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May 4, 2020

Sununu Announces Stay at Home 2.0 Order

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CONCORD, NH – Friday, Governor Chris Sununu announced that he was implementing a new, modified Stay-at-Home Order. Stay at Home 2.0 is in effect until May 31st.

“The people of New Hampshire have taken this epidemic incredibly seriously,” said Sununu. “We have all played a small part in flattening the curve and slowing the spread of COVID19. We all know you are healthier at home, and that continues to be true, but we are also taking steps to reopen our economy in a smart, step-by-step approach that is supported by facts, science and data.”

Each of the decisions and guidance documents below have been reviewed by State Epidemiologist Dr. Benjamin Chan and his team at the New Hampshire’s Public Health Department, said Sununu’s office.

Universal Guidance is being issued for any business that is currently open, or will soon be opening, under these next steps. This universal guidance will serve as the bare minimum standards which businesses must meet to maintain or begin operations.

All applicable industries are able to start opening up in incremental phases as determined by Public Health.

Industries that can continue to operate with new, modified guidance:

Public and Private Campgrounds
New Hampshire State Parks
Manufacturing

Industries that can begin to phase-in services on May 4, 2020:

Certain Health Care Services

Industries that begin to phase-in, or expand
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Congratulations Are in Order

Claremont’s Newest Officers Graduate from Police Academy

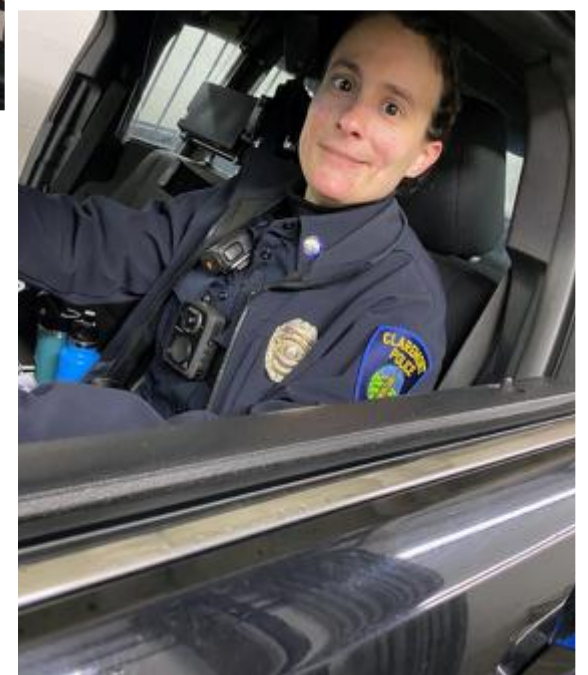


Officers Richard Bell and Rachel Foster (Courtesy photos).

By Eric Zengota
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CLAREMONT, NH—A year can crawl by or fly by. For Richard Bell and Rachel Foster, Claremont Police Department’s newest officers, the past year has been a blend of both.

From their physical fitness tests last spring, when they were hopeful recruits ... through interviews and polygraph tests and background investigations
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services on May 11, 2020:

- Retail Stores
- Drive-in Movie Theaters
- Public and Private Golf Courses
- Barbers and Hair Salons

Industries that can begin to phase-in, or expand services on May 18, 2020:

- Restaurants
- Details of the flexed openings were provided in a COVID-19 Reopening Guidance PDF (available on our website under the Current Issue tab).

For **hospitals**, emergent and urgent care evolves to include time-sensitive care procedures, such as MRIs and CT scans, knee or hip replacement for chronic pain and biopsies and invasive testing.

Campgrounds: Available only to NH residents and members of privates campgrounds, local towns may choose to close their own public campgrounds, additional physical distancing restrictions within the campground sites.

Parks: Seacoast beaches remain closed, interior state parks remain open with adequate staffing, amplified universal health and safety

guidance will be provided regarding interior state parks.

Manufacturing:

Remains an essential industry, provided universal guidance to all NH employers and employees so they can continue to operate safely.

Golf: Specific guidance to allow for public and private golf courses to open, participation limited to NH residents and members of private clubs, use of clubhouses is prohibited with restrictions on food and beverage.

Barbers and hair salons: By reservation only with limited open chairs, no congregating within establishments, face coverings provisions for both employees and customers.

Retail: 50% occupancy within interior locations, PPE provisions for employees, strict sanitation guidelines on top of other universal guidelines and requirements.

Drive-in theaters: Theaters allow for proper social distancing, additional guidelines on food and beverage restrictions, restrictions on congregation around bathrooms and other accommodations.

Restaurants: take out as well as outdoor seating options, tables must be 6 feet apart, limited to 6 individuals, servers must wear face coverings, must adhere to regulations crafted with the Dept. of Public Health and the NH Restaurants & Lodging Association.



Dr. Benjamin Chan, state epidemiologist, reported that there are early signs that the rate of hospitalization may be slowing; that rate dropped to 12% in Friday's report, down from 14%. On Thursday and Friday, the state conducted about 1,200 tests per day. Chan said that there were some early signals of decreasing community-level transmission, adding that social distancing has been working, and he encouraged the public to continue the practice.

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28 30 31 35 66 14

Tristate Megabucks 05/02/2020

1 13 15 28 33 6

For more lottery numbers,
<https://www.nhlottery.com/>

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Commentary

NH House Happenings

By Rep. John Cloutier



Why the Census is Important

Along with America's quadrennial Presidential Election, probably the most important scheduled political event in 2020 is the decennial United States Census of all people who live in our nation.

The national headcount, previously done in 2010, started last month with Americans being asked to complete their Census forms as soon as possible, preferably online at www.2020census.gov, though they could also be completed via postal mail or phone. Otherwise, within the next few months, depending upon if the coronavirus pandemic delays completion of the headcount, United States Census field staffers may come knocking at the doors of residents, who do not complete such forms. By the way, I completed my census form on-line last month, and this important task took me only 10 minutes to complete. A quicker and more convenient improvement over the 2010 Census, which I had completed by mail.

Why is it so important for all Americans, including New Hampshire and Claremont residents, to complete their census forms? I believe we should all complete our forms for three basic reasons. First, by answering all the census questions we can insure an accurate headcount of all individuals residing in America in order that each state and municipality gets its fair share of any future federal funds coming into our state from programs that are either ongoing or temporary like the recently-passed CARES (Coronavirus Aid, Relief, & Economic Security) Act, federal funds, the distribution of which, is usually based on the population of each state, and its municipalities. Second, answering all the questions should at least in theory ensure that reapportionment of all representatives' seats in the United States House of Representatives will be done as accurately and fairly as possible. Third, answering all the questions should also in theory ensure that the reapportionment of all state legislative seats will be done accurately and fairly. In New Hampshire, this reapportionment would include all 400 representative seats in the New Hampshire House as well as all 24 seats in the Senate. Additionally, because of our state's unique system of government that is more limited than other states, with many checks and balances, such reapportionment also includes all five Executive Council seats as well as all County Commissioners' seats in all the state's 10 counties.

Consequently, after the census' scheduled completion later this year, and after the nation's Nov. 3 General Election, reapportionment, more commonly known as redistricting, of all the just-described elected officials' seats will begin. In New Hampshire's case, it will basically start on Dec. 2, 2020, the date that the next 2020-2022 term of the House and Senate begins, though final action will likely not take place until the 2022 Session. Anyway, redistricting plans will have to drawn up, re-

commended by appropriate committees, and voted on just like any other piece of legislation, and then sent to our next governor, who can either sign, veto, or let such plans become law without her or his signature. During my House service, I have experienced two such redistricting processes, and both times have been disappointed that both have degenerated into purely partisan battles between fellow Democrats and Republicans, which has often resulted in elected officials' districts that do not reflect the theory of accurately and fairly-drawn election districts. I hope that next term the process turns out differently, and it could if a measure recently given preliminary approval by the House becomes law.

This redistricting reform measure about which I am writing is House Bill 1655, which would establish an independent redistricting commission. This 15-member advisory-only body would recommend to both the House and Senate how the earlier-described elected officials' districts should be redrawn. Under the bill, the commission would start meeting no later than July 1, 2021. Ten commission members would be appointed from a pool of applicants by both House and Senate leaders of the two largest political parties as of early 2021. Up to five commission members could be registered Republican voters in New Hampshire, while the other five could be registered Democratic voters in our state. Also none of the ten members could be serving as a state representative, state senator, county commissioner, executive councilor, or United States representatives at the time of their appointments. These ten members would then select the remaining five commission members-members who would be required to be registered voters of neither one of two largest political parties in either the House or Senate. In other words, these five would likely be all registered "Undeclared" voters, which is the official name for registered Independents in our state because other parties like the Libertarians or Greens are not strong here.

Furthermore, under the amended version of House Bill 1665 as passed on March 12, the 15-member commission would have to recommend redrawing election districts based on specified criteria. The specified criteria would include redrawing such districts so as not "unduly" favor or disfavor any political party, incumbent, or candidate for political office. But also the districts would have to comply with the United States Constitution and federal laws, as well as the New Hampshire Constitution and state laws. Additionally, the commission's recommended districts would be drawn on the basis of total population, respecting the integrity of political boundaries as much as possible without violating state laws, as well as drawn in compact shapes without jagged edges and extensions. Finally, in drawing election districts, the commission "shall consider the integrity of communities of interest" or in other words, "areas with recognized similarities of interest including, but not limited to, "economic, social, cultural, ethnic, or historic identities."

House Bill 1665 was given preliminary approval after brief debate on the House floor as well as a recommendation by a majority of the House Election Law Committee to adopt the bill. It now goes to the

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Rep. Cloutier, from A4

House Finance Committee for review of its potential impact on the state’s operating budget, a second House vote later this year. The measure is sponsored by a bipartisan group of seven lawmakers led by Durham Rep. Marjorie Smith, a Democrat, and including Wolfeboro Sen. Jeb Bradley, a Republican.

I again voted for House Bill 1665, as I did for a similar independent redistricting measure passed by both House and Senate last year, but vetoed by Gov. Christopher Sununu. I hope my fellow representatives will give final approval to this legislation, the Senate will also adopt it, and the Governor this time sign the bill into law, or at least let it become law without his signature. I believe so-called “gerrymandering” in redrawing election districts is wrong, whether done by my fellow Democrats or Republicans. In other words, it should be the voters “picking their politicians”, not “politicians picking their voters.”

Finally, a historic event occurred in the New Hampshire House last week, prompted because of the coronavirus pandemic, which has resulted in closure of the State House Complex since March 15. For the first time, on April 30, a House standing committee met remotely through the Zoom digital platform and approved its recommendations for three House bills in an executive session. This committee was the House Finance Committee, and afterwards both Concord Rep. Mary Jane Wallner, who is the Finance Committee Chair, as well as Speaker Stephen Shurtleff stated that the approximately 45-minute executive session went well with no serious problems. I watched this Zoom session and agree that it went well. Consequently, our state’s citizens should expect other House committees to hold similar executive sessions and even public hearings on legislation within the next few months. **Email: jocloutier@comcast.net.**

NH Delegation Announces \$115.4M COVID-19 Relief Funds for Rural Hospitals, Health Care Providers through CARES Act

(WASHINGTON, DC) – U.S. Senators Jeanne Shaheen (D-NH) and Maggie Hassan (D-NH) announced with Representatives Annie Kuster (NH-02) and Chris Pappas (NH-01) that New Hampshire rural hospitals and health care providers will receive \$115.4 million in a third installment of federal grants established under the bipartisan Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act that was passed by Congress and signed into law. In total, the law includes \$100 billion for health care providers. The first \$30 billion was disbursed to providers throughout the country earlier this month and included \$164.5 million for those in the Granite State. In a second allotment announced earlier this week, New Hampshire providers received nearly \$16 million, and an additional \$10.8 billion from that tranche of funding will be soon be made available for providers in New Hampshire and across the country.

“Now more than ever, we need to ensure that health care is accessible to all who need it, which is especially critical in our rural communities. Our rural hospitals and providers have been forced to furlough hundreds of workers and are struggling to keep the doors open as we deal with the greatest health crisis of our time,” said Shaheen. “I’m glad these federal dollars have been distributed to our rural providers, but much more work remains to ensure they can continue to deliver vital medical services to Granite State families. I’ll keep urging the Trump administration to get the additional federal support provided by Congress to our frontline providers and workers, and will continue to call for stringent congressional oversight so relief reaches those who need it most...”

Following conversations with Granite Staters and during negotiations of the CARES Act, Shaheen called on Senate leadership to prioritize a number of health care-related issues in the legislation, including a boost in funding for health care providers on the front lines. Heeding a bipartisan call led by Shaheen and Senator Bill Cassidy (R-LA), last month, the Trump administration agreed to address Medicare’s Accelerated and Advance Payments Program interest rates for health care providers on the frontlines of the coronavirus pandemic in future economic response legislation. To date, New Hampshire providers have received \$689 million in upfront payments through this program to mitigate the economic shortfall caused by the pandemic.

**New Hampshire 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Summary Report
(data updated May 3, 2020, 9:00 AM)**

NH Persons with COVID-191	2,518
Recovered	1,017 (40%)
Deaths Attributed to COVID-19	86 (3%)
Total Current COVID-19 Cases	1,415
Persons Who Have Been Hospitalized for COVID-19	282 (11%)
Current Hospitalizations2	110
Persons Tested Negative at Selected Laboratories3	28,318
Persons with Specimens Submitted to NH PHL	10,371
Persons with Test Pending at NH PHL4	244
Persons Being Monitored in NH (approximate point in time)	2,850

COVID-19 Hotline

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

Public Urged to Wear Masks

The CDC recommends wearing cloth face coverings in public settings where other social distancing measures are difficult to maintain (e.g., grocery stores and pharmacies) especially in areas of significant community-based transmission.

Update on City Parks

CLAREMONT, NH –All City Parks will remain open at this time and we are asking all park users to adhere to social distancing protocols. All playground equipment and structures are closed until further notice.

Skate Park

In order to adhere to social distancing guidelines related to COVID-19, please maintain a 6-foot distance between people (1 person per ramp) while using the park. Refusal to adhere to these guidelines could result in the closure of the Skate Park.

Basketball Courts

In order to adhere to social distancing guide

lines related to COVID-19, please maintain a 6-foot distance between people (1 person per basket) while using the courts. Refusal to adhere to these guidelines could result in the removal of baskets.

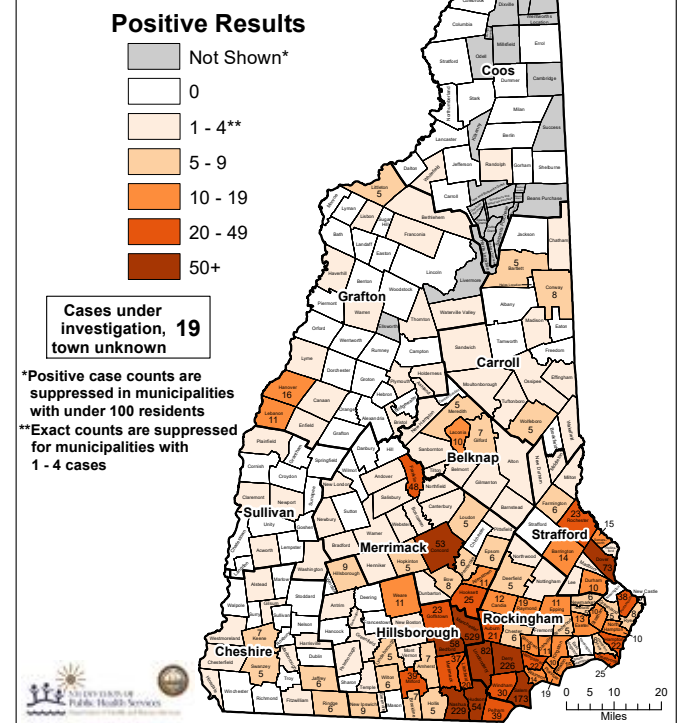
NH DHHS COVID-19 Update – May 3, 2020

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

On Sunday, May 3, 2020, DHHS announced 90 new positive test results for COVID-19. There have now been 2,518 cases of COVID-19 diagnosed in New Hampshire. Several cases are still under investigation. Additional information from ongoing investigations will be incorporated into future COVID-19 updates. Of those with complete information, there is one individual under the age of 18 and the rest are adults with 51% being female and 49% being male. The new cases reside in Rockingham (32), Hillsborough County other than Manchester and Nashua (13), Strafford (6), Merrimack (3), and Belknap (1) counties, and in the cities of Manchester (18) and Nashua (12). The county of residence is being determined for five new cases.

Five new hospitalized cases were identified for a total of 282 (11%) of 2,518 cases. Nine of the new cases have no identified risk factors. Community-based transmission continues to

**COVID-19 in New Hampshire
Positive Test Results
3/1/2020 - 5/3/2020
(n=2,518)**



County	Cases
Belknap	39
Carroll	32
Cheshire	40
Coos	2
Grafton	53
Hillsborough - Other	351
Hillsborough - Manchester	529
Hillsborough - Nashua	229
Merrimack	195
Rockingham	862
Strafford	155
Sullivan	12
County TBD	19
Grand Total	2,518

increase in the State and has been identified in all counties with cases. Most of the remaining cases have either had travel to domestic or international locations or have had close contact with a person with a confirmed COVID-19 diagnosis.

DHHS has also announced 2 additional deaths related to COVID-19.

- One female resident of Hillsborough County, who was 60 years of age or older
- One male resident of Rockingham County, who was 60 years of age or older

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The **Community Center** is closed, but city parks are open and being maintained. Playgrounds are closed. The Parks & Rec Facebook page is offering up some fun family activities.

Department of Public Works is open. Please note that the transfer and recycling station is open regular hours (Tuesdays and Saturdays from 8:00 a.m. to 3:45 p.m.), with limitations of four vehicles at one time. Please maintain a minimum of 6' distance.

The **Claremont Police and Fire Departments** are open and available for information or questions. Please maintain safe distancing if possible during this time.

Claremont Businesses

Banks are accepting applications under the CARES Act Paycheck Protection Program. Some information is available at <http://www.claremontnh.com/uploads/Small%20Business%20Owners%20Guide%20to%20the%20CARES%20Act%20final%20-%20P.pdf>. Please check with your bank for details.

The **SBA** has updated its information page on COVID-19 loans and grants. For further information please see <https://www.sba.gov/page/coronavirus-covid-19-small-business-guidance-loan-resources#section-header-2>.

Claremont Private Non-Profit Organizations

FEMA has published some guidance for non-profits and federal assistance at <http://www.claremontnh.com/uploads/COVID-19/040120-%20COVID-19%20-Pandemic%20-%20Private%20Nonprofit%20Organizations%20Fact%20Sheet.pdf>.

Upper Valley banks, economic development and business support entities have created the Upper Valley Regional Business Support Resources bulletin to help you find direct, person-to-person advice and assistance in this region. The one-page hard copy and digital pamphlet also includes basic guidance on federal and state programs, required application information and pro tips to keep in mind as you consider your options. Given the dynamic and changeable nature of the COVID-19 response, program details remain fluid. This bulletin provides current information as well as contacts – virtual and personal - to revisit over the coming days in order to access updates. <http://www.claremontnh.com/up->

[loads/COVID-19/Upper%20Valley%20Business%20Support%204%2010%202020.pdf](https://www.claremontnh.com/uploads/COVID-19/Upper%20Valley%20Business%20Support%204%2010%202020.pdf).

COVID-19 Federal Rural Resource Guide
USDA and its Federal partners have programs that can be used to provide immediate and long-term assistance to rural communities affected by the COVID-19 outbreak. These programs can support recovery efforts for rural residents, businesses and communities. For further information see [https://www.rd.usda.gov/sites/default/files/USDA COVID-19 Fed Rural Resource Guide.pdf](https://www.rd.usda.gov/sites/default/files/USDA%20COVID-19%20Fed%20Rural%20Resource%20Guide.pdf).

The **NH Department of Environmental Services** has posted changes to licensing and deadlines pursuant to Governor Sununu's Executive Order # 29, which establishes temporary modifications of certain Executive Branch deadlines and requirements. For further information see <https://www.des.nh.gov/media/pr/2020/20200409-emergency-order.htm>

City Hall is open via the main Opera House Square entrance. We ask that you call or email in advance if you want to speak with someone. A document drop-off box is available inside the main entrance. Many payments can be made on-line at <https://www.eb2gov.com/eb2gov.dll/TownLaunch?town-code=006>.

The **Visitors Center** is open. Business that can take place by phone, email or on-line meetings is preferred at this time. Applications for building permits and restaurant inspections can be made at claremontnh.viewpointcloud.com. Staff are available for inquiries by businesses, projects, board applications, or zoning questions, as well as building inspections.

Fiske Free Library is closed, but staff are available by phone or email to answer questions. On-line book and other virtual activity information is available at <http://www.claremontnh.com/residents/departments/library/default.aspx>.

The **Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning**

Commission cancelled the **Household Hazardous Waste** collection in Lebanon on Saturday, May 2nd, but the next HHW collection date is Saturday, June 6th, at the Claremont Highway Garage, 8 Grandview Avenue. Further information on what to bring or not to bring is available at <http://hhw.uvlsrc.org>.

ECHO at Dartmouth-Hitchcock (Extension for Community Health Outcomes) is offering a series to examine the evolving science and practice of worker safety in the era of COVID and will provide a forum for employers to share concerns and ideas related to different work contexts. The series will adapt as COVID and employer needs evolve.

<https://connect.echodartmouth-hitchcock.org/Series/Registration/269>

While the nice weather and long period of isolation call out for some time with friends and family, **please continue to follow the basic rules on 6' distancing and handwashing.**

The **CDC continues to recommend people wear masks** when they are interacting with others, particularly where crowds may gather such as grocery or hardware stores.



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Officers, from A1

and medical exams ... through waiting for a job offer ... through being hired and working and waiting for official training ... through 16 weeks of rigorous training by the New Hampshire Police Standards & Training Council (familarly known as the police academy) in Concord ... to — at last — graduation from the academy on April 24, the calendar pages flipped over at an increasingly fast pace.

Now, said police chief Mark Chase, the City has two new “official” officers to be proud of. “The unique part of their training,” Chase noted, “was that because of the COVID-19 crisis, they were sent away from the residential academy and finished the last five weeks using an online training model.”

Pandemic restrictions also forced the cancellation of the traditional graduation ceremony. “But Rachel and Richard were sent their diplomas,” Chase said, “and the next day started in our field training program.” In the program, which lasts 12 weeks, new officers work side by side with their experienced colleagues to learn the full range of law enforcement duties.

Another new officer, Lucas Finamore, begins police academy training today. His first six weeks will be based on the distant learning training model. He’ll report to the residential academy when the COVID-19 lockdown is modified.

Cause, Manner of Death Determined for Woman found Deceased in Ludlow

BURLINGTON, VT — The Vermont Chief Medical Examiner’s Office has completed its investigation into the Feb. 20 death of Bonnie LaPointe, 49, a resident of Windsor, VT, who was found deceased inside an open garage at a friend’s residence in the town of Ludlow. The cause of death has been identified as hypothermia due to exposure to a cold environment, and the manner of death has been determined to be an accident.

Detectives with the Vermont State Police Major Crime Unit and Bureau of Criminal Investigations, joined by members of the Crime Scene Search Team and Field Force Division, investigated the incident in conjunction with the Ludlow Police Department.

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May 14th 7:00 & May 15th 4:00 Lake Sunapee Music Fest

Favorite regional musicians come together for this uplifting AT HOME event, including Patrick Ross, Tom Pirozzoli, Carl Beverly, Nicole Densmore, Kathy Lowe, Will Ogmundson, Jordan Tirrell-Wysocki and a very special guest; <https://www.facebook.com/centerfortheartsnh>. All proceeds go directly to the Lake Sunapee Region Center for the Arts Artist Relief Emergency Fund.

May 15th-30th

Online Silent Auction to benefit the CFA 2020 Scholarship Fund- Bid! Bid! Bid! on restaurant, store, and theater gift certificates, museum vouchers, baskets, handmade crafts, original artwork, and a few surprise items! Visit <https://www.32auctions.com/cfa2020>.

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COVID-19 Testing Clinic Opens in Claremont

Story and Photos By Eric Zengota
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CLAREMONT, NH—On Wednesday, April 29, the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services (NHDHHS), in partnership with the New Hampshire National Guard, began offering COVID-19 testing clinics through fixed and mobile sites across the State.

In a May 1 posting on the National Guard's website, 2nd Lt. Michael Canavan was quoted as saying, "The idea behind this is to test those with symptoms to see how wide spread COVID is and to determine whether or not it's safe to begin the phased opening again." The site also noted that 90 citizen soldiers and airmen were activated for the mission. That raised the total number of NH guardsmen mobilized for COVID-19 relief missions to 560.

Claremont is one of five fixed sites. (The others are Plymouth, Lancaster, Rochester and Tamworth.) The Claremont clinic has been set up behind the Middle School. Testing is offered from 11am to 7pm daily. The clinic is expected to be in operation for at least the next three weeks.

Residents experiencing one or more symptoms of COVID-19 should call their healthcare provider first to request a test. The healthcare provider will submit an order to DHHS, and the COVID-19 Coordinating Office will call individuals to schedule a test at a time and location most convenient to them.

A visit to the clinic averages five minutes. Individuals drive up behind CMS and stop at the trailer to present their paperwork. Army guardsmen confirm the appointment, then notify the Air guardsmen EMTs, who are headquartered in the school cafeteria. Two EMTs in protective

gowns, gloves and face shields emerge and walk into the quarantine tent, which is off-limits to the general public. The individual parks outside the tent and stays in their vehicle. Using swabs, the EMTs collect nose (nasopharyngeal) and throat (oropharyngeal) specimens. The individual drives off.

CDC guidelines recommend that swabs "should be placed immediately into a sterile transport tube containing 2-3mL of either viral transport medium (VTM), Amies transport medium or sterile saline."

CDC shipping guidelines state:

"Label each specimen container with the patient's ID number (e.g., medical record number), unique CDC or state-generated nCov specimen ID (e.g., laboratory requisition number), specimen type (e.g., serum) and the date the sample was collected." Specimens collected in NH are shipped to Concord, where the lab analysis is performed.



Traffic cones line the lane from the check-in trailer to the quarantine tent.



Air guardsmen EMTs use the quarantine tent to prepare clinical specimens for shipment to the laboratory for analysis.



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DHHS notifies individuals of the results in three to four days.

Some individuals have driven up to the Claremont clinic without the required appointment scheduled through DHHS. In these cases, guardsmen give them the number to call to make an appointment.

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In this difficult time you can put your skills, time and energy to use helping the community get through this.

Sew Face Masks: Supplies of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for healthcare workers are being seriously strained. As the COVID-19 case count increases, this will become an ever increasing problem. Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center is asking for donations of home made fabric face masks. You can help right now by donating your time and skills. More information is available here on the Dartmouth-Hitchcock website: <https://www.dartmouth-hitchcock.org/patient-education/sewing-masks.html>.

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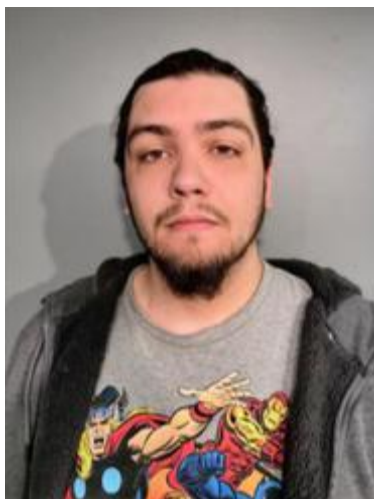
iFixit is building a central resource for maintenance and repair of hospital equipment. This is an attempt to centralize all the documentation and resources necessary to keep these life saving machines operating and to help the biomedical technicians who service them working as efficiently as possible when machines need repair.

Digital Fabricators (3D printers, CNC plasma torch operators, CNC router operators): There's a need for 3D printed parts including ventilator valves and reusable face masks as well as other fabricated parts. We are still investigating what specifically hospitals in the region are asking for or will be asking for in the near future and what the best design solutions are. In the meantime, if you are interested in helping, please contact ryan@claremontmakerspace.org who has offered to help coordinate this effort.

If your business is impacted by this crisis, the Upper Valley Business Alliance has information about current resources available for regional businesses: <http://www.uppervalleybusinessalliance.com/covid19-information-for-businesses>.

Acworth Man Arrested Following Sexual Assault Investigation

ACWORTH, NH —In June of 2019 Detectives from the New Hampshire State Police Troop – C initiated an investigation into allegations that Stephen Gay, age 25, Acworth, NH, engaged in a pattern of sexual assault against a child under 16 years old.



Stephen Gay

THE NHSP reported on Friday that on May 1, 2020 after a lengthy investigation, Detective Neilsen obtained an arrest warrant for Gay. He was arrested without incident and is charged with Aggravated Felonious Sexual Assault, Perjury, Falsifying Physical Evidence and Possession of Child Pornography. Gay is being held without bail at the Sullivan County House of Corrections pending his arraignment on Monday May 4.

The NHSP said that “This matter remains under investigation at this time. Anyone that may have further information related to this incident is asked to please contact Detective William Neilsen via Troop C dispatch at 603-223-8494 or email at, william.Neilsen@dos.nh.gov.”

Three Arrested Following Assault Investigation in Langdon

LANGDON, NH—On April 24, 2020 at approximately 0914 AM, Troopers from Troop C responded to a medical call on Chaffee Lane in the town of Langdon. Upon arrival, they found an adult male suffering from serious injuries. It was determined that multiple assailants had entered his home the previous evening and assaulted him while there. In the morning, the victim was able to yell to a neigh-

bor that he needed help.

Troopers from Troop C and Troop B immediately began investigating the facts and circumstances of the assault, and have arrested the following individuals on the following charges:

Joshua Gagnon
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Fitzwilliam, NH
Burglary, 1st Degree Assault,
Criminal Threatening



Joshua Gagnon

Michael Hamel Jr.
Age 37
Keene, NH
Burglary, 1st Degree Assault,
Criminal Threatening



Michael Hamel Jr.

Stephanie Malcolm
Age 34
Troy, NH
Burglary, Conspiracy to Commit
Burglary, 1st Degree Assault

All three defendants have been arraigned on their charges, and are being held at the Sullivan County House of Corrections. The next hearing in the matter is scheduled in the Sullivan County Superior Court on Tuesday May 5, 2020.

Anyone that may have further information related to this matter is asked to contact Trooper Eamon Washburn via Troop C dispatch at 603-223-8494 or email at eamon.Washburn@dos.nh.gov.



Stephanie Malcolm

New Hampshire Secures 4M+ Masks for U.S. Dept. of Veterans Affairs

CONCORD, NH – Thursday, Governor Chris Sununu, Veterans Affairs (VA) Deputy Secretary Pam Powers, Dean Kamen, and members of New Hampshire’s congressional delegation greeted a plane and unloaded over 110,000 pounds of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) from a FedEx cargo plane on the tarmac of Manchester-Boston Regional Airport — the largest shipment destined for New Hampshire to date.

“When VA Secretary Robert Wilkie reached out to me I knew this was a mission New Hampshire could take on,” said Sununu. “We owe those on the frontlines taking care of our veterans the protection they deserve. I give a lot of credit to Secretary Wilkie for leaving no stone unturned in his search for equipment, and I am honored that the State of New Hampshire could help VA hospitals across the country.”

“The Department of Veterans Affairs is proud to work with New Hampshire as part of our ongoing effort to ensure our hospitals have access to the equipment they need to take care of our nation’s Veterans,” said VA Secretary Robert Wilkie. “Governor Sununu and his team are demonstrating the spirit of service that should serve as an example to all Americans.”

The State of New Hampshire purchased the entire shipment of PPE and will be distributing supplies to the areas of greatest need across the state as part of its ongoing effort to respond to the COVID19 global pandemic. The State of New Hampshire secured this new shipment of PPE with the help of inventor Dean Kamen and others. Roughly 4.5 million masks on the plane will be sent to the VA for their distribution. The VA will reimburse the State of New Hampshire for the 4.5 million masks.

The FedEx cargo plane departed Shanghai, China, Wednesday night, and was wheels up to New Hampshire Thursday after passing through United States Customs in Anchorage, Alaska early Thursday morning.

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Tornado!
(sort of)...

These different types of clouds came together briefly Saturday to create a faux tornado.

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INVESTING TIPS

PART 1

2020 CARES ACT: Retirement Planning FAQ

On March 27, 2020, in response to the COVID-19 global pandemic, Congress passed the Coronavirus, Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act. This is historic and sweeping legislation created to help keep workers paid and employed, allow businesses to remain operational, make necessary health care system enhancements and stabilize the economy.

The Act contains a few key provisions designed to assist retirement plan participants and IRA account holders who are struggling financially during these unprecedented times. Here are some frequently asked questions regarding these key provisions. For more comprehensive information on other key CARES Act provisions, go [here](#).

Q: Does the CARES Act affect hardship distributions?

Yes. The CARES Act doubles the current retirement plan loan limits to the lesser of \$100,000 or 100% of a qualified individual's vested account balance in the plan. This increased loan amount is available for loans made during the 180-day period beginning on the date of enactment. In addition, the Act extends the due date of any qualified individual's loan repayment that would otherwise be due during 2020 (but on or after the date of enactment) to one year after the otherwise applicable due date.

Q: What determines if an individual qualifies for the penalty exemption?

An individual qualifies for the exemption in the following circumstances:

- They are diagnosed with COVID-19
- Their spouse or dependent is diagnosed with COVID-19
- They are experiencing adverse financial consequences as a result of being quarantined, furloughed, laid off, having work hours reduced, being unable to work due to lack of child care due to COVID-19, closing or reducing hours of a business owned or operated by the individual due to COVID-19, or other factors as determined by the Treasury Secretary.

While there are no specific details in the CARES Act, several industry sources state that given the

extensive list of potential individuals who may qualify for relief under the Act, it seems that the Congressional intent was to make relief available as broadly as possible. The IRS will likely operate in kind, and take a liberal view of who has been impacted by the coronavirus enough to qualify for a coronavirus-related distribution or loan request. Plan and account administrators can rely on an individual's self-certification that they meet the requirements of a coronavirus-related hardship distribution or loan request at the time they make the request.

Q: Are hardship distributions still subject to income taxes?

Yes. However, a coronavirus-related distribution under the Act can be included proportionally in the qualified individual's taxable income over a three-year period, unless the individual elects to have it taxed in the year of distribution. In addition, the distribution will not be treated as an eligible rollover distribution, so the mandatory 20% withholding will not apply.

Q: Can the hardship distribution be paid back at some point to avoid income taxes?

Yes. The Act also allows a qualified individual who takes a coronavirus-related distribution to repay that amount tax-free back into the plan within three years of taking the distribution. Such repayment will be treated as a rollover contribution and not be subject to annual maximum contribution limits.

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Q: What determines if an individual qualifies for the increased plan loan limits?

The qualification requirements for an increased loan limit distribution are the same as those for a hardship distribution penalty exemption.

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Acts that Transform

About a month ago I wrote about some of the things that individuals, families, organizations and businesses are doing to uplift the community and help one another. Those acts of kindness continue to increase, and the outcomes are transformative. During a time of increased stress and uncertainty due to COVID-19, these actions are making a difference on our outlook and in our community.

Daily walks around the City are great stress relievers and a way to connect with the community. Prior to COVID-19, that connection usually met a short conversation with fellow residents. Since COVID-19 those conversations have shifted to written messages of gratitude and encouragement. During a recent walk, I came across two such messages. One resident had written a note of thanks to the UPS on his or her front glass door. Another chalked "Claremont Strong" in huge letters on a side street. Messages such as these cultivate a positive outlook, critical to our mental health during this pandemic.

In recognition of Earth Day, there has been a renewed focus on cleaning up the City. Residents and organizations throughout the community have mobilized to remove trash alongside roads and trails. One individual's goal is to pick up five bags of trash a day. To date, people have cleaned up Half Mile Road, Plains

Road, Grissom Lane, Hewitt Road, Sullivan Street, Twistback Road, Syd Clarke Park, Charlestown Road, and Old Church Road.

The collective results have been amazing, ridding numerous routes throughout the community from unsightly litter and debris. In addition to the countless bags of trash collected, efforts have also focused on the proper disposal of tires. For several years now, the City has offered a Free Tire Day at the Transfer Station for residents. This year, Free Tire Day was scheduled for three separate days in order to keep traffic down and adhere to CDC guidelines for COVID-19. At the time of this writing, two of those days have occurred and 3900 tires have been taken to the Transfer Station. Not only has this provided an opportunity for residents to dispose of unwanted tires, but we have addressed the issue of tires illegally dumped throughout the community.

These efforts to clean up our community continue to expand. The Claremont-Sugar River Rotary Club will be picking up trash along Washington Street. The local ATV club will be focusing on Cat Hole Road, as well as local ATV and snowmobile trails. A coalition of downtown businesses, led by Jeff Barrette of the Ink Factory, is organizing an effort to beautify downtown Claremont on May 8, inviting residents and organizations to participate.

In preparation for Memorial Day on May 25, the Department of Public Works will be sprucing up local cemeteries.

This year, special attention is being given to the Pleasant Street Cemetery. As one of the oldest in the City, there is a need to level some of the grave sites that have sunken over time. Additionally, DPW will also be addressing the crumbling pillars that hold the wrought iron gates gifted to the Claremont by Mr. Moody in the previous century.

Finally, individuals continue to respond to the need for masks, volunteers and donations. This past week a local resident provided 50 masks for riders using the public bus transportation system. Every week, volunteers faithfully give of their time and energy at the Claremont Soup Kitchen. Others donate money and supplies to non-profits in the community.

These acts are transformative. Words of encouragement or gratitude, community pride and a helping hand not only impact us individually, but the entire community. Despite the hardships created by COVID-19, we have chosen to act to improve our lives and our community.

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

Public Notice

**Claremont School Board
Public Hearing and Regular Meeting
May 6, 2020 6:30pm
Audio Broadcast CCTV Channel 8**

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The Claremont School Board will be holding an audio broadcast on CCTV Channel 8 for Public Hearing to discuss donation of \$8,877.67 for Stevens High School Library from NH Charitable Foundation and transfer of funds from the Special Education Trust Fund to the FY21 Budget. Due to covid-19 and the health and safety of our residents, this meeting will only be an audio broadcast. Citizens without access to CCTV may call in to listen 1-218-301-8398 PIN 604 674 438# A regular School Board Meeting to immediately follow.

Please visit our website: www.sau6.org under School Boards to review agenda items. The public is encouraged to listen.



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New Community Forest Will Serve Thousands of New Hampshire Residents

HANOVER, NH—The Trust for Public Land and the town of Hanover has announced the opportunity to create Mink Brook Community Forest, a new 250-acre town forest to be owned by the town of Hanover.

“Mink Brook Community Forest will provide outdoor recreation opportunities to thousands of people in the fastest growing part of the upper valley,” said J.T. Horn, project manager at the Trust for Public Land. “During this time of national crisis, more and more people are headed outside to find peace, and we are reminded of the importance and power of the outdoors. This forest will serve as a key piece of the long-term vision to complete a green belt around downtown Hanover with new trail connections, a buffer for the Appalachian Trail, and a movement corridor for wildlife.”

“The town of Hanover is committed to preserving open space that maintains our rural character and quality of life,” said Julia Griffin, Hanover town manager. “We believe that after more than a decade of controversy regarding the development of the site that a new community forest is the right outcome for the Greensboro Road neighborhood. This outcome also fulfills an important part of our open space plan, which prioritizes the protection of the Appalachian Trail in the Mink Brook watershed. “The Hanover Conservancy is delighted that these beautiful and ecologically valuable lands will be protected forever as the Mink Brook Community Forest,” said Adair Mulligan, executive director of the Hanover Conservancy. “Conserving such lands—and their healthy streams in wetlands – is a big step toward climate change resilience for our town and adds to future flood security in the Mink Brook Corridor. The Hanover Conservancy has placed a priority on protecting this watershed in our strategic conservation

plan.”

The Trust for Public Land is a national leader in creating new community forests. Sometimes called “town halls in the woods”, community forests provide diverse benefits such as outdoor recreation, timber revenue, and clean drinking water. The town of Hanover sought the Trust for Public Land's expertise to purchase the Greensboro Road property after over a decade of controversy about the potential large scale development of this site.

The Trust for Public Land purchase contract grants the organization until January 2021 to raise the \$2.172 million purchase price, which is based on an independent appraisal. Additional funds for project costs and new trailhead development are also needed, bringing the total campaign to \$2.5 million. Subject to a successful fundraising campaign, the Trust for Public Land plans to convey the land to the Town of Hanover in early 2021.

The 250 acres for the community forest will have permanent deed restrictions limiting uses to conservation and recreation, including an active forestry program; 3 acres for housing will be conveyed to the town as unencumbered land, and the town will seek an appropriate housing developer who can build a small cluster of affordable cottage style homes targeted to new homeowners. The existing historic farmhouse would be resold on a small lot as part of the financing of the project.

In 2005 the property was proposed for a 336 unit development by Paragon Development of

Westport, CT. A neighborhood opposition group formed, which successfully petitioned town meeting to change the zoning for the site. This precipitated several lawsuits by Paragon against the town, which went on for over a decade before being dropped in 2018.

Additional Funds Received to Support Local Non-Profits Adapt to Challenges From COVID-19

NEWPORT, NH—At a special meeting of the Sullivan County Board of Commissioners (BOC) on April 10th, BOC members approved accepting an additional \$25,000 grant award from Dartmouth-Hitchcock (Mary Hitchcock Memorial Hospital) to support non-profits in the

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Greater Sullivan County area. The County will continue to act as the fiscal agent for the program and award funds based on requests that are approved by the Greater Sullivan County COVID-19 Community Response Coalition.

The program is intended to support non-profits who are experiencing increased challenges due to the COVID-19 global pandemic. Including this most recent contribution, Dartmouth-Hitchcock (D-H), with support from D-H Philanthropy and private donors, has provided a total of \$55,000 for the program of which \$36,000 has been dispersed to local organizations.

The funding to organizations from the Relief Fund include but are not limited to: Access and Expansion of Technology/ Telecommuting Needs for Organizations and Schools, Personal Protective Equipment and Needs for Essential Workers, and Food Access.

Sullivan County Manager Derek Ferland is not surprised at how quickly this program came together. "Dartmouth-Hitchcock approached the county and gave \$30,000 to kickstart the program right away. It underscores the positive impact D-H makes in our region—they are a great partner and team player. Together, along with the Greater Sullivan County Regional Public Health Network and the Region1 Integrated Delivery Network, the county is helping to connect our local non-profits with emergency funding and other resources during a time when they need it most."

Here's an example of how the fast response has helped the Claremont Senior Center. According to Thomas Liveston, the Center's grant coordinator and finance committee chair, "Our center has relied on rental income to operate for years. With the stay at home order due to COVID-19, we have been unable to pay bills. These funds will help us to pay these debts and remain operational and serve the seniors in the greater Claremont area."

All non-profit community support organizations are encouraged to apply. The Community Response Coalition is working to determine the needs of the community and access additional funds. If your organization has a critical need, please email: GSCPHN@hitchcock.org. In addition to funds, the coalition also is provid-

ing technical assistance to organizations.

The county would like to extend its sincerest gratitude to D-H Philanthropy, D-H Population Health and the many donors who have contributed to the Greater Sullivan County COVID-19 Community Relief Fund. D-H (Mary Hitchcock Memorial Hospital) made a generous donation to kick off this campaign and we'd like to invite you to join us. If you are interested in contributing to this community fund, please call Sharon Callum at 603-863-2560 or email sharonjc@sullivan-countynh.gov

with instructions about how you would like to make a donation. The county can support checks and wire transfers and Sharon can provide further instructions to support your donation.

A list of the organizations that have been funded through the Greater Sullivan County Community Relief Fund was provided to the *e-Ticker News*:

- TLC Family Resource Center
- Baby Steps Family Assistance
- Got Lunch! Newport
- Maple Manor
- Southwestern Community Services
- Headrest
- Sullivan County Humane Society
- West Central Behavioral

Health

- Claremont Senior Center
- Claremont Soup Kitchen
- ServiceLink
- Kearsarge Kares
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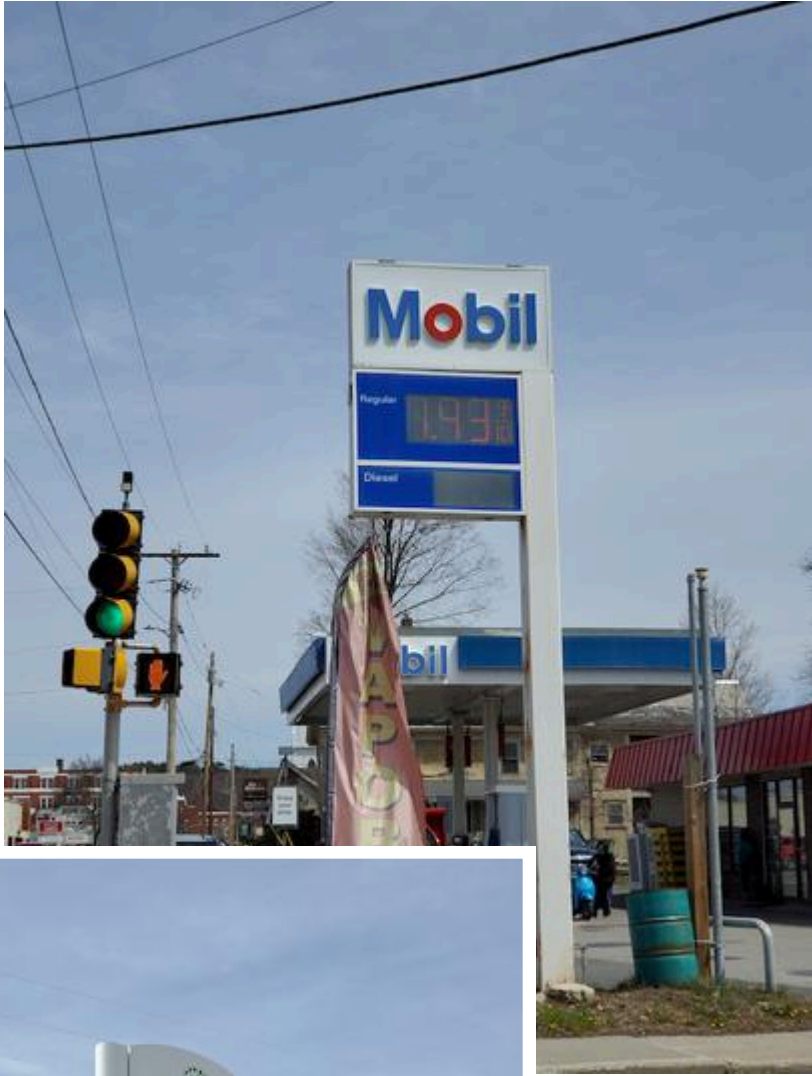
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‘Like a science-fiction movie ... ’

One of the few pedestrians on Pleasant Street in Claremont last Wednesday stopped six feet away, proclaimed (through his blue-striped face covering), “This city looks like the set for a pretty grim movie,” and walked on down the nearly deserted sidewalk. Empty storefronts, empty parks, closed salons, restaurant signs promoting take-out and delivery only, and price wars between gas stations offering plummeting prices make up the urban setting created by the coronavirus. Not a pretty view ... but simply where we are right now.





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Smart Moves for Women Business Owners

Mother's Day is upon us. If you're a mother, you'll enjoy the recognition you get from your family on this day. And given the health concerns caused by the coronavirus, your appreciation of family may be even greater this year. As we all know, mothers have a difficult job. And many mothers also run their own businesses – another demanding task made even more difficult these days. What special challenges do women face who embark on careers as business owners?

Of course, motherhood itself presents a major challenge. As a society, we have not achieved gender equity yet, in terms of family responsibilities, so mothers – even busy business owners – still face time constraints and interruptions from work to care for children. And it's not just children, either – the vast majority of caregivers for elderly relatives are women, according to a study from Northwestern University. So, many women business owners may be coping with multi-generational family issues.

You can't change the demographic pressures you may face, but, as a business owner, you can take some steps to help improve your financial outcomes. Here are a few ideas:

- **Seek networking opportunities.** You can find useful, and empathetic, allies in other women business owners, who may be able to direct you to valuable resources. To illustrate: Women's businesses often lack financial support to a greater degree than men's, and it is unfortunately not uncommon for women to be denied loans because of gender and cultural biases. But if you become active in a network of women business owners, you could find some leads to financial institutions that have showed themselves to be free of gender-based prejudices.

- **Be extra aware of investment risks.** Everyone should always be aware of investment risk, of course, but if you have most of your assets tied up in your business, you may need to be extra diligent. You're already taking a fair amount of risk by just having a business, so you may need to balance this risk in your investment portfolio by choosing the mix of investments that can help you move toward your goals without subjecting you to excessive market volatility.

- **Establish a retirement plan for yourself.** Have you established a retirement savings plan for yourself? About one-third of business owners haven't, and 40 percent are not confident they can retire before 65, according to data compiled by SCORE, a nonprofit organization that works with small businesses. Fortunately, you have several good retirement plan options, including an "owner-only" 401(k), a SEP-IRA, a SIMPLE IRA or even a solo defined benefit plan, which functions like a pension.

- **Create a succession plan.** You may need a strategy for transferring or selling your business. Do you want to keep the business in the family? If so, who do you want to take it over? Or would you prefer to simply sell it to someone else? Your decisions, whatever they are, will affect your financial picture and possibly that of your family, so you will want to consult with your tax, legal and financial advisors to arrive at a plan that works best for your needs.

You've got some twists and turns ahead of you on the road to financial security. But planning ahead, considering various possibilities and seizing your opportunities can help you smooth out the journey.

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Crimes and Comfort

Two Canines Assist Claremont Police, Community

**Story and Photos By Eric Zengota
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CLAREMONT, NH—The “dog days” of summer are months away. But the Claremont Police Department celebrated a “dogs day” on May 1 by live-streaming a K-9 officer demonstration as well as the announcement of their new comfort dog’s name.

Maverick, a 3-year-old Belgian Malinois, joined the department two years ago. Trained to detect a range of illegal substances, he’s been responsible for several drug busts. He’s also adept at locating missing persons and tracking fugitives by scent alone.

Maverick accompanies Sgt. Tyler Petrin on every shift, leaving the back of the cruiser only at Petrin’s command to help with an incident. Both take several hours of training every month. Off duty, Maverick relaxes in his kennel at Petrin’s home, making for a 24/7 partnership.

As a working dog, Maverick has no contact with the general public. He should not be approached even in a friendly manner. That movement would be seen as a threat to Petrin, whom he would defend, just as the sergeant will defend his canine partner.

In contrast, new comfort dog Officer Sullivan will gladly welcome petting and hugs from everyone he meets. The department posted that Sully’s “responsibilities will include supporting victims of all crimes, engaging with families and children during difficult times, and being a resource that the community as a whole can access.”



Police chief Mark Chase noted that “Sully is not ‘our’ dog, he is Claremont’s dog.” Underscoring that point, the department arranged to have an online vote to choose the name. Sully is, as Chase said, “a black lab-ish” from Hero Pups, a New Hampshire-based nonprofit staffed by volunteers who train shelter and rescue dogs to become service dogs for veterans and first responders.

Sully will be trained by Hero Pups and gradually transition over to Claremont as Sully’s handlers — detective Margaret Barry and school resource officer Crystal Simonds — progress in their own training.

Sully will no doubt be eager to meet the children of Claremont. Kids and dogs are traditionally good friends, Chase noted, adding, “If having a fuzzy face next to us gets the children to listen, all the better.”

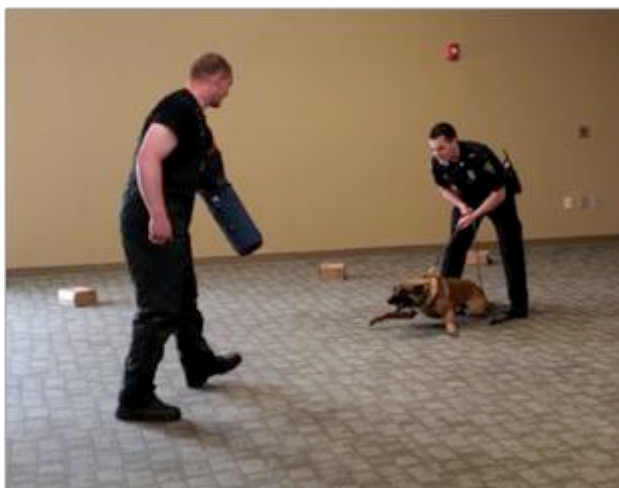
Chase welcomes Sully’s eventual move to Claremont. “We can’t wait for him to get here, so everyone in the city can meet him.”

Follow Officer Sullivan on his Instagram page at [cpd_comfortdog](#).

Watch the entire police video at [facebook.-com/claremont.police/videos/1101965273536076/](#).

Learn about comfort and service dogs at [heropups.com](#).

Maverick is trained to take down individuals who are threatening or fleeing from police. In this demonstration, he responded to Petrin’s calling out, “Don’t touch my dog!” by fastening his



Detective Margaret Barry and police chief Mark Chase made the big name reveal on Friday. “Sully” and “Goose” had each garnered 605 votes. A coin toss was in Sully’s favor.

jaws on the arm guard worn by Officer Cameron Blewitt. He thinks it’s a toy, and won’t let go until Petrin gives the command. In real life, canine fierceness almost always convinces the individual to surrender.



Inspiration

Sights and Sounds

By Priscilla Hull

As the seasons change, so does the world around us!

As spring makes its way and as days grow longer, the world becomes brighter and hope makes our breath quicken as we see and hear the emergence of a new world.

Do you hear it?

*The wren has returned to the house on the wall.
His song breaks forth to call his mate.
Come, come, I've found the place,
the same little house by the garden gate!*

Hear the chickadee!

*His happy winter "chickadee-Dee-dee"
Has turned to a whistle,
"Come to me! Come and see! Come to me!"*

The cardinal in his bright red vest

*Sits high in the tree in the morning sun.
"Come here, come here my dear little wife
"Come here, come here, my dear sweet one."*

I hear an owl in the deep dark wood

*I hear the peepers in the brooks and rills,
Thunder rumbles up in the sky
Each sound brings its own kind of thrill.*

As the snow melts away the grass is greening

With little dots of yellow where dandelions are preening.

Soon there are riots of color

*Where hyacinths, daffodils and tulips grow
Each one brings joy to the common eye.
Each one brings love to the world below.*



(Cathy Parks photo)

*Now the grass is emerald green,
The leaves are bursting
New buds are seen.*

*The world is changing
Everything is new*

*God has made everything fit beautifully in its appropriate time.
Ecclesiastes 3:11*

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

Calendar Of Events

Reed Optical Hosts Book Drive & Raffle

CLAREMONT & SUNAPEE, NH—Reed Optical is hosting a Book Drive and Raffle to support local libraries. During the month of May, they will be collecting book donations at both their Claremont (Pleasant Street) and Sunapee (Post Office Road) locations. In exchange for a book donation, an entry will be given toward a drawing of “fabulous prizes”. Take a look at the prizes in either office, our website (www.reedoptical.com/bookdrive2020) or on the Reed Optical Facebook pages.

Books collected in Claremont will be donated to the Fiske Free Library, while books collected in Sunapee will be donated to the Abbott Library.

For more information about Reed Optical, or the book drive, please visit <http://www.reedoptical.com>. Contact the Claremont location at 603-543-3125, sales@reedoptical.com, or <http://facebook.com/ReedOptical>. Contact the Sunapee location at 603-763-7302, sunapee@reedoptical.com or <http://facebook.com/ReedOpticalSunapee>.

Eileen Austin Neal Nursing Scholarship Applications Due May 22

SPRINGFIELD, VT—Applications are now being accepted for the 15th Annual Eileen Austin Neal Nursing Scholarship of \$1,000.

This scholarship is open to any student who has been accepted into a nursing program of study. Applicants will be judged on interest in and commitment to the field of nursing. Determination will be based on merit and need.

Neal was a registered nurse at Springfield Hospital for 64 years, retiring in 2005. She was the first recipient of Springfield Hospital's Community Health Award in 2003. In 2004, the Hospital established the Spirit of Nursing Award in recognition of her many years of dedicated service.

Upon her death in February 2006, at the request of Eileen's family, Springfield Hospital established a nursing scholarship fund in her name with the gifts received in her memory. “This scholarship continues the positive influence Eileen had on both nursing and the community,” said Lyndsy McIntyre, Chief of Patient Care Services at Springfield Hospital.

The application deadline is May 22, 2020. Application forms are available by visiting www.springfieldmed.org.

If you would like more information, please contact Sandy Peplau in the Marketing & Development office by email at speplau@springfieldmed.org or call 802-885-7686.

39th Annual Prouty Goes Virtual in the Time of COVID-19

LEBANON, NH—During this unprecedented time of COVID-19, The Friends of Norris Cotton Cancer Center is excited to announce the continuation of The Prouty's 39-year tradition of raising funds for important cancer research and crucial patient services at Dartmouth and Dartmouth-Hitchcock's Norris Cotton Cancer Center in a structure that will keep all participants safe and healthy.

The Prouty – named in memory of patient Audrey Prouty – is the biggest charity challenge north of Boston. Because of COVID-19, the Friends will NOT be bringing 4,000 people together in Hanover, NH, on July 11. Instead, people everywhere will be invited to be part of the newly designed 2020 Virtual Prouty where one can bike, walk, row (if you can), golf (if possible) or do any other event from the comfort of home or the safety of the outdoors. Event producers are encouraging participants to do their activity between the dates of June 1 and July 11 to make it easier to keep physical distancing.

The following changes are new for the 2020 Virtual Prouty:

- The waiving of minimums for Prouty participants, and Prouty Ultimates will have a significantly lowered minimum
- The Jack & Dorothy Byrne Foundation match will now start at the \$100 level for a dollar for dollar match, instead of the \$250 level. Two for one matching will remain at the \$1,000 level. This will be applied retroactively.
- There will be no ProutyGear incentives offered, but participants will be able to buy a

commemorative Prouty bike jersey, wicking shirt, and other items at the Louis Garneau Prouty store or purchase a 2020 Virtual Prouty cotton t-shirt for \$15.

- Participants must follow physical distancing guidelines for whatever event is chosen, wherever and however it is done.
- More information is available at www.TheProuty.org, under New for Prouty 2020.

Cooperative Extension Video Pruning Resources

- Pruning tree fruits: <https://extension.u-maine.edu/fruit/growing-fruit-trees-in-maine/pruning/>
- Pruning videos: <https://video.maine.edu/tag/tagid/pruning>
- Pruning trees and shrubs: <https://extension.unh.edu/resource/basics-pruning-trees-and-shrubs-fact-shee>
- Pruning deciduous trees: <https://extension.unh.edu/resource/pruning-deciduous-trees>
- Pruning small fruits webinar: <https://www.canr.msu.edu/resources/pruning-small-fruits>

Cone Automatic Machine Company Charitable Foundation Scholarship Program

CLAREMONT, NH—The Cone Automatic Machine Company Charitable Foundation scholarship program will continue for the coming school year 2020-2021. This scholarship is available to the children or grandchildren of former employees of Cone-Blanchard Machine Company having a minimum of five years of continuous service with Cone-Blanchard Machine Company who meet the eligibility requirements.

Eligibility Requirements, Terms of Award Payments, and applications may be obtained by writing to Cone Automatic Machine Company Charitable Foundation (mailing address) P.O. Box 65 Claremont, NH 03743.

Completed applications must be postmarked no later than May 11, 2020. Scholarship awards will be announced in June 2020.

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.

RVAPL Potluck Dinner

CHARLESTOWN, NH—River Valley Animal Protection League Potluck Dinner Fundraiser is planned in the near future. Please come out and support the shelter at this fun event that includes raffles, cake auction, door prizes and games.

When: **POSTPONED, NEW DATE TO BE ANNOUNCED**

Where: Held at the VFW on Lovers Lane in Charlestown NH. Everyone welcome! Call for more info: 603-826-3061

Paint Nite! Unleash your Inner Artist

Support the River Valley Animal Protection League by joining us at the Sumner House Restaurant in Charlestown NH.

When: **POSTPONED, NEW DATE TO BE ANNOUNCED**

When you buy a \$45 ticket, \$15 will be donated to the shelter!

Arrive at 5:15pm to order food and drinks before the event, painting starts at 6:30pm. No previous painting experience necessary!

Register at <https://www.yaymaker.com/events/10163512>

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.

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.

Area Grocery Store Hours Reserved for High Risk Population

HANNAFORD - Most stores reserve 7 a.m. – 8 a.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings. In Massachusetts, those special hours are 7 a.m. – 8 a.m. daily.

MARKET BASKET 6:00 AM - 7 AM EVERY DAY Claremont

CO-OP FOOD STORES 7AM - 8 AM EVERY-DAY WRJCT, Lebanon & Hanover

PRICE CHOPPER 6AM - 7AM EVERYDAY-Windsor & West Lebanon

SHAWS 7AM - 9AM TUES & THURS West Lebanon

WALMART 6 AM - 7 AM TUESDAYS ONLY-Claremont & West Lebanon

PLAINFIELD COUNTRY STORE Call ahead with curb side pickup 709-7055 Prepared Meals, Grocery Items

Announcements From St. Mary Parish

St. Mary Church, Claremont, NH, is open daily from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm for you to come and spend time in a church setting.

Confessions are heard each day from 3:00 to 4:00 pm. In order to maintain the required 6-foot social distance, Fr. Shawn and Fr. Arockia are in separate wings of the church.

The Chapel is closed until further notice.

The parish office continues to be open from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm Monday through Thursday, closed Friday. However, to help keep face-to-

face communication at a bare minimum, we will be keeping the glass storm door closed when speaking with a visitor. You are welcome to call the office at 542-9518 if you have any questions or concerns.

The parish has set up a Facebook account in order to reach out to those on Facebook who might be interested in keeping contact with parish updates and events. If you are on Facebook, send a friend request to "SaintMary Parish." Once we have confirmed the friend request, we will send you an invitation to like the Page "Saint Mary Parish." These are 2 different areas on Facebook. Please note that all updates will be posted on the Saint Mary Parish Page, so be sure to like the page in addition to friending the parish account.

The parish website <https://www.stmary-parishnh.org> is also kept up to date with any parish events and/or notices.

PLAN AHEAD

PLAINFIELD ANNUAL PLANT SALE

Saturday, June 6, 9:00 am-2:00 pm

Plainfield Community Church
1094 Rte 12-A

Perennials, annuals, vegetable seedlings, house plants. Plant donations (label plants with name & color) may be brought from May 1 until a couple of days prior to the sale, and left beside the potting shed.

New this year: craft vendors are being invited to join us.

For more info: Ruth Stalker 298-8913 or Helen Davidson 709-7777.

Saint-Gaudens Memorial Programming Update

CORNISH, NH—As spring comes to Cornish, our thoughts are with all of our loyal supporters as we navigate these extraordinary times. Due to COVID-19, we have canceled concerts and exhibitions at the Saint-Gaudens National Historical Park through late June 2020. We will provide updates about programming and the park's opening date as information becomes available. For now, we hope the lovely view from Aspet to Mount Ascutney will offer you peace and pleasure.

To learn more about the history and programs of the Saint-Gaudens Memorial and its partnership with the SGNHP, please visit our website at <https://saint-gaudens.org/>.

Willing Hands Update

CORNISH, NH—With our continued efforts to maintain social distancing, abide by the Stay at home order, and host Social Gathering with no more than 10 people, Cornish Willing Hands held at the Cornish Town hall on Wednesdays will continue to be closed.

The next Cornish Willing Hands Produce curbside pick-up will be on Thursday, May 7th, from 9AM- 12Noon in combination with the Plainfield Food Pantry at Christ Community Church located at 1259 Rt. 12A Plainfield, NH.

While the Plainfield Food Pantry pick up is limited to only Cornish, Plainfield and Meriden residents, Willing Hands is available to any usual Cornish Willing Hands people and any other who is in need due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Questions, notify-Pam Annis 542-3781 or pamvannis@gmail.com.

Lipfert Forest Trails are Open

For those looking for a diversion, the Lipfert Forest trails in Cornish and Claremont are open for walking and running (too early for biking and horseback riding). Sorry, motorized vehicles are not permitted.

The 14-mile trail network leads to Root Hill Road (or Paddy Hollow Road as it's known in Claremont) and access to the Cornish Town Forest. Click here for a map of the trails, including one loop to the Town Forest summit with spectacular views of Mount Ascutney and beyond: <https://www.trailfinder.info/trails/trail/lipfert-forest>.

Sunapee Dog Licenses

SUNAPEE, NH—All dogs 4 months or older are required to be licensed prior to April 30th of each year. Dogs not licensed prior to June 1st will be subject to a \$25.00 fine. The following fees are applicable:

Male or Female: \$9.00

Altered Male or Female: \$6.50

Puppy (7 months or younger): \$6.50

To license your dog, mail a check or place it in our drop box in the vestibule at the Town Office along with your name, address and telephone number and the dog's name(s), and we will mail to you.

Summer Parking in Sunapee Harbor

Parking in Sunapee Harbor during the busy summer months can be a challenge if you are not familiar with our designated parking areas and restrictions. Our "Parking in Sunapee Harbor" video shows you where to park your vehicle and where you can park a boat trailer. Go to the police department's webpage at <https://www.town.sunapee.nh.us/police> and you'll see our video listed in the left sidebar.

Always feel free to call the Police Department at 763-5555 for parking and any other questions you may have.

A Message from ServiceLink

NH ServiceLink offices across the state are open via phone and email during the COVID-19 pandemic. In this time of social dis-

tancing it's easy to feel alone and isolated. ServiceLink is a phone call away! Trained, nationally and state certified staff is available via phone during normal working hours.

ServiceLink staff is here to listen, answer questions, problem solve, and link you to resources and services. In addition, ServiceLink helps individuals connect to long term services and supports, access family caregiver information and supports, explore options and understand and access Medicare and Medicaid. We are, as always, confidential, unbiased, and free to the public.

Call 1-866-634-9412 toll free or find us online link. Direct phone numbers and email addresses for each local office are listed on our website. If you reach our voice mail box, please leave a message and we will get back to as soon as possible. Offices are located in Atkinson, Berlin, Claremont, Concord, Keene, Laconia, Lebanon, Littleton, Manchester, Nashua, Stratham, Rochester, and Tamworth.



PUBLIC NOTICE PLANNING BOARD HEARING Monday, May 11, 2020 7:00 p.m.

The Planning Board will be conducting public hearings to consider each of the following applications:

- A. (PL 2020-00003) Nicole Neal, Windham, NH – Application for Site Plan Approval for establishment of an 8-bed assisted care home at 15 Skinner Street. Tax Map 107, Lot 161. Zoning District: CR2.
- B. (PL 2020-00004) Doug Thurber, Bellows Falls, VT – Request for a waiver of site plan approval for establishment of a boat, trailer and motor sales and service business at 271 River Road. Tax Map 152, Lot 4. Zoning Districts I3 and AR.

**Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, this meeting will be conducted via Zoom.*

Join the Zoom Meeting

Online: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84298305841?pwd=TnJGWHg0cUNZU3FEbXQ3di9xUW9Jdz09>

By Phone: 1-646-558-8656 US (New York)

Meeting ID: 842 9830 5841

Password: 590961

If there is a problem getting through to this number, please call 603-504-0391.

Interested parties may review the applications at the City of Claremont Planning and Development Department, 14 North Street during normal business hours. Comments may be submitted in person during the hearing, or in writing (prior to the hearing) at 14 North Street, Claremont NH 03743, or by email at cityplanner@claremontnh.com.

Richard Wahrlich, Chair



Here For You – Services for Survivors of Domestic & Sexual Violence during COVID-19

The impact of COVID-19 has changed all of our daily lives significantly. We recognize these changes may create additional turmoil for survivors in our community with the added stress of lost work, schooling children at home and social isolation. Here at Turning Points Network (TPN), our top concern is how to support survivors and their children. We want you to know – we are still here for you.

TPN is committed to providing the best services to communities across Sullivan County. We have carefully considered all advisories from the NH Department of Health & Human Services as well as the CDC and have taken significant precautions to protect the health of staff and volunteers and of survivors needing help.

In our efforts to practice social distancing, we have put in place a system of remote advocacy to ensure we are available to support you. Our crisis and support line is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, as is our emergency shelter. We are still providing personal and legal advocacy and helping with emergency housing through our shelter and hotels. If you need help, do not hesitate to call. You can still access the support of our volunteer and staff advocates and get help with critical resources.

We understand these are challenging times for everyone. If you or someone you know is experiencing abuse, please continue to reach out to us. We are available 24/7 through our crisis and support line at 800-639-3130 for emotional support, access to services and to help you achieve safety. Don't let fear of infection put you in further danger.

For more information visit us online at www.turningpointsnetwork.org.

OUR TURN is a public service series by Turning Points Network (TPN) serving all of

Sullivan County with offices in Claremont and Newport. We provide wraparound supports for survivors of domestic and sexual violence, stalking and human trafficking and we present violence-prevention education programs in our schools. For more than 40 years, TPN has helped people of all ages move from the darkness of abuse toward the light of respect, healing and hope. For information contact 1.800.639.3130 or www.turningpointsnetwork.org or find us on Facebook.

Burn Permits for the Town of Cornish

CORNISH, NH—Due to the ongoing situation with COVID-19, burn permits for Cornish will no longer be issued in person. Until further notice, you can obtain fire permits via the state of NH at <https://nhdfweb.sovsportsnet.net/>. Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Shane Smith, Fire Warden, at 704-746-8502.

Digital Online Exhibit: Black & White Community Art Exhibit

NEWPORT, NH—The Library Arts Center is delighted to present the Black & White online exhibit featuring recent works from artists from around the region in New Hampshire and Vermont. This juried community art exhibit features artwork in a variety of mediums made in black, white and gray. Painting, drawing, printmaking, sculpture, photography, and mixed media are all represented. The wide array of mediums, styles and themes are connected by the distinct thread of black and white.

The online community art exhibit may be viewed 24/7 at <http://libraryartscenter.org/> through May 29th.

This exhibit is sponsored by Summercrest and the Dorr Mill Store.

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HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING

Thursday, May 7, 2020 6:00 PM

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Historic District Commission will be conducting a public hearing to consider the following Certificate of Appropriateness application:

HDC 2020-00002 ReVision Energy, Enfield, NH – for solar array on the roof of the Claremont MakerSpace building at 46 Main Street. Tax Map 119, Lot 348-1. Zone: MU.

**Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, this meeting will be conducted via Zoom.*

Join the Zoom Meeting

Online: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82811116638?pwd=cDY3dWdxU3BSazlEWW15cWlaOG95Zz09>

By Phone: 1-646-558-8656 US (New York)

Meeting ID: 828 1111 6638

Password: 175417

If there is a problem getting through to that number, please call 603-504-0391.

Interested persons may review this application at the City of Claremont Planning and Development Department, 14 North Street, during normal business hours.

Comments may be submitted in writing prior to the hearing by mailing them to the Historic District Commission at 14 North Street, Claremont NH 03743. Comments may also be made during the hearing in the ZOOM meeting.

David Messier, Chairperson

Remembering Loved Ones...

Life Tributes **Obituaries May Be Found On Our Website**

We post obituaries on our website to make them available in "real time," as they are released by funeral homes. We will continue to publish them here weekly, as well, for your convenience if you wish to print out any of them.

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Lorraine I. St. Aubin, 83

Lorraine Irene St. Aubin, age 83, passed away in peace on April 28, 2020, at Sullivan County Health Care in Unity, NH, after a long battle with dementia.

Mom was born in Claremont, NH, the daughter of Elmer and Irene (St. Martin) LaFlower.

She married our Dad, Lawrence Wayne St. Aubin, on June 15, 1954, in Claremont, NH. They enjoyed 62 years together until Dad passed away on June 16, 2016. Together they raised the "4 Ls": Linda, Larry Lorie & Lisa.

Mom was employed as an Avon Representative, M.H. Fishman Company, A & P Grocery, Paul & Carol's Market and Hannaford's. Mom and Dad owned and operated the Plainfield General Store in Plainfield, NH, for 10 years where she prepared many delicious meals for the customers.

In her spare time, she enjoyed gardening, cooking, knitting and camping. She enjoyed traveling with Dad and was proud that they had visited every one of the 50 states.

Mom was a kind and gentle person who loved spending time with family and friends. We have many fond memories of her and will miss her in our lives. The world was a better place with her in it.

While at the Sullivan County Home she enjoyed dancing and interacting with all

the patients and staff. She really enjoyed her time at the Nursing Home. We would like to thank the staff on Stearns 3 for taking such loving care of our Mom and making the last part of her life the best that it could be.

Lorraine is survived by her daughters Lorie Bunnell and her husband Kenneth Bunnell of Unity, NH; Lisa Cornish and her husband, Jeffrey Cornish of Newport, NH; a special nephew, Vern St. Aubin and his wife Alexandra St. Aubin, who they considered one of their own children; eight grandchildren: Bradley Amell, Nathan & Jennifer Amell, Melissa Bly, Jennifer St. Aubin, Shawn and Amanda Russell, Shannon and George Popescu, Jeremy & Christina Cornish, Scott & Mariah Cornish. Thirteen great grandchildren: Gabriel, Alexander, Izaha and Abigail Amell, Tristian & Sylvia Amell, Nicolae Popescu, Asher Russell; Shawn and Autumn Alexander; Landon Bly, Mallory and Joshua Cornish. Also, survived by her sister, Carol Therriault; her brother Wayne LaFlower and his wife Marie Laflower; and several nieces and nephews.

Mom is now reunited with her husband Lawrence St. Aubin, her parents Elmer & Irene

LaFlower; her son Larry St. Aubin; and her daughter Linda LaFlower; and her brother-in-law Paul Therriault.

Services for Lorraine will be held at a later date when gatherings are permitted.

The Stringer Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Raymond C. LaCasse, 86

Raymond C. LaCasse, 86, of Goffstown, passed away peacefully in his home on April 30, 2020 surrounded by his loving children.

He was born on October 10, 1933, in Claremont and was the son of Joseph and Beatrice (Picard) LaCasse. He was a resident of Goffstown for most of his life.



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He worked at Joy Manufacturing in Claremont and later at Keller Products in Manchester and Bow.

Ray was an active member of St. Edmond's Parish and later, the Parish of the Transfiguration, both in Manchester. He served in the NH National Guard and volunteered as Cub Master of Pack 24 in addition to the Daniel Webster Council.

He was a member of the Knights of Columbus council 5112 as well as the Bishop Leo E. O'Neil Fourth Degree Assembly 2381. He was also a longtime active member of the Good Sam Blazers camping club and the Litchfield Swingers square dance club. He loved going camping and dancing, but above all else, Pèpère embraced his role as a father, grandfather, and great-grandfather.

He was predeceased by his beloved wife of 55 years, Helen (LeBlanc) LaCasse; four brothers, Bernard, Donald, Roland, and Armand; and son-in-law, Richard Little.

Family members include seven children a son, Daniel J. (Lisa) LaCasse of Weare, Jeanne (John) Plourde of Goffstown, Sandra (Bud) Hawkins of Lancaster MA, Ann (Mark) Carignan of Bedford, Christine Little of Surprise, AZ, Donna (James) Zylak of New Boston and Louise Turner of Manchester; 23 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren; a sister, Therese (LaCasse) Brodeur of Boscawen; a sister-in-law, Georgette (LeBlanc) Sienko of North Carolina and several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

SERVICES: There are no services at this time. Private burial will be at Mt. Calvary Cemetery in Manchester at the convenience of the family. A Memorial Service will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to Amedisys Hospice Care, 8 Commerce Drive, Suite 101, Bedford, NH 03110, or Shriners Hospitals for Children, 51 Blossom St., Boston, MA 02114.

Lambert Funeral Home & Crematory in Manchester is assisting the family with arrangements. To leave a message of condolence, see the obituary at www.lambertfuneralhome.com.

Theresa R. Bird, 96

Theresa "Terry" Rose Bird, 96, and a longtime resident of Connecticut, died April 12, 2020. She was born in Brockton, MA, to the late Salvatore and Giovanna (Barravechio) Cannizzaro on 03/01/24. Terry, her preferred

name, worked very hard all her life. She had a kind heart always wanting to help others.

She is survived by her two children: Charles Kennedy, son, Texas, and Barbara Rozwadowski, daughter, and her partner, Paul Gonyea, of Claremont, NH. She is also survived by Geneva Hamilton, sister, Bridgewater, MA. Terry leaves behind many grandchildren, great grandchildren, and great-great grandchildren.

She was predeceased by four siblings, John Cannizzaro, Mary Cameron, Helen Harris, and Joseph Cannizzaro.

Terry's family has decided to postpone her services due to social distances requirements. An announcement will be published at a later date regarding her celebration at a graveside service at St. Mary's Cemetery, Claremont, NH.

The Stringer Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Claremont Fire Dept. Log

Sunday, April 26th

1021 E1 responded to a medical call on Puckershire Ave.

1218 E1 responded to Elm St for an illegal burn.

Monday, April 27th

0552 E1 responded to a medical call on Hanover St.

1548 E1 responded to Bank Ave for a motor vehicle accident.

1704 E1 responded to a medical call on Curtis St.

2213 E1 responded to a medical call on Paddy Hollow Rd.

2232 E3 responded to a medical call on Heritage Dr.

Tuesday, April 28th

0722 E1 responded to Clay Hill for a smoke detector sounding.

Wednesday, April 29th

0833 E1 responded to a medical call on North St.

0919 E1 responded to a well-being check on Heritage Dr.

1754 E1 responded to a medical call on Washington St.

Thursday, April 30th

1459 E1 responded to a Main St for an oil spill.

1730 E1 responded to a medical call on Washington St.

Friday, May 1st

0657 E3, L2 responded to Heritage Dr for a box alarm.

0825 E3 responded to a medical call on Manor Dr.

0918 E3 responded to Grissom Ln for a smoke investigation.

1159 E3 responded to main St for a fire alarm.

1258 E3 responded to Washington St for a motor vehicle accident.

2128 E1 responded to Union St for an alarm sounding.

2306 E1 responded to a medical call on Devon Ln.

Saturday, May 2nd

1212 E1 responded to Maple Ave for a motor vehicle accident.

1358 E1, E3 responded to Washington St for a propane leak.

1716 E1 responded to a medical call on Pawtucket Ave.

1738 E1 responded to High St for an illegal burn.

1854 E1 responded to Camden Ave to assist the PD.

2017 E1 responded to Lafayette St for an illegal burn.

2114 E1 responded to Bank Ave for an illegal burn.

Claremont Senior Center Updates

We have so much to be thankful for at the Center. The turnout for our 2nd Take-Out Turkey Dinner was amazing. We served 131 hungry people on Saturday. Thank you all for coming. We are grateful and were surprised at the generosity of people who offered donations for the kitchen. A special thanks to the gentleman, who we think was from White River for his very generous donation. Bless all of you for your kindness at this time. Our kitchen volunteers will be stocking up for our next Turkey Take-Out on Saturday, May 23rd. We have already been in the newly replenished candy bowl that was filled by another patron. Yes! We have a lot to be thankful for.

Special Notice: AARP has cancelled the Property Tax Relief session due to the public's safety.

We are all lucky enough for have a gem of a crew in our kitchen. Ken and the volunteers are well trained in virus safety and serving safety. They are pleased to present you with the menu for Tuesday and Thursday for your take-out pleasure.

Tues. May5th-Cordon Bleu, Real Mashed Potatoes, Vegetables and Dessert.

Thur. May7th-Brown Sugar Glazed Meatloaf, Half a Baked Potato, Vegetables and Dessert.

To change the subject, if you are looking for something different for Mom for Mother's Day, please consider a gem not usually heard of as a gift. Rose Quartz-unconditional love, Citrine-gives positive energy, Garnet-eternal love. However, we are sure they would not object to a Diamond-love and strength, a Ruby-energy and makes the owner happy, Sapphire - intelligence and intuition or an Emerald for positive energy, success and wealth.

We have some gemstone events coming your way.

Sodalite means self-expression. You will get the chance to express yourself at the concerts starting in June. Clap, sing, dance, eat. Self-expression is waiting for you as we present local talent at its best in a relaxed setting.

Malachite-the stone of beauty and individuality. These traits will abound as the crafters present a wealth of beautiful gifts. Each craftsperson has put their individual touches on their wares.

Enjoy the bounty on Sat. July 25th-9AM-2PM. The wealth of talent and beauty will astound you.

Tiger's Eye-willpower, warrior spirit and self-motivation will be needed for the Annual Penny Sale on Sun. Aug. 23rd-1PM. You will need willpower to decide where to put your tickets. But it's ok if you lose your willpower. After all, you'll want to all the chances you can get to win all the fabulous items displayed. Your warrior spirit will come out as you whoop and shout because you won those items. What an adventure it will be!

Blue Goldstone-inspiration, optimism, and dreaming. Walking around the 9th Annual Car Show on Sun. Aug. 30th-9-2 will cause you to wonder what possibly inspired the car owners to be optimistic enough to take on their projects. So perfect. So beautiful. So awesome. It may just leave you dreaming about a project of your own.

With all this gem talk, we want to thank the volunteers and the patrons who are giving us their support. You Are Our Gems.

Our halls await your laughter and your lively conversation. Stay Safe. Honor the heroes and please be kind and respectful.

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

Open Tuesdays and Thursdays-11:45AM-12:15PM for Take-Out Only.



The Claremont City Council will hold a public meeting on Wednesday, May 13, 2020, at 6:30 p.m.

****Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, this meeting will be conducted via Zoom. In an effort to maintain security, Zoom information will be released on a future revised agenda.***

AGENDA

- 6:30 PM 1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 6:32 PM 2. ROLL CALL
- 6:34 PM 3. AGENDA CHANGES
- 6:35 PM 4. REPORT OF THE SECRETARY
Minutes of April 8 and 22, 2020, City Council Meetings
- 6:37 PM 5. MAYOR'S NOTES
- 6:42 PM 6. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT
- 6:55 PM 7. APPOINTMENT TO BOARDS AND COMMITTEES
- 7:00 PM 8. CITIZEN'S FORUM (Comments on Non-agenda Items Limited to 5 Minutes per Speaker (Council Rule 23))
- 9. OLD BUSINESS
- 7:10 PM A. COVID-19 Update
- 7:15 PM B. Ordinance 573 Planning Board Creation – Second Reading – Public Hearing
- 7:30 PM C. Legislative Update
- 10. NEW BUSINESS
- 7:35 PM A. Comcast Cable Franchise Renewal Agreement (City Council/City Manager)
- 7:50 PM B. Ordinance 574 Amending Non-Union Employee Classification Plan – First Reading (City Manager)
- BREAK
- 8:15 PM C. Resolution 2020-22 Victims of Crimes Act Grant – Public Hearing (City Manager)
- 8:25 PM D. Budget Presentation
- 8:45 PM 12. COMMITTEE REPORTS
- 8:50 PM 13. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND DIRECTIVES
- 8:55 PM 14. CONSULTATION WITH LEGAL COUNSEL
- 9:00 PM 15. ADJOURNMENT

PLEASE NOTE: Claremont City Council's next scheduled meeting will be on Wednesday, May 27, 2020, at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Date to be determined for Public Hearing and Vote – 2021 Budget.



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Eric Zengota