memo in the Sept. 3, 2021 House Calendar, the Parking Garage will not be finished until Oct. 1. Furthermore, renovations to both inside and outside of the House Chamber will not be completed until at least the end of September. Finally, House Democratic leadership, including Rep. Renny Cushing, is currently in litigation with the Speaker over whether a small specified number of representatives should be allowed the option of participating in full House meetings remotely through platforms like Zoom, an option to which these representatives are entitled as claimed by Democratic leadership under the Federal ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) because of their compromised health conditions in relation to COVID-19. The litigation started earlier this year when Democratic Leadership filed a lawsuit, though Federal District Court Judge ruled against us Democrats and in favor of the Speaker. But Democrats appealed the judge's decision, which had claimed the ADA doesn't apply to state legislatures. Then the First Circuit Court of Appeals in Boston accepted the appeal, which was heard Sept. 10. A ruling on the appeal is not expected for several weeks, though.

As for the four vetoed House bills, which will be considered for override on "Veto Day", they include House Bills 98, 239, 242, and 334. House Bill 98 would simply change the date of the New Hampshire State Primary Election from the second Monday in September to the first Tuesday in August. House Bill 239 is relative to prosecution for certain assaults against minors. House Bill 242 is relative to the content of an adequate education. Finally, House Bill 334 would eliminate all prohibitions on carrying a loaded firearm on an OHRV (Off Highway Recreational Vehicle) or snowmobile, and would also change the procedure for conducting firearm background checks.

More specifically, House Bill 98 regarding the State Primary was introduced by a bipartisan trio of representatives led by Salem's Joe Sweeney, a Republican. The originally introduced version would have moved the date of the Primary from the second Tuesday in September to the first Tuesday in June. But a majority of the House Election Law

Committee instead recommended amending the bill moving the Primary to the fourth Tuesday in June. The committee's amended version of the bill was then adopted by the full House April 8 on a 195-174 roll call vote, mainly along party lines with Republicans supporting the bill, and Democrats opposing.

House Bill 98 as amended by the full House then went to the New Hampshire Senate for consideration. The Senate by voice vote then passed its own amended version May 27-a version which moved the Primary date to the second Tuesday in August. But the House non-concurred with the Senate's amended version and requested a House-Senate Committee of Conference. This Committee of Conference then devised a compromise version, which recommended moving the Primary to the first Tuesday in August. A compromise was approved by both bodies June 24, and then sent to the Governor.

Nevertheless, Gov. Sununu vetoed this compromise version of House Bill 98 July 30. His veto message which I will now basically quote verbatim, runs as follows: "I agree with the Secretary of State (William Gardner, who opposed the bill from its beginning) that House Bill 98 creates more problems than it solves. House Bill 98 would change our state primary election from its current September date to the first Tuesday in August, moving our primary election-and the campaign season for that election-into the middle of summer. This is a time when many Granite Staters are enjoying their vacations and are far less likely to be involved in the electoral process. This change could lead to depressed voter engagement in the election and less turnout. Furthermore, moving the primary election to the summer could hurt the ability of municipalities to recruit poll workers and Election Day volunteers, greatly exacerbating a challenge that many municipalities are already struggling with. Some advocates of this legislation point to the supposed challenge of election officials meeting the deadlines to send absentee ballots to members of the military or other overseas Granite Staters. It is important to note that New Hampshire has never failed to meet those deadlines set forth by the Federal Government. In fact, according to the Secretary of State, New Hampshire is one of just a few states that have never been sued for such a failure. However, House Bill 98 gives the Secretary of State nine fewer days between the end of the filing period and the primary day to make and print ballots. Although partially intended to ease time constraints on the Secretary of State, this bill would add burdens onto their process. New Hampshire's elections are the gold standard for the rest of the country, and our primary date schedule has stood the test of time. Our Secretary of State, who has run our state's elections for 45 years, believes this legislation will add significant challenges to a process that does not need to be changed. For the reasons above, I have vetoed House Bill 98."

The second vetoed measure, House Bill 239, was introduced by two Republican representatives, led by Seabrook's Max Abramson and included Rochester's Aidan Ankarberg. Specifically, this bill would extend the statute of limitations for the prosecution of first and second degree assaults against juvenile victims. More specifically, these statutes of limitations would be extended to such victims under RSA 631:1 to

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within six years of each victim's 18th Birthday, as well as under RSA 631:2 to within six years of the date the assault was committed, or within three years of the victim's 18th birthday, whichever is greater.

House Bill 239 as originally introduced was recommended for passage by an unanimous vote of the House Criminal Justice & Public Safety Committee. The bill was then approved by the full House April 7 on a voice vote as part of the House's Consent Calendar. The bill then proceeded to the Senate, where it was ultimately adopted with an amendment by an unanimous 24-0 roll call vote April 29. The amendment would have extended the statute of limitations for prosecuting both types of assaults against juveniles to within three years of the victim's 18th birthday. But the House objected to the Senate's amended version and requested a Committee of Conference. This committee finally agreed to approve a compromise version which appears to me to look about the same as approved by us representatives April 7 and which was approved by both bodies June 24.

Nevertheless, the Governor vetoed House Bill 239 on Aug. 10. He stated in his veto message that while he supported the bill's legislative intent to extend the statute of limitations for juvenile victims of first and second degree assaults, he said that its wording as passed contains "a fatal flaw that must prevent it from moving forward. He said the flaw could present "severe negative consequences that could greatly hinder any prosecution of first-degree assault in New Hampshire" and which he cited as having been brought to his attention by New Hampshire Attorney General John Formchella and the state's 10 county attorneys.

In my next column, I will discuss the remaining vetoes of House bills as well as the vetoes of Senate bills. **Email:** jocloutier@comcast.net.

Senator Prentiss Appointed to National EMS Advisory Council

CONCORD, NH—Senator Sue Prentiss (D-West Lebanon) has been appointed to The National EMS Advisory Council at The Department of Transportation. As a member of the Council, Prentiss will provide advice and recommendations regarding EMS to NHTSA in the Department of Transportation and to the members of the Federal Interagency Committee on EMS. Prentiss issued the following statement regarding the appointment:

"I am honored to have been appointed to The National EMS Advisory Council. Over the past year and a half, the nation has repeatedly recognized the critical importance of our EMS providers as we continue to combat the COVID-19 pandemic. I look forward to bringing my experience as a paramedic and as the chief of Emergency Medical Services at the New Hampshire Department of Safety to the Council."

NH Delegation Announces Over \$100,000 to Bolster Training & Access to NH Mental Health Services for First Responders

MANCHESTER, NH—U.S. Senator Jeanne Shaheen (D-NH), a senior member of the Senate Appropriations Committee, and U.S. Senator Maggie Hassan (D-NH) and Representatives Annie Kuster (NH-02) and Chris Pappas (NH-01) recently announced that the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) New Hampshire will receive \$124,914 from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) to train law enforcement and first responders in New Hampshire to more effectively respond to individuals in a mental health crisis. The training is also intended to promote mental wellness for law enforcement and first responders in response to increased rates of depression, post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) and suicide.

"It's past time that we treat the illnesses we can't see with the same urgency as those we can, which is why I'm very pleased to see these federal dollars come back to New Hampshire to address mental health, particularly among our first responders," said Shaheen. "Increasing federal support for mental health grants has been a top priority for me as a senior member of the Senate Appropriations Committee, and over the years I've worked to target more assistance for programs that help law enforcement and other first responders who experience significant trauma in the line of duty..."

Claremont's New NH Liquor & Wine Outlet Opens for Business

CONCORD, NH – The New Hampshire Liquor Commission (NHLC) opened its newest NH Liquor & Wine Outlet in Claremont on Thursday, September 9, featuring an enhanced customer shopping experience and an expanded selection of premium wines and spirits. The new Outlet is approximately 10,300 square feet, nearly doubling its retail footprint compared to the original building. The new Outlet will feature approximately 3,600 wines and spirits.

"We are pleased to announce the new and improved Claremont NH Liquor & Wine Outlet opened just ahead of the fall season, a bustling time as New Hampshire welcomes visitors from around the globe to experience the beautiful fall foliage and explore the Granite State," said NHLC chairman Joseph Mollica. "The new Claremont Outlet will host an array of larger product selections, and an easy, comfortable shopping environment at the most competitive prices. The new renovations will improve the shopping experience for our customers, and will play a major role in our mission to maximize revenue for the New Hampshire General Fund."

The Claremont Outlet offers modern amenities, including temperature- and humidity-controlled wine vaults, high-efficiency LED fixtures, a refrigerated case, public restrooms,

and oversized aisles for social distancing and easy shopping.

The Claremont economy benefited from the new Outlet. A larger building required a larger staff, resulting in four more job positions. And the recruiting sign is still out front.

Since 2012, NHLC has renovated, relocated or constructed new Outlets in more than 30 communities, all in an effort to enhance the consumer shopping experience and generate revenue for the state.

NHLC operates 68 NH Liquor & Wine Outlets throughout the state, providing more than 12 million annual customers with the widest selection of name-

brand wines and spirits. Since the first Outlet opened in 1934, more than \$4 billion in net profits has been raised to fund programs including education, health and social services, transportation, natural resource protection, and addiction treatment and

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Wider aisles encourage social distancing and a more comfortable shopping experience; New Hampshire wines and Vermont spirits are part of the expanded inventory (Eric Zengota photos).









NH DHHS COVID-19 Update - September 10, 2021

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

On Friday, September 10, 2021, DHHS announced 337 new positive test results for COVID-19. Those results included 120 people who tested positive by PCR test and 217 who tested positive by antigen test. There were 3,144 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 are seventy-eight individuals under the age of 18 and the rest are adults with 52% being female and 48% being male.

The new cases resided in Rockingham (85), Merrimack (45), Hillsborough County other than Manchester and Nashua (39), Belknap (27), Carroll (26), Strafford (17), Grafton (12), Cheshire (6), Sullivan (6), and Coos (4) counties, and in the cities of Manchester (32) and Nashua (8). The county of residence is being determined for thirty new cases.

DHHS also announced five additional deaths related to COVID-19.

- 2 male residents of Hillsborough County,
 60 years of age and older
- 1 female resident of Merrimack County,60 years of age and older
- 2 female residents of Rockingham County, 60 years of age and older

There were currently 149 individuals hospitalized with COVID-19. In New Hampshire,

since the start of the pandemic, there have been a total of 111,111 cases of COVID-19 diagnosed.

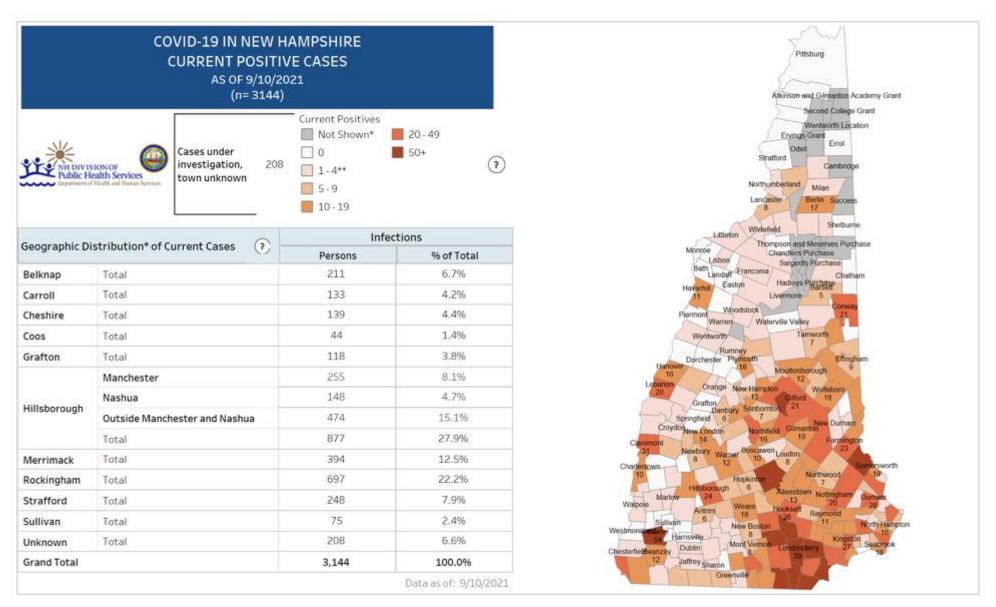
As of Friday, the 10th, there were 31 current positively identified cases in Claremont, 10 in Charlestown, 6 in Newport and 1-4 cases in several other towns. DHHS reported 75 overall in Sullivan County, up from 58 the previous week.

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.



FINANCIAL THINKING

> How Smart Investments Now Can Pay Off Down the Road.

Millennials inhabit a world in which portfolio. Diversification across many assets there is rising inflation, debt, and healthcare costs. Now is the time for millennials to consider making investments that may put them in a position to succeed over the long term.

Millennials make up more than a third of America's population and are a driving force of the economy. Millennials have a lot at stake when choosing investments—facing challenges such as reducing student loan debt, purchasing a home, and saving for retirement. It's an excellent time to learn how to invest now to

address your long-term financial concerns.

CONSIDER TAKING MORE RISK. The

repercussions of the Great Recession shook many millennials, and perhaps too many have kept their money in cash savings rather than investing it in

riskier assets such as stocks and other equity investments. However, you have plenty of time to recover from a potential market downswing. Over time, riskier investments may pay a premium over safer ones, and that can make the difference between staying ahead of inflation or falling behind.

MANAGE RISK INTELLIGENTLY. There are strategies to increase your exposure to risky assets without creating an overly volatile

and asset classes helps manage portfolio risk because some investment might zig when others zag. Another technique is called dollarcost averaging, in which you invest the same amount every month. This way, you'll buy more shares when the market is low and fewer when it's high, thereby smoothing out the price you pay over time.

DEFER YOUR TAXES. The government has made it easier to defer taxes on your retirement savings through accounts like 401(k)s and IRAs. Your contributions are tax-deductible and grow tax-deferred until you start making withdrawals later in life. Without taxes draining investment profits, your earnings have the potential to

> compound faster. Also, an employee 401(k) plan may bring you employer contributions that will add more money for retirement.



You can't control the market, but you can control how much you spend to invest

in it. Always know the expenses, fees, and commissions you'll have to pay—each dollar in fees reduces your returns. Passive investments in low-cost index mutual funds and exchangetraded funds might save you through your lifetime of investing.

PUT TIME TO WORK FOR YOU. Millennials have plenty of time to take advantage of the market's historical long-term upward trend and ride out weak periods.



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Mooshian Declares Candidacy for City Council, At-Large

CLAREMONT, NH—Matt Mooshian declared his candidacy on Friday for one of the four atlarge seats on the Claremont City Council. "I've been lucky to call Claremont my home for the past five years," said Mooshian. "Our city has come so far since I first moved here, and today I'm announcing my candidacy for the Claremont City Council to build on that progress. Because I believe our best days still lie ahead."

Mooshian is the third person to declare their candidacy for this year's council election. Earlier this week current City Councilor Deb Matteau announced her bid for Assistant Mayor, and business owner Rocky Beliveau declared his bid for one of Claremont's at-large City Council seats.

Along with the announcement, Mooshian said he intends to file on Tuesday, September 14, and his campaign will host a Kickoff Celebration on Friday, September 24, at Rocky's Taqueria on Opera House Square.

Council Approves Funding for Development Services for City Manager

CLAREMONT, NH-Amongst action taken at the City Council meeting Wednesday night was the approval to spend \$6,500 for development services for City manager Ed Morris. Former interim City manager John MacLean, who guided the city prior to Morris' hire as City manager, has extensive experience in the field and will help Morris to broaden his "skills as a chief executive officer." The hire will be through Municipal Resources Inc. MacLean has more than 50 years of experience in the field of municipal service and was hired to help run the City following the firing of former City manager Ryan McNutt, before his replacement, Morris, was chosen. Morris has served as the City manager for the City of Claremont since September 23, 2019. Prior, he served as town manager of Weathersfield, VT. Before that, he served as assistant to the City manager in Jerome, ID, and as a firefighter for 16 years in Twin Falls, ID.

Councilors came out of a non-public session prior to the start of the actual council meeting Wednesday, with mayor Charlene Lovett stating that having had the non-public discussion, they now "had a vote to take here in public and that was a motion to enter into a [\$6,500] contract with MRI for the purpose of a professional development opportunity between John MacLean as the person providing the professional development and City Manager Morris." The motion passed unanimously.

Also Wednesday night, the council approved authorizing \$2,500 to support the Amtrak Sta-

tion Hosts Association to cover expenses that the group incurs. Made of volunteers, the group recently approached the council to ask for funding to help cover expenses, such as providing a porta-potty, that the volunteers have themselves been covering. Council had asked Morris to work with finance director Lisa Richmond to look into the best means of providing the funding: through an ad hoc

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9 am - 2 pm

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Crafts: Vendors may rent 10 foot spaces for \$10. Please email moore.gull@gmail.com for details.

We encourage the use of masks for all participants and attendees.

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committee or adding a transportation line item to the Planning & Development budget. Morris and Richmond both recommended the line item route, stating that using an ad hoc committee would add "layers of complexities" that were not really needed in this case. The council ultimately approved going the line item route and approved \$2,500 for expenses. Councilors agreed to look further into the issue of how best the group could handle fundraising at a future meeting.

—Phyllis A. Muzeroll

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/CablecastPublic-Site/watch/1?channel=1

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

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Claremont FD Honors the Fallen Firefighters of 9/11





Left: The Claremont Police Officer Association made a surprise presentation to the Fire Department. The wooden flag, shaped as if rippling in a breeze, was created by local artist M.J. Lewellyn (Courtesy photo). From left: Kenny Smith, Jereme Burdick, Joshua Peavey, Mark Chase, Michael Gilboy, Brian Rapp, William Hardy, Russ Chesanek, Calvin Limoges, Tim Vezina. Right: After sunset, fire captain Jim Chamberlain and his uncle, retired fire lieutenant Andy Chamberlain, played their bagpipes. Below: Ryan Morris, 4, loves big trucks and

wants to be a firefighter. He and his grandfather, Bob Morris, got to chat with fire lieutenant Brian Bann under the flag

tenant Brian Rapp under the flag.



Text and Photos by Eric Zengota

CLAREMONT, NH—Saturday, September 11, was the 20th anniversary of the 9/11 attacks at the World Trade Center, the Pentagon, and Shanksville, PA.

The Claremont Fire Department has always marked the date, but this year's

commemoration seemed especially solemn. Five of the department's vehicles parked in front of the station in a gleaming row of red and silver. Early in the morning, a 20'x38' American flag was attached to the 100-foot ladder of Ladder 2. The flag waved, twisted, rippled and twirled in the fitful wind until 9pm.

Passing drivers tapped out one thou-

sand beeps in memory — and support — of all firefighters. Visitors chatted with those on duty. After sunset, fire captain Jim Chamberlain and his uncle, retired fire lieutenant Andy Chamberlain, played their bagpipes. The mournful yet uplifting skirling tunes literally stopped traffic while moving visitors to tears.

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NHSaves Virtual Button Up Workshop Presented by the City

CLAREMONT, NH— Button Up New Hampshire, the popular home energy savings workshop series, is coming virtually to the Claremont area. It will take place on Zoom with screen and audio over the internet, on Monday September 27th, from 7:00-8:30pm including a live Q and A time. The workshop is hosted by the city of Claremont, Claremont Energy Advisory Committee, Marro's Home Center and LaValley's Building Supply. It is sponsored by NHSaves and coordinated statewide by the Plymouth Area Renewable Energy Initiative (PAREI).

This NHSaves Button Up Workshop is a 1.5 hour presentation about how to improve the energy efficiency of your home. It is conducted by a certified energy auditor and covers basic building science principles as well as examples of whole house weatherization measures that will button up your home for the heating and cooling seasons. It also covers details about the energy efficiency programs offered by NH utilities (for existing homes and new construction) that provide energy audits, weatherization measures such as air sealing and insulating, and rebates on new technologies and products such as electric and gas appliances and high efficiency electric heating/cooling equipment.

NH residents wishing to use energy more efficiently, conserve energy and save money on their heating and cooling bills, will find the workshop presentation very helpful. For questions email reb178@myfairpoint.net. To attend the workshop use the zoom link below.

Here is the Zoom link for 7:00 pm on Monday, September 27th:

https://ccsnh.zoom.us/j/95360992000

NHSaves is a collaboration of New Hampshire's electric and natural gas utilities (Eversource, Liberty Utilities, NH Electric Cooperative and Unitil). The utilities are working together to provide NH customers with information, incentives, and support designed to save energy, reduce costs, and protect the NH environment. PAREI of Plymouth, NH, is working with local groups around the state to bring these workshops to the public on behalf of New Hampshire's utilities.

Workshop organizers
also recommend
the public
sign up
with
NHSaves
Facebook
and Twitter pages
for up to
date information
on energy



on energy saving tips and programs.

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Dartmouth Coach	8:48	12:47	2:51	
DHMC	9:01	1:00	3:01	4:45
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Dartmouth Coach	10:57			
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*Drop off only



Blossoming...

The Kurt Beek Memorial Garden at the Visitor's Center was planted and dedicated earlier this year and is now showing the fruits of those labors. The site includes a pollinator garden as well as a bench. Beek worked for the City for 13 years and served as project manager for Claremont (Eric Zengota photo).

3 VTSP Troopers Resign Following Allegations Related to Fraudulent Vax Cards

WATERBURY, VT—It was announced on Tuesday, Sept. 7, that three state troopers have resigned following allegations related to fraudulent COVID-19 vaccination cards.

Shawn Sommers and Raymond Witkowski submitted their resignations on Aug. 10, one day after another Vermont State Police trooper raised concerns with supervisors about their conduct. David Pfindel resigned effective Sept. 3 following additional investigation by the Department of Public Safety.

The three former troopers are suspected of having varying roles in the creation of fraudulent COVID-19 vaccination cards, which may be a violation of federal law. The details surrounding this incident, reported to supervisors by other troopers, were immediately reported to federal law enforcement authorities.

"The accusations in this case involve an extraordinary level of misconduct — a criminal violation of the law — and I could not be more upset and disappointed," said Col. Matthew T. Birmingham, director of the Vermont State Police. "If these allegations are proved to be true, it is reprehensible that state troopers would manipulate vaccination cards in the midst of a pandemic, when being vaccinated is one of the most important steps anyone can take to keep their community safe from COVID-19."

"I'm embarrassed that this situation has occurred and know that it has tarnished the reputation of the Vermont State Police," Birmingham continued. "That said, the alleged criminal conduct from these troopers does not represent the values and actions of the dedicated men and women of the Vermont State Police."

Added Vermont Public Safety Commissioner Michael Schirling: "Based on an initial internal review, we do not believe there is anything more the state police could have done to prevent this from occurring. As soon as other troopers became aware of this situation, they raised the allegations internally, and commanders took swift and decisive action to hold these individuals accountable and report this matter to federal authorities."

The state police referred the matter to the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the U.S. Attorney's Office in Burlington. An investigation by the FBI is underway, and as a result

the state police was unable to release information about the incident prior to Tuesday's statement.

Sommers and Witkowski both joined the Vermont State Police in July 2016 and were assigned to field stations following their graduation from the Vermont Police Academy in January 2017. Sommers worked at the Rutland Barracks until October 2017, when he

transferred to Shaftsbury; he transferred back to Rutland in December 2020. Witkowski spent his state police career at the Shaftsbury Barracks. Pfindel was hired in January 2014 and assigned to the St. Albans Barracks. He transferred to Shaftsbury in February 2016, became a detective trooper with the Bureau of Criminal Investigations in July 2016, and returned to work as a road trooper in April 2020.

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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

Business News

CSB Announces Two Promotions

CLAREMONT, NH—Claremont Savings
Bank is pleased to announce the promotions of Colby Martin to Vice President of Information Security and Vicki Corliss, Vice President of Collections.

"We are extremely pleased with the work Colby and his IT staff have done for the Bank," said Tim Bates, Senior Vice President of IT and Operations. "In the Spring of 2020, we asked him to take on management of IT in addition to his existing duties, expanding his role in the area of information security over the past several years. We are recognizing his performance and increasing responsibility by promoting him to Vice President of In-



Colby Martin



Vicki Corliss

formation Security. Colby is a vital member of our management team," says Bates.

"Vicki has been with Claremont Savings Bank for 27 years and has performed many job functions within the Bank, including VP of Operations," said Brandy Blackinton, Senior Vice President of Retail Lending and Collections. "Vicki has spent the last two years as the Collections Officer for Claremont Savings Bank, a role which she had to learn from the ground up. Over the past 2 years, Vicki has decreased the net retail loan delinquency ratio to all time low levels. It is important to note that she accomplished this during a pandemic," Blackinton added.

Dartmouth-Hitchcock Health Increases Minimum Wage to \$17 per Hour

LEBANON, NH – Dartmouth-Hitchcock Health (D-HH) is taking a major financial step to ensure its ability to attract and retain employees to fill critical roles within the system. Effective October 3, 2021, the state's largest private employer will raise its minimum rate of pay for all D-HH positions from \$14 per hour to \$17 per hour.

"The delivery of safe, high-quality patient care is the foundation of our mission, and our commitment to that mission is uncompromising," said Joanne M. Conroy, MD, CEO and President, Dartmouth-Hitchcock and Dartmouth-Hitchcock Health, in announcing the increase to D-HH staff Thursday. "Fundamental to achieving our mission is recognizing and supporting our employees, and we are proud to take steps to ensure our pay and benefit programs are highly competitive in the health care industry and, increasingly, and necessarily, outside the health care marketplace in the regional economy."

A major national trend of acute shortages of staff, in nursing, other clinical specialties, and vital support staff such as food service and environmental workers, has been magnified by the pandemic – a trend that is impacting D-HH as well.

In December, 2020, D-HH, with approximately 13,000 employees, increased its minimum rate of pay to \$14 per hour. Now, at a time of acute staff shortages across all positions, moving to \$17 per hour underscores the system's efforts and commitment to recognize and retain staff by staying aggressive with wage programs and providing a competitive starting rate of pay. Current employees in affected pay ranges will receive a base pay adjustment in October to reach a minimum of \$17 per hour.

"Providing high-quality, safe care to our patients takes a coordinated team of people – and each position on the team is critical to our success. From our staff who schedule appointments, to those who manage patient records, ensure our facilities are clean, comfortable and safe healing environments, to

those who do mountains of laundry, directly care for our patients, and to our food service staff who ensure everyone is fed," said Aimee M. Claiborne, DA, MBA, BSW, D-HH Chief Human Resources Officer. "Despite the challenges presented by the pandemic and our ongoing recovery, we are immensely proud of our team who has continued to provide outstanding care and keep operations moving forward..."

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Dartmouth-Hitchcock Health includes Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center, Norris Cotton Cancer Center, Children's Hospital at Dartmouth-Hitchcock, Alice Peck Day Memorial Hospital, Cheshire Medical Center, New London Hospital, Mt. Ascutney Hospital and Health Center, Visiting Nurse and Hospice for Vermont and New Hampshire and 24 Dartmouth-Hitchcock multi-specialty clinics.



Plan Ahead Before Joining the 'Great Resignation'

It's been called the "Great Resignation" – the large number of Americans voluntarily leaving their jobs. If you plan to be part of it (ideally with another source of employment lined up), you'll need to make the financial moves necessary to keep making progress toward your long-term goals.

Here's some background: After a year in which the pandemic caused so many people to lose their jobs, the economy is opening back up, but the "quit rate" – the number of jobs people have voluntarily left – has been breaking records. Some economists say this high quit rate is because people are confident of getting better jobs, with higher pay and more flexibility to work at home, or because they are preparing to start their own business or join the gig economy.

If you're thinking of joining this temporary migration from the workforce, how can you help ensure that you'll be financially stable and can continue to make progress toward your long-term goals?

Your first move is to look clearly at your financial situation. As mentioned above, it's best to have new employment in hand before you quit your job. Alternatively, perhaps you have a spouse or life partner who earns enough to sustain the two of you, or you've built up an emergency fund that gives you a cushion.

However, if your short-term income is less than you previously earned or you need to go without a paycheck for a while, could you still pay your bills? If you are strapped for cash, you might be tempted to tap into your 401(k) or other employer-

sponsored retirement plan. But this move will generally result in taxes and, if you are younger than 59 ½, a 10 percent penalty as well. Because of this, and because your retirement accounts are designed to be a financial resource after you retire, think twice before dipping into these funds if you leave your current employer.

If your employer allows it, you can leave your money in the 401(k) so you'll still be accumulating resources for retirement. You also have the option to roll those funds into an individual retirement account (IRA) or a new employer's retirement plan.

And if you plan to work for yourself as a freelancer, consultant or business owner, you'll still want to save toward retirement. Possible retirement plans for the self-employed include an "owner-only" 401(k), a SEP-IRA or a SIMPLE IRA, all of which may be relatively easy to establish and offer tax benefits. A financial advisor can help you find a retirement plan that's appropriate for your needs.

Here's something else to keep in mind – an emergency fund. As mentioned above, if you already have one, you'll have some breathing room if you're thinking of leaving your job and might have a temporary gap in income. But as the name suggests, an emergency fund is there to help cover unexpected costs, such as a major home repair, without forcing you to take out a loan, or cash out part of your longer-term investments. So, if you are planning to tap your emergency fund, work to restock it as soon as possible.

If you're participating in the "Great Resignation," it means you're feeling positive about your future employment prospects, which is great. But you'll want to support that optimism with a strong financial foundation.

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Everything ... Including the Kitchen Sink

St. Mary's Yard Sale a Crowded, Cheery Success



CLAREMONT, NH—That headline is not a joke. Darel Limoges, who worked the PA microphone for nearly six hours, was letting shoppers know that a \$500 triple sink could be had for as little as \$20.

The sink and thousands of other must-have bargain-priced items filled 125 tables — and the floor, and the bleachers — in St. Mary's Gym last Saturday. This was the 12th yard sale that the parish has put on, noted Norma Limoges, who has chaired the committee for all those years.

Shoppers browsed the aisles from 8am to 2pm, when a good deal of the items had been sold. Al St.Pierre trucked off what was left to

Time-Out Americana Grill for distribution to those in need.

All proceeds will benefit St. Mary's Parish.

Just before 8am, Norma
Limoges assigned duties to
the all-volunteer team of
workers. It's never too early
— even before 7:30am — to
line up for the yard sale's
8am opening. The proverbial
kitchen sink. At 8:08am, the
gym was already filled with
bargain hunters.

Text and photos by Eric Zengota



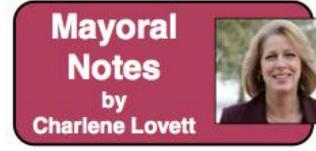






This butterfly nestled nicely in the cup-shaped zinnia.

Photo by Phyllis A. Muzeroll



Claremont – A Venue Site of Choice

The community's investment in its parks and recreation system and municipal airport has made Claremont the venue of choice for regional outdoor events, drawing people nationally and internationally. The city's diverse parks provide the backdrop for numerous sports competitions, music, and festivals. Recent multi-million-dollar improvements to the municipal airport have expanded opportunities for those interested in flying.

In August, the City hosted the Eastern States Cup Enduro race at the Arrowhead Recreation Area. Mountain bike enthusiasts, from across the country and abroad, participated in the race. Given the success of the race, plans are already in the works to hold it again in Claremont next year. In addition, there is a growing interest in holding other mountain bike events at the same location.

Also in August, the city's municipal airport hosted the Civil Air Patrol (CAP) which offered training to teenagers interested in flying. For one week, CAP taught students to fly glider planes. Some completed the training with a solo flight, enabling them to move forward with instruction on becoming fixed winged pilots. Students from across the nation attended the training which will be held again at Claremont's Municipal Airport next year.

More events are scheduled in Claremont's parks and recreation areas for September and October as follows:

On Saturday, September 18, the Claremont Kiwanis will host its 7th annual Brewfest and 6th annual 5K race at the Visitor Center Green, located along the Sugar River. Over 30 breweries will be at the event. The 5K will start at 11:30am. VIP admission is from noon to 1pm. General admission is 1-4pm.

On Sunday, September 19, the City will host the regional Special Olympics Track and Field Meet at Monadnock Park. Events will begin at 9am and closing ceremonies will be held around 1pm. On Saturday, October 2, the Greater Claremont Chamber of Commerce, in collaboration with the City's Parks and Recreation Department, will host its annual Fall Festival & Chili Cook-Off at the Visitor Center Green. The festival will begin at noon with live entertainment and numerous vendors. Chili tasting will be from 1-4pm.

Because of the success of the Enduro Mountain Bike Race in August, the University of New Hampshire (UNH) Mountain Bike Team selected Claremont as the location for hosting a Collegiate Cycling Championship. The event will take place on the weekend of October 9 and 10 at both Arrowhead and Moody Park.

Also in October, the City will host the regional Special Olympics Swim Meet at the Claremont Savings Bank Community Center. Date is to be determined.

To learn more about Claremont's parks and recreation system and/or upcoming events, please go to https://www.claremontnh.com/
page. For more information on the municipal airport, please go to https://www.claremontnh.com/municipal-air-port.

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

Sunapee Food Pantry Needs

SUNAPEE, NH—The Sunapee Food Pantry is reporting a need for items. "Due to a variety of reasons, there has been an uptick in use of the Food Pantry lately. Because of that, we are getting low on the following shelf-stable items," said Laura Trow, Welfare Administrator. They are seeking the following items:

Cereal – Full Size

Juice - Individual and Family size

Canned Fish and Meats

Bread/Muffin Mix

Instant Potatoes

Pasta

Fruit

Snacks

Gluten-Free Foods

We could also use the following personal care

items:

Razors Toothpaste

Deodorant

Shampoo/Conditioner

Fragrance Free Laundry Detergent/Softener

From the Claremont Parks & Rec Dept.

Due to a lifeguard staffing shortage, the pools at the Claremont Savings Bank Community Center will be closing at 11:30 AM and will reopen at 2:30 PM Monday through Friday. This will be effective starting September 13, 2021. We will continue to recruit and train staff and hope that this schedule will only be for a short time. We appreciate your continued support and patience during this transition. For updated schedules, please visit www.clare-montparks.com.

Claremont has been chosen as the host site for this year's Special Olympics Track and Field Meet and we are looking for volunteers to help with this event. The day of the event will be Sunday, September 19th. Events will take place at Monadnock Park and will include track and field events.

Volunteers will be required to attend a training for their event at 8:45 AM and will need to be able to help with that event throughout the day. The closing ceremonies are scheduled to take place at approximately 1PM.

Any group or individual who is interested in volunteering, please contact Claremont Parks and Recreation Director, Mark Brislin by phone at (603) 542-7019 or by e-mail at mbrislin@claremontnh.com.

Drive-In Movie Night - Friday, Sept. 17th
Join us for a PG movie at The Grace River
Church Lot on Maple Avenue (Across the
street from NFR and next to Maple Lanes
Bowling Ally!). The movie to be played is *Tom*& Jerry The Movie (PG).

Movie Info: A chaotic battle ensues between Jerry Mouse, who has taken refuge in the Royal Gate Hotel, and Tom Cat, who is hired to drive him away before the day of a big wedding arrives.

We ask that all families and/or individuals watch the movie either from their vehicles or in the space that will be designated to you for your vehicle. We thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Parking/gates will open at 6PM.

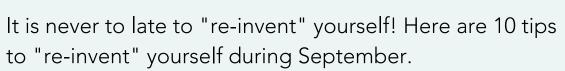
Relax in the bed of your vehicle or bring a chair, this movie is FREE to All!

The movie will start at dusk.

A huge THANK YOU to our event sponsor: Love's Bedding & Furniture; the event would not be made possible without their generous giving!

Healthy Aging Month

For the past 20 years, the month of September has been recognized as Healthy Aging ® Month to raise awareness about the positive aspects of growing older. The focus of the month is to inspire adults over 45 to improve their overall health and well being. Healthy aging is more than just physical health, it is also about a healthy mental, social, and financial state.





Tips to healthy aging

Do not act your age

Smile

Embrace your creativity

Stay social

O Ditch the negativity

Walk 10,000 steps a day

Walk & stand tall

Get annual check-ups

Maintain a healthy diet

Try something new

For more information about healthy aging visit the <u>Aging Resource Center</u> at Dartmouth-Hitchcock or <u>Healthy Aging</u>.



Sports/Recreation

SHS Field Hockey

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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
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SHS Boys Soccer

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09/15/21	at	Lebanon	04	4:00	0 F	M
09/25/21		Kearsarge	07	7:00	0 F	M
09/28/21	at	Souhegan	04	1:30	0 F	M
09/30/21	at	Fall Mountain Reg	06	3:0	0 F	M
10/06/21		Brattleboro Union	06	3:0	0 F	M
10/08/21		Plymouth	04	4:00	0 F	M
10/11/21	at	Manchester West	07	7:00	0 F	M
10/14/21		Oyster River	06	3:00	0 F	M
10/16/21		Fall Mountain Reg	07	7:00	0 F	M
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SHS Girls Soccer

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10/22/21	at	Pelham	04	1:0	O F	M

SHS Volleyball

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09/08/21		Trinity	L 1 - 3
09/13/21		Sunapee	06:15 PM
09/15/21	at	Farmington	06:15 PM
09/17/21	at	Mascenic	06:15 PM
09/22/21	at	Fall Mountain Reg	06:15 PM
09/24/21		Mascoma Valley	06:45 PM
09/27/21	at	Nute	05:45 PM
09/29/21		Fall Mountain Reg	06:15 PM
10/02/21	at	Sunapee	10:00 AM
10/04/21		Portsmouth Christian	06:15 PM
10/06/21		Hillsboro-Deering	06:15 PM
10/08/21	at	Kennett	05:30 PM
10/15/21		Franklin	06:15 PM
10/18/21		Raymond	06:15 PM
10/20/21	at	Mascoma Valley	06:15 PM

Cards Football Scores 1st Win of the Season

The Stevens Football team hit the road again for their second game of the season, traveling to Tilton, NH to take on the Winnisquam Bears. The Cardinals returned home with their first win of the season 35-8.

Jai-Lique Ribeiro gave Stevens an early lead, scoring his first varsity touchdown on a 7 yard run. The conversion run was no good. Stevens would score again in the first quarter as Hunter Christian scored on a 3 yard run.

Aiden White scored his first varsity points as his kick split the uprights to give the Cardinals a 13-0 lead after a quarter.

Stevens would get another Christian touchdown in the 2nd quarter, this time from 5 yards out. Sophomore Cam Cummings scored his first varsity points as he ran in the two point conversion. The Cardinals closed out the first half scoring on a 10 yard touchdown connection from Zack Bundy to Kaden Thyne. The kick

was wide right and the half ended 27-0.

Pascal Lemieux increased the Stevens lead in the third quarter as he, too, scored his first varsity touchdown on a 5 yard yard run. Lemieux added the conversion run, as well, for a 35-0 lead. The Bears would add a late touchdown and two point conversion to account for the final score of 35-8.

The Cardinals offensive line of Carson Vielguth, Colby Shepherd, AJ Rozzell, Cam Oxton, and Lucas Smith opened holes all afternoon for Cardinal running backs allowing them to control the clock. Kaden Thyne and Pascal Lemieux each had an interception, and Jai-Lique Ribeiro accounted for over 100 total yards with his rushing and receiving.

Stevens will play their first home game of the season on Friday Night at Barnes Park, as they will host the Laconia Sachems. Game time is 7 PM.

Bernard Cup Set for Oct. 16

CLAREMONT, NH—The 50th annual Bernard Cup will take place on Saturday, Oct. 16, at Barnes Park. This annual rivalry between the SHS Cardinals Boys Soccer team and Fall Mountain is one of the most anticipated sports events in the area. Fifty years ago the Claremont community packed the park with over 700 attendees for the first playing of this Cup game, and this year's organizers are hoping for a repeat of a big turnout. Action begins at 7:00 p.m.



It was a tough 1-2 loss for the SHS varsity field hockey team Tuesday afternoon in a competitive game with Conant High School (Courtesy photo).

Stevens High School Alumni Association 150th Reunion Celebration Moves Forward

By Carolyn LeBlanc **Stevens High School Alumni Association**

As we get closer to our annual weekend celebration, plans are being finalized for the annual parade with floats, cars, trams, bands, Bektash, pipes and drum units. This past week 3 more classes have expressed interest in participating in the parade, which would make 20 classes supporting the 150th celebration. How wonderful is that. Your class can still register an entry of some sort in the parade but time is getting short so please do It ASAP. Dick Girard, our parade chairman can make it happen for you.

Some exciting news from the Claremont Opera House: In conjunction with our weekend celebration, COH has booked a vintage pop & jazz singer/songwriter, Kat Edmonson to perform on Friday evening, Oct., 1st. In honor of Stevens Alumni 150th reunion, they are offering one free ticket for each alumni who graduated prior to 1972. A big Thank You to the COH. Sponsored by the Joan and Tom Kane Endowment, this show should be excellent. If any alumni are interested in taking advantage of this free ticket and having an evening of entertainment provided by the COH, don't delay in contacting them to get your free ticket. Space is limited as masks will be required and there will be social distancing. Contact phone number for this event is 603-542-4433 and website www.claremontoperahouse.info for more information.

Another much anticipated highlight of the parade will be Pat, the New England Patriots mascot, accompanied by one of the cheerleaders. They will sign posters and mingle with the spectators during the parade. So be sure to wave and welcome them to our 150th reunion day celebration.

The following units have been booked to participate In the parade:

Bruce Streeter, white carriage and team of Belgium draft horses Stevens High School Band Middle School Band Yankee Doodle Legion Band Legion of Honor American Legion Band St. Andrews Pipes Band

Civil War Hemlocks

NHPA Pipe Band

Boston Windiammers Sons of Italy Band Colchester Continental Fife and Drum Corps Mt. Sinai **Motor Corp** Firehouse Six Dixieland Band **Backwoods** Ax Co. Band Catamount Pipe Band

As I mentioned in my previous news article, there are 17

class floats/units registered and just this week, three more classes have expressed an interest in having their class years represented. That is wonderful news. So again, not too late to register but the window of opportunity to take part is this Alumni 150th reunion parade is getting very short so please call Dick Girard and get your class registered whether you have a float, are walking or riding.

AND KEEPS ON TICK!

Please show your support of this proud organization and take part in the weekend festivities.

Steve Smith from WCNL in Newport will be our emcee, The viewing stand will be located in front of the Village Pizza, a change this year from previous years.

Please take note: A change to our entertainment at the Visitors Center after the Chili Cook-Off! The entertainment location has been changed to the American Legion on Broad St. We feel that as the weather is getting cooler and daylight shorter it would be more enjoyable to go inside, sit down and enjoy the music. Who knows, you might see old friends and classmates to reminisce with. The band is still Backwoods Ax Co. Band and is also performing in the parade for your listening pleasure. Admittance to the dance is free to Alumni and open to the public. Come and en-

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joy.

The annual meeting is at 2:00 following the parade and a light luncheon of finger rolls and desserts will be served at no charge. Desserts will be provided by Uptown Bakery and Custom Cakes by Tammi.

Don't forget to visit the Chili Cook-Off presented by Greater Claremont Chamber of Commerce and Claremont Parks and Recreation from noon until 4:00.

If you are interested in a commemorative tee-shirt, contact the Ink Factory for more details. For every shirt or sweatshirt sold, the alumni makes a portion.

To be a part of this parade please contact our parade chairman Dick Girard at 603-543-6398.

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.

Inspiration

Let's Roll

By Priscilla Hull

I remember a bright sunny September morning in northern New England. It was a perfect day for a ride. I was living in Colebrook at the time, pastor of a small church there. Two other pastors and I were driving to a meeting near Plymouth, at a campground. We were happy to be going and talked together as we drove the two and a half hours. These were always enjoyable trips. Of course, we had no idea of what horrors we would face. I talked about my sister and brother-in law who had just returned to their home in the East Village (NYC). They loved the peace and quiet of their home on Green Lake in Ontario, but happy to get back to the hustle and bustle and ongoing activity of The City. I expected a call from them that evening.

The day didn't quite meet our expectations. The tragedy of the attack on the World Trade Center, the Pentagon and the aborted third attack of the plane that was crashed in Pennsylvania dashed our expectations for the day. We returned home broken and shocked to care for our people.

Meantime, while the horrors of New York City and the Pentagon were televised, an action was going on in a remote field in Pennsylvania that we hadn't heard about yet. Some people on board United flight 93 from Newark to San Francisco recognized trouble and having heard about the attack in New York City, decided to take action against whatever was about to happen. After considering the facts and taking a vote among the passengers and crew, Todd Beamer and others decided to storm the cockpit and end this attack that was sure to kill many more. So with the words "Let's roll", he and a few others stopped the attack with a powerfully brave action that caused flight 93 to crash. All lives were lost, but further loss and a fateful attack on either the White House or the Capitol Building were aborted.



These men and women, the people at the Pentagon, the people in New York City and on these four flights all were lost that day. With the words, "Let's roll", the people took charge to defend our country at all cost! I read today that it is a tradition for some fire fighters to dress in their full 30 pounds of gear and climb a stepper for 300 steps to honor of the those who did not survive. Here in Claremont, we fly special flags to remember; the picture is the "other flag" on Rte 11/103.

As well as remembering the people we lost, we must remember the reasons for the attacks. As we remember 9-11, we need to be sure that this kind of thing never happens again! We need to break down the barriers that have caused separation and we must renew the threads of love, kindness and peace. We cannot allow our own desires to trample the rights of our brothers and sisters in our own land and in lands loved by others. Can we live beyond out differences and the disconnects we have created so that we can be a country that cares about our neighbor's again?

Let us find reasons for peace. Help us to live together without the anger, hatred and greed that led to that infamous day. It is through understanding and love that we can defeat the evils of the world and learn once again to look out for others, as the men and women on United flight 93 did.

Meantime comfort each other, not just those we know, but those we don't know, those who talk differently, who dress differently, those who believe differently, even those we don't understand!

He will shelter you with his wings; you will find safety under his wings. His faithfulness is like a shield or a protective wall. Psalm 91:4

Then He will judge between the nations and arbitrate for many peoples. They will beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation will no longer take up the sword against nation, nor train anymore for war. He will judge between the nations and will settle disputes for many peoples.

Isaiah 2:4

Thank You, Members — and 'Future Members'!

<u>CSBCC September Appreciation Day</u> <u>Features Free Classes, Healthy Snacks</u>

The first of every month is Member Appreciation Day at the Claremont Savings Bank Community Center. On September 1, the Center offered free introductory sessions in pickleball and Zumba. Members and possibly-soon-to-be members alike enjoyed their first look at these two very popular activities. Mark Brislin, Claremont director of parks and recreation, also made sure there were baskets of nutritious health bars for anyone who visited the Center.





Pickleball players are keen on the competition; member Karen Parker picked up a health bar to enjoy after her swim session (Eric Zengota photos).



CSBCC Member Spotlight

Aazer Wein

Aazer Wein, 20, of Claremont, has been coming to the Center on a family membership for 8 years.

"The Center is funded by the city, and I want to give back to the town, support local organizations."

Aazer is studying anatomy and physiology at RVCC, looking ahead to the fields of occupational therapy and physical therapy. "I might eventually become a personal trainer."



Aazer's training philosophy is simple: "I train for long-term health."



"I'd been a chubby kid, and then I was too skinny. But then I followed my brothers and cousins, and got into serious bodybuilding about a year and a half ago."

"My father kept saying I have to work everything, not just focus on aesthetics. I've been exploring specifically what's best for my body type. When you work on the mechanics, the aesthetics take care of themselves."

"The Center is a place I call home. Everything is new and clean, and it's safe to work out. It's a great place to meet others.

Seeing other people exercise is inspiring, and I've been able to build my own confidence and self-esteem."

Calendar Of Events

Celebration of Equinox Day on 25 Sept. 2021 (Saturday)

Noon to 4 PM

Location: 252 Elm St., Claremont, NH on

Koasek Land

NEIGHBOR - YOU ARE INVITED

The Ko'asek (Co'wasuck) Traditional Band of the Sovereign Abenaki Nation is having an outside ceremony honoring Fall. Bring a chair and drink and food to share. PLEASE RSVP to Bunnellloyalist@aol.com

Activities:

Sacred Fire & Greetings & Food Share Smudging & Opening Blessings to the Fall Harvest Season.

Children: Abenaki Tossed Ball Game
Talking Circle – Introduction by all as we sit in
a circle of peace. Meeting each other.
Songs & Drums (Music words for all)
Talking/Medicine Circle – Feelings and comments by all if desired.

Pond trail open to view our future water habitat sanctuary.

Ancestors Food Leaving Ceremony at our Sacred Cedar Tree.

Sacred Gift Cloth with tobacco, sage and cedar, and feather for every guest (Made by Chief Paul)

Unity Historical Society to Present Program on Preservation of Paper

UNITY, NH—The Unity Historical Society is pleased to have Carolyn Frisa of "Works on Paper," in Bellows Falls, VT, come to its Tuesday, September 14th, meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the Unity Town Hall. She will be speaking on the preservation of paper to protect and extend its life.

Paper used to be made from rags but in the 1840's using pulpwood became the largest source of raw material for making paper. The problem is that wood is acidic and slowly burns the paper. You may have noticed a brown ring around a picture that has a paper mat which has leached the acid onto the picture. Foxing is also an age related problem that causes

reddish brown spots on books, deeds, pictures and certificates, as well as money and stamps. These are just several of the problems that "Works on Paper" can correct by removing the acid and other processes to save these items. If they are to be framed, using an acid-free matting and backing will keep them looking great.

Frisa has offered to examine anything we may bring to the meeting that may have a concern. Please bring in items you are questioning in order to learn about these problems and how they can be corrected.

She will also discuss the work she has done in the past on town records – including a Moose plate grant secured by Jim Romer to restore Unity voting records from the 1800's. These records have also been digitized to make them easier to view without handling the articles. The Town Clerk, Rosemary Heino and Jim Romer have written another grant request to have three books of Selectmen's records conserved and digitized. We are waiting with bated breath for the answer to the request.

Some time ago the town voted to start a fund to use for the conservation of our town records which hold a wealth of information about the

town and its people. (Some have already been done but not digitized which is another project itself.)

Please join us for this informative meeting. If you have questions call Judi Tatem at 603 543 0955.

La Leche League Meeting Sept. 16

CLAREMONT, NH—
Claremont La Leche
League meets in-person
(outdoors). Join us for
breastfeeding/chestfeeding/
humanmilk feeding information and support on September 16th at 2PM outdoors (contact us for the
location).
ClarmontLLL@gmail.com,

603-306-9892.

Coffee with the Chief Sept. 29

SUNAPEE, NH—The next Coffee with the Chief is on Wednesday, September 29 from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. at the Safety Services Building. A recap of the police department's Calls for Service from the summer months will be discussed, and we'll talk about and demonstrate the department's new body camera system. Bring your questions, comments and appetite and join the Chief for coffee and breakfast on the 29th.

Soo-Nipi Quilters Guild Biennial Quilt Show Open

NEWPORT, NH—The "Together Again with Quilts" exhibit presented by the Soo-Nipi Quilters Guild of Newport opened 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.

Poker Walk Fundraiser to Benefit the River Valley Animal Protection League

CHARLESTOWN, NH—Please come out to support the RVAPL by participating in our Poker Walk! It will be held on Saturday, October 16, starting at the Silsby Library Courtyard on Main St. in Charlestown NH. Walk a ~1.25 mile route around downtown Charlestown and collect poker cards at stations along the way. There will be a prize for the best poker hand awarded at the end of the event. All participants are also eligible for additional prizes. Winners selected at random.

Participants may walk anytime between 2pm and 4pm. *Please start by 3:30pm to be back by 4pm. Registration (\$10) will be on the day of the event at the Silsby Library Courtyard. You may walk the course additional times as long as you re-register (for a discounted price of \$8!). There will also be other items for raffle.

We will be promoting social distancing and please wear a mask for when you will be close to other people.

For more info, call 603-826-3061 or go to rivervalleyapl.wordpress.com.

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.

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.

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 stevensalumninh.com/news/10408/alumni-weekend-2021/

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

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 9/5:

6:32 PM: Engine 4 responded to Belding St. for a medical call.

7:16 PM: Engine 4 responded to McKenzie Drive for a medical call.

10:19 PM: Engine 4 responded to Pleasant St. for a medical call.

Monday 9/6:

12:16 PM: Engine 4 responded to Clay Hill Rd. for a smoke detector issue.

7:24 PM: Engine 4 responded to School St. for a possible illegal burn.

8:02 PM: Engine 4 responded to High St. for an alarm sounding.

Tuesday 9/7:

5:06 AM: Engine 4 responded to Stone Ave. to assist Golden Cross Ambulance.

8:22 AM: Engine 3 responded to Sugar River Drive for a motor vehicle accident.

7:15 PM: Engine 3 responded to Myrtle St. for an odor investigation.

9:19 PM: Engine 4 responded to Summer St. for an odor of something burning. **Wednesday 9/8:**

10:13 AM: Engine 4 responded to Myrtle St. for a medical call.

10:51 AM: Engine 4 responded to Pleasant St. for an alarm sounding.

12:38 PM: Engine 4 responded to Wildwood Ave. for a well-being check.

3:13 PM: Engine 4 responded to Puckershire Ave. for a report of a wire down in the road way.

5:03 PM: Engine 3 responded to the intersection of West Pleasant St. and Mulberry St. for a motor vehicle accident.

5:22 PM: Engine 3 responded to Chestnut St. in the are of the Rail Trail for an illegal burn.

7:14 PM: Engine 4 responded to Puckershire Ave. for a smoke investigation.

9:44 PM: Ladder 2 and Engine 4 responded to Box Alarm 0121.

Thursday 9/9:

5:48 AM: Engine 4 responded to Grove St. for a carbon monoxide alarm sounding.

10:52 AM: Engine 4 responded to Slab City Rd. for a tree on wires.

12:04 PM: Engine 4 responded to Bon St. for a medical call.

Friday 9/10:

5:57 AM: Ladder 1 and Rescue 1 responded to Pleasant St. for a motor vehicle accident.

3:57 PM: Engine 4 responded to Broad St. for a motor vehicle accident.

8:43 PM: Engine 4 responded to Heritage Drive for a medical call.

9:03 PM: Engine 4 responded to Pleasant St. for an animal rescue.

10:52 PM: Engine 4 responded to Pearl St. for a possible over dose.

Saturday 9/11:

10:40 AM: Engine 4 responded to Wildwood Ave. for a medical call.

1:51 PM: Engine 4 and Engine 3 responded to Stringer Lane for a report of smoke filling a residence.

2:21 PM: Engine 4 responded to Pleasant St. for a medical call.

Spirits of Claremont 2021 Cemetery Walk to Follow Theme Inspired by Current Events

CLAREMONT, NH—The Spirits of Claremont 2021 Cemetery Walk will take place on Sunday, September 19, at 2pm at the adjoining Union and St Mary Cemeteries, Old Church Road, Claremont, NH. The event is free and open to the public, with donations accepted.

Costumed actors will share stories of local history, blended with the magic of theater, inside the hedges surrounding the fountain at 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 attendees will be encouraged to walk through the cemetery afterwards to visit the graves of those whose stories were told.

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.

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 audience members are welcome 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.

Claremont NH Historical Society and

Off Broad Street Players began collaborating in 2005 to produce living history walks in local cemeteries. The walks continued annually for seven years. In later years some of the stories were adapted for indoor events, including at the Claremont Opera House as part of Claremont's 250th celebration in 2014.

This will be the first outdoor cemetery event 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.

Two CCTV episodes of the historical series "Spirits of Claremont" were also recorded for broadcast at http://claremontv.org/ (click on Channel 8 and "search" for Spirits of Claremont) A new episode is being produced and will be ready for broadcast on CCTV soon.

Information is available at the Facebook pages for "Claremont NH History Museum" and "OBSP Claremont NH". Space inside the garden is limited, so please call Sharon Wood, 603-542-6454 or sharon_wood@pobox.com to indicate your intention to attend.



Kara Lee as Maria Busch Piper at the 2010 Pleasant St Cemetery Walk (Courtesy photo).

Remembering Loved Ones...

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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.

www.etickernewsofclaremont.com

Edrice V. Blewitt, 102

Edrice V. Blewitt, 102, formerly of Forest Street in Claremont, NH, died September 7, 2021 at Sullivan County Healthcare in Unity, NH.

She was born on October 31, 1918, the daughter of William and Marjorie (Page) Kittredge and had been a lifetime area resident. Edrice was a graduate of Stevens High School, Class of 1936. She had been employed as a bookkeeper by BankEast for 20 years. Edrice was a member of the Claremont BPW and Ladies Union Aide Society. She was the widow of William F. Blewitt, Sr., who died on November 12, 1999.

Members of her family include a son, William F. Blewitt, Jr., Claremont, NH; two daughters, Elizabeth "Beth" Benham, Iowa, Marjorie "Midge" Merrill, Charlestown, NH, six grand-children, seven great grandchildren, one sister, Geraldine LaValley, Newport, NH; one brother, Robert Kittredge, North Carolina.

She was predeceased by four brothers, Lloyd Kittredge, William Kittredge, Theodore Kittredge and Alfred Kittredge.

There will be no visiting hours. Funeral Services will be held at 11:00 am on Thursday (September 30) at the Roy Funeral Home, 93 Sullivan Street, Claremont, NH. Interment will follow in Mt. View Cemetery. The family suggests that in lieu of flowers memorial contribu-

tions may be made to Friends of Sullivan County Healthcare, 5 Nursing Home Drive, Claremont, NH 03743.

You are invited to share a memory of Edrice with the family or leave a message of condolence in the family guest book at www.royfuneralhome.com. Arrangements have been entrusted to Roy Funeral Home and Cremation Service.

James E. Howe, 86

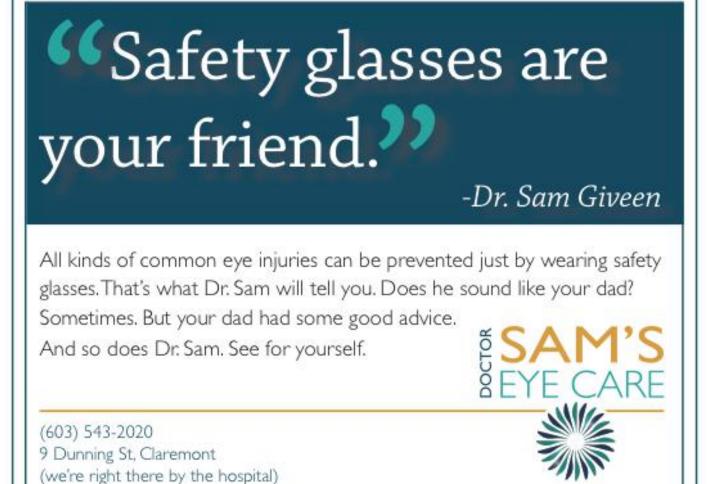
James E. Howe, 86, of Acworth, NH, and Fort Myers, FL, passed away September 8, 2021 at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center due to complications during a heart procedure.

He is survived by his wife of 63 years, Nancy Howe, daughters Amy Sovak and her husband Joe of North Reading, MA, and Deborah Norris and her husband Greg of Wrentham, MA. Nothing made him happier than spending time fishing, boating, and enjoying the lake with his three grandchildren – Kellie, Kevin and Kyle Sovak.

Jim was born and raised in Bellows Falls, VT, and attended Bellows Falls Union High School. After an adventurous trip south on Route 5, Jim settled in the Lordship section of Stratford, CT, for the next 45+ years, with Nancy, where they raised their family. He worked for AVCO/Textron Lycoming for 35 years, becoming active in the UAW union. He shaped hundreds of young lives as a long-time Little League and Youth Football Coach. Jim served in leadership roles in the Lordship Fathers' Club for over 15 years. His love of coaching and his involvement in the community, combined with his easy-going, fun-loving nature, has made him a true Lordship legend.

To say he was passionate about the Red Sox and Patriots is an understatement as he proudly wore them on his shirt, sweatpants or hat (or all three) as he discussed his teams with anyone who would listen. His other passion was Crescent Lake, his happy place. Jim & Nancy turned the fishing camp he bought from his dad in 1963 into the beautiful lake home it is today. Every meticulous inch of the land is a result of their hard work and love of the great family memories it provided for the last 58 years.

A funeral Mass will be held Tuesday, September 14th at St. Mary's Catholic Church, 32 Pearl Street, Claremont, NH, at 11 am. After the Mass, friends and family are invited to a



Celebration of Life outdoors at the lake. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation in memory of Jim to the Jimmy Fund at www.jimmyfund.org.

The Stringer Funeral Home is assisting with arrangements.

Rosemary Garfield, 83

Rosemary Nelson Garfield, 83, of Charlestown, NH, died Wednesday (September 8, 2021) at Sullivan County Healthcare in Unity, NH.

She was born in Claremont, NH, on October 23, 1937, the daughter of Edward and Gladys (Soucy) Nelson.

Members of her family include three children, Kelly Mack and her husband Gary, Langdon, NH; Scott Garfield, Charlestown, NH; Steven Garfield, Windsor, VT; seven grandchildren, eight great grandchildren, two sisters, Cheryl Bernatchy, Charlestown, NH; Natalie Laber-Nelson, Montana, a brother, Wayne Nelson, Nottingham, NH and several nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her parents, her husband, Roger Garfield and a sister Christine Mattson.

Per Rosemary's wishes, there will be no visiting hours. A graveside memorial service will be held at 1:00 PM on Saturday (September 18) in St. Mary's Cemetery. The family suggests that in lieu of flowers, memorial contributions be made to Friends of Sullivan County Healthcare, 5 Nursing Home Drive, Claremont, NH 03743.

You are invited to share a memory of Rosemary with the family or leave a message of condolence in the family guest book at www.royfuneralhome.com. Arrangements have been entrusted to the Roy Funeral Home and Cremation Service.

Nicholis Burke, Sr., 40

Nicholis Burke, Sr., 40, of Claremont, NH, passed away after a rough fight with Covid-19 on September 2, 2021.

Nicholis was born on January 18, 1981 in Pittsfield, MA. He was raised in Becket, MA, by his grandparents, Josephine and Russell Burke, before finally settling down in Claremont, NH, in 2010. He went to Wahconah High School in Dalton, MA, class of 2000. He married his high school sweetheart, Cassie Burke, on May 31, 2003. He was a volunteer at Beckett, MA, fire department.

Nicholis was a loving and amazing husband, father, grandfather, and friend. He has taught his children to reach for the stars and to stand up for what they believe in. He enjoyed playing video games, especially Destiny 2. He also enjoyed driving, traveling, adventures and mudding. His favorite color was plum purple. He was affectionately nicknamed The Hulk because he was the strongest man his friends and family knew. A favorite quote of his is "if you're feeling froggy, take a leap".

Nicholis is survived by his wife of 18 years, Cassie; children, Jerlynn and son-in-law Joshua, Nicholis Jr., Wyatt, La'Nise, and Brandy; grandchildren Nia, and A'donise, grandfather Russel Burke, parents; Sharon and stepfather James Nolan, and Michael Burke, parent-in-laws Katrina and Roger Bell; sister Sherry Blake, brother-in-law Gregory Jordan, nieces and nephews along with many loved ones, including a family of bombshells.

He was predeceased by his grandparent Josephine Burke, George and Lois Porter and brother Dana Porter.

A life celebration was held on September 11.

The Stringer Funeral Home is assisting with arrangements.

Irene Whalen, 81

Irene Whalen, 81, of Newport, NH, passed away peacefully on September 8, 2021, surrounded by her loving family. Irene was born on December 30, 1939, in Newport NH, to the late Fred and Doris Johnson. She was preceded in death by her husband Charles Whalen, 3rd and her son Gary Philbrook, Jr.

She enjoyed spending time with her family and playing Bingo as often as possible and going to the casino. She played on bowling leagues for many years. In summers she went to many local fairs.

She is survived by her loving and devoted children: Marlene Hamilton of Coventry, RI, Donna Whalen of Newport, NH, Sheryl Whalen of Claremont, NH, and Clifford Whalen of Newport, NH. Also by six sisters: Lillian Babbitt of Charlestown, NH, Patricia Locke of Springfield, VT, Dorothy Waterman of Florida, Susan Barton of Newport, NH, Fredericka Choinere of Charlton, MA, and Jeanette Langlois of Newport, NH. She has numerous nieces and nephews, ten wonderful grandchildren and nine great grandchildren.

There will be no visitation hours. A graveside burial service for family and friends will take

place at Pine Grove Cemetery Newport NH, on September 18th at 11 AM. A reception will follow at the Newport Senior Center.

The Stringer Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Rosalind M. Bailey, 81

Rosalind M. Bailey, 81, formerly of Cornish, NH, passed away on September 3, 2021, at Cheshire Medical Center in Keene, NH. She was born in Claremont, NH, on November 17, 1939, the daughter of Clyde and Vera Bailey. Rosalind was a graduate of Stevens High School, Connecticut College and Syracuse University. She had been a librarian for the Manchester City Library.

She is survived by her brother, Alton C. Bailey.

A graveside service was held in Edminster Cemetery in Cornish on Friday, September 10th.

The Stringer Funeral Home is assisting with arrangements.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 17 DEADLINE FOR CEMETERY CLEANUP

The Cornish Cemetery Department is in the process of scheduling the fall cleanup. Please remove all items on, or around a family headstone prior to Friday, September 17th.

All items left after this date will be removed and disposed of by the Cemetery Department.

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 e-list, please contact Colleen O'Neill at coneillnh@aol.com or 603-398-9762.

We are looking for help in establishing a 501c3 non-profit organization.

PUBLIC NOTICE

For a meeting of the
CLAREMONT ENERGY ADVISORY
COMMITTEE
To be held on

Monday, September 20, 2021 at 6:00 PM at the Visitor Center, 14 North Street Claremont NH

GOFERR Launches New CARES Act-Funded COVID-19 Business Expenses Program

CONCORD, NH – On Thursday, the Governor's Office for Emergency Relief and Recovery (GOFERR) launched the COVID-19 Expenses Relief Program to assist New Hampshire for-profit Main Street businesses with COVID-19 related business expenses in 2020 and 2021.

"Thousands of New Hampshire small businesses have been helped through our state programs to address the economic impacts of COVID-19," said Commissioner Taylor Caswell, Executive Director of GOFERR. "We realize, however, that as many small businesses have continued to adapt their operations throughout the pandemic many remain in need of financial assistance. The COVID-19 Expenses Relief Program will help small businesses offset a portion of these COVID-19 related costs."

Eligible businesses can apply for reimbursement of a portion of their eligible expenses until 4 PM on October 1, 2021, via the GOFERR portal. Awards will be issued following the application deadline, on a capped, pro-rata basis dependent upon total eligible expenses.

Eligible expenses for reimbursement include but are not limited to the following categories:

- Costs incurred while closed due to COVID-19 (such as prorated rent, mortgage payments, and utilities);
- Costs incurred as a result of reopening after COVID-19 related closure (such as PPE, workforce safety training, and installation of physical safety measures); and
- Increased costs of doing business as a result of COVID-19 (such as HVAC improvements, creation or addition of indoor or outdoor space for social distancing purposes, and increased costs due to supply chain disruptions or increased demand).

Note: More information on the program, including eligibility information, can be found at https://www.goferr.nh.gov/covid-expenditures/covid-19-expenses-relief-program.

Photography Exhibition Opens on Sept. 18 at Billings Farm & Museum in Woodstock, VT

WOODSTOCK, VT—Billings Farm & Museum in Woodstock, VT, presents the Voices from the Land exhibition by celebrated Vermont photographer Jim Westphalen. The exhibition, in partnership with the Woodstock Inn & Resort, is open from September 18 through October 20.

The Voices from the Land will tell the story of Americans who have forged, and continue to forge, a life from the land. There will be 22 large-format photographs created with Jim's vintage 4x5 view camera that he's adapted for digital capture. The featured images will be available for purchase, with a portion of the proceeds supporting the Billings Farm & Museum.

"It's an honor to host this special exhibition," said David Simmons, Executive Director of

Billings Farm & Museum. "Billings Farm & Museum is a natural venue for Jim Westphalen's striking and stunning images of rural America."

As a professional photographer for more than 30 years, Jim Westphalen documents scenes of human occupation within natural surroundings, with images of aging farms, barns, and other rural structures across America. Born and raised in Long Island, New York, he moved to Vermont in 1996.

The Voices from the Land exhibition is included with admission to Billings Farm & Museum. Guests of the Woodstock Inn & Resort receive complimentary admission to the farm and exhibition.



Beautiful Work

CLAREMONT, NH—The first team to register with the City of Claremont's Adopt-a-Spot Program spruces up the grounds of the Fiske Free Library once a month. From left: Gary Merchant, Tammy Cavin, Liza Draper, Sam Killay.

The Adopt-A-Spot Program gives citizens, non-profits, businesses and other organizations the opportunity to show pride in our community. The program reduces litter along roadways and park systems, builds community support for anti-litter and roadway beautification programs, educates the public about proper disposal of litter, and enhances the environment and beautifies Claremont parks and roadsides.

Volunteers will spruce up designated areas throughout the city by removing litter and debris, controlling weeds, planting trees and other plants, mulching, and identifying and eliminating hazards.

For more information on Adopt-a-Spot, call Claremont Parks and Recreation at 603-542-7019, or email parksinfo@claremontnh.com (Eric Zengota photo).

The Claremont City Council will hold a public meeting on <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>September 22, 2021</u>, at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall.

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

 $\underline{https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81529457408?pwd=dmpEQ1BRNXNibVFUb1dYNU1nWnZIQT09}$

Passcode: 739587

Or by telephone: 1-646-558-8656, Webinar ID: 815 2945 7408, 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

- 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 August 31, and September 8, 2021, City Council Meeting(s)
- 6:37 PM 5. MAYOR'S NOTES
- 6:42 PM 6. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT
- 6:45 PM 7. CITIZEN'S FORUM (Comments on Non-agenda Items Limited to 5 Minutes per Speaker (Council Rule 24))
 - 8. OLD BUSINESS
 - 9. NEW BUSINESS
- 6:55 PM A. Airport Master Plan Update (City Manager)
- 7:25 PM B. Annual Approval of Investment Policy (City Manager)
- 7:40 PM C. Resolution 2022-8 Airport Runway Rehabilitation Project Grant Public Hearing (City Manager)

BREAK

- 8:05 PM D. Ordinance 585 Remove School Zones First Reading (City Manager)
- 8:20 PM E. Resolution 2022-9 AFG Fire Prevention Grant for Smoke Alarms Public Hearing (City Manager)
- 8:35 PM F. RSA 91-A Protocols (Council)
- 8:50 PM 10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND DIRECTIVES
- 8:55 PM 11. CONSULTATION WITH LEGAL COUNSEL
- 9:00 PM 12. ADJOURNMENT

PLEASE NOTE: Claremont City Council's next scheduled meeting will be on Wednesday, October 13, 2021, at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall.

Great BBQ for a Great Cause ...Rescuing Dogs!!

September 23 5-7:30pm

at Wags & Wiggles Rescue

51 John Stark Hwy. Newport NH





Come and enjoy wonderful BBQ by Rescue Dawgs.
Smoke and Grill (Cash Only)

Menu:

Pulled Pork Sandwich
Burger/Cheeseburger
Mac & Cheese w/Pulled Pork
Hot Dogs
Hand Cut French Fries

A portion of the proceeds goes directly to Wags and Wiggles to help rescue more dogs!!



Plus treats for the four legged visitors from



Penny Sale

Sunday - Sept. 19, 2021

1:00 PM (doors open 12 Noon)

St. Joseph Church Hall Elm St. - Claremont, NH

> 200 Prizes Refreshments



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