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Happy 246th Birthday, U.S.A.!

Claremont Parks & Rec to Host July 4th Celebration

CLAREMONT, NH—The Claremont Parks & Recreation Department is pleased to announce that the annual July 4th Celebration at Monadnock Park will take place on Monday, July 4th.

The excitement will begin at 6 PM with many local vendors on hand selling food, drinks and novelty items. We will have as our feature entertainment Jester Jigs, an energetic rock trio covering everything from classic rock to blues and rocked-out modern pop hits. The band is great for dancing or listening to and provides an enjoyable experience for all audiences.

All of these fun events will lead up to the spectacular fireworks show at 9:30 PM to conclude the evening. This year's fireworks display is presented by McGee Toyota of Claremont and Claremont Wal-Mart.

To help continue this popular tradition in future years, we'd appreciate your support. Claremont Parks & Rec will be asking for a \$1 donation at the entrances to Monadnock Park. Donations for the fireworks fund can also be mailed to or dropped off during business hours at the Claremont Savings Bank Community Center, 152

South St., Claremont, NH 03743.



In the event of inclement weather, the rain date for this event will be Tuesday, July 5th.

Please be sure to visit www.claremontparks.com or like us on Facebook @ClaremontParks for up-to-date schedules and announcements for the July 4th celebration.

July 4th is a great time to bring the community together and celebrate! We hope to see you there!

Schedule of Events

6:00 PM Food Vendors Open 6:30 PM – 9:30 PM Jester Jigs Performance

Fireworks presented by McGee Toyota of Claremont 9:30 PM

and Claremont Wal-Mart

City Council Passes 2023 \$18.4M Municipal Budget

By Phyllis A. Muzeroll e-Ticker News

CLAREMONT, NH—The work to craft a new City budget did not come easily this year, nor did anyone expect that it would, with the coun-

try, and the world, coming off the heights of a pandemic and immediately confronted with continued supply chain problems, massive lock downs in China, Russia invading Ukraine and the related problems with energy supples.

making it nearly impossible for City staff to anticipate what gas, heating fuel and now electric costs will be, going forward, at least for the foreseeable future. Lisa Richmond, City

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(Phyllis A. Muzeroll photo)

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Other Area Independence Day Activities

LEBANON, NH—Join the Recreation, Arts, and Parks Department for the following Fourth of July events happening in Lebanon on Monday, July 4, 2022!

Red, White & Blue 6.2 & Fun Run

Celebrate the 4th in your patriotic colors! Start your day with a 5K or 10K along the perfectly picturesque Rail Trail and Mill Road. Fun for all! The 5K and 10K start at 8:30 am.

The Flames Concert

Enjoy a concert performance starting at 7:00 pm till 9:00 pm in Colburn Park. Get in the mood for fireworks by jamming out prior to the display. Plus celebrate the return of the Monday Night Concert Series for 2022!

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Fireworks

Head on over to Storrs Hill Ski Lodge for some of the best seats to watch the fireworks display. Fireworks will begin as soon as it is dark enough but the estimated time is 9:20 pm from Storrs Hill Ski Area.

For full details, visit https://lebanonnh.gov/1063/July-4th-Celebrations

BROWNSVILLE, VT—Kick off the Independence Day weekend on Saturday, July 2, at 1:00 at Ascutney Outdoors when you can enjoy the Weston Playhouse production of "SHREK"! Tickets are free but reservations must be made in advance at westontheater.org/shrek.

On Sunday, July 3, at Ascutney Outdoors, the festivities will start at 6:00 PM, the fireworks will start at dusk and the fun will run until 9:00 PM or until the fireworks are over. Attendees will enjoy music, food, fireworks and family fun! The Moonlighters Snowmobile Club will be selling hot dogs, hamburgers and fries. Wicked Awesome BBQ will be offering up their fare and the Lazy Cow will be dishing up scrumptious ice cream delights.

On Monday, July 4, in our village, the festivities will continue from 8:30 AM until 3 PM.

Brownsville Community Church will kick off the 4th of July 2022 from 8:30 until 10:00 with an abundant buffet breakfast which will be served in Fellowship Hall. Diners can enjoy their breakfast inside or out in the new BCC Tribute Park Pavilion.

Starting at 9 AM, there will be vendors selling their wares inside Town Hall. The young and the young-at-heart can enjoy the Bouncy House at Brownsville Community Church from 9:30 until 1:30. Outside of Town Hall, there will

be hamburgers, hotdogs & fries supplied by the Moonlighters Snowmobile Club. Fresh baked pizza will be served by American Pie and slurpies will be made to order by our own Fast Squad. There will be music throughout the day.

This year marks the 75th anniversary of Tribute Park. To celebrate that milestone, there will be the Grand Opening of Brownsville Community Church's Tribute Park Pavilion. Church volunteers will be handing out free beverages during the day.

At 1:30 spectators will experience the Brownsville Independence Day Grand Parade which will feature the Shriners Clowns, fire trucks from all around the region and local float entries. There will be a \$100 prize each for float categories - most Patriotic, most Humorous and most On Theme. There is also a fire truck award being given by the West Windsor Volunteer Fire Department.

If you are interested in volunteering on the 3rd, contact Bill Ley. If you can volunteer on the 4th, contact Karen Diop. All these folks can all be reached by email through BrownsvilleIDC@gmail.com.

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Commentary

NH House Happenings

By Rep. John Cloutier

A Look at The FY 2023 County Budget

I ended last week's column by briefly writing about the Sullivan County Commissioners' proposed Fiscal Year 2023 County Budget. This week I will add a few more details to their proposed spending plan.

First, the proposed county budget would total \$35,825,684, which is a 4.25 percent or \$1,463,516 increase over the previous Fiscal Year 2022 Budget that had been approved by the Sullivan County Delegation to New Hampshire's House of Representatives in June 2021. This proposal, if enacted by a majority of the County Delegation at tomorrow's meeting in Claremont, would take effect on July 1, 2022, and run thru June 30, 2023. This budget, which if approved with no changes, would result in the average county taxpayer whose property was valued at \$250,000 paying an additional \$81 per year in county property taxes. But the budget does not yet include a bonded appropriation for renovation of SCHC (Sullivan County Health Care). The bonded appropriation is likely to fall between \$20-\$25 million, depending on the final total cost of renovation. The total cost is projected as of January 2022 to be \$57 million, though this total could rise because of inflation, but a total cost that if approved by the Delegation within the next few months would also be paid for through ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) Funds from our state government, previous COVID relief money received by the county, money directly appropriated from the federal government because of U.S. Senator Jeanne Shaheen, and some funds from the county's Capital Reserve Fund.

Returning to the Fiscal Year 2023 Budget as recommended by the Commissioners, its total of \$35,825,684 would be paid for with a variety of revenue streams. The largest stream of \$16,426,934 would actually come from SCHC, followed by the second largest stream of \$15,826,901, which is the amount collected from property taxpayers. Other streams of revenue in decreasing order include \$900,000 in "variances" or dollars that had been appropriated in the present Fiscal Year 2022 Budget, but were unspent for variety of reasons. Next, is \$500,000 in UFB (Unified Fund Balance)—surplus money specifically appropriated by the Commissioners to help reduce property taxes, Then there is a projected \$463,727 in fees charged by the County Sheriff's Office for the various services it provides, followed by a projected \$450,000 in recording fees from the County Registry of Deeds Office, and then followed by \$300,000 from SCHC's Reserve Fund. Next is \$240, 773 in grants for the County Attorney's Office, followed by \$225,000 in annual rent from our state government for the use of the Superior and Probate Courts in Newport's Woodhull County Building. Other streams include \$194,000 in fees charged by the county's

Dept. of Corrections to its inmates, \$75,000 from the general Capital Reserve Fund for construction projects or equipment purchases outside of SCHC, \$50,000 in Thermal REC Credits for the power produced by the Biomass Plant, and \$36,303 in fees charged by or grants obtained for the county's Natural Resources Dept.

As for the 2023 Budget's expenses, they include the following appropriations in descending order. First, the highest expenditure at a projected \$16,917,375 will be for the operation of SCHC. The second highest expenditure at \$5,627,197 will be for Human Services, which is payment for the nursing home expenses of all income eligible Sullivan County residents, who are living in other nursing homes other than SCHC, a payment required by New Hampshire law. The third highest expenditure of \$5,159,956 is for the Dept. of Corrections, which runs the county jail in Unity as well as the new Sullivan House in Claremont, a just dedicated transitional housing facility for mainly TRAILS (Transitional Re-Entry & Inmate Life Skills) graduates. Continuing down the list of major expenditures is \$1,920,634 for the Facilities & Operations Dept. that maintains all the county's buildings in Unity and Claremont, \$1,533,996 for the Sheriff's Office, \$1,160,032 for the County Attorney's Office, as well as \$683,326 for the Human Resources Dept. which helps hire new employees and retain the current ones. Further down the list at \$655,124 designated for County Administration, that is for the Commissioners Office, including the County Manager, who does the day-to-day work of running our county, but is accountable to the three Commissioners.

The expenditure side of the 2023 Budget continues with a total appropriation of \$366,819 for the Registry of Deeds Office, which records all real estate sales and transfers in Sullivan County. Next, is \$302,081 for the UNH Cooperative Extension Service—a joint federal, state, and county agency which provides assistance to both farmers and consumers, followed by \$295,622 to help pay off the county's bonded debt for previously-authorized construction projects or heavy equipment purchases. Then \$238,00 is allocated to the Capital Reserve Fund for future construction projects of heavy equipment purchases, followed by \$235,000 for county grants to various human service agencies. Concluding the list of major expenditures is \$219,268 for the Natural Resources Dept. which helps manage and promote the wise use of county lands that are in Unity, followed by \$206,715 for the Newport Campus of county-owned buildings, and \$75,000 for small capital projects.

As just listed, a total of \$235,000 is appropriated for county grants that will go to eight different non-profit social service agencies that are located in Sullivan County and/or provide services to county residents. In descending order the grants include \$65,000 to Claremont's Turning Points Network, \$50,000 for Sullivan County Community Transportation, \$40,000 for the Claremont Soup Kitchen & Food Pantry, and \$40,000 for Claremont's TLC Family Resources Center. Additionally, \$12,500 has been allocated to Baby Steps Family Assistance, \$12,500 to Valley Court Diversion Programs, \$12,000 to West Central Behavioral Health Services in Lebanon, and \$3,000 to Newport's "Got Lunch!" Program.

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Rep. Cloutier, from page 4

Before concluding this column about the Commissioners proposed Fiscal Year 2023 Budget, I wish to share three interesting nuggets of information about their proposal which were included in their presentation at the June 14 Public Hearing. First, \$21,752,428 or 74.1 percent of the total proposal is for employee-related costs, including wages, salaries, and benefits. Second, for approximately the last 13 years from Fiscal Year 2011, which began on July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2023, if the proposal is approved without any changes by the Delegation, and not including SCHC's renovation, the county's share of property taxes will have increased a total of 18.9 percent, while inflation has risen at least 28.5 percent. Third and finally, Sullivan County's total equalized valuation of all its real property has risen 46.5 percent since 2017, and an amazing 23.6 percent since just 2021. In Claremont, alone the valuation is up 22.34 percent since 2021, an equalized valuation that helps determine state education, local school, municipal, and county property tax rates for all of the county's 15 municipalities

In one final note, this week's column is likely to my last one for the *e-Ticker*. As readers should now be aware, owner Phyllis "Pam" Muzeroll is retiring due to health issues and plans to shut down operation of the *e-Ticker*. I wish Phyllis a happy retirement. I believe she has done a marvelous job since launching the *e-Ticker* in 2009, an online publication which has provided important information to many Claremonters, other Sullivan County residents, and former Claremonters who have moved far away but wish to keep in touch with their home community. I have been honored to write the "New Hampshire House Happenings" column for the *e-Ticker* since 2010, providing legislative news and my opinion about events occurring within our state and county governments. I hope readers have enjoyed these columns, even if you haven't always agreed with some of my expressed opinions. **Email:** jocloutier@comcast.net

Editor's Note: I thank Rep. Cloutier for his help in sharing legislative news over these many years. Despite his very busy schedule with both employment and his work in Concord, he was a steadfast contributor and I am grateful for his efforts to try to keep the public informed about state and county legislative and financial happenings.

Thank You for All the Support

I wanted to take a moment to thank you and to acknowledge the hundreds of messages, calls, emails, etc., that I have received since announcing my reluctant decision to have to close the *e-Ticker* due to my failing health. I am truly overwhelmed by so much kindness and shall always be grateful for such amazing support.

Remember that you can find local events on the City's website and also sign up for an e-newsletter there. School board and council meetings are carried by CCMC (formerly CCTV), and many City meetings are also carried on the City's Facebook page. Many funeral homes now offer an e-mail sign-up service to receive obituary notices. For COVID data, visit https://www.covid19.nh.gov/. I hope this information helps to keep you informed to some extent.

Phyllis "Pam" Muzeroll

Budget, from page 1

finance director, told the *e-Ticker News* on Thursday that "The council-voted budget has the proposed tax rate at \$15.78, and the city manager's budget had the rate at \$15.2642. The council additions added \$0.5153 to the rate. Compared to last year's final tax rate of \$15.01, this adds \$0.77."

Wednesday's meeting, although long, went relatively well. This year's biggest budget challenge was again paving and sidewalks and how to pay for the related work. Some councilors have supported bonding to avoid increasing the tax rate, but others felt that was like using a credit card. The City's \$3.4 million landfill bond matures in Fiscal 2023, freeing up bonding capacity in the FY 2024 budget. This would have a net neutral impact on the budget, since the new payment would replace an already existing budgeted expense. In the end, the council decided to go with using \$105,000 from a reduced Police Department budget and adding to that \$400,000 to be raised in taxes and some \$278,000 from SB 401-FN, which appropriates funds to extend municipal aid for bridges, repairs and additional funds to Apportionment A of the Highway Block Grant, according to a memo from Richmond to the City manager and council. Richmond added that the bill had not as yet been signed into law.

The bottom line for the 2023 General Fund Budget was finalized at \$18,413,041. The Revenue Budget was adjusted Wednesday night to \$6,512,594.75, reflecting an increase in the Payment in Lieu pf Taxes line.

Also discussed at the meeting was the Transfer Station RFP, which drew two responses. The proposal from Casella included several exceptions, including not paying property taxes on the site but rather paying a \$2,000 a month host community fee. It also said it would be open to discussions around changes to its Newport Transfer Station-Gobin Disposal in Newport to accommodate the City of Claremont's use for residential dropoff. The proposal from DeCamp Waste Services met all the requirements in the RFP and was deemed more favorable by the City.

During the discussion, resident Mike Tetu arrived at the meeting, said he had been watching it on TV and wanted to reiterate his belief and proposal that users of the Transfer Station would be better off using a weigh station. He said he had expected to

have his proposal and financial analysis scheduled for the July council meeting, saying "I want what's best for the users. They can't do it as cheap as we can; we just have to break even." The topic was then tabled until the July 13th meeting where proposals will be discussed further.

Also Wednesday night, Mayor Dale Girard thanked and praised interim City manger John

MacLean for coming out of retirement to work for the City for the last six months. "I've particularly enjoyed working with your staff," said MacLean. John Bohenko, the retired City Manager from Portsmouth, will be working as the new interim manager while the City continues to search for a permanent replacement.





NH DHHS Weekly COVID-19 Update June 23, 2022

CONCORD, NH – On Thursday, June 23, 2022, the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) announced 1,434 new positive COVID-19 test results between Thursday, June 16, and Wednesday, June 22. Positive results from home testing kits are not included.

For the previous week, DHHS announced 3 additional death(s) related to COVID-19.

There were currently 24 hospitalized patients being treated for COVID-19. Current Hospitalizations Treated for COVID-19 is the current metric tracking people hospitalized to treat their COVID-19 infection with Remdesivir,

Dexamethasone or both therapies. These therapies are the primary medications for hospitalized patients to treat COVID-19. This metric is modeled on NIH treatment guidelines and provides a more accurate view of the how many people are hospitalized because of severe COVID-19 illness, as opposed to patients admitted for other healthcare needs who may incidentally have COVID-19.

The NH Hospital Association reported 149 cases: it includes total confirmed COVID cases (82), total suspected cases (8) and COVID-Recovering (59). (The last category includes COVID-19 hospitalized patients no longer included in Confirmed COVID-19 statistics once removed from transmission-based precautions but who continue to receive inpatient treatment for COVID-19 related illness).

In New Hampshire, since the start of the pandemic, there have been a total of 330,628 cases of COVID-19 diagnosed.

As of Thursday's map, June 23, there were 39 current positively identified cases

reported by DHHS in Claremont; 8 in Charlestown; 6 in Grantham; 8 in Newport; 10 in Sunapee; 5 in Plainfield; 5 in Springfield, with 1-4 cases in other towns. DHHS reported 100 known current positively identified cases in Sullivan County.

Note: Data does not include positive home testing results.

Vaccinations rates in NH:

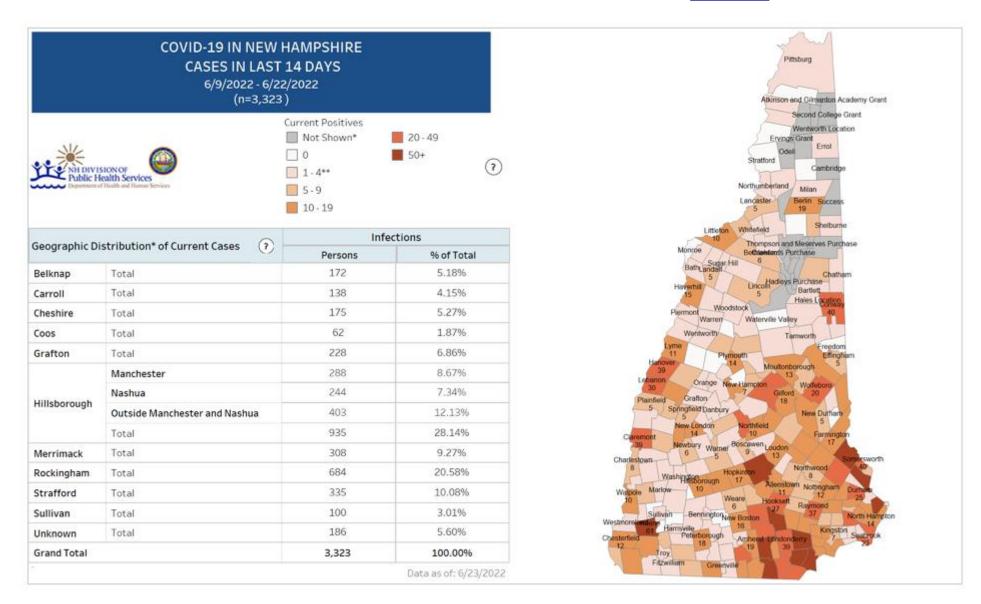
Fully vaccinated: 63.2% At least 1 dose: 71.0%

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.



Curb Appeal

'Rethinking' Project Work Continues on Pleasant and Broad Streets

CLAREMONT, NH—This week, the City of Claremont's contractor, B.U.R Construction, will continue sidewalk construction on Pleasant Street. Construction of the west side furniture zone/planter areas will continue with paver installation. On the east side, the furniture zone/planter areas will also continue. Sidewalk construction has been completed on Broad Street from Barber Street to the fire station, and turf establishment is scheduled to begin in that area. The permanent traffic signal installation at the intersection of Broad and Glidden is scheduled for mid-week.

Work on the project is expected to continue through July, with completion followed by a City-hosted block party in August.





A B.U.R. Construction crew calculates the pitch percentage for the west side corner of Pleasant and Sullivan streets at Opera House Square. Their calculation of the "fall" or slope resulted in excavation to fill in 8 inches of gravel topped by 4 of concrete; meeting the ADA-compliant maximum safe pitch — 2% — for wheelchairs, walkers and other assistive devices; removing (and eventually putting back) the existing paving stones along Sullivan Street; and laying square granite pavers as a borderline where the two sidewalks meet.







Left: Granite planters line both sides of Pleasant Street. Center: A trench was excavated for a new water line to the Post Office. Right: New sidewalks along **Broad Street meant** ripping up the old ones, as seen here in front of the Fiske Free Library. (Text and photos by Eric Zengota).

More photos on page 9



Top left and center: Tri-State Curb is in charge of sidewalk installation. Right: New England Signal Systems workers hoisted the 35-foot pole for the permanent traffic signal on Broad Street, then positioned and slotted it, finally tightening the bolts to secure it to the slab. The new traffic signal will replace the temporary ones currently hanging over the Broad and Glidden intersection (Eric Zengota photos).









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Room Dedicated to Long-time Reporter, Archie Mountain





CLAREMONT, NH—On June 20, the County Commissioners, Manager and various department heads and staff honored local reporter, Archie Mountain, at the Sullivan House for a special dedication of the "Mountain View Conference Room".

The Sullivan House building is where once was the Daily Eagle newspaper, where Mountain worked for many years until the newspaper moved to the River Road in Claremont.

After posing for pictures with Commissioners George Hebert, Joe Osgood and Bennie Nelson in front of framed photos that he donated to the Sullivan County New Hampshire Government, he unveiled the room dedication plaque that reads:

"In 1958, Archie Mountain began his journalism career working for the Daily Eagle Newspaper in this very building. His articles and photos have been prominently featured in local news publications for over 60 years. Archie is Sullivan County's story teller and his work has connected multiple generations. From weekday events to Friday night races at Claremont Speedway, and high school football games on Saturday afternoon, Archie has been there to bring those stories home to all of us. May Archie's enduring work ethic and love for our community be an inspiration to all." (Courtesy photos).

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Widening the Focus

Cable Station Expands Its Programming, Encourages Community Involvement

By Eric Zengota e-Ticker News

CLAREMONT, NH—Claremont Community Television — familiarly known as CCTV for decades — has a new name: Claremont Community Media Center.

"CCMC is a better fit for what we're doing now," said director Josh Nelson, in an exclusive interview with *e-Ticker News.* "We're expanding our programming, offering classes in video production, and bringing our mobile studio all around the City."

Nelson assured viewers that they can continue to watch the shows they've been used to. "We always keep in mind our mission — to provide public, education and government programming. Channel 8 covers school board meetings, local productions like 'Along the River,' an interview show hosted by Alex Herzog, and 'A Community of Fare,' a cooking show created by Dana McGrath, as well as our Sunday worship line-up.

Channel 10, the government and news channel, covers City Council meetings; other meetings like Zoning and Planning Board, Conservation Commission, Historical District, and Sullivan County Board of Commissioners; and news through Democracy NOW broadcasts.

What does the "new" CCMC offer to the viewing public? "We've been working on a lot of new programs like 'Claremont — A Living History,' said Nelson. "These are long-form interviews with people about Claremont's history and the arts. We have three episodes in the can, one fully edited, and are taping a few more as part of Claremont Opera House's 125th Celebration."

All programs are accessible on www.Clare-monTV.org, the portal for both channels. Programs are kept in rotation so that viewers can watch shows they missed when originally broadcast or re-watch programs they've already seen. Schedules are shown on each channel's page.

Nelson is especially enthusiastic about the new equipment that he's been using for more than a year. "Our mobile studio is compact yet powerful. It allows us to do more than just inhouse studio work. We can head out to

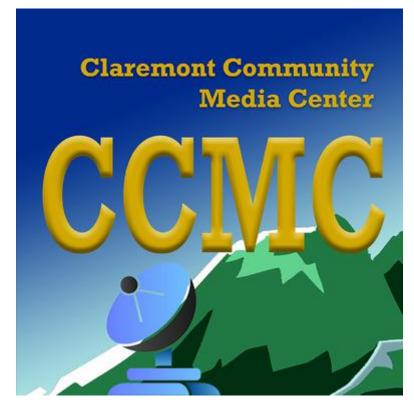


Production coordinator Loren Howard checks that the mobile studio is ready for its next out-of-the-studio project.

livestream and record community events that we were previously unable to travel to." CCMC has covered such events as Memorial Day ceremonies in Broad Street Park, Stevens High School's 2022 graduation in the gymnasium, and this year's Alumni Parade through town.

Encouraging new shows and video productions is one of Nelson's particular interests in getting the community involved with CCMC. "Interested in creating your own TV show?" he asks. "We accept shows in multiple digital formats via Google Drive and Drop Box, ideally as an MP4. If need be, we also accept shows on DVD. Depending on the show we try to broadcast it multiple times over the next month. Reach out to us at

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CCMC, from page 13

claremontv8@gmail.com so we can discuss programming guidelines and 'how-to' information on proposing a show. You could see your production on cable!"

CCMC offers memberships to individuals, businesses and organizational/non-profits. One benefit is the ability of members to use its video equipment and editing facilities. Another is to work with CCMC staff, utilizing their expertise to create a show.

Learning the ropes and handling video equipment is the core of another CCMC outreach initiative. Nelson is directing a one-week camp in video production this summer. He noted, "Students in 6th through 9th grades will learn the basics in the studio. We'll also head over to Monadnock Park to film sports activities so that they get real-time, on-location experience." The camp runs July 11-15 at the Sugar River Valley Regional Technical Center; cost is \$25. Sign-up is at https://srvrtc.sau6.org/o/srvrtc/article/736515

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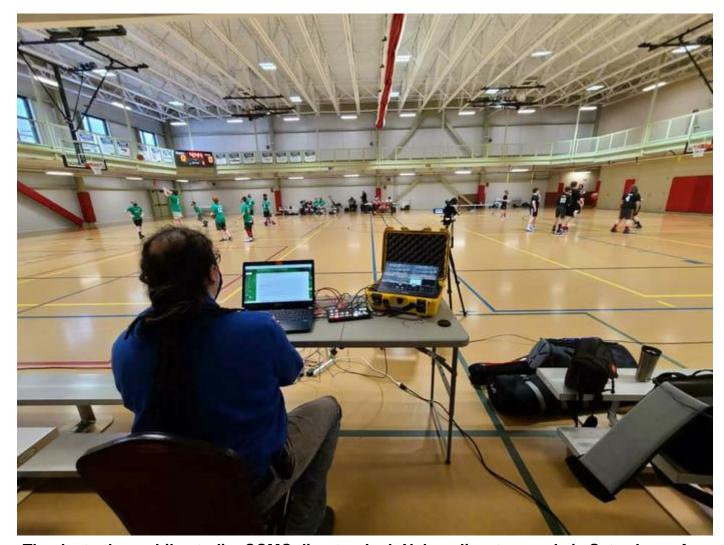
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Guest chef Chiara Nelson lays out the ingredients for making gnocchi alla romana pasticiatti on an episode of A Community of Fare. Dana McGrath (right) developed the concept of a cooking show, proposed it to CCMC, and as host asked local people to appear. McGrath also collaborated with the SRVRTC to use their professional culinary-arts kitchen facilities.

(Photos courtesy of CCMC)



Thanks to the mobile studio, CCMC director Josh Nelson livestreamed six Saturdays of youth basketball from the Claremont Savings Bank Community Center in February and March 2021. Family and friends who could not attend because of Covid restrictions emailed Nelson that they were excited to watch, on their home PCs and laptops, the young players competing in real time.



Thank You and Best Wishes

Phyllis "Pam" Muzeroll for 13+ years of e-Ticker

We appreciate all your hard work, and we will miss e-Ticker and you!



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Plane Plunges Into Connecticut River

CHARLESTOWN, NH—On Wednesday, a small plane plunged into the Connecticut River, leaving the pilot with injuries; he was able to swim to shore and was taken to an area hospital with serious, non-life-threatening injuries. *WMUR* identified the pilot as a 27-year-old male from Ludlow, VT. He reportedly had departed Hartness Airport in Springfield, VT, just prior to the accident. He was the lone occupant of the aircraft.

The National Transportation Safety Board confirmed to the *e-Ticker News* on Thursday that the "NTSB is investigating the June 22, 2022, crash of a Piper PA-18A near Charlestown, NH. Preliminary information indicates the plane experienced engine issues, struck high tension power lines and was submerged in the Connecticut River. The wreckage is currently being recovered. A preliminary report, which includes all the factual information known to date, is expected to publish in 15 days."

-Phyllis A. Muzeroll

MONDAY, JULY 4TH PLAINFIELD 4TH OF JULY SILENT CAKE AUCTION

4th of July is happening this year in Plainfield and our popular Silent Cake Auction is back at the Plainfield Historical Society. We are calling all Plainfield and Cornish bakers to make and decorate their special patriotic cakes, cupcakes, cookies, or creative desserts to donate to the cake auction. Place your cake on a platter, cake or in a pan. (The Attic at the Grange has some great dishes.) Cakes need to be delivered to the PHS Clubhouse at 9 a.m. Prepare a card describing the cake and the baker. We supply cake numbers and bidding sheets. In past years, we have also accepted vases of fresh flowers to be auctioned. Start going through your recipes and let your creativity go wild!

Bidding can get a little competitive! Stop by Plainfield Historical Society, Route 12A, across from the Smith Auction Gallery to see the cakes and make a bid. The silent auction bidding ends at 12:30 p.m. Winners are called, and cakes need to be picked up at 1:30 p.m.

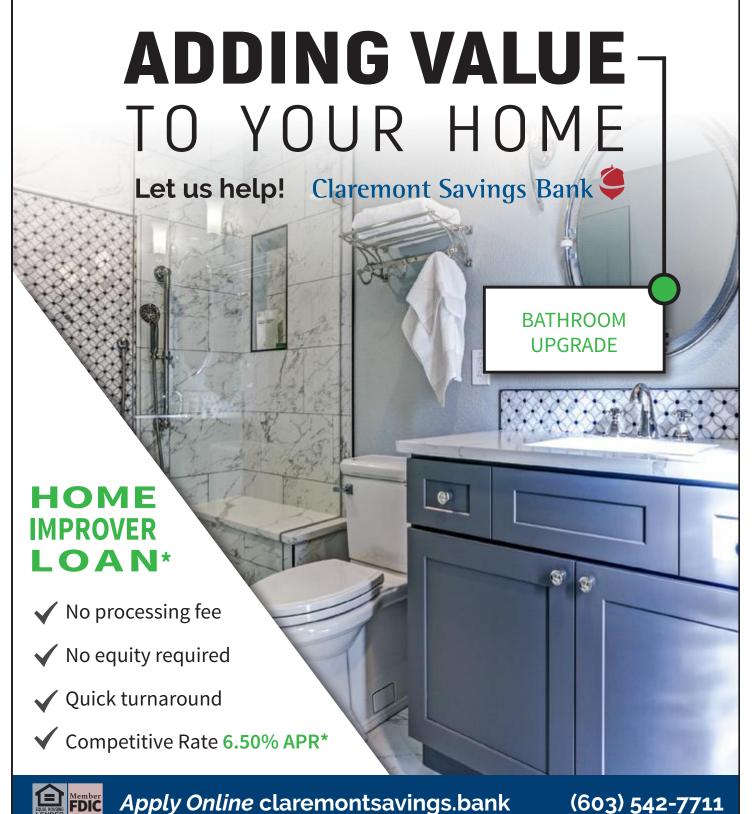
This is a benefit for the Plainfield Histori-

cal Society.

FRIDAY, JULY 8
Summer Children's Theatre: Sleeping
Beauty, 10:00 am
CLAREMONT OPERA HOUSE

All events have tickets available at www.-cohnh.org

In a magic kingdom where good and bad fairies roam, the prick of a spinning wheel needle sets off a curse that puts the entire kingdom to sleep. With the help of a good fairy, only a brave Prince can defeat evil and wake the Princess from her sleepy kingdom.



*The Annual Percentage Rate (APR) shown is accurate from 4/1/22 to 10/1/22 with auto-deduction from a Claremont Savings Bank deposit account. APR is 7.00% without auto-deduct from a CSB deposit account. Add 1.00% with credit score below 675. Additional fees may apply. Offer of credit is subject to credit approval. Rates and programs are subject to change without notice.

Business News

Children's Hospital at Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center Marks 30 Years of Specialized Healthcare for Children

LEBANON, NH—It's been three decades since New Hampshire's only children's hospital was officially approved to operate within the then-newly constructed Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center (DHMC) in Lebanon. On June 20, 1992, a kick-off celebration marked the decision by the National Association of Children's Hospitals and Related Institutions (NACHRI, now the Children's Hospital Association) that made the Children's Hospital at DHMC (CHaD) possible. Today, June 20, 2022, staff celebrations were held at both DHMC and Dartmouth Hitchcock Clinics Manchester where pediatric services are provided.

CHaD is "deeply woven into the community with a reputation for providing high-quality healthcare to children close to home. Along with popular fundraising events like the CHaD

HERO and the Battle of the Badges hockey and baseball championships, it may be difficult to remember a time before CHaD was here," said a spokesperson with Dartmouth Health.

"The support of the community has allowed us to grow CHaD and extend its services statewide so we can be extremely patient-centered, in (and of) the local community and a treasured New Hampshire resource," said Keith J. Loud, MD, MSc, Dartmouth Health Children's physician in chief. "While we officially turn 30 this year, the hospital and region have a long history in pediatrics that led up to its creation."

In 1893, the first patient at Mary Hitchcock Memorial Hospital (MHMH) in Hanover was a pediatric patient: a 13-year-old girl treated for a hip condition. In 1938, New Hampshire's first pediatrician, Franklin N. Rogers, MD, founded the New Hampshire Pediatric Society with Colin Stewart, MD, a Dartmouth College graduate and Dartmouth Medical School attendee.

MHMH, (now known as DHMC), became known for its forward-thinking collaborations with—and recruitment of—specialty care providers for children, including in Neurology, Nephrology and Allergy. The future development of CHaD was secured when Saul Blatman, MD, was recruited from New York City as the founding chair of the Department of Mater-

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Keith J. Loud, MD, MSc, Dartmouth Health Children's physician in chief addresses staff during Monday's 30th Anniversary celebration for CHaD (Courtesy photo).



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nal and Child Health in 1972. This department included both pediatrics and obstetrics and gynecology.

Blatman, in turn, brought in several providers who would shape the hospital's future, including Pediatrician George Little, MD, active emeritus professor of Pediatrics and Obstetrics and Gynecology at the Geisel School of Medicine at Dartmouth and CHaD's first chair of Pediatrics—widely regarded as the "Father of CHaD." Little was tasked with creating a Neonatology Unit in 1972 and credits Dartmouth's return to awarding medical degrees that year (after decades of offering a two-year program that required students to graduate from other medical schools), along with Blatman's leadership of the Maternal and Child Health team, with providing the perfect foundation for CHaD.

Little became the chair of the Department of Maternal and Child Health in 1978 and started planning in 1980 for comprehensive women's and pediatric care—which opened at DHMC in 1991. The idea was to create a rural children's "hospital within a hospital," unlike many standalone hospitals in urban areas.

"For CHaD to be a success, we needed to have a hospital and medical school—Dartmouth—on board. NACHRI's criteria included evidence of a commitment to medical education, including residency and fellowship programs and research. It also required governance with a pediatric department chair equal to other academic departments, and a development process to support funding," said Little. "It really was a team effort among the Pediatric Department, the nurses in Obstetrics and Neonatal care and MHMH's board of trustees—including Trustee Posey Fowler and then MHMH President James W. Varnum who both advocated consistently for CHaD."

Sharon Brown served as an administrative leader in the outpatient department during CHaD's development and was eventually named director of CHaD Community Relations. She is credited with growing community recognition and support of CHaD, especially through its major fundraising events.

In the mid-1980s, Brown was part of the planning group that developed broader pediatric specialty services, including cardiology, neurology, cancer and surgery. Once CHaD launched in 1992, some of those services expanded to Dartmouth Hitchcock Clinic Manchester, which helped integrate care in southern New Hampshire.

"June 20,1992, was when the heavy lifting began. We were designated a children's hospital and had to determine what that meant across departments: even menus had to change," Brown says. "We added liaisons in every department to better serve children and included quality improvement and safety standards, which are now part of CHaD's culture. Everyone's commitment and passion were incredible."

Today, CHaD and Dartmouth Health Children's have grown to offer primary, intensive, trauma and specialty care statewide, and CHaD is the only pediatric trauma center in New Hampshire accredited by the American College of Surgeons. The CHaD team looks forward to continuing its personalized care for each patient.

"We will continue to monitor the needs of the population and address them as they arise. Technology will enhance that ability," Loud shared. "We already plan to expand behavioral and mental health care and provide more opportunities for telehealth services—and foresee a new NICU and an improved pediatric care space at CHaD."

icantly impact initiatives that advance local community economic development goals, capacity building for the New Hampshire non-profit sector, and support for economic development across the state.

Projects receiving tax credits provide increased access to housing, critical transportation services, affordable childcare, and early childhood education and revitalize neighborhoods, downtowns, and historic structures in rural communities while supporting community economic development efforts.

Visions for Creative Housing Solutions, Inc. (Hanover) was the lone recipient in the Upper Valley of an award – \$400,000: Tax Credits will help create permanent, supportive housing for 12 intellectually or developmentally disabled adults. The new residence will seek Passive House certification and contribute to downtown Hanover's redevelopment efforts. The organization is the only one of its kind serving the Upper Valley and is recognized as a leader in New Hampshire and beyond for its innovative housing solutions for adults with disabilities.

"Through public-private partnerships, this year's awardees attend to critical needs within our communities such as increased access to quality housing and transportation, creating new economic opportunities through affordable, quality childcare and job creation; and revitalizing neighborhoods and downtowns," stated Katy Easterly Martey, Executive Director, CDFA.

CDFA Awards \$5 Million in Tax Credits to NH Nonprofits

CONCORD, NH - The New Hampshire Community Development Finance Authority (CDFA) announced Thursday that it had awarded \$5 million in tax credits to projects throughout New Hampshire. The funds will signif-

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Take Steps Toward Financial Freedom

Next week, we observe Independence Day, an opportunity to celebrate all the liberties we enjoy in this country. Of course, there are different types of freedoms – such as financial freedom, which can open the doors to many other opportunities. What steps can you take to gain your financial independence?

Here are a few suggestions:

- Save, invest ... and repeat. There's really no shortcut to achieving financial freedom you do have to save and invest for many years. And that means you should take full advantage of the opportunities available to you. If you have a 401(k) or similar retirement plan at work, try to put in as much as you can afford each year, and when your salary goes up, increase your contributions. Even if you have a 401(k), you may also be eligible to fund an IRA. Both a 401(k) and an IRA offer tax benefits and an array of investment options, so they are powerful retirement savings vehicles.
- **Invest for growth**. How much you invest is obviously a key factor in reaching your financial freedom. But how you invest is also important. If you're going to accumulate the resources you need to retire comfortably and meet your other financial goals, you will need to devote a reasonable percentage of your investment dollars to growth-oriented vehicles, including stocks and stock-based mutual funds. Of course, these investments will fluctuate in value, so you'll need to be prepared to accept a certain level of risk. Your individual

risk tolerance will help determine how much of your portfolio should be devoted to growth investments.

- **Put financial windfalls to work.** Whenever you receive a financial windfall, such as a bonus from your employer, a tax refund or even an inheritance, consider putting some of it to work in your investment portfolio. Over time, these windfalls can add up.
- **Reduce your debts.** It may be easier said than done, but try to reduce, or eliminate, as many debts as you can. The less money you have to pay each month on your debts, the more you'll have available to save and invest. Of course, some debts, such as your mortgage, can't be easily erased, but if you can find ways to cut down on spending, you may be surprised at how much progress you can make toward debt reduction.
- Prepare for the unexpected. Life is unpredictable and some unforeseen events could threaten your ability to achieve, and maintain, your financial independence. For example, if you were unable to work for a while due to illness or injury, you might be forced to dip into your savings and long-term investments just to help meet your cost of living. You can help protect yourself from this risk by building an emergency fund containing several months' worth of living expenses, with the money kept in a liquid, lowrisk account. And you may want to consult with a financial professional to learn about other protection strategies.

It will take a concerted effort to reach your financial independence – but, like all freedoms, it offers immense benefits.

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Sports/Recreation

Bringing Home Medals and Memories

Four Claremont athletes who participated in the Special Olympics 2022 USA Games in Orlando earlier this month earned gold and silver medals in their events. Congratulations to them and to all the 5,000 athletes who had trained for months to compete on the national stage (Courtesy photos).







Left: Cool Cats swimmers plowed through the water to earn gold: Sarah Peters in the women's relay freestyle 4X25, and Eric Lemieux in the men's 50-yard freestyle. Center: Kayla Millette won the gold in singles bowling. Right: Megan Lantz's bocce team earned a gold medal, and she won the silver for singles bocce (Courtesy photos).

DJ Shaw Rockets To Granite State Pro Stock Series Win at Monadnock Speedway

By Jeff Brown, for Granite State Pro Stock Series

WINCHESTER, NH—DJ Shaw did not plan on a trip to Monadnock Speedway. Monadnock Speedway did not plan on a rain delay. But Shaw made the most of both turns of fate.

The multi-time Super Late Model champion picked up the win in the June 19th rain-delayed Doghouse 75, the fourth race of the Granite State Pro Stock Series 2022 season.

An early cancellation of an event in Maine opened the schedule for Shaw and a couple

other drivers to make the trip to "Mad Dog" for Saturday's racing. Under cloudy skies, Joey Doiron clocked in fastest in time trials, with Dylan Estrella drawing the pole position in the pre-race redraw.

But clouds quickly gave way to pop-up rainstorms that soaked the track beyond recovery, and with no break in the pattern, track officials were forced to call the night early, moving the evening's feature racing to Sunday afternoon.

Estrella led the field to green under sunny skies, distancing himself from the pack as outside polesitter Garrett Hall fell back through traffic. Shaw, who started fourth, climbed to second and began chipping away at Estrella's advantage.

As the race approached halfway, Shaw and the top-five cars quickly closed the gap to Estrella, with Shaw looking for a way around the race leader. On lap 42, Shaw found an opening at last, getting underneath the rookie and driving on past.

While Doiron and Jimmy Renfrew, Jr. worked on Estrella, Shaw drove away, setting a blistering pace. Doiron eventually cleared Estrella,

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but Shaw was already several car lengths ahead, and with the race running clean and green, Doiron would have to chase Shaw down the hard way.

A winner in his last visit to Monadnock Speedway in 2020, Shaw held on to park the HK Powersports/Renfrew Motorsports Chevrolet in victory lane for his ninth GSPSS win.

Doiron's second-place finish, his fourth topfive run of 2022 in four starts, helped the 2019 GSPSS champion to pad his points lead.

Rookie Nick Cusack charged to third in the closing laps. The Beech Ridge Motor Speedway alumnus earned his first career podium finish under the GSPSS banner.

Renfrew held on for fourth, completing a topfour sweep for cars out of the Dale Shaw Race Cars stable. A late race scramble through lapped traffic helped Jeremy Sorel sneak into the top five for his own career best finish.

Early leader Estrella was sixth across the line. Maine's Joe Pastore, another of the last-minute additions to the entry list, made his first-ever trip to Monadnock successful with a seventh-place run. Vermont's Josh King was eighth, with Garrett Hall and Angelo Belsito rounding out the top ten.

Eighteen cars gridded Saturday evening for the feature. Five cars, including third-in-points Luke Hinkley, had other plans in place for Sunday and were unable to return for the feature

The next race on the GSPSS calendar is at Riverside Speedway in Groveton, N.H. on July 2, where the series will return for the first time since 2019. Details on tickets and scheduling for the series' visit to "Grovetona" will be released shortly.

Houle, White Repeat; Bly Stays Red Hot at Claremont

By Gary Dutton

CLAREMONT, NH—Making sure nobody had the wrong impression that their first wins a week earlier may have been flukes, rookies Nick Houle and Aiden White both scored backto-back feature wins Friday night at Claremont.

And then there was Ricky Bly, red hot on the first night of summer racing as he stormed to

his third consecutive victory, and seventh of the still-young season in the Route 103 Auto/ Heads Up Motorsports Late Model Sportsman main event.

Six Shooter rookie Andrew Scott celebrated his birthday in style Friday, blowing out all his candles en route to scoring his first career victory at the Thrasher Road speedplant, while Dirt Modified veteran Tim LaDuc dominated in winning for the second time this season.

Travis Sykes and Doug Nelson led the 21-car LaValley Building Supply Pure Stock field to the green, with Sykes pouncing all over the opening lead. He would pace the swarming pack until Andrea St. Amour – from row two – took the lead on lap seven.

There was some paint swapped in this one. Sykes got boosted from second on lap 14 and, three laps later, White – firing from row four Friday in search of his second win in a row, - was knocking. The rookie powerhouse took the lead on lap 21.

And, while White had danced closely with St. Amour in taking the top spot, he soon felt the same touch from former track champ Kodi Sabins. In this battle of new versus old, the teenaged White would prevail, leading Sabins under the checkers in a blanket finish. St. Amour finished her impressive run in third, and Chris Chambers stormed into fourth on the final lap, finishing just ahead of Colton Martin.

JD Stockwell, soft in seventh Friday, still moved up in the points parade, finishing the night only six markers behind Nolan McClay.

Ricky Bly was wobbled on lap one of the Late Model Sportsman feature, one of four cars out of sorts in turn one as the race began. No problem. With Jack McClay and Cody Schoolcraft racing hard at the front, Bly charged through the field to claim third on lap 11 and quickly set his sights on Schoolcraft.

Blistering the inside groove, he moved up to second on lap 17, hit the stripe just a wheel short of the leading McClay on lap 22, and then took charge with two to go, with Ben Poland following his lead to claim second on lap 24, as McClay was wobbled back. With Poland second behind the seven-time 2022 winner, Schoolcraft came home third.

Nick Houle took the lead from points leader Sean Lantas on lap four of the In City Sugar Shack Mini Stock feature and never looked back. Lantas stayed in his shadow the final 20 laps, as the pair ended the race even-steven atop the points parade. Wayne Kendall earned his first trophy of the season, finishing at Lan tas' back bumper in third.

Andrew Scott led all the way in the Avery Insurance Six Shooter feature, taking the first checkers of his career just ahead of Robert Shaw. With Shaw finding yet another driver to finish second to – albeit a team mate Friday – points leader Steve Miller finished third.

Tim LaDuc led all the way in the Peanut's Auto 602 Dirt Modified feature. Taking the checkers comfortably ahead of heat race winner Marty Kelly. Jeff Parker, hauling all the way from eastern Pennsylvania, was third.

In New England Antique Racer Sportsman action, Bruce Taylor, a former Bay State pilot now hailing from nearby West Unity, put his Pinto bodied 400-cube small block in victory lane. Bear Ridge Speedway owner Butch Elms was second, aboard a 1937 Chevy Coupe in which he scored 55 dirt track victories and eight BRS championships in the 1970s and 80s.

Paul Jacques, from Killingly, CT, topped the NEAR Modifieds, winning a battle of two coupes over Bay State driver Joe Henderson. Longtime Claremont competitor Danny Ferland was third.

Next Friday, July 1, Claremont Motorsports Park will host what has long been recognized as one of the top sporting events in the region, with a huge aerial fireworks display capping an eight-division card of racing.

The Street Stocks will lead the charge, competing in the annual 73-lap Richard Tetreault Memorial Race. The NELCAR Legend and Bandelero series will both be in town, and the night's action will conclude with an NHSTRA.King of The Hill Enduro 50-lapper. Post time for CMP's huge Independence Day Weekend event is 7 p.m.

CLAREMONT MOTORSPORTS PARK JUNE 24 TOP FIVES

LATE MODEL SPORTSMAN: Ricky Bly, Ben Poland, Cody Schoolcraft, Jack McClay, Ryan Bell.

PURE STOCK: Aiden White, Kodi Sabins, Andrea St. Amour, Chris Chambers, Colton Martin

MINI STOCK: Nick Houle, Sean Lantas, Wayne Kendall, Ryan Carman, Dave Thibodeau.

SIX SHOOTER: Andrew Scott, Robert Shaw, Steve Miller Sr., Tyler Scott, Steve Miller Jr. 602 DIRT MODIFIED: Tim LaDuc, Marty Kelly, Jeff Parker, Lenny Pillsbury, Bob Kilburn

Inspiration

Thank You

By Priscilla Hull

Dear friends, I thank you for allowing me into your homes once a week for the past six! Yes six! years. The computer tells me how many articles I have written and quite frankly I had no idea that it was that many. Phyllis Muzeroll is a wonderful person to work with and I have truly enjoyed writing for her and for you. Most of you I wouldn't recognize, nor would you recognize me. The meditations are written, nonetheless, with you in mind. I hope that I have touched some hearts and that I have maybe made a difference to some. That's what we're all about, isn't it? We don't have to change lives to make a difference, we just have to touch a heart. Each time someone has recognized my name and commented about these Monday musings, I appreciate your interest and acknowledgement. Just as the funeral services that I do for friends and strangers, my goal has always been to help people through difficult times, to rejoice with



good times, and to lend a hand to a problem that needs to be solved. It's not that I know so much but that I have a different slant on things. I learned early in life, that if there is something you can do to brighten another person's day, do it. That has been the goal of these *e-Ticker* articles that I have written.

I appreciate you all and I'd love to meet you all in person, but that's an impractical idea. However, like the gentleman in the store last week who recognized me from another venue, please say hello. I guess both of my careers, that of an Occupational Therapist, and then as a Pastor, have supported the fact that I like people! I like people from the beginning of life all the way through their lives to the end. People, I find are a challenge, a joy and always a part of our lives. People color our lives not only with the differences we all exhibit, but also with the variety of experiences we share. Our families most of all color our lives. I think of the people I wouldn't have known and loved if it were not for my children. People whom we don't know color our lives also. All of you who have read, and especially you who have commented, have made me more aware of what I'm writing.

I thank you for this. I thank you for reading. I think you for commenting. I thank you for your interest and sometimes for suggestions. Mostly, I thank you for allowing me to come into your lives, homes, computers and bring something to you. Sometimes it might have been fun. Sometimes it might have been thought provoking. Sometimes it might have been - um - not your cup of tea! Sometimes it might have been serious. My hope is that these ramblings of mine have been helpful, amusing, informational. My thanks to people who suggested topics and ideas. Sometimes they worked and sometimes not so much. Always, it has been fun for me. Mostly I thank Phyllis Muzeroll for putting up with late deadlines, copyrighted pictures which she graciously replaced, and her general kindness and openness to let me write what I wanted. She is a great person to "work" with and I'll miss this part of our weekly connection.

I'm lucky to have two remarkable people in my life! You and Phyllis!

Farewell, friends. Stop and say hello, I'm always happy to meet another friend.

Sincerely, Priscilla

Editor's Note: Thank you for such kind words, Priscilla. I have thoroughly enjoyed our weekly "meetings", and I thank you for all of your hard work, time and especially your friendship. You have surely taught us how to be kinder, more thoughtful people.

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

Calendar Of Events

Annual Strawberry Festival - Norwegian Meatball Dinner (Picnic/Take-out) July 2, 2022

Curbside Pick up between 4:30 - 6pm Union Episcopal Church, 133 Old Church Rd, Claremont, NH

Register: https://

strawberryfestival22.eventbrite.com

Price: Individual meal(s): \$15.00/per person Family Meal (feeds 4-6 people): \$60.00

A tradition for over 60 years. Enjoy homemade Norwegian meatballs from our secret recipe, and fresh strawberry shortcake with NH strawberries over biscuits, served with homemade mashed potatoes, gravy, rolls, beets, and coleslaw.

For 2022 we will offer take-out meals with advanced reservations and payment required, and we will have outdoor tables/tents sent up for dining with us (weather permitting). Individual and family meals will be available through curbside take out or take-and-sit. Please reserve your meal as soon as able. There will be limited meals available after Tuesday June 28th, but please contact us to see if there's still food available to reserve.

For more information visit: https://www.unionchurchnh.org or on FB at https://www.facebook.com/UnionEpiscopalChurch/

West Claremont Center for Music and the Arts 2022 Summer Concert Season

Register for tickets: https://www.eventbrite.-com/cc/2022-summer-concert-series-487559
All concerts are by donation. Presented in person and digitally.

Dobet Gnahore*
Tuesday, July 26, 6:30pm
Broad Street Park
Grammy Award-winning AfroPop singer,
dancer, and percussionist.

Yankee Brass Band Friday, July 29, 6:30pm

Outdoors: WCCMA@Union Church

Music of the "Golden-Age" of Bands

Bassel and the Supernaturals Tuesday, Aug 3, 6:30pm Broad Street Park Soulful melodies, funk inspired rhythms, and captivating lyrics

Tesla Quartet*
August 6, 6:30pm
WCCMA@Union Church
"Superb,"Award-winning NYC String Quartet

Pneuma*
August 20, 6:30pm
WCCMA@Union Church
Poetry infused composed and improvised music for singer and clarinets

*Presented as part of the "2-day" Series with Saint-Gaudens Memorial (saint-gaudens.org)

Sponsored by Casella Waste Systems (Casella.com). Funded in part by the New England States Touring program of the New England Foundation for the Arts, made possible with funding from the National Endowment for the Arts Regional Touring Program and the six New England state arts agencies.

Pot Roast Dinner at St. Joseph Church July 2

CLAREMONT, NH—St. Joseph Church will host their 2nd monthly Pot Roast Dinner on Saturday, July 2, from 5 to 7pm. Pot roast, mashed potato, vegetable, roll, dessert and beverage are on the menu for \$15. Dinners may be taken out or eaten in the church hall at 58 Elm Street.

45th Annual Orford NH Flea Market

Sponsored by the Orford Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.

August 6th & 7th, 2022 (Saturday & Sunday) Saturday – 9am to 5pm Sunday – 9am to 4pm Rain or Shine On the Common, Rt. 10, Orford, NH

It's our 45th Annual Flea Market with up to 190 vendors. There will be a delightful mix of wares: antiques, handcrafted items, and the usual treasures. The OVFD Inc. will be selling hamburgers, hot dogs, French fries and refreshments. The Church will be selling breakfast sandwiches and later pie & ice cream.

Croydon Ladies Auxiliary Bingo

Croydon Ladies Auxiliary Bingo is back every Thursday; doors open at 4:00 pm and games starts at 6:00 pm.

Check out our new hall at 183 Plains Road in Claremont, NH.

Lots of pull tickets for chances to win more money. 50/50 raffle and lots more.

Sandwiches and snacks available and drinks. Questions: call Sandy at 603-543-7118. Open to those 18 and older.

Big Money Bingo

Every Sunday, Doors open at 11:00 and games start at 1:00pm.

Check out our new hall at 183 Plains Road, Claremont, NH.

Pay out depends on the number of people who show up. Lots of pull tickets for chance to win more money.

Lots of raffles including a big raffle of cash and scratch tickets.

Sandwiches and snacks available and drinks. Questions: call Sandy at 603-543-7118. Open to those 18 and older.

Grief Support Available Through Lake Sunapee VNA

NEW LONDON, NH – Lake Sunapee VNA offers three virtual grief support groups for the community at no cost. The "Recently Bereaved



Group" is for men and women who have experienced the loss of their spouse within the last year and is held on the second and fourth 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 experiencing a loss of any kind and is held 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 Elizabeth Gantner at egantner@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 limit 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.

Claremont Senior Center News

The Claremont Senior Center is open every Monday thru Friday from 9 am to 3 pm and another game afternoon has started on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1 pm to 3 pm. We are also open Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6pm to 9 pm. We have started two options for our meals on Tuesdays and Thursdays - drive thru PLUS indoor seating. Reservations ARE required for indoor seating as there is a limited number of seats. Price is \$4 for members and \$5 for non-members. Indoor dining serving will begin at 11:45 am and drive thru pickup will begin at noon until 12:30 pm. Meals are always subject to change. Indoor diners will not be served at the table. Diners will have to collect their meal at the serving window and return used dishes at the dishwashing window. Beverages will not be included, at this time. Water and soda will be available for purchase or you may bring your own beverage.

Bingo - Our Wednesday afternoon Bingo is back. Cards are sold between noon and 12:45 only. We only take Ones, Fives and Tens, NO Twenties. You need not be a member to play Bingo but you must be at least 55 years old. If you would like Bingo to continue WE NEED MORE VOLUNTEERS, please contact us.

Yard Sale – Mark your calendars as our yard sale is scheduled for July 22 and 23rd. We are now accepting donations of useful items. We CAN NOT accept large appliances, large furniture, mattresses, luggage, carpets and rugs, clothes, shoes, typewriters, computers, TVs, exercise equipment, skis, or anything else we feel is not salable.

Also mark your calendars for our Car Show on August 28th. We have begun work already and we will keep you informed on any updates.

If you are a member and are not receiving our emails, PLEASE let us know your email address. Also if you have changed your mail address, email, phone number or contact information, please let us know.

Claremont Senior Center, 5 Acer Heights Road, Claremont, NH. Phone: 603-543-5998.

Claremont Fire Dept. Log

Sunday 6/19

1219 Engine 4 responded to Elm St for tree on a house.

1953 Engine 4 responded to Wolcott St for tree on wires.

Monday 6/20

0616 Engine 4 responded to Wolcott St for a medical call.

0851 Ladder 2, Engine 4 responded to Water St for an alarm sounding.

Tuesday 6/21

1716 Engine 3 responded to Main St for a MVA.

Wednesday 6/22

0212 Engine 4 responded to Heritage Dr for a medical call.

1119 Engine 4 responded to Clover St for a well-being check.

1440 Engine 4 responded to Bowen St for a medical call.

1708 Engine 3 responded to Broad St for a MVA.

2057 Engine 4 responded to Heritage Dr for a medical call.

2309 Engine 4 responded to Heritage Dr for a medical call.

Thursday 6/23

1034 Engine 4 responded to Hartford St for an alarm sounding.

1452 Engine 4 responded to Ellery St for a low hanging wire.

Friday 6/24

0948 Engine 3 responded to South St for a MVA.

1731 Engine 4 responded to Martha St for an illegal burn.

1909 Engine 4 responded to Grandview St for a medical call.

1949 Engine 4 responded to Pleasant St for a medical call.

2003 Engine 4 responded to Decter Hill RD for an alarm sounding.

2308 Engine 4 responded to Beauregard St for a medical call.

Saturday 6/25

0533 Engine 4 responded to West Terrace St for a public assist.

1129 Engine 4 responded to East St for a medical call.

1142 Engine 4 responded to Main St for a medical call.

1309 Engine 4 responded to Main St for a medical call.

2020 Engine 4 responded to Maple Ave for a medical call.

2030 Engine 3 responded to Elm St for an alarm sounding.

2248 Engine 4 responded to Skinner St for a public assist.





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Dorlon Picard

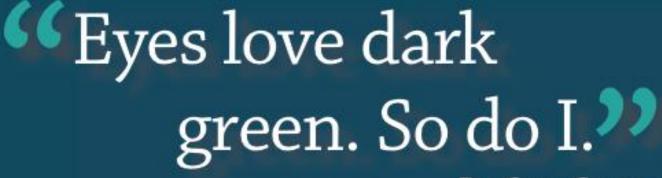
Dorlon "Don" Picard died on Tuesday, June 21, 2022, at his home in Claremont, NH, after two years of failing health. He was born January 6, 1927, to Harold and Thais (Wark) Picard, and grew up in Claremont. He was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, uncle, cousin, and friend. After graduating high school early, he entered the Navy in January 1945, and served on the U.S. Destroyer, the Herbert J. Thomas, with the fleet that was going to the invasion of Japan. It was the point ship in the first group leading the attack. In his early career days, he worked various jobs, including at J&L in Springfield, VT, but spent most of his career working as an industrial engineer at Joy Manufacturing, where he met his wife Fran (Francella Baker Fitch). In 1966 they were married, a second marriage for both. After retirement from Joy, he worked for Refco, Sherwin-Williams, and as a Meals on Wheels delivery driver. All his life Dorlon was an avid sportsman, enjoying most any sport. He played semipro basketball and baseball, and bowling in his early twenties, and learned to play table tennis (ping pong) during his tour of duty in Japan. He competed with players from all the military services in the first Far East Red Cross Tournament, and eventu-

ally brought home the winner's trophy. He also participated in long distance running and archery in the late 1950's while living in Texas. After returning to Claremont in 1961, he became an avid tennis player. He is most known for becoming an excellent pool player (a shark); a champion golfer, receiving many trophies throughout the years (playing his last round at the age of 94); and especially as a champion table tennis player, including participating in the Senior Olympics for many years (and receiving many trophies and medals along the way) as a single player as well as playing doubles with his long-time friend and partner Bill Henault of Claremont, whom he considered another son.

He is survived by his five children, 14 grand-children, and 14 great-grandchildren: son, Dale Picard of Claremont (and his children Janessa and her husband Ryan, and Jonathan); daughter Lynn Maynard of Sutton (and her children BJ (and his wife and two children), Wayne (and his wife and four children), and John (and his wife and daughter); daughter Shelley Brookings of Cornish (and

her husband Tim); daughter Cynthia Haynes of Acworth (and her husband Stephen and their children Leah, Hannah (and her husband and four children), and Sarah (and her husband and two children) and Joshua Lucky Haynes; and son Stephen Fitch of Langdon (his children Kaileigh (and her husband Tim and son Connor), Nenah, and Alex), his partner Nicole Leonard (and her children Brandon and Mason). He is also survived by his cousin Myrna Giroux, niece Lisa Simoneau (and daughter Nicole), and nephew Michael Henault (and his wife Kim and children, Amanda and Nick). He was predeceased by his parents, his wife Francella, his sister Lorraine Dutilley, and many aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Visiting hours will be Friday, July 15th from 5:00-7:00PM at the Stringer Funeral Home, 146 Broad Street, Claremont. A memorial service will be held on Saturday, July 16th, at 2:00PM at the Stringer Funeral Home. Burial will be at the Mountain View Cemetery, Claremont, with a reception to follow at Calvary Baptist Church, 97 Maple Avenue, Claremont.



-Dr. Sam Giveen

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Donations can be made online or by filling out the mail-in form.

Jeanne Y. George, 87

Jeanne Y. George, 87, passed away peacefully with family by her side on June 21, 2022,

at the Sullivan County Health Care in Unity, NH.

She was born on July 29, 1934, in Canada, the daughter of predeceased Ovila and Rezeda (Cote) Poirier. She worked for International Shoe Shop in



Claremont, NH, Sylvania in Hillsboro, NH, and Peterson Plastic in Claremont, NH.

She was a longtime resident of Claremont, NH, until she met her husband Raymond George (predeceased) where she lived in Montague, MA for 11 years.

She loved playing cards, crocheting, crafts, needlepoint, dancing, playing Bingo and the ocean. She especially loved to spend time with her family and friends, and Christmas was her favorite time of year. She took pride in decorating her tree. Mom was known for her big smile and love of shopping.

She is survived by her daughter Dorinne Bailey and husband Peter of Quechee, VT. Her daughter Rachel Raymond and significant other Michael Williams of Ft. Myers, FL, and Laconia, NH. Her son Laurier Fluette and wife Cindy of Claremont, NH. Her son Raymond Fluette and wife April of New Hampton, NH. Her son Brian Fluette and significant other Joye Caron of Claremont, NH. Two brothers, Andre (Joe) Poirier of Claremont, NH, and Philip Poirier of Wells River, VT. Grandchildren Scott Raymond of Chelsea, MA. Tyler Raymond of Gig Harbor, WA. Eric Fluette of Errol, NH. Sam Bailey of Springfield, VT. And her great grandaughter Poppy Raymond.

She was predeceased by her siblings: Laurier Poirier, Fleurette Witalisz, Yolanda Cleary and Yvette Poisson. Also her grandson, Nicholas Bailey.

Calling hours will be at Stringer Funeral Home on Tuesday – June 28th, between 5 and 7 pm. A Mass will be held at St. Mary's Church on Wednesday – June 29, 2022 at 11 am, and a graveside service to follow at St. Mary's Cemetery.

We would like to give special thanks to Sullivan County Health Care staff and New London Hospice VNA.

In lieu of flowers, a donation would be appreciated to Turning Points Network, 11 School Street, Claremont, NH.

Marion E. Schettino, 84

Marion Elnora Schettino, 84, of Claremont, NH, passed away peacefully on June 21, 2022, surrounded by her daughters. She had battled cancer for several years. Born in New Britain, CT, November 20th, 1937, she came to Claremont at age 10.

In her early years she volunteered for the Women's Athletic Association, Claremont Senior Center and was a 4H leader.

She and her husband "Skip" owned and operated Schettino's Pasta Restaurant for many years. "Best Italian food in the area". Her passions were her family, gardening, sewing and cooking. She resided at the Earl Bourdon Center for 16 years, making many friends. She volunteered for many duties in the Association including the store and the kitchen. Making meals for family and friends, the scent of her spaghetti and meatballs would often fill the halls.

She was employed by the Claremont School District as a cook in the cafeteria, managed the cafeteria at Tambrands, and cooked for the residents of the Frances J. Tolles Home.

Marion was predeceased by her husband John (Skip) Schettino Jr, her father Earl Hersom, her Mother Pauline Berlanger Shupenko, her sister Dorothy Mae Herron, and her niece Kathy Whittaker.

She is survived by the loves of her life, her five daughters: Deborah Soboleski, Vicky Schettino, Linda St. Sauveur, Donna Gilson, and Terri Parkinson. Also, by her six grand-children, six great grandchildren, one great, great granddaughter, two nieces and one nephew.

The family wishes to thank Lake Sunapee Hospice and Sullivan County Home staff for their care and kindness

Funeral services will be held at Stringer Funeral Home in Claremont on Tuesday, June

28th at 2PM with Father Sebastian Pastor of St. Mary Church officiating. Visiting hours will be from 1 to 2PM prior to the service. Burial will follow at St. Mary Cemetery.

Amy L. Dube

Amy Lynn Dube of Charlestown, NH, passed away unexpectedly on Monday, June 20, 2022.

Amy was born in Claremont, NH, on September 27, 1969, the daughter of James and Lois Dube. Amy was a devoted mother to Madylin and loved nothing more than to spend time with her. Wherever you saw Amy, her sweet Madylin was close behind. For Amy, family was an enormous part of her life, she and her mother enjoyed time together so much that they even ventured into creating a business together for a period, DewBee's daycare in Claremont. If you knew Amy, you were aware of her love for the beaches of York, ME, watching and attending local and national racing events and her enormous love of animals. Amy's loving heart extended to love dearly her dad, Jim, and big brother, Mike, two of the most important people in her life.

She was predeceased by her maternal grandparents, Milford and Leatrice Butterfield, and paternal grandparents, George and Mildred Dube Sr., her cousin and best friend, Tammy Simms, and her daughter's grandmother, Raylene Bly.

Her loving family includes her little girl, Madylin, parents Jim and Lois all of Claremont. Brother Michael Dube of Hanover, PA, niece Jordan Dube of Hanover, PA, aunts and uncles Jean and Doug Gagne of Claremont, James and Theresa Butterfield of Rochester, NH, Dale and Robin Butterfield of Claremont and George Dube Jr. of Cullman, Alabama and many cousins.

She is also survived by her friends, Amanda Chamberlain, Heather Sanborn, Heather Carley, Wendy Collier, Lisa Plancon, Alana MacDonald and many others that she loved so dearly. Her daughter's friends, Maddy Amsden, Stephanie McMaster, and Ariana Carr were like her own children and held a very special place in her heart. Stephanie's children, Kristie-Lea and Alana-Rose were loved like they were Amy's own grandchildren.

A celebration of life was held at the Stringer Funeral Home on Friday, June 24.

Pauline Thibodeau, 74

Pauline (Fournier) Thibodeau, 74, of Claremont, NH, passed away on Monday, June 20, 2022, at Sullivan County Home. Pauline was born on November 18, 1947, in Claremont, NH, to Robert and Gisele (Girard) Fournier. She graduated from St. Mary's High School. Pauline was mother to Rene Thibodeau, (deceased) and Kenneth Thibodeau Jr., (deceased).

Pauline was employed for several years at Sinclair Machine, Claremont, NH, and also ran a daycare in her home when her children were young.

Pauline enjoyed crafts, going to yard sales, spending time with friends, she was very involved with the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. Pauline is survived by her sister Yvette Hanks, Claremont, NH; Roland Fournier, (Linda), Lempster, NH; several nieces and nephews and special friend, Patty Mudge. She was predeceased by her parents, her two children, and a sister, Lorraine Downing.

A memorial service was held at Stringer Funeral Home, Claremont, NH on Monday June 27; a graveside service followed at St. Mary's Cemetery, Claremont, NH.

Visitation will be held from 10 to 11am, one hour prior to the service.

Joyce liked to travel, and most destinations involved historic places or gardens. Colonial Williamsburg was a favorite place as was Booth Bay Harbor in Maine. Portugal in Europe was a return trip until COVID-19 interfered. The U.K., especially Wales, and the gardens were the main attraction for her. Daffodil, the national flower of Wales, was her favorite flower. Being a member of the Scottish Rhododendron Society was a delight.

Joyce was an enthusiastic gardener and watched everyday for a new bloom to appear. Joyce was a voracious reader. She like mysteries, especially English cozies, a regency romance thrown in and histories.

She also did some writing, mostly for local publications like "Soonipi" magazine. In 2013 Joyce, along with Marge Reed and Marianne Marsha transcribed and annotated "The Judge's Daughter," a young girl's diary from 1861-1866. That same year, Joyce and others published, "The Third History of Charlestown."

A talent she learned in high school was sewing. She made many costumes with the 18th century look. She made curtains, winter, and summer ones, for all the windows, doll clothes and anything that needed mending or altering kept her sewing machine humming. One of her favorite places to visit in her travels was New England.

Being a member of the Heritage Commission and Historical Society gave her countless hours to research the local history. Her last project was finding the Civil War soldiers from Charlestown whose names are missing from cemetery records or monuments.

She is survived by her husband, Charles, of North Charlestown, one daughter, Judy Yurek and her husband, Ken in Pittsburgh, PA, one son, John Wallaert, of Austin, 13 grandchildren, 4 great grandchildren, one brother, Richard Richards and wife, Joyce of Arkansas, one niece, Suzie Baltzell and her husband, Josh, one nephew, Rob Richards and his wife, Allyson.

As she requested there will be no services. After cremation, internment will be at Hope Hill Cemetery in North Charlestown.

We would like to thank all the medical personnel of Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center for their caring, comfort and compassion during Joyce's long stay under their care. Especially all those in the different ICU units. Our appreciation is unbounded.

Donations in Joyce's name may be made to the Charlestown Historical Society, PO Box 159 Charlestown, New Hampshire 03603.

The Stringer Funeral Home is assisting with arrangements.

Joyce A. Higgins, 79

Joyce A. Higgins, 79, of North Charlestown, NH, died June 10, 2022, at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Hospital. She was hospitalized with Guillain-Barre Syndrome in mid-January. She was recovering from Guillain-Barre when she succumbed to an underlying heart condition.

Joyce was born on July 2, 1942, in Chicago, the daughter of Harry F. and Calla (Blaisdell) Richards. Joyce grew up in Illinois, graduating from Urbana High School in 1960. In 1962 she married James Wallaert of Moline, IL. They lived in Pennsylvania until divorcing in 1981. They had two children, Judy, and John. In 1982 she married Charles Higgins, a former sweetheart whom she knew from junior high school. They lived in Texas for the next 12 years, a place she did not like. While in Texas, she got into the antique business. Enjoying the hunt was the best part. Finding the treasure for little money was the reward.



57th Anniversary for Distribution of Scholarships

The Newest Group Of Alumni Members And Most Recent Scholarship Recipients Selected By The SHS Alumni Association Scholarship Committee.

Three new scholarships added this year; the Noah Bryant Osgood Class of 2022, the Lilyanne Amara Johnson Class of 1996, and Jean Lambert-Lambert-Cheney Class of 1955.

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Scholarship

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RECIPIENTS CLASS OF 2022

'Footprint on the Sands of Time'

COH Celebrates 125 Years of Arts and Entertainment

Text and Photos by Eric Zengota e-Ticker News

CLAREMONT, NH—In 1897, the new Claremont Opera House was dedicated as a symbol of the then-town's liberality and civic pride. An actor portraying The Honorable Hosea Parker quoted that 19th-century notable's words from the dedication, proclaiming that the COH was solid, substantial and built with honor. Other actors from the Off Broad Street Players, taking on the roles of Claremont citizens from past decades, reminisced about events they had attended, including town meetings, touring big bands, and a production of "The Chimes of Normandy" that fea-





tured a 3-ton elephant who walked up the grand staircase, down the aisle and onto the stage.

The words of these citizens came from recordings made in 1970, one of the first attempts to document COH's history by the people remembering their own youth and times. Over the past few months, the recorded memories turned into scripts for the actors. They also formed the basis of "Stage Whispers: A Living History, Retold," a book by Annalisa Parent. Parent introduced the "citizens," who, in

period costume, stepped into the spotlight to

share with the audience the building's — and by extension the City's — long and many-layered history.

The historical presentations, which also included a recreation of "The Burglar," a 1947 radio play, made up the first of a two-act evening of festivities at the COH last Saturday. Act II was a series of musical performances by local artists. Pianist Virginia Eskin played three numbers, including "Claremont Grand March" (1868) and "Maple Leaf Rag" (1899). Guitarist José Manuel Lazcano and flautist Melissa Richmond played Lezcano's "In a Japanese Garden" (2004); Eskin accompanied them on two other songs.

Gerry Grimo led the East Bay Jazz Ensemble in "Claremont Suite" (2014) by Dr. Mark Harvey. Ed Evensen conducted the Claremont American Band in three marches, including "Claremont Triumphant" (2010) by Dr. Erika Svanoe. The evening culminated with the band's rousing rendition of John Philip Sousa's "The Stars and Stripes Forever" (1896).

As "Burt Chellis, Esq." said earlier in the evening, before he handed a symbolic key to the COH to current mayor Dale Girard, the Claremont Opera House has always been



"alive to the spirit of the age, and yet built for future enjoyment. With this opera house, Claremont has set its footprint on the sands of time."

Clockwise: These silly "geese" (their word!) were worried that a "Burglar" was hiding somewhere in their country cottage. "Spirits" from Claremont's past shared their memories of the COH and other local entertainment venues. José Manuel Lazcano and Melissa Richmond performed music composed by Lezcano and Kinan Azmeh. The Claremont America Band's performance of Sousa's "Stars and Stripes Forever" provided a spirited conclusion to the evening's entertainment.



