



Two former Claremont teachers met unexpectedly at a 3 Score Men's Softball League game, in Clearwater FL. Dan Budd taught at CMS for 13 years and umpired girls softball games for years in the CVC League. Barry Levine taught at Stevens for many years and was also a guidance counselor at Maple Ave. Elementary School for 35 years before retiring. Levine plays for the 3 Score team and Budd umpires many of the games. They were both shocked to learn that they both taught and lived in Claremont for many years without ever knowing each other before as Budd left Claremont the same year Levine started working in the Claremont School District. They had a great reunion reminiscing about Claremont (Photo courtesy of Bel Levine).

SHS Boys Basketball Has Busy Week

The Stevens boys' basketball team had three games this past week, as they traveled to Plymouth on Monday, to Hanover on Wednesday, and hosted Con Val on Friday. Stevens made the long trip to Plymouth on



Congratulations to outgoing SHS Girls Varsity Soccer coach Tom Belaire for being named New Hampshire's Small-School Coach of the Year by the United Soccer Coaches Association. Belaire has served as coach since 2012, leading the team to NHIAA tournament play in all eight seasons; the team reached the finals in 2018 and the semi-finals in Div. III last season (Courtesy photo).

Monday making up the game that had been postponed from the previous Friday. Stevens was looking to make it two in a row after winning their first game of the season against Fall Mountain the previous Tuesday. The Cardinals had to go to overtime but would return to Claremont with a 41-38 victory.

Stevens trailed the Bobcats with less than 2 minutes to go in the game but a pair of Ty Bonneau free throws with 8 seconds remaining tied the game at 35, and forced over time. Plymouth scored first for a lead in overtime but Alex Taylor scored to tie it and Clayton Wadsworth hit 3 of 4 free throws down the stretch to give the Cardinals their second consecutive win, 41-38. Alex Taylor had a double-



Training for Tokyo...

Becky Pickul, of Claremont, is in the last weeks of training for the 2020 Tokyo Marathon, which will take place on March 1. Pickul ran her first marathon in the fall of 2013. She's run six domestic marathons and one international marathon — Berlin, last September. Her personal best is 3:37:56. We'll report on her results in a future edition (Courtesy photo).

double with a team high 12 points and 13 rebounds. Clayton Wadsworth and Matt Jones each scored 9 points. Brady Moote scored 7 points and grabbed 9 rebounds. Ty Bonneau had just the 2 points that sent the game to overtime but also brought down 10 rebounds.

On Wednesday, Stevens made the short trip up I-91 to take on the undefeated Hanover Marauders and returned home on the short end of a 63-20 score. Clayton Wadsworth led the Cardinals with 9 points, while Owen Taylor chipped in with 4 points and hauled down 6 rebounds.

On Friday at Frederick Carr Gymnasium Stevens played host to the Con Val Cougars, who like Hanover, were also undefeated. The Cougars returned home still undefeated as they beat the Cardinals 67-24. Clayton Wadsworth was again the leading scorer as he

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tossed in 12 points and had 4 rebounds. Matt Jones had 6 points.

The junior Cardinals dropped a 53-43 decision at Plymouth in their first game of the week. Ty Theriault scored a season-high 16 points and pulled down 7 rebounds. Tucker Derosier scored 11 points and also recorded 7 rebounds.

On Wednesday at Hanover, Stevens lost to the junior Marauders 56-31. JJ Tursky led the Cardinals with 7 points. Brennan Huntoon, Kayden LaClair, Ty Theriault, and Caden Ferland all chipped in with 4 points.

On Friday night before the home crowd, Stevens rallied to close the gap in the fourth quarter but the Cougars would go on to the 51-40 win. Freshman Kayden LaClair scored a career high 11 points for the Cardinals. Brennan Huntoon had 9 points, Zach Bundy had 5 points, as did Austin Jones, who also grabbed 4 rebounds. Ty Theriault hauled down a team high 9 rebounds.

Stevens will travel to Newport on Tuesday night for a rematch with their rivals, the Tigers. On Friday, Stevens will host the John Stark Generals. JV games will begin at 5:30 p.m. with the Varsity tip offs at 7:00 p.m.

Open Snowmobile Registration Weekend Is March 6-8

CONCORD, NH – The snow is accumulating in parts of the Granite State, which means it’s time for snowmobile enthusiasts nationwide to start planning for New Hampshire’s Open Snowmobile Registration weekend. From Friday, March 6, through Sunday, March 8, riders from throughout New England, as well as those from all around the U.S. and Canada, will have the opportunity to explore the over 7,000 miles of picturesque trails New Hampshire has to offer.

During the three-day Open Snowmobile Registration Weekend, sleds legally registered to ride in other states and provinces will be able to operate on New Hampshire’s trails. All New Hampshire laws and regulations regarding the operation of snowmobiles will be enforced including speed limits, carrying signed landowner permission letters, compliant exhaust systems relative to noise and

decibel levels, and youth operation standards.

“This weekend is one of the highlights of the winter for many resident and non-resident riders,” said Captain Michael Eastman, who coordinates Snowmobile and Off-Highway Recreational Vehicle enforcement, registration, and safety education for the New Hampshire

Fish and Games Department’s Law Enforcement Division. “It’s a great opportunity for residents and visitors alike to explore some of the most beautiful parts of the state that can be most easily accessed by snowmobile in the winter.”

SHS Boys Basketball

12/20/19	at Laconia	L 26 - 69
01/03/20	Oyster River	L 26 - 56
01/07/20	at Fall Mountain	L 39 - 54
01/10/20	at Merrimack Valley	L 34 - 55
01/17/20	at Bow	L 38 - 71
01/21/20	Newport	L 38 - 48
01/28/20	Lebanon	L 37 - 79
01/31/20	Coe-Brown Northwood	L 23 - 49
02/04/20	Fall Mountain	W 50 - 38
02/10/20	at Plymouth	W 41 - 38
02/12/20	at Hanover	L 20 - 63
02/14/20	ConVal	L 24 - 67
02/18/20	at Newport	07:00 PM
02/21/20	John Stark	07:00 PM
02/25/20	Kearsarge	05:30 PM
02/28/20	Laconia	07:00 PM
03/03/20	at Souhegan	06:30 PM
03/05/20	at Kearsarge	06:30 PM

Lebanon-Stevens-Kearsarge Girls Ice Hockey

12/14/19	ConVal-Conant	W 10 - 0
12/18/19	Bedford	W 12 - 0
12/20/19	at Oyster River-Portsmouth	L 0 - 1
01/02/20	at St. Thomas-WNC-DOV	L 1 - 4
01/04/20	at Berlin-Gorham	T 3 - 3
01/11/20	Exeter	W 5 - 2
01/14/20	Bishop Brady-Trinity-West	T 3 - 3
01/16/20	Pinkerton	W 3 - 2
01/24/20	at Keene-Mon-Fall Mountain	W 3 - 0
02/01/20	Berlin-Gorham	L 3 - 5
02/04/20	Keene-Mon-Fall Mountain	W 9 - 3
02/08/20	at Hanover	L 1 - 3
02/11/20	at Man. Central-Memorial	W 8 - 1
02/15/20	Souhegan	L 3 - 4
02/17/20	at Concord	Postponed to 02/19
02/17/20	at Bishop Guertin	07:55 PM
02/19/20	at Concord	03:30 PM
02/25/20	at Kingswood	07:00 PM

SHS Girls Basketball

12/13/19	Souhegan	W 64 - 26
12/18/19	at Kearsarge	L 41 - 44
12/20/19	Laconia	L 38 - 45
01/03/20	at Oyster River	W 69 - 36
01/07/20	at Fall Mountain	L 38 - 58
01/10/20	Merrimack Valley	W 54 - 46
01/17/20	Bow	L 40 - 50
01/21/20	at Newport	W 58 - 46
01/24/20	at Hollis-Brookline	L 49 - 58
01/28/20	at Lebanon	L 38 - 62
01/31/20	at Coe-Brown Northwood	L 42 - 61
02/04/20	Fall Mountain	W 46 - 45
02/10/20	Plymouth	W 70 - 35
02/12/20	Hanover	L 40 - 79
02/14/20	at ConVal	06:30 PM
02/18/20	Newport	07:00 PM
02/21/20	at Timberlane	06:30 PM
02/25/20	Kearsarge	07:00 PM

Lebanon-Stevens-Mount Royal Boys Ice Hockey

12/18/19	at Alvirne-Milford	W 5 - 0
12/21/19	Somersworth-Coe-Brown	L 2 - 3
12/23/19	at Goffstown	L 3 - 7
01/11/20	at Merrimack	L 1 - 6
01/13/20	at John Stark-Hopkinton	W 3 - 1
01/25/20	at St. Thomas Aquinas	L 0 - 1
01/29/20	Berlin	L 1 - 5
01/31/20	Oyster River	L 1 - 2
02/05/20	at Winnacunnet	W 9 - 0
02/08/20	Dover	L 2 - 4
02/10/20	Kingswood	W 5 - 1
02/12/20	at Spaulding	W 4 - 2
02/15/20	Portsmouth-Newmarket	W 3 - 0
02/16/20	at Kingswood	02:00 PM
02/19/20	at Berlin	06:30 PM
02/22/20	Merrimack	06:40 PM
02/26/20	Keene	04:50 PM

Inspiration

Tracks in the Snow

By Priscilla Hull

There are no secrets when it snows! We can see who has eaten the frozen apples off the apple trees in the orchard. We can see who has visited here or there! I'm fascinated by the tracks I see when walking doggo! She's fascinated, too. Sometimes she buries her nose in the snow and snuffles it, blowing the tracks away. She follows rabbit tracks back under the bush where they disappear into the nether world of rabbit life. She looks longingly at the track of deer as they cross the wide expanse of a field. It seems as though she wants to follow them back into the wooded area beyond, but she's bound by a leash and an old lady at the other end who no longer ventures through deep snow. Doggo checks out all the bird tracks, too. The tiny prints of the delicate chickadee and the lager prints of a crow. Once she found goose tracks. Not sure how goose tracks got there, but there they were. It was just one set and I wondered what a solitary goose was doing there in a land locked, snow covered field.



Yes, the "newspaper" for a dog is just as fascinating in winter as it is in the spring and summer. She "reads" it every day and takes special time when there are new prints to check out. Once in early spring, she saw bear tracks! I'm not sure who was more surprised, she or I. Of course, we see fox tracks now and then. They also fascinate her in a special way. Maybe she feels some DNA connection to them. Raccoons make her hackles rise. Even a little mouse track will cause her to stop and examine. Such a lot of things to be checked on her walk each day.

I'd like to find bobcat tracks, but so far no luck.

It's a fascinating world out there and a small domestic dog loves to explore it. Luckily so does her person. We have fun on these walks, checking tracks, wondering who has gone where and why.

It pays to be sharp eyed, though. Tracks can be deceiving. In two days of sun and no fresh snow, a small dog track begins to look like a wolf! The print of a robin takes on the look of a raven or a rook. Even deer tracks can begin to look as big as a moose! Well, that might be an exaggeration, but maybe it might look like an elk and the elk might look like a moose. I've never seen either moose or elk in that field.

So it is in life. What starts as an innocent comment can escalate into a wicked rumor that injures someone. We need to pay attention to what we say and do, or we become instruments of deceit and anger and hurt.

Watch the tracks. Enjoy the stories they tell and always know that what the tracks say can change without warning. We must remember that.

Ephesians 4:25 Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another.

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

Calendar Of Events

Three Comedians to Perform at COH

CLAREMONT, NH—Three comedians will fill the Claremont Opera House with a Night of Comedy on Saturday, Feb. 29. Comedians scheduled to appear include Tom Hayes, Jody Sloane and Rob Steen.

Hayes fell into the Boston Comedy Scene in its heyday in the 1980's along with such names as Stephen Wright, Lenny Clarke, Bobcat Goldthwait, Denis Leary, etc.

Later came such names as Dane Cook and Louis CK. Along the way he rose to a Boston standard and headliner at prestigious Boston Clubs and clubs throughout New England. He has opened for such national acts as Jeff Dunham, Phyllis Diller, The Smothers Brothers, The Four Tops and The Four Seasons. His comedic style is a hilarious self-deprecating style mixed with improvisational and interactive audience participation.

Sloane is now a regular at esteemed comedy venues, including Headliners Comedy Clubs throughout New England, Gotham Comedy Club in New York City, Comix Comedy Club at Foxwoods, plus roadhouses, Elks Clubs and dives from Portland to New York.

Steen has been doing comedy for 25-plus years. He began as a street performer at the age of 12 in Boston MA. Using his juggling and improv skills he decided to try Stand-Up. Since then he has kept a full calendar of over 350 shows per year. He has also been featured on several TV shows, including The Late Show with Dave Letterman.

Tickets are \$23 and can be purchased in advance online at www.claremontoperahouse.org, by phone at 603-542-4433 or in person at the Opera House Box office in City Hall Complex at 58 Opera House Square. Tickets also available night of show.

Comedians may be subject to change. Beer and wine sales available before the show and during intermission from Sweet Fire BBQ.

**Milk and Cheese Please
February 29, 2020**

Newport Middle High School

9:00am-2:00pm

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

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

Open to all youth ages 8-18 (Youth ages 8-11 need to be accompanied by an adult). Youth do not need to be a 4-H member of an existing 4-H club in order to participate.

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

Croydon Ladies Auxiliary Bingo

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

Kitchen open for supper and snacks.

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

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

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

Questions? Call Sandy at 603-543-7118.

Kinship Raising Support Group

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

Overeaters Anonymous Big Book Meetings

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

Claremont La Leche League

CLAREMONT, NH—Breastfeeding questions? Get answers and meet other breastfeeding mothers. Claremont La Leche League Claremont La Leche League will be meeting on the 3rd Thursday of the month at the TLC Family Resource Center, 109 Pleasant Street: Mornings, from 9:30—11:00 a.m., evenings, 5:30—7:00 p.m. LLL Leaders are trained and accredited through LLLI to offer help to parents, families, and communities to breastfeed, chestfeed, and human milk feed their babies through parent-to-parent support. A leader will be available to answer your questions.

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

Caregiver Support Group

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

Join the Boy Scouts

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

Arrowhead Seeks Volunteers

CLAREMONT, NH—Arrowhead is all-volunteer and has a critical need for winter time vol-

unteers this season; please consider volunteering. "Just give us whatever time you can, it really will make a big difference," said Chuck Allen of the Arrowhead Recreation Club.

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

The best contact is email; you can also leave a Facebook or phone message. email: arrowhead@arrowheadnh.com - best contact method. Phone: (603) 542-7016 - Leave a message.

WEDNESDAY, FEB 26 AND TUESDAY, MARCH 24

Welcome to Medicare!

Do you have questions about Medicare? We can help!

Medicare can be confusing. Becky Rostron, the SHIP (State Health Insurance Assistance Program) Counselor at Sullivan County ServiceLink Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC), can help you understand your Medicare options.

"Welcome to Medicare" workshops are designed to help new Medicare enrollees make more informed choices about their Medicare benefits. Workshop dates are as follows: Wednesday, February 26th and Tuesday, March 24th. The workshops are scheduled from 1:30 PM to 4:30 PM. Attendees only need to attend one of the dates. All workshops will be held at 224 Elm Street, Claremont NH 03743.

Rostron will cover: Part A Hospital insurance, Part B Medical insurance, prescription drug coverage, Medicare Supplement plans, and strategies on how to protect yourself from Medicare fraud, errors, and abuse.

There is no charge, but registration is required. Please contact Sullivan County ServiceLink Aging and Disability Resource Center at 603-542-5177 or 1-866-634-9412 to register.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22

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

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

Vermont wildlife knows how to get creative when it comes to the winter months. Join NPS Science Communication Specialist Ed Sharron to learn who is active and who is hibernating during these harsh winter months. NPS Science Communication Specialist Ed Sharron will begin with an indoor discussion that ex-

plores how animals meet their basic winter needs for food, water, and shelter. Then, head outside for a snowshoe hike investigating different habitats. Event open to all ages.

Please dress appropriately for outdoor activity, and bring a water bottle and snowshoes if possible. Adult and children's snowshoes are available if needed. Event will continue snow

or shine! Co-sponsored by Vermont Coverts and the Vermont Woodlands Association.

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



CITY OF CLAREMONT PARKS & RECREATION DEPT.

CYBSA Baseball/Softball Evaluations

Youth Baseball League 2020

Open to Boys & Girls
Age cutoff date is April 30th, 2020

T-Ball: Ages 5-6
Rookies: Ages 7-8
Minors: Ages 9-10
Majors: Ages 11-12

Youth Baseball League Evaluations

T-Ball (Ages 5-6): No Evaluation
Rookies (Ages 7-8): Mon. Mar. 16 5:30 PM
Minors (Ages 9-10): Wed. Mar. 18 5:30 PM
Majors (Ages 11-12): Thurs. Mar. 19 5:30 PM

Youth Softball League 2020

Open to Girls
Age cutoff date is December 31st, 2019

8U Softball: Ages 7-8
10U Softball: Ages 9-10
12U Softball: Ages 11-12

Youth Softball League Evaluations

8U Softball (Ages 7-8): Sat. Mar. 21 8:30 AM
10U Softball (Ages 9-10): Tues. Mar. 17 5:30 PM
12U Softball (Ages 11-12): Sat. Mar. 21 9:45 AM



Register for Baseball/Softball until March 21

(A late registration fee of \$10 will be applied to payments made after March 21)

Cost: \$45.00 Residents; \$55.00 Non-Residents

Register Now Online @ www.claremontparks.com

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Newport Historical Society Museum Hours

NEWPORT, NH--Interested in local history? Come visit the Newport Historical Society Museum, 20 Central St., Newport, NH. Located in the 1837 Nettleton House, the museum has two floors of annually changing displays to wander through. Open Sundays (except holiday weekends), from 10AM to 2PM, and by appointment by calling 603-863-1294. The museum is free, heated, air-conditioned, and handicapped accessible.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 29

Trees for Streams

Working Woodlands Workshop

S9-11am

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

Join us to learn about riparian buffers along our streams and their impact on water quality. Lisa Niccolai and Ron Rhodes will cover river restoration techniques and design, tree and shrub ordering and planting, potential funding sources, competition concerns, and survival rates.

Please pre-register as space is limited. To register or learn more call (802) 457-3368 x 226, or email us at leah_marshall@partner.nps.gov. Be sure to tell us how many are coming. More information can also be found on our website:

<https://www.nps.gov/mabi/learn/nature/working-woodlands-workshops.htm>.

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MONTHLY FOOT & BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC SCHEDULE

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



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Gilberte Messier, 92

Gilberte “Jill” Messier passed peacefully into the arms of her late husband, Victor Messier, on Saturday, February 8, 2020. She spent the prior week surrounded by her children and grandchildren as they shared fond memories about growing up in a loving family in Claremont, NH, and later Shelburne, VT. Jill was 92 years old at the time of her death and had resided for the last 20 years in Shelburne.

Jill was born on January 27, 1928 in Claremont, NH, the daughter of Adalbert and Aurena Boissonneault. She was a graduate of St. Mary High School, Class of 1945. On June 26, 1948 she wed Victor Messier, to whom she was married for 55 years until his death on January 15, 2003. Jill was a loving homemaker, raising not only her five children, but offering childcare over the years to many others who affectionately call her Momma Jill. Jill was a congregant of St. Mary Church in Claremont, NH, and participated in several organizations, including the Catholic Daughters of America, Ladies of Saint Anne, Advisor to the Catholic Youth Organization (CYO), and PTO (30 years). She also spent many years in a supporting role with the St. Mary Drum and Bugle Corp. While living in Shelburne, Jill was a congregant of St.

Catherine’s parish. Jill was a volunteer at SCHIPS where she offered her amazing ironing skills. Jill was also a member of the singles fellowship and always brought the best desserts to their monthly gatherings.

Members of her surviving family include her children: Linda Messier of Reading, MA; Daniel Messier and his wife Phyllis of Holiday, FL; David Messier and his wife Kyle of Claremont, NH; Lisa Bonser and her husband Mark of Grand Haven, MI; Michele Noonan and her husband Mike of Shelburne, VT; grandchildren: Jeremy Malley (Laura), Nathaniel Malley (Iveta), Micaela Long (Tim), Joseph Malley (Emily), Danny Messier, Katie Helmick (Raymond), Sam Noonan (Celsea), Amanda Messier, Fiona Noonan, Ronan Noonan and great grandchildren: Sophie Helmick, Olive Long, Eloise Malley, Jack Malley, Aurora Noonan, Juno Long, Calvin Malley, Maggie Malley and Autumn Noonan.

A Rite of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11:00 am on Saturday, March 21st, at All Souls Interfaith Gathering, Shelburne, VT, with her

son, The Rev. Daniel Messier, officiating. A Committal Service will be held at a later date at St. Mary’s Cemetery, Claremont, NH.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made in Jill’s name to McClure Miller Respite House, 3113 Roosevelt Hwy., Colchester, VT 05446.

The family invites you to share a memory of Jill (Momma Jill), or leave a message of condolence with them at www.royfuneralhome.com.

Cassie Blodgett, 63

Cassie Blodgett, 63, born on December 5, 1956, the daughter of Everett and Mary Phillips passed away on Sunday, February 9th, 2020, after battling a prolonged illness.

Cassie graduated Fall Mountain Regional High School in 1974 and graduated from Keene State Collage with her bachelor’s degree in biology and chemistry. Soon after she made her home in Charlestown for 41 years, where she and her husband, Edward Blodgett, raised their three daughters. Cassie worked as

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-Dr. Sam Given

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a teacher's aide at Bellows Falls Middle School for over a decade. Later on, Cassie went back to school to become a Lab Technician. She graduated from River Valley Community College in Claremont in (2007). Cassie also worked as an emergency dispatcher in Charlestown, NH. Later she worked as a Lab Technician at Grace Cottage in Townshend, VT, and at Dartmouth Hitchcock in Keene, NH where she stayed employed until her illness. Cassie was a loving wife, mother, and grandmother. She loved to laugh and had a great sense of humor. She brought warmth and caring to all around her, and always saw the good in everyone.

Cassie is survived by her husband, her daughters Darcie Blodgett and husband Matthew Durnford, and their daughter Charlotte; her daughter Kristin Ioannou and her husband Fokion Ioannou; and her daughter Courtney Axenroth, her husband Joseph Axenroth. Also, her brother Mark Phillips; her brother David Phillips and his wife Atasua Phillips; her sister Shawna Mays and her husband Michael Mays. As well as a much loved extended family, including her in-laws: Betty Blodgett, Bill Blodgett and his wife Norma Blodgett; Barbara Bryant and her husband Gerald Bryant; Fred Blodgett and his wife Victoria Blodgett; Patricia Grant and her husband Tom Grant; as well as Lynn Blodgett. She also had 19 nieces and nephews, and 23 great nieces and nephews.

Cassie was preceded by her parents Everett and Mary Phillips, her father and mother in-law, Fred and Rita Blodgett, and her sister in-law Teresita Martinez Phillips.

A celebration of life will be held in the summer.

The Stringer Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Maurice St. Pierre, 76

Maurice "Moe" St. Pierre, 76, of Claremont, NH, passed away Friday morning, February 7, 2020, at Valley Region Hospital after a long hard fought battle with myelodysplastic syndrome. He took the high road as he did in life. The final highway to heaven.

He was born in Claremont on March 10, 1943, the son of Wilfred and Lucile (Theroux) St. Pierre.

The family includes his wife, Judy St. Pierre; his daughter, Angelique, and son, Maurice II; two brothers, Joseph and Pete; one sister,

Claremont Senior Center, Inc.



Where did all this snow come from? The nerve of Old Man Winter! Here we are all geared up for Spring and he comes along with the final word. You can almost hear him laughing. At least we have Monday, March 8th, to look forward to. Boy, by the time we get through all that shoveling, we'll need that extra hour of sleep. We have a lot going on at the Center and it is hopping! Come in and check us out.

IT'S COMING!! Our Spring Fling Craft Fair is on the calendar for April 25th-9AM-2PM Call early for a space. Lunch will be served at 11:30-1:30. Special perks for our crafters. Call (603)542-5798 or (603)543-5998 for information. We look forward to displaying your talents.

Put May 3rd on your calendar. At 1PM we will hold our Annual Penny Sale. We are still accepting new or gently used items. You will not believe all the wonderful items so far! Please label your donation Penny Sale and leave it with the receptionist. It will be handled gently and appreciated. Thank you to all who are helping us with this event.

Many new programs are available at the Center. Chess-Thursdays-1PM-3PM, Cribbage-Mondays-1PM-3PM, Claremont Country Quilters-first Wednesday of the month-10AM-2PM. Pick up a newsletter and menu for our lunches. Try our trial membership-free for one month. We know you will enjoy the fun that you just might forget the snow.

While you are here on Tuesdays and Thursdays, stay for lunch. All our meals are freshly made from scratch thanks to Ken and the wonderful kitchen volunteers. Here are the meals for this week. Tues. Feb.18th-Soup, Chicken A-La-King over Rice, Jell-O. Thurs. Feb.20th-Birthday Dinner-Soup, Roast Pork Loin, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Key West Vegetables, Birthday Cake w/Ice Cream. How can you resist that menu! Meals are served at 11:45. Open to the Public. Members-\$4, Non Members-\$5.

If you are sick of staring out the window at all that "white stuff", volunteer at the Center for an hour or two. We have several openings such as receptionist-mornings or afternoons, Bingo helper, Kitchen help(various days). These positions are not difficult and will allow you to socialize and help with the Center's functions. Call 543-5998 or come in. We will appreciate any time you can give us.

Quick Takes: Blood Pressure-Thursday, Feb.20th-11:AM-Noon. Don't forget that Tax appt.! AARP Tax Prep. Assistance. Call the Center for an appointment.

Thought of the Week: What a wonderful life I've had. I only wish I'd realized it sooner. Enjoy the moments.

Have a good week everyone. Ignore the snow. THINK SPRING!

Laughter and lively conversation always welcome here especially in our Chat Corner. Claremont Senior Center.5Acer Heights Rd. Claremont,NH.(603)543-5998.Smoke Free.

Open Daily-9-3,Also Tuesdays and Thursdays-6-9,Sundays-1-4. Members and invited guests.

Monique.

He was preceded in death by his parents, ten brothers and sisters.

I am sure his gentle hands are on the steering wheel of a 18 wheeler and his dispatcher (God) is in control.

Funeral services will be held privately.

The Stringer Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Claremont Fire Dept. Log

Sunday February 9, 2020

00:32 Responded with E-1 to Chestnut St. for a detector sounding

11:58 Responded with E-1 to Charlestown Rd. for a motor vehicle accident

12:44 Responded with E-1 to Washington St. for a motor vehicle accident

14:03 Responded with E-1 to West Terrace Ave for a detector sounding

14:45 Responded with E-1 to Maple Ave for a sprinkler activation

18:03 Responded with E-1 to Snowshoe Hill for a medical call

18:46 Responded with E-1 to East St. for an alarm sounding

23:40 Responded with E-1 to Chestnut St. for an alarm sounding

Monday, February 10

04:00 Responded with E-1 to Sullivan St. for a Box Alarm

08:46 Responded with E-1 to Opera House Square for a Box Alarm

18:39 Responded with E-1 to Broad St. for a detector sounding

20:26 Responded with U-1 to Wall St. for a public assist

Tuesday, February 11

13:09 Responded with E-1 to Walnut St. for a medical call

14:24 Responded with E-1 to Lincoln Heights for a medical call

14:34 Responded with E-1 to Elm St. for an odor investigation

15:27 Responded with E-1 to Sullivan St. for a person stuck in an elevator

18:32 Responded with E-1 to Pleasant St. for a medical call

Wednesday, February 12

12:13 Responded with E-1 to Opera House Square for a Box Alarm

18:58 Responded with E-1 to Lincoln Heights for an alarm sounding

21:08 Responded with E-1 to Elm St. for a motor vehicle accident

Thursday, February 13

11:20 Responded with E-1 to Opera House Square for an odor investigation

17:02 Responded with E-1 and E-3 to Sullivan St. for smoke in the building

Friday, February 14

18:48 Responded with E-1 to Pearl St. for a medical call

22:03 Responded with E-1 to Highland Ave for a smoke investigation

Saturday, February 15

16:18 Responded with E-1 to Washington St. for a motor vehicle accident

Sunday, February 16

02:16 Responded with E-1 to Megan Place for a medical call



The Claremont City Council will hold a public meeting on Wednesday, February 26, 2020, at 6:30 p.m. 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. MAYOR'S NOTES
- 6:40 PM 5. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT
- 6:50 PM 6. CITIZEN'S FORUM (Comments on Non-agenda Items Limited to 5 Minutes per Speaker (Council Rule 23))
- 7:00 PM 7. OLD BUSINESS
 - A. Legislative Updates
- 7:25 PM 8. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. Welfare Update
 - B. Resolution 2020-17 State Route Re-Designation/Truck Route – Public Hearing
- BREAK
- 8:05 PM C. Connecticut River Conservancy Request Regarding Erosion
- 8:20 PM D. Funds Transfer
- 8:30 PM E. Discussion of Process for Letters of Support from the Council
- 8:45 PM F. Ad Hoc Budget Council Sub-Committee
- 9:00 PM G. Policy Committee Alternate Member
- 9:10 PM 9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND DIRECTIVES
- 9:20 PM 10. CONSULTATION WITH LEGAL COUNSEL
- 9:25 PM 11. ADJOURNMENT

PLEASE NOTE: Claremont City Council's next scheduled meeting will be on Wednesday, March 11, 2020, at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

Great American Songbook Echoes Through the Opera House

Jazz Trio Entertains Onstage Matinee Audience

Text by Eric Zengota

Photos by Stacy Bathrick

CLAREMONT, NH—Two dozen members and soon-to-be members of the Claremont Opera House extended the loving feelings of Valentine's Day right through the weekend. On Sunday they sat at tables on the stage, which was set up as a supper club-café, for a matinee concert by the Lenny Zarccone Jazz Trio.

The three musicians, who have been performing together for the last six years, were

the epitome of musical collaboration. Banter and chatter filled the minutes between numbers. Their relaxed and at times improvisational style shone in every song.

Bill Schontz (woodwinds) would begin a number like "My Funny Valentine" with a mellow sax intro. Zarccone, a strong baritone who traveled easily across several octaves, would pick up with the lyrics. During the bridge, he'd pass the song to Zack Danziger for his solo "turn" on guitar or piano. All three men sang and would come together to bring a song to a rousing — or bittersweet — or joyous conclusion.

The trio moved easily from jazz classics like "The Summer Wind" to bossa nova favorites like "The Girl From Ipanema," from ballads like "The Shadow of Your Smile" to the iconic Gotham number, "New York, New York." Zarccone strapped on his accor-

dion to play a wild tarantella and paid homage to Dean Martin with "That's Amore." Throughout, they acknowledged the genius and unique stylings of Frank Sinatra, going from one of his classic songs to the next on their playlist.

The audience was invited to sing along if they knew the lyrics. Which they did, to "Baby Face," "Bye Bye, Blackbird" and other favorites while enjoying mimosas and other adult beverages plus an array of sweet treats including cannolis.

The concert was the Opera House's first pop-up of 2020. Felicia Dalke, secretary of the board, is planning for others in the coming months, some featuring the big band sound. Benefits of gold membership include free tickets to future pop-ups; silver members can get chances to win ticket giveaways to other events.

For more information on membership, visit claremontoperahouse.org or contact Dalke at office@claremontoperahouse.org.



Lenny Zarccone Trio - February 16, 2020 Claremont Opera House