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Bluff School Commemorates Memorial Day

CLAREMONT, NH—On May 24 at Bluff School, staff and students commemorated Memorial Day. Dale Chenette, Principal of Bluff School, welcomed all, explaining the meaning of Memorial Day and where it came from. He gave examples of its symbols all around us. He spoke of the Soldier Statue and Granite Block of names at Broad Street Park, the flags by grave sites around town, the mournful sounds of *Taps*, and the connection of poppies to Memorial Day. Students saw two 5th Graders, Elizabeth Benware and Addison Derosier, raise the flag to full staff, then back down to half-staff showing the students how it is done. Students heard Kate Wheeler, Music teacher at Bluff, play *Taps* so that they will recognize its tune and significance when they hear it again. Led by Deborah Bates, Bluff School veteran teacher of more than 40 years and whose son, Tyler currently serves in the United States Army, they said the Pledge of Allegiance together, showing our unity with each other and our country. Wheeler concluded the commemoration by leading students in singing *America* and *You're a Grand Old Flag*.

Elizabeth Benware and Addison Derosier raise "Old Glory" and the New Hampshire State Flag for all students and staff at Bluff School's Commemoration of Memorial Day on Friday, May 24 (Courtesy photo).



County Looks at Sullivan St. Building for Transitional Housing for Former Inmates

**By Phyllis A. Muzeroll
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CLAREMONT, NH—The county is looking at the former Eagle Publications building on Sullivan Street as a transitional housing facility for former inmates. The idea, in its early stages, was presented to the City Council at Wednesday evening's meeting. The county has been looking for another location after residents spoke against using the JSL Building for such

a facility.

Both County Commissioner Jeff Barrette and Superintendent of the Dept. of Corrections, Dave Berry, spoke during the presentation. Barrette said they want to have "a conversation with city officials" and that the proposal was just at a "pretty low stage" at this point. A determination has to be made as to the cost of renovating the building at 19 Sullivan Street, part of the feasibility study.

Plans call for a 30-bed facility, with 20 for

men and 10 for women. Those staying there would be charged rent; the amount is yet to be determined.

Transitional, or stable housing is, according to the presentation Wednesday night, the "missing link" to the county's otherwise successful Transitional Re-entry And Inmate Life Skills or TRAILS program. Trails is a two-part intervention: Part 1: 90-day in-house intensive treatment program with trauma informed care,

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Lebanon Police Assist with Operation to Target Suspects with "Intent to Sexually Exploit Children" using Technology

Arrests include Men from Charlestown, Newport, WRJ

On May 21st through May 23rd, the New Hampshire Internet Crimes Against Children's Task Force conducted a joint operation titled "Operation Cyber Guardian" in primary partnership with the Nashua and Lebanon Police Departments. According to Sergeant John Peracchi, Commander, NH ICAC, Portsmouth, NH, "The focus on this pro-active investigation was to target those individuals that were intent to sexually exploit children through the use of technology and the internet."

Peracchi reported that "The operation resulted in 12 arrests for individuals that traveled for the purpose of meeting and having sexual contact with a minor."

The operation was a coordinated effort between the following local, state and federal law enforcement agencies:

Nashua Police Department, Lebanon Police Department, Portsmouth Police Department, Department of Homeland Security,

Strafford County Sheriff's Department, Cheshire County Sheriff's Department, Grafton County Sheriff's Department and the US Secret Service.

"Predators are forewarned that we will use all of our resources available to make sure there is no safe place to hide for those who would victimize children," said Peracchi in a statement.

Those arrested included:
Richard Balla, 31, Charlestown, NH, 1 count Certain Uses of Computer Services Prohibited, Class B Felony
1 count Attempted AFSA

Jake Clarke, 33, Newport, NH, 1 count Certain Uses of Computer Services Prohibited, Class B Felony
1 count Attempted AFSA

David Kendall, 25, White River Junction, VT, 1 count Certain Uses of Computer Services Prohibited, Class B Felony
1 count Attempted AFSA

Also, Keith Colantonio, 37, Milford, MA, 1 count Certain Uses of Computer Services Prohibited, Class B Felony; Samuel Da Silva, 41, Chelsea, MA, 1 count Certain Uses of Computer Services Prohibited, Class B Felony; Julius DeNitto, 58, Hudson, NH, 1 count Certain Uses of Computer Services Prohibited, Class B Felony; Alex Kinney, 28, North Chelmsford, MA, 1 count Certain Uses of Computer Services Prohibited, Class B Felony, 2 counts

Indecent Exposure and Lewdness, Class B Felony; David Martin, 39, Nashua, NH, 1 count Certain Uses of Computer Services Prohibited, Class B Felony; Casely Schandorf, 42, Laurel, MD, 1 count Certain Uses of Computer Services Prohibited, Class B Felony; Kushal Shah, 20, Nashua, NH, 1 count Certain Uses of Computer Services Prohibited, Class B Felony; Jeremy Stinson, 28, Penacook, NH, 1 count Certain Uses of Computer Services, Prohibited, Class B Felony; Paul Pratte, 51, Merrimack, NH, 1 count Certain Uses of Computer Services Prohibited, Class B Felony.



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Commentary

NH House Happenings

By Rep. John Cloutier



Bill Would Allow Postponing Elections Due to Emergencies

The Granite State's death penalty is now just one step away from being totally eliminated as form of punishment for certain crimes.

On May 23 New Hampshire's House of Representatives, by a 247-123 roll call vote, overrode Gov. Christopher Sununu's veto of House Bill 455, which would repeal the state's death penalty, limited to a specific list of murders and last used in 1939, in favor of life imprisonment without any chance of parole. The successful override occurred with just one more vote than the necessary two-thirds majority of representatives present mandated under our state's constitution to override a gubernatorial veto. On March 7 the House had approved the bill by a much wider margin with 277 votes in favor, and only 88 against. Frankly, the one vote that ensured the override was successful was that of House Speaker Stephen Shurtleff, who voted "Yes" on the override. As the House's presiding officer, Speaker Shurtleff is not required to vote on legislation, and did not publicly announce his "Yes" vote afterwards on May 23. Also one factor that likely lowered the margin of the bill's successful override of the veto over its initial approval was that several Republican representatives switched their votes from "Yes" to "No" Republican representatives who were likely pressured to switch their votes on repeal at the Gov. Sununu's urging as well as that of House Republican Leader Richard Hinch, who spoke on the floor against repeal. Nevertheless, three Republican representatives—Seabrook's Max Abramson, Bedford's David Danielson, and Kingston's David Welch—defied such pressure to speak.

The New Hampshire Senate will now attempt to override House Bill 455's veto, an attempt that should happen within the next few weeks. Earlier, the Senate had approved the bill by a 17-6 roll call vote on April 11 with one senator absent. By the way, the minimum number of votes needed in the Senate under our constitution to override the veto is 16. So assuming that all 17 senators who voted for House Bill 455 again vote to override the veto, then the death penalty will become history.

For readers' information, I voted to override House Bill 455's veto. I was pleased that the override was successful, even if it was just by a one-vote margin. As most readers may remember, I have discussed the death penalty in several previous columns, and why I support repealing it. Therefore, I will not repeat my reasons in this week's column. But while I did vote for repeal, I was impressed with all most of my fellow representatives who spoke either in favor or against overriding the bill's veto.

Furthermore, on May 23, the House adopted as part of its Consent Calendar, Senate Bill 104, which provide for the postponement of city, town, village, and school district elections to another reasonable date, time, and place that is certain in the event of winter, blizzard, or ice storm warning. Such postponement could be made with as little as two

hours, but not more than 48 hours notice by the moderators of the affected political subdivisions. The bill also stipulates that "to the extent practical" these moderators "shall consult" with the appropriate municipal and school officials, including the police and fire chiefs as well as road agents before deciding to postpone such elections. Additionally, if an accident or natural disaster or other emergency occurs which moderators believe may render the use of designated buildings for municipal and school meetings unsafe, then they would have the authority to postpone and reschedule such meetings to a date, time, and place certain beforehand. Also, if the moderators believe the roads leading to such meetings are hazardous or unsafe because of weather or other emergencies, then they could also postpone these meetings to a date, time, and place certain. Finally, moderators would be required to "employ whatever means are available" to inform citizens of such postponements as well as rescheduled dates, times, and places.

Senate Bill 104 was adopted with no floor debate and a unanimous "Ought to Pass" recommendation from the House Election Law Committee, which had examined the bill. Concord Rep. Connie Lane, a Democrat, writing on behalf of the Election Law Committee, declared that the bill would provide moderators with "clear authority and guidance on how to postpone elections without compromising their integrity." Rep. Lane added that the bill as earlier amended and adopted by the Senate is a "melding" with similar legislation, House Bill 408, which had been retained for further study by Election Law. She concluded by stating that the amended Senate Bill 104 was crafted as "the result of numerous conversations," among the New Hampshire Secretary of State's Office, moderators, and the New Hampshire Municipal Association, all of whom reached "consensus" on the bill's language. By the way, the Municipal Association is a non-profit advocacy organization for our member municipalities, including the City of Claremont. Senate Bill 104 now goes to the Governor, and can either be signed into law, become law without a signature, or be vetoed.

I voted for Senate Bill 104 with pleasure. I so voted because I believe the bill should help solve a problem recently encountered by several New Hampshire municipalities on two consecutive Town Meeting Days in March 2017 and 2018. As some readers may remember, late winter snowstorms hit many parts of our state during these two dates, including Claremont, which was holding its annual school district elections. Some moderators postponed their town and school elections out of concern for voters' safety, postponements which resulted in some legal hassles for these communities. But other communities like Claremont proceeded with their elections because the moderators believed they had no choice under existing state law on whether to postpone the elections. Consequently, some of the lowest voter turnouts on record happened in several of these communities.

In conclusion, this week's column is coming out on Memorial Day, a holiday created for all of us to remember the ultimate sacrifice made by thousands of American men and women in all the wars fought since the Revolutionary War. This includes the ultimate sacrifice of approximately 160 Claremonters. This ultimate sacrifice was that of their lives made so we could live in freedom today. Although I believe it is okay to have fun on this holiday, which is a day off for many of us, may we also take time to reflect on the true meaning of Memorial Day.

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NH Delegation Applauds \$1 Million in Federal Funding for the New Hampshire Veterans Home

WASHINGTON, DC—U.S. Senators Jeanne Shaheen (D-NH) and Maggie Hassan (D-NH) and Representatives Annie Kuster (NH-02) and Chris Pappas (NH-01) applauded the announcement of a \$1,072,500 grant awarded to the New Hampshire Veterans Home in Tilton for renovations to laundry and kitchen facilities. The grant is funded through the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA).

“For over a hundred years, the New Hampshire Veterans Home has dutifully served our veterans and I’m glad that the VA is continuing to invest in this important facility,” said Shaheen. “This federal funding will improve the delivery of services to our veterans, to whom we are deeply indebted for their selfless service. I’ll continue my efforts to reach across the aisle to ensure our veterans receive the care and services they deserve.”

“Our veterans have sacrificed a tremendous amount so that the rest of us may live in freedom, and it’s on us to keep working to build a country that is ever-worthy of their service.” Senator Hassan said. “By supporting much-needed improvements to the laundry and kitchen areas at the New Hampshire Veterans Home, this federal funding will provide a more comfortable and modern place for our veterans to live.”

“We owe it to the men and women who have served our nation in uniform to provide high quality services and facilities for their care,” said Kuster. “This funding will help update common areas at the New Hampshire Veterans Home and improve the quality of life for the veterans who reside there. I’m thrilled this grant has been awarded and I will continue working to help ensure our brave men and women have access to quality care and services.”

“I’m pleased to see the New Hampshire Veterans Home receive this grant for critical upgrades that are necessary to support the veterans living at the facility,” said Pappas. “We owe these heroes a dignified, comfortable life given their sacrifice for our nation, and I’m eager to continue advocating for the New Hampshire Veterans Home and the needs of all Granite State veterans as a member of the House Veterans’ Affairs Committee.”

Kuster, Fitzpatrick Introduce Respond NOW Act to Bolster Efforts to Address the Opioid Epidemic

WASHINGTON, DC—Congresswoman Annie Kuster (NH-02) and Brian Fitzpatrick (PA-01), the co-chairs of the Bipartisan Opioid Task Force, have introduced the Respond NOW Act to bolster the federal response to the opioid epidemic. The Respond NOW Act creates a \$25 billion Opioid Epidemic Response Fund to provide \$5 billion annually over five years targeted to numerous key activities involving such agencies as the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the National Institutes of Health, and Health Resources & Services Administration. This bill provides tangible resources to address this devastating epidemic which is affecting Americans in states across the country.

“While we have taken important steps to address the opioid epidemic, there is much more that needs to be done to stem the spread of this crisis,” said Kuster. “Congress has an important role to play in supporting the efforts of states, cities, towns, and communities that are on the front-lines of the opioid epidemic. I’m proud of the innovative work being done in New Hampshire and I’m hopeful that we can provide more resources so that we can build on our progress in the Granite State and serve as a model across the country. The House of Representatives should move quickly on this bipartisan legislation.”

“There is no issue more pressing in our neighborhoods than the devastation caused by the growing epidemic of opioid and drug abuse,” said Fitzpatrick. “While community groups, local government and law enforcement have undertaken the herculean challenge of addressing this issue from all its sides, it is clear there is a crucial role for Congress to play in supporting and expanding these efforts. This legislation is the next step in our fight to end the opioid epidemic and I want to thank Congresswoman Kuster for standing with me as we fight to secure additional resources for those on the front lines of this battle.”

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addresses substance use, addresses mental health, builds vocational skills, provides pro-social messaging and case management.

Part 2 consists of six-12 month aftercare with ongoing case management, support groups and individual counseling. Forty-three percent of 2019 TRAILS participants have unstable or no stable living arrangements. Stable housing, considered the “missing link” by the department, provides structure and continued access to care through substance use education and treatment; individualized, client-centered care; family involvement; a focus on behavioral change; vocational and job-readiness skill building; on-site Hi-Set-GED tutoring and testing; a partnership with The Center for Recovery Services; managing money wisely classes; work release and electronic monitoring and intense case management for linking with outside resources. Those moving into the transitional housing would have to have successfully completed the TRAILS program.

According to information provided Wednesday night, relapse rates without sober housing have a national average of 64 percent relapsing within the first year. Expected outcomes with sober housing: NH data—four to six percent relapse rate after 12 months in sober housing.

Mayor Charlene Lovett asked if there would be a public forum regarding the proposal. According to Nancy Merrill, Planning and Development Director, the state has an exemption for government entities, but the county would be required to go before the Planning Board to allow for public input. Berry said they would have “cameras on the building like it’s part of the House of Corrections.”

City Councilor Jonathan Stone asked if they have reached out to any businesses on Pleasant Street regarding the proposal. “We have not,” answered Berry.

The timing is interesting in that it comes at the same time the City is engaged in the Re-think Pleasant Street initiative (See page A17). Merrill said that the proposed facility needs “to be within walking distance of local services.” The proposed location is in an area zoned “mixed uses.” “I think it’s a much better location than the previous one,” said Merrill, referring to the JSL Building.

“This is such a necessity,” said Councilor Abigail Kier. “Our City is well situated for this.”

The county has been looking for a such a site since 2016 when it first considered space



The former Eagle Publications building on Sullivan St., is being considered as a transitional housing facility for former inmates (Eric Zengota photo).

at 169 Main Street; however, the price tag for renovations there was too high.

The building at 19 Sullivan Street is owned by Franklin & Main Properties LLC, Cornish, NH. It has an appraised value of \$364,600. Prior to being owned by Franklin & Main Properties, it was home to Thermacut Inc.; before that, it was home to the Daily Eagle/Eagle Times. The structure was built in 1930 and has a first floor; upper story, finished; and basement, finished.

Suspect Sought Following Reported Assault of Uber Driver in Hanover

HANOVER, NH—Hanover Police Chief Charlie Dennis reported Friday morning that on Thursday, May 23, at 10:35 p.m., the Hanover Police Department Dispatch Center received a 911 call from an Uber driver reporting that while enroute to pick up a fare, he had been assaulted by a male subject that had waved him down on S. Main Street in Hanover.

According to a report released by Dennis, “The Uber driver thought the male party was his fare and stopped and the male party entered his vehicle. Once the driver determined this was not his fare, the male reportedly

wanted a free ride. The driver refused to give him a free ride and he was instructed to make a request through the Uber App. The suspect then [allegedly] attempted to gain control of the car keys. The driver was able to remove the keys and exit the vehicle. As the Uber driver attempted to remove the suspect out of his car, the suspect [allegedly] assaulted the driver and attempted to continue the assault, at which time the Uber driver produced a pocket knife and attempted to slash at the forearm area of the suspect in an attempt to defend himself and stop the assault. The suspect then fled the scene southbound on S. Main Street.”

Dennis said that searches of the area were completed by the police; a suspect was not located. The male suspect was described as being in his late teens or early twenties, intoxicated, about 5’8”, slim build, short black hair, and wearing a brown or black jacket.

Anyone with information about this case is asked to call the Hanover Police Department at (603) 643-2222.

THURSDAY, MAY 30

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Summer Camp Programs at the Tech Center

CLAREMONT, NH—The SRVRTC is now accepting registrations for its three summer camp programs for Summer 2019 for incoming 6th, 7th and 8th Graders

The three (3) summer programs that are being planned are:

July 15-19

Culinary – Students will be introduced to basic culinary skills in a professional kitchen. Students will be exposed to the various ways to prepare foods and they will present their completed work. The week will end with a celebratory lunch to showcase their cooking and baking skills. No shorts or tank tops allowed. Hats and closed toe shoes required.

July 15-19

Building Construction / Carpentry – Students will learn basic hand tool safety and usage. Each student will complete an individual project and then work together as a team to build a project for the community. No shorts or tank tops allowed and closed toe shoes required.

July 22-26

Computers and Accounting – Students will learn to use 21st century computer software in a business office setting. Students will learn the basic principles of Microsoft Excel and Word, and they will also explore the basics of personal finance, and accounting. Students will work together on several projects that will showcase their new skills. The dress code is casual shorts allowed. The classroom will be air-conditioned.

Each summer camp is one week (M-F) from 8:30 AM – 12:30 PM

- Cost is \$25 per student.
- Max 20 students per program. First come first served.
- Scholarships are available for those on free or reduced lunch.
- Transportation to and from Tech Center NOT provided.
- Free lunch will be offered at Claremont Middle School.

Students will have a great opportunity to be exposed to a skilled trade career field. They will be working alongside certified

teachers in Career and Technical Education as well as current students in CTE programs. All participants will get a Tech Center T-Shirt.

Contact the Tech Center at 543-4291 for more information; <https://srvrtc.sau6.org/>

Please sign up online using the below link. Payment must be received by June 14th to hold your spot.

Special Thanks for the Claremont NH Kiwanis and the Claremont Middle School PTO for their financial support of the programs.

The sign-up form may be found at: <https://forms.gle/izYaamkqSHPT6uGd9>.

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New Service to Provide a Safety VINE for Victims

By Neil Allen

Beginning this week, victims of crimes in Sullivan County will have a free and easy way to track the custody status of offenders in county jails courtesy of a confidential service called Victim Information and Notification Everyday (VINE).

VINE allows for 24/7/365 system monitoring from a dedicated toll-free number, a website or an app. Anyone can register any time after the person is arrested and choose to receive email, text and/or call notifications that will notify them of when an offender is released or transferred; if they are eligible for parole, or escapes.

Victims of any crime can stay informed without providing identifying information such as a name and address. Users of VINE can register multiple email addresses and phone numbers for notifications, which can include family members and professionals working with the victim, such as domestic violence advocates.

“People living in a condo or small apartment complex all know one person who makes everyone’s life miserable, this will allow them to find out when the person may be returning,” said David Berry, Superintendent of the Sullivan County Department of Corrections (SCDOC).

Police officers will have pads of paper they will carry around with them that will allow them to provide victims with a phone number to register for VINE. The sheets will also have the officer’s name and space to put the offender’s case number and the PIN that the user chooses when registering.

“The victim just needs to call the number and the system walks them through the process,” said Berry.

The VINE software was created after Mary Byron of Louisville, KY, was shot and killed by the man who had sexually abused her in the parking lot where she worked on her 21st birthday, according to Berry. Byron had no idea he had been released on bail.

“They developed the software as a result,” he

said. “[Victims] don’t know what’s happening. They think they’re safe, they don’t always know when [the offender] is out. Notifications are missed. It has happened in Belknap County, Carroll and, recently, in Strafford. Nothing bad happened but there were a lot of upset, irate people.”

When VINE calls, users are asked to enter a four-digit pin they created during the registration process so that VINE knows they received the message. If the call is not answered, VINE continues to call back until the call is answered or until 48 hours have passed.

“This provides an added layer of security. We do everything we can to notify victims and try to get connected. VINE will send out notifications until they acknowledge they have received it,” Berry continued.

VINE is currently in use in 48 states and the system delivers more than 40 million notifications to victims and other users nationally each year. VINE has been in service in Rockingham County for about 20 years and has been “very effective,” said Berry.

“In Rockingham, they have an average of 2,000 registrants per year,” he continued. “In their best year, they had more than 2,200.”

Berry has been interested in bringing the service to the rest of the state for at least three years.

“The New Hampshire Association of Counties Superintendent’s Affiliate (NHACSA) vot-

ed three years ago that if there was a way to do it that was affordable, we would,” Berry said. “Then about 18 months ago, Emily Staples-Kamar from VINE called me on a Wednesday afternoon and asked if I had heard about the grant from the Attorney General’s office,” Berry said. “I had until 1 p.m. on Friday to write the grant.”

Berry completed the application process in less than 48 hours. He credits assistance from those at Sullivan County’s administrative office, the SCDOC, and letters of support from domestic violence prevention organizations and half the county jails for being able to get it done in the short period of time.

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The service is now being brought to the rest of the state through a grant applied for by Berry on behalf of the NHACSA. In addition to all start-up costs, the grant covers the annual state operation fee of \$106,712 for all the county correctional facilities, leaving no costs for the program.

Currently, VINE notifications are not available to track the custody status of offenders in New Hampshire's three prisons. However, it might be an option in the future, according to Berry.

The service also can assist users in finding resources, like domestic violence centers and housing, according to Berry.

"The link to services is huge. I hope it is used for more than just the notifications," Berry said. "VINE doesn't send the user to Concord; it sends local help."

The 13 domestic violence prevent centers across the state are strong supporters of VINE, including Turning Points Network (TPN), which serves all of Sullivan County. TPN Executive Director Deb Mozden provided one of the letters Berry needed to apply for the VINE grant.

The TPN staff is excited that the service is going to be available in Sullivan County.

"This is a huge benefit for survivors," said Amanda Mace, TPN Program Director. Mace oversees the Direct Services and Prevention Education programs. "The accessibility of the information is tremendously important. The peace of mind survivors are going to have knowing they can get this information. Not knowing can cause such fear, always looking over their shoulder. It can be an emotional roller coaster. Now they'll be able to log in and get a clear answer."

The service allows for anyone to sign up for the service which makes it possible for the direct service advocates to access the information on behalf of the survivor.

"[Survivors] can call from here with their advocate or use a computer we will available for them. If they're with an advocate they can still have access at a roving site or safe space in the community," Mace continued. "They won't have to wait or be constantly checking the mail."

Mace commented on the benefits of giving the survivors something they can lack — control and time to create safety plans.

"VINE will give them a sense of control. They'll have the information and know when

the abuser is going to be out," she said. "And, it gives them time to create a safety plan to make sure they children and themselves are safe. This service will allow them to regain control. That is really empowering and can make all the difference."

Berry plans on applying for the grant again to extend the time it is available at no cost for all

counties another two years. If they do not get the grant, he will ensure that it continues in Sullivan County.

"We're a small jail so it would only cost us \$2,000," he said. "We will make sure it continues here."

For more information about the program, visit <https://apprissafety.com/solutions/vine>.

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Rules

K- Cups contain a foil top, coffee grounds, a mesh filter and a plastic cup. Use any or all parts in your project.

CMS has a supply of used K-Cups (cleaned) on our free table for your project (use them while supplies last).

Contest deadline will be June 1st at noon.

Please send pictures and a description of your project to info@twinstatemakerspaces.org

Projects will be judged via the CMS Facebook page by number of 'likes' during the second week on June. The three projects with the most 'likes' will get prizes.

This contest is open to anyone! (CMS members and the general public)

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2nd Place: A reusable K-Cup, coffee from Curious Beans & a cool coffee cup!

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Please register below to be included in email updates about the contest! Questions? Email brendan@claremontmakerspace.org.

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CLAREMONT— Tidy home in a great setting with no homes across the road. Established landscaping includes lilacs and forsythias. Generator, fireplace, hardwood window sills, standing seam roof, 25 foot patio, porch, paved driveway, and a shed on concrete pad. \$32,000 (MLS#4748086)



CHARLESTOWN—Three bedroom Ranch in a nice neighborhood with kitchen and dining off living room. Attached two car garage. This property will be sold "as is". \$69,000 (MLS#4750525)



NEWPORT—Well maintained and solid 3-unit building just off Main St. Good rental history with tenants paying all their own utilities. Replacement windows throughout, nice sized rooms, and washer/dryer hookups. \$114,500 (MLS#4750735)



CHARLESTOWN— A truly immaculate home inside and out, featuring beautiful hardwood floors and an updated kitchen with sliders out to a deck with electric awning. Two bedrooms on the main level with a tiled bath, central air conditioning, surround sound, and an office or study on the lower level along with a large family room and laundry area. Fenced yard with an above ground pool with solar cover, deck, and an outbuilding for all the pool supplies. \$199,900 (MLS#4751447)



BROWNSVILLE, VT— Great 2 BR, 2 bath Ranch on an acre in with sliders, a nice deck, and a walk-out basement. Curb appeal and a nicely landscaped lot! \$159,900 (MLS#4753132)



CLAREMONT— Custom built, one owner, immaculate 9 room home. Lovingly cared for, this home has cathedral ceilings allowing for lots of natural lighting. The living room, kitchen, and dining area have an open concept feel. The living room has a beautiful wood fireplace, 2nd floor large master suite has 2 walk-in closets and a balcony. Beautifully landscaped and a wrap-around deck with views, located on a dead end road and just minutes to I-91. \$230,000 (MLS#4744431)



WINDSOR, VT— "Once in a lifetime," beautiful historical restaurant property housed in classical train station at an active Amtrak stop. Ambiance of a Victorian era Depot and decorated with period railroad paraphernalia, this restaurant has a seating capacity for 84. Popular local area restaurant and bar that attracts tourists and locals. Unparalleled reputation for great food, craft beers, and entertainment. Potential for increased revenue if opened for lunch and breakfast! \$399,900 (MLS#4744741)



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CLAREMONT— This 2BR Ranch has been in the same family since it was built. Easy 1-level living makes it perfect for retirement. Beautiful mountain views from the back yard. Rural location but less than 5 minutes from the business district. The home has beautiful hardwood floors and offers lots of natural light. This house will need a new roof and other TLC. Property is sold AS-IS. \$65,000 (MLS#4746544)

Professional Firefighters of Claremont Sell Challenge Coins to Raise Funds for Various Causes

CLAREMONT, NH—The Professional Firefighters of Claremont - Local 1571 is conducting a fundraiser selling Challenge Coins.

Challenge Coins have existed for many years; however, a firefighter coin is one of the well-known ways to show respect and recognition for all that firefighters do to support the community as a whole.

“The coins that we are selling have the Claremont Fire Department patch on one side and the IAFF Maltese Cross on the other side,” said Lt. Scott Messer of the Claremont Fire Dept. “The idea of selling challenge coins seems to be growing in popularity in the fire service. We got the idea from the Newport Fire Dept. who is also selling challenge coins. Traditionally, the coins were given to members of an organization either for outstanding service or just to show membership. If your membership in the organization was ‘challenged’, you would produce your coin to prove your

membership.”

Messer added, “The money made from the fundraiser will be used to make donations through out the year and for other various union functions.”

Coins are double-sided and are \$20 each. To

purchase a coin, please visit the Claremont Fire Department, or message their Facebook page. Shipping is available for an added cost; please ask the department for further information regarding shipping.



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Our Turn: Rethinking Summer Safety and Stranger Danger

When we think about keeping kids safe over the summer, we might think about sunscreen, biking and swim safety; or hiking, campfires and the first “sleep away” camp. But who are our kids spending time with?

When we think about who might hurt children, images of the stereotypical person lurking in a park luring children with candy come to mind. Teaching children how to be safe around strangers and how to access help from safe strangers if needed is important. But mostly, the “stranger danger” myth keeps us from confronting an even scarier truth: children are more likely to be hurt, specifically sexually abused, by someone they know and trust than by a stranger.

We only need to look at recent headlines to know that those who sexually abuse children are found in sports programs, schools, faith communities, camps and homes. This is not meant to scare us from ever allowing children to leave our sides, but instead to empower us to take an active role in keeping kids safe.

So how do we keep kids safe? It starts with us—the adults. Each of us reading this article, discussing it with a friend, asking questions of our children’s caregivers, opening up the conversation with our children. It is up to us to keep kids safe.

How do we do this?

* Learn more. There are many resources available: Turning Points Network (TPN), local mental health organizations, online resources. Learn all you can about sexual abuse: the warning signs and the way abusers will lure children with false trust.

* Trust YOUR instincts. Listen to your gut feelings when someone makes you or your child uncomfortable. Be aware of someone trying to push boundaries, single out attention or be alone with a particular child.

* Establish open communication with your

child. Let them know they can talk to you about anything, including uncomfortable feelings or touches. Teach proper names for body parts. Talk about their right to ask for help if anyone talks to them or touches them in a way that makes them uncomfortable. Not sure how to start the conversation? Call TPN for resources. You can also find info online at www.turning-pointsnetwork.org or www.stopitnow.org.

* Ask about the training that organizations or camps provide their staff. Ask about child protection policies which address the need for two teens/adults with each group; one-on-one interactions should be avoided.

Some may say you are being over-protective when you ask these questions. We would like to reframe that perspective. We cannot assume that every organization or camp has considered and created specific and comprehensive policies that protect children. We believe that every time we ask the questions we are doing all that we can to put our kids’ safety first and in doing so also give voice to an issue that for too long has thrived in the shadows.

Those who abuse children are counting on us to be silent. We are living in a time when silence about sexual abuse is being broken each day. Sexual abuse is a community problem that requires a community response to end it. Let’s work together this summer—and every season—to keep kids safe from sexual abuse. Healthy, nurturing relationships are what we want for all of us: children, teens and adults.

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.turning-pointsnetwork.org or find us on Facebook.

TPN Crisis and Support Line:

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Boat Landing Open

CLAREMONT, NH—Following repair work to the culverts at the Claremont boat landing, DPW Director Vic St. Pierre told the City Council Wednesday evening that the department has been working to get the site open for use this season. The culverts will have to be replaced during a drier time of year, he said. The high river level has made it difficult to tend to the culvert issues. In the meantime, St. Pierre said that “We have finished grading the whole area. [We’ve] cleared as much as we legally could, we can’t go below water level (because at that point it is state property).” St. Pierre added that there are no potholes and that the access “is almost back to original condition. It came out extremely nice,” he added. The work was completed last week.

—Phyllis A. Muzeroll



ST. MARY CEMETERY CLAREMONT, NH A Reminder!

The parish grounds maintenance season begins on Memorial Day. Please refer to the St. Mary Cemetery Rules and Regulations for instructions pertaining to the upkeep of burial lots. These are in conjunction with the rules governing the Diocesan Catholic Cemetery. If you would like a copy of the St. Mary Parish booklet, please contact the parish office at 542-9518.

Thank you for your cooperation!

e-Ticker Business News

A Win for Weathersfield...

Weathersfield School principal JeanMarie Oakman accepts a \$1,000 “bonus” check from Mark Prouty (left), assistant store manager, and Chad Myhre, store manager, of the Claremont Hannaford Supermarket. Through the Hannaford Helps Schools program, customers raise money by purchasing eligible products; they receive three “school dollars” — equivalent to cash — for every four eligible products purchased. Schools in each community that raise the most money — this year, that was Weathersfield — receive an additional \$1,000. Schools can spend the dollars on whatever items the students need locally, from computers and musical instruments to field trips and playground equipment. Since its inception, Hannaford Helps Schools has raised \$11.4 million for K-12 schools in New England and New York (Courtesy photo).



Claremont Savings Bank Announces Tammy Bergeron, Bryan Huot as new Board Trustees

CLAREMONT, NH—Claremont Savings Bank is pleased to announce that Tammy Bergeron, owner of real estate agency Houses to Homes, and Bryan Huot, Vice President of LaValley Building Supply and General Manager of Preferred Building Systems, have been elected as Trustees of the Bank at the 113th Annual Meeting held April 2.

“We are delighted to welcome Tammy and Bryan to our Board of Trustees,” said Reggie Greene, Claremont Savings Bank President and CEO. “Both Tammy and Bryan are assets to the Greater Sullivan County community and have shown great support to Claremont Savings Bank over the years. With their experience, talent and business acumen they will be important new resources to our Board and management team in carrying out our mission

representing the best interests of our customers and communities,” continued Greene. “We look forward to their participation.”

In addition, the Bank welcomed three new Corporators:



Derek Ferland – Sullivan County Manager, Christian Gomes – owner and General Manager of Ford of Claremont, and Arion Thiboumery – co-owner and General Manager of Vermont Packinghouse in Springfield, VT.

“All the new appointees agree

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Five Nurses honored at Mt. Ascutney Hospital and Health Center's 2nd Annual Nurses Week Awards (Courtesy photo).

Five Nurses Honored at Mt. Ascutney Hospital 2nd Annual Nurses Week Awards

WINDSOR, VT –Mt. Ascutney Hospital and Health Center (MAHHC) recently hosted a gathering of employees and friends at its second annual Nurses Week Awards, which recognizes nursing professionals who go above and beyond for their patients and colleagues. The event was held as part of National Nurses Week, which was celebrated from May 6 to May 12.

The ceremony was held in the Hospital's recently renovated Café and included opening remarks by Amy Visser-Lynch, MSN-ED, RN and Interim Chief Nursing Officer of MAHHC who recognized the entire nursing staff for their commitment to patient health and safety.

LNA, Licensed Nursing Assistant of the Year; Angel Oliver, LPN, Licensed Practical Nurse of the Year; Jessica Bean, MA, Medical Assistant of the Year. The Exemplary Professional Practice Award was presented to Elizabeth Sheehan, RN; and the MAHHC Nursing Excellence Award, to Vickie Day, RN.

The winners were selected from a pool of nominees submitted by their peers. Winners must have recorded achievements

Light refreshments were served.

Felicia Murray, RN and President of the Interdisciplinary Council Governance was recognized for her commitment as the Council's first president. Ms. Murray presented awards to five of her colleagues, including:

in one or more of the nursing profession's major domains: practice, education, and research. They must demonstrate leadership in at least two areas: advancing the practice of nursing; improving the quality of care; promoting and maintaining professional nursing standards; contributing to the enhancement of professional nursing; and demonstrating excellence in teaching and role development. "The theme of this year's National Nurses Week is '4 million reasons to celebrate,' and each of our honorees gives us many reasons to celebrate each day," said Visser-Lynch. "These nurses serve their patients with grace, ingenuity, and incredible skill. They're role models to their colleagues, and we couldn't have asked for a better group of compassionate professionals to continue this tradition."

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Rethink Pleasant Street Comes Up with Three Options

By Phyllis A. Muzeroll
e-Ticker News

CLAREMONT, NH—Another Alternatives Workshop was held, Tuesday, regrading Rethink Pleasant Street in Claremont, an initiative to revitalize the main thoroughfare that runs through downtown. About 25-30 people attended the event.

The project identified the following challenges Tuesday:

- Need accessible sheltered bus stops
- Need to change the City's feel, Complete streets
- Shift from vehicle centric to more of a bicycle-pedestrian centric
- Too much truck traffic – too noisy
- Not enough residential parking
- Better ADA access and more walkable
- Not enough lighting
- Tree roots in sewer lines
- Underutilized private parking
- Update utilities using best available materials
- Snow removal and sidewalk treatment
- Need to connect to the available parking (more than just signage)
- There is no identity to the street
- The street is not visibly interesting
- Too many historic restraints (makes it costly for business and building owners to make upgrades)
- Sidewalks are too narrow
- More upkeep and maintenance
- Building upkeep and maintenance

The following opportunities cited by the study included but were not limited to:

- Make the street one-way with angle parking on one side
- Build a parking structure
- Close off this section of Pleasant Street to traffic like Church Street in Burlington, VT
- Close off alley to traffic
- Move truck route out of the Square
- Make the street more narrow
- Wider sidewalks
- Make Pleasant Street a hub of activities that can be festival centric like White

Rethink Pleasant Street Revitalization Project

Alternatives Comparison

Alternative #1	Alternative #2	Alternative #3
Two-Way Street	One-Way Street	One-Way Street
9'-6" Sidewalk	16'-6" Sidewalk	21'-0" Sidewalk
5 Fewer Parking Spots	9 Fewer Parking Spots	24 Fewer Parking Spots
Parallel Parking	Angled Parking	Parallel Parking





River Junction

- Add lighting from parking areas to street
- Consolidate parking between Franklin Street and Pleasant Street
- Utilize "Green" stormwater infrastructure
- Create inviting archways and green walkways in the alleys
- Allow access to the Main Street parking garage for residential parking
- Get niche businesses and restaurants to move downtown
- Close off Pleasant Street for special events and festivals
- Add electric vehicle charging
- Include P.A. system for public events
- Utilize the roof space
- Incorporate school projects like rooftop gardens
- Update the condition of the storefronts
- Include connection to the river
- Change some of the City's parking regulations

Three main options were presented concerning traffic, sidewalks and parking on Pleasant; two would change traffic to one-way.

To see the details and graphics presented at this workshop, go to https://docs.wixstatic.com/ugd/eec6bc_f15ab-b5ee10149749c0b6a470c9615f8.pdf.

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Mayoral Notes

By Charlene Lovett

Claremont Remembers its Veterans

In 1999, Senator John McCain introduced legislation to designate the month of May as National Military Appreciation Month (NMAM). The passage of the legislation encouraged U.S. citizens to observe the month in a symbol of unity. Since then, it has become a time set aside to honor the current and former members of the U.S. Armed Forces, including those who died while serving our country. During the City Council meeting on May 22, I read a proclamation in observance of NMAM.

In the proclamation, I noted Claremont's history of military service, the service related organizations that exist in the City, and the gratitude and support that the community shows our veterans. Since the Revolutionary War, people of Claremont have participated in every conflict. The 1800 American flags that adorn the graves in our cemeteries are visual reminders of the many who served, some making the ultimate sacrifice. The names of those who died during or from wounds sustained in the Civil War, World War (WW) 1, WW2, Korea and Vietnam are forever inscribed on the memorials in Broad Street Park.

Because of the many veterans among us, we are home to American Legion Post 29, Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post 808, Rolling Thunder Chapter 2 and their associated auxiliaries. These organizations not only serve their fellow veterans, but also engage the community in remembrance of the many who have served. Each year in preparation for Memorial Day weekend, members of the American Legion and its auxiliaries place flags on the graves of military personnel and in the City Center, and organize a parade that concludes with a ceremony in Broad Street Park to honor the fallen. Both members of the VFW and Rolling Thunder participate in the Memorial Day events. These time honored traditions would not exist without the efforts of these service related organizations.

The contributions of our veterans are recognized by organizations, businesses and residents throughout the City. Businesses such as Home Depot and Runnings provide veteran discounts. Non-profits such as the

Red River Charitable Foundation partner with the Claremont Maker Space to provide membership scholarships to veterans. Residents show their support in many ways that range from a word of gratitude to a show of solidarity alongside a parade route or at a ceremony. Volunteers maintain the gardens surrounding the memorials at Broad Street Park.

During our busy lives, NMAM provides us an opportunity to stand together in recognition of our proud military history and those who have served our nation.

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



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Women Must Look Beyond Social Security to Help Fund Retirement

Women tend to depend more on Social Security for several reasons, including longer life spans, lower average earnings and more time spent away from the workforce to care for family members. Nearly half of all senior unmarried women receiving Social Security benefits rely on them for 90 percent or more of their total income, according to the Social Security Administration.

But this isn't by choice, because Social Security payments by themselves are not enough to fund retirement. If you're married, your situation is somewhat different, but you don't want to depend on Social Security too much. To help boost your chances for a comfortable retirement lifestyle, what should you know about Social Security and other steps should you take? Here are some suggestions to consider:

Understand your Social Security benefits. You can start taking Social Security as early as 62, but your checks will be bigger if you wait until your full retirement age, which likely will be between 66 and 67. You can also defer taking benefits up to age 70 and receive even higher benefits. Social Security offers spousal and survivor benefits, so it's important that you coordinate your actions with your spouse. For example, you are entitled to receive up to half of your spouse's full retirement benefit (offset by your own benefit, and reduced if you claim early). Additionally, the survivor benefit can provide either your benefit or 100% of your deceased spouse's, whichever is larger. It may make sense to have the higher-earning spouse delay taking benefits for as long as possible to maximize the survivor benefit. You might be eligible for spousal and survivor benefits if you're divorced, so it's important to understand all of your options.

Contribute as much as you can to your retirement plans. Because women take more time away from work to care for their families, they often have lower balances in their employer-sponsored retirement accounts. That's why you may want to put in as much as you can to your 401(k) or similar plan – at least enough to earn your employer's matching contribution, if one is offered. And whenever you get a raise, increase the amount you contribute. Even if you have a 401(k), you may still be eligible to invest in a traditional or Roth IRA. And with both your 401(k) and IRA, fight the temptation to invest too conservatively, especially if you're many years from retirement. To make substantial progress toward your goals, you will need a reasonable amount of growth-oriented investments in all your retirement accounts, while still accommodating your risk tolerance.

Create an appropriate withdrawal strategy. When you retire, you'll need to calculate how much you can afford to withdraw each year from your 401(k), IRA and any other retirement accounts. You don't want to withdraw too much, too soon, and risk outliving your resources. You may want to consult with a financial professional who can help you determine a withdrawal rate appropriate for your age, income sources, lifestyle, projected longevity and other factors.

The suggestions above can apply to everyone. But as a woman, you may find them particularly import as you strive to achieve the retirement lifestyle you deserve.

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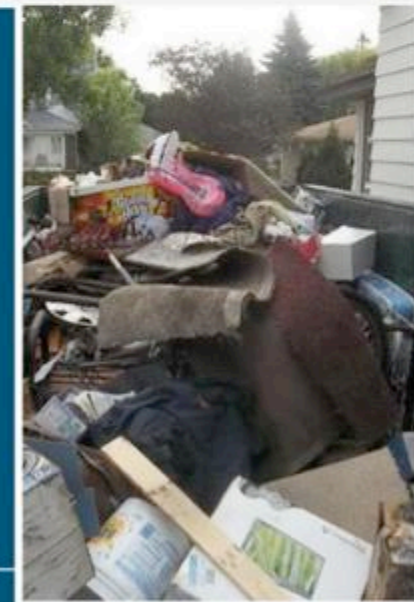
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It's About Food

By Johnny Navillus



Curry and Things

This was curry week for me. At least part of it was. I tried the Red Thai Curry with some chicken. I cut up four chicken breasts and used a whole one ounce package of the curry powder.

I really expected the meat and sauce to come out red. The curry was the same shade of red as paprika. After a healthy dose of ground roasted garlic I emptied the package of curry over the chicken as it started to saute. It turned light brown! I don't know if it was the garlic or I had the heat too high. It really surprised me.

Once the chicken was cooked through I added the light cream. I put in about a cup or maybe more. I wanted it to be soupy so it would soak into the rice when I plated it. There was something I needed and turned away from the skillet for just a second. The cream had just started to boil and when I turned back about 80% of the liquid had vanished. The chicken absorbed it.

I plated out some rice and spooned the chicken and a bit of the sauce over the rice. For some reason I stirred it all up and the rice seemed to pull the sauce out of the chicken. So I got my flavored rice that I wanted.

The flavor was awesome. Just the right amount of heat but not enough to overpower the chicken, Many flavors coming through and it was absolutely delightful. Mike and his family thought it was awesome too.

The next thing was Vindaloo curry. Chicken again, of course. This time there were no surprises about color.

Vindaloo is supposed to be sweet and sour. Mike tried it before I did and he said that he didn't get any sour flavor from it at all. So he added vinegar. Vinegar added to a light cream sauce? Yuk! I couldn't do it. It took me a couple of days of thinking about it and if he wanted sour, he should have added pickle juice. Even then, I would hesitate. That's too much playing. Anyway, the Vindaloo turned out just fine. It was sweeter than the Red Thai but that's OK with me. And no pickle juice.

Do you patronize the fundraising breakfasts and/or dinners? These are for local non-profits like volunteer fire departments and churches and whatever organizations need a couple of bucks.

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Play with your food. Everyone else does.

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Sullivan County Grand Jury Indictments Released

NEWPORT, NH—The following Sullivan County Grand Jury indictments from last week were released Friday.

Cheryl L. Bedell, 61, Claremont, NH, indicted for Criminal Mischief Loss of \$1500+, damaging a 2008 Toyota Tacoma, by scratching said vehicle, Oct. 24, 2018.

Erica L. Belkap-Morris, 31, Newport, NH, assented to motion to amend indictment to correctly reflect the defendant's name as Erica Belknap-Morris, rather than Erica L. Bishop-Morris; indicted for Bail Jumping, Dec. 6, 2018; Bail Jumping, Dec. 6, 2018.

Michael P. Wood, 21, Newport, NH, indicted for Robbery/Accomplice Robbery, March 29, 2019; Robbery-Conspiracy, March 29, 2019; Witness Tampering, March 29, 2019.

Jeremia M. Kemp, 20, Claremont, NH, indicted for Criminal Solicitation-to Commit Robbery, March 29, 2019; Robbery/Accomplice Robbery, March 29, 2019; Robbery-Conspiracy, March 29, 2019.

Rachel A. D'Agostino, 20, Claremont, NH, indicted for Robbery-Conspiracy, March 29, 2019; Possession Controlled Drug Adderall, March 29, 2019.

Terrell Watson, 34, County Farm Rd, Unity, NH, indicted for Tampering with Witness-Conspiracy, Feb. 28, 2019.

Kayla Marsh, 28, County Farm Rd., Unity, NH, indicted for Tampering with Witness-Conspiracy, Feb. 28, 2019.

Jennifer Dadah, 35, Berlin, VT, indicted for Acts Prohibited-Poss. Fentanyl +1 gram, Intent to Sell, Jan. 18, 2019; Acts Prohibited -Poss. Cocaine, +1/2 oz Intent to Sell, Jan. 18, 2019; Acts Prohibited-Poss. Heroin + 1 gram, Intent to Sell, Jan. 18, 2019; Acts Prohibited-Poss. Methamphetamine, Intent to Sell, Jan. 18, 2019; Acts Prohibited-Poss. Suboxone, Intent to Sell, Jan. 18, 2019.

Brandon Teeter, 20, Claremont, NH, indicted for Criminal Mischief-Conspiracy, Discharge of a Firearm at an Occupied Structure, Brandon Teeter driving Matthew Barry and Tyler Barry while Tyler Barry was discharging the firearm at the occupied structures on Chestnut Street, Dec. 30, 2018.

Timothy Maclean, 38, Charlestown, NH, indicted for Possession of Controlled Drug (Fen-

tanyl), Oct. 24, 2019; Possession of Controlled Drug (alpha-PVP), Oct. 24, 2018.

Jesse Hout aka Jesse Huot, 30, West Lebanon, NH, indicted for Aggravated DWI/Serious Bodily Injury, April 19, 2019, by operating the 2016 Volkswagen motor vehicle, caused a collision resulting in serious bodily injury to himself, April 19, 2019.

Brenda Wright, 53, Claremont, NH, indicted for Forgery, between Feb. 28, 2019, and April 1, 2019; Forgery, between Feb. 28, 2019, and April 1, 2019; Forgery, between Feb. 1, 2019, and April 1, 2019.

James Omar Jones, 33, Newport, NH, indicted for Unauthorized Use of Propelled Vehicle or Rented Property (2018 Ford Focus), between Dec. 18, 2018, and Feb. 1, 2019; Receiving Stolen Property 2018 Ford Focus), between Dec. 18, 2018 and Feb. 1, 2019.

Robert A. Johnson, Jr., 28, Manchester, NH, Delivery of Articles Prohibited, agree with one or more persons to cause the commission of said crime, to wit; agree with Robert Johnson, Sr., and/or more persons to cause the commission of said crime, between Jan. 1, 2019, and Jan. 11, 2019.

Olexandra Beck, 63, Langdon, NH, indicted for animal abuse, did negligently deprive a certain thoroughbred gelding of necessary sustenance, between Nov. 7, 2018, and Nov. 21, 2018; animal cruelty, did deprive a certain chestnut gelding of necessary sustenance, between Nov. 7, 2018, and Nov. 21, 2018; animal cruelty, did negligently deprive a certain saddle-bred gelding of necessary sustenance, between Nov. 7, 2018, and Nov. 21, 2018; animal cruelty, did negligently deprive a certain number of horses of necessary sustenance, Nov. 7, 2018, and Nov. 21, 2018.

Winter G. Hoisington, 22, Claremont, NH, indicted for Possession with Intent to sell, May 2, 2019.

Alan W. Wirkkala, 52, Newport, NH, indicted for Aggravated Felonious Sexual Assault, between July 23, 1984, and Dec. 31, 1984; Felonious Sexual Assault, July 23, 1984, and Dec. 31, 1991; Felonious Sexual Assault, between July 23, 1984, and Dec. 31, 1984; Aggravated Felonious Sexual Assault, between July 23, 1984, and Dec. 31, 1991.

Woman Arrested Following High-Speed Pursuit through Several Local Vermont Towns

On the morning of 5/22/19 at approximately 8:00 a.m., the Vermont State Police were notified by a passing motorist that there was a female sleeping in her vehicle on John Jensen Road, in the Town of Weathersfield, VT. Troopers responded to check on the female party and during the course of the investigation, the party allegedly lied to Troopers about her identity. According to a report from the VTSP, "As Troopers were re-approaching the vehicle, the operator started the vehicle and fled the scene. Troopers pursued the vehicle from Weathersfield, to Springfield, to Cavendish and into Ludlow. Due to the operator's grossly negligent operation and total disregard for the public's safety, the pursuit was terminated in Ludlow."

The VTSP identified the operator as Jennifer A. Graham, 38, of Mt. Holly, VT. Subsequent investigation and with assistance from the public, Troopers were able to track down the general area that Graham was hiding out in. Law enforcement resources from Ludlow Police, Chester Police, The Vermont Department of Motor Vehicles- Enforcement Division, Game Wardens from The Vermont Department of Fish and Game and the Vermont State Police "descended upon the area to search for Graham, who was located and arrested" in the Ludlow area.

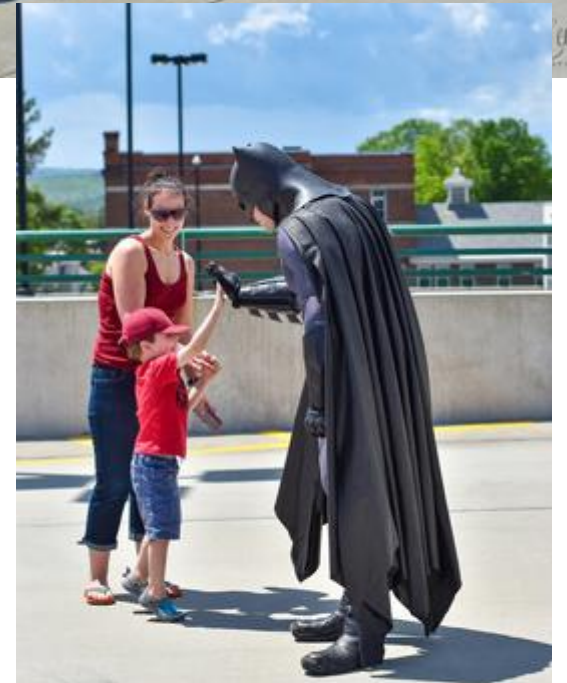
Graham was charged with the following: Grand Larceny (Felony), Possession of Stolen Property, Aggravated Operation Without Owners Consent (Felony), Operating A Vehicle Under the Influence of Drugs, False Reports to Law Enforcement (Misdemeanor), Eluding a Police Officer (Felony), Grossly Negligent Operation (Felony), Excessive Speed (Misdemeanor) and Violation of Conditions of Release. The Vermont State Police identified Springfield Auto Mart as the victim in the case.

She was taken to the Southern State Correctional Facility; she appeared in court May 23. The court ordered Graham held for lack of \$12,000 bail, although Judge Timothy Tomasi said he would consider releasing her temporarily if a bed could be found at a secure residential drug treatment facility. Graham is facing a number of other charges unrelated to this case.

Season Opens for Farmers Market

The first Claremont Farmers Market of the season was held Saturday in Broad St. Park. Good weather was on tap as visitors checked out the various vendors offering delicious wares. Far right: Gayann Letman from the Sunshine Cookshop, which specializes in Jamaican cuisine. Right: David Casciani helping out at In City Sugar Shack which sells regular and bourbon-flavored maple syrup. Below: Patience Bearse of The Bearse Bakery greets visitors to her booth. The market will run from 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m., Saturdays, through September 14. Offerings include POP (Power of Produce) kids activities, weekly entertainment, and other events. It accepts the EBT card, with the Granite State Market Match, up to \$10 free for fruits and vegetables. (Eric Zengota photos).





Batman came to town over the weekend, spreading smiles along the way.

Photos courtesy of Lizz Ellis Photography



Claremont Marks Memorial Day with Parade, Ceremonies



Beautiful weather graced the area today, Memorial Day, as residents gathered to honor and remember those who have served our country to protect us and help safeguard the freedoms we cherish. In Claremont, the annual parade started at the Middle School and processed to the West Pleasant St. Cemetery for a wreath-laying ceremony. From there, the parade made its way down Pleasant Street to Broad Street Park for the remaining ceremonies of the day, which drew a large crowd. Photos: The laying of the new wreath at the marker honoring the Unknown Dead, the playing of "Taps".

American Legion Post 29 Commander Moe Ferland spoke in the park of the sacrifices of those who answered the call to serve, defending this nation and its people. He encouraged Americans to find ways to help to care for those who have fought for our freedoms.

Three students from the Unity Elementary School—Hailey Bonneau, Katie Sharron and Madison McClay—spoke as well. "We thank you for your service, we shall never forget," said Bonneau. Sharron reflected on the land of the free and home of the brave; McClay spoke of the super heroes amongst us.



Jevin Bergeron, "almost 2", holding his flag during ceremonies at the West Pleasant St. Ceremony.

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The large flag at the Claremont Fire Station flies over the trucks lined up at attention; Claremont Police Chief Mark Chase in the parade; the Honor Guard stands at attention, followed by the volley marking the occasion; Stevens High School marching towards downtown.

The band played the "National Anthem" and a medley of music reflecting the various branches of the Armed Forces at Broad Street Park; Moe Ferland, the Commander of American Legion Post 29; Senator and presidential candidate Bernie Sanders, on a visit to Claremont, gets a handshake and American flag from a veteran in Broad Street Park.



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