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‘Discharge and Perform All the Duties Incumbent on Me’

New Police Officers Take the Oath of Office

**By Eric Zengota
e-Ticker News**

CLAREMONT, NH—The Claremont Police Department has two new officers — Kalie Cummings and Stephan Nix — who took the oath of office on August 9 in the City Council Chambers.

In his welcoming remarks, chief of police Mark Chase said that, with COVID-19 restrictions lifted, he was glad “that at last we can once again have friends and family members at the ceremony. In our profession, we have the unique opportunity to positively affect many people generationally. Now you will be members of the department’s extended family.”

Cummings, 20, of Andover, said, “I want to help people. Being a police officer is one way I can resolve problems.” She hopes to become a K-9 officer, building on her high-school studies in canine behavior.

Nix, 23, a Newport High School star in football and wrestling, said, “I want to be the best person I can be for others in the community. When the opportunity came up to enter law enforcement, I went for it.”

Cummings and Nix will attend the New Hampshire Police Academy from August 30 to December 17. With them will be another new officer, Haydan Parker, who joined the department in June. After graduation from the academy, noted Chase, there will be a formal pinning ceremony in Claremont, to which he invited the newest members of the “extended family.”



Kalie Cummings and Stephan Nix take their oaths of office (Eric Zengota photos).

DHMC Awarded \$1 Million to Combat Substance Use Disorder Crisis in Rural NH

LEBANON NH—The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) has awarded Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center (DHMC) \$1 million in federal funding to expand prevention, treatment and recovery services to combat the substance use disorder epidemic in rural New Hampshire. The funding is through the HHS Rural Communities Opioid Response-Implementation program and was supported by U.S. Sen. Jeanne Shaheen (D-

NH), a senior member of the Senate Appropriations Committee; U.S. Sen. Maggie Hassan (D-NH), a member of the Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee; and Rep. Annie Kuster (NH-02).

“There is an urgent need to provide comprehensive treatment to individuals and families suffering from substance use disorders and to reduce the barriers to accessing care,” said Luke J. Archibald, MD, director of addic-

tion services at DHMC. “This initiative aims to decrease the stigma that prevents people with substance use disorder from receiving appropriate health care, helps people to bridge transitions between care settings and improves screenings for medical conditions commonly experienced in this population. We appreciate the support of our federal delegation in our ongoing activities to provide our patients with the

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highest quality of care possible."

This grant will help advance DHMC's work to respond to the substance use crisis through evidence-based interventions and the latest treatment practices.

"In 2020, more than 93,000 Americans died of a drug overdose — this staggering loss of life is a tragic reminder of the urgent need to address the addiction epidemic in New Hampshire and across the country," said Kuster, founder and co-chair of the Bipartisan Addiction and Mental Health Task Force. "This critical funding heading to Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center will help ensure our rural communities have the resources and support needed to treat patients throughout their recovery. I will continue working across the aisle to advance evidence-based solutions to the substance use epidemic."

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Drug Investigation Leads to Woman's Arrest

LEBANON, NH—On August 6, the Lebanon Police Department, in cooperation with the New Hampshire Attorney General's Drug Task Force, conducted a drug investigation into the trafficking of illegal drugs into Lebanon.

As a result of the investigation, Mina Fleming, age 26, of Fairlee, VT, was arrested for alleged Possession and Sale of the Controlled Drug Heroin, both Class B Felonies. During the arrest, officers also allegedly discovered methamphetamine and cocaine in Fleming's purse.

According to the Lebanon, NH, Police Department, Fleming has numerous recent arrests in Massachusetts for alleged heroin possession where she was arrested on May 12, June 1, July 8, and July 25 of 2021. All of these charges are still pending in Massachusetts. On July 23, 2021, Fleming was arrested in Lebanon for alleged Possession of Methamphetamine, Possession of Heroin, and Possession of Adderall. As part of a July 30 incident, a search warrant was later executed on the vehicle Fleming was driving and an additional 330 bags of heroin were allegedly located.

Fleming was held on preventative detention and brought to the Grafton County House of Corrections. Fleming was arraigned on August 9 in the Grafton County Superior Court on six Class B Felony level drug charges, as well as contempt of court.

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Notice of Public Hearing on Dunning Point Name Change

Monday, August 23, 2021-7:45PM

Sunapee Town Office Meeting Room

The Sunapee Board of Selectmen will hold a public hearing to take public input on the request for a recommendation regarding a name change from U.S. Board of Geographic Names.

The subject property is a "point" in Lake Sunapee, currently known as Dunning Point. The request is to change the name to Tilson Point.

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Station Host Association Volunteers Back to Work

Group Asks Council for Modest Funding to Help With Program

By Phyllis A. Muzeroll
e-Ticker News

CLAREMONT, NH—With the return of Amtrak's Vermonter, the local Station Host Association is also back to work. Walt Stapleton, who serves as the secretary for the group, addressed the council Wednesday night to bring it up to date regarding the group's activities. The organization started in 2017 and has been active since 2018. The station hosts meet the trains, greet passengers and assist with things such as directions to town, where to stay, places to eat and highlight local attractions. They are, Stapleton said, "kind of like tourism ambassadors." They have also printed out train timetables and other relative information. There are 15 active volunteers who host, along with another half dozen associate members who help with other things. Trained and authorized by Amtrak, the group is entirely a volunteer association; no one is paid for their time and work. Hosts meet the Vermonter twice a day, seven days a week.

Members have been furnishing various items and supplies out of their own pocket, the latest being a porta-potty. Other expenses have included hats, safety vests, and salt and ice melt, and Stapleton said they would like to add a small ceramic heater to the pavilion to help combat winter cold for those waiting for the trains. He also said with the increase in ridership, they need three more benches.

City manager Ed Morris said he felt the best way to fund the group would be to add a transportation line to the Planning & Development budget since the organization is not a 501(c)(3) organization. He recommended \$2,000 to help cover the \$1,800 yearly porta-potty cost, along with an extra \$200 to help with any other costs; he later upped that to \$2,500 during Wednesday's meeting. The money is not budgeted, so it would have to come from fund balance. Stapleton said their monthly costs will come to \$395 for the remainder of 2021 with an estimate of \$192 for 2022.

Support for the program was unanimous from councilors; councilor Nick Koloski said

he favored bringing back the train ad hoc committee through which checks for expenses could be processed; councilor Deb Matteau said she hoped they could figure out logistical how to make it work. "We give money to the bus company," she said, adding that she thought the City should be able to fund this request. Stapleton wondered if the group could somehow work with the Parks and Rec De-

partment as another option. He reminded the council that anything the City purchases for their program becomes a City asset.

Mayor Charlene Lovett asked Morris to work with finance director Lisa Richmond to consider what the best option is. "Then if it requires a formal council vote, that's what we will do," she said.

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Commentary

A Look at Some of the Worthwhile Legislation Passed During 2021 Session



Among worthwhile legislation adopted during the 2021 Session which have become law was an amended version of House Bill 25, more popularly known as the state's capital budget. The bill authorizes bonded appropriations for the construction and renovation of state facilities as well as the purchase of heavy equipment by state government, and was solely sponsored by Bedford Rep. John Graham, a Republican who is the House Public Works & Highways Committee Chair. Both House and Senate had earlier adopted their own amended versions of the bill again by voice votes, the House on April 7, the Senate June 3. But there were a few minor disagreements between the two bodies on some of the appropriations either added or removed in each of their amended versions. Consequently, both bodies agreed to a House-Senate Committee of Conference to iron out their disagreements; it quickly agreed on a compromise amendment acceptable to all seven committee members.

Among the Senate changes agreed to by the House in the compromise version of the capital budget were some changes affecting New Hampshire's Community College System. First, \$5 million was added for the expansion of White Mountain Community College, based in Berlin, to an additional campus in Littleton. The expansion, according to my understanding, would allow White Mountain College to offer more motor vehicle training programs for both vehicular mechanics and truck drivers that should benefit mechanics and truck drivers in western New Hampshire, including Sullivan County. Originally, Gov. Sununu didn't include the expansion money in his version of House Bill 25, while we in the House recommended that the money for this project as well as nine others be taken from the state's share of funds allocated to it from ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) passed earlier this year by Congress in response to COVID-19. But the Senate amendment simply removed most of our ten priority projects for ARPA funding and said the House-Senate Joint Fiscal Committee should appropriate funds for most of them, appropriations which happened shortly thereafter June 8. The one exception that was actually included in the Senate's version of House Bill 25 was the White Mountain Community College's expansion to Littleton.

I was pleased that the Senate and House had agreed to provide the \$5 million for White Mountain College's expansion in the capital budget's final approved version. I was also pleased that the final version included an additional \$460,300 for critical maintenance of buildings and grounds at all the Community College campuses, including River Valley Community College in Claremont. I believe such maintenance is especially vital so that these buildings and grounds last longer and cost taxpayers less in the long run.

Other good legislation that was passed by the House and Senate in 2021 and signed into law was House Bill 593. This bill would require independent food delivery services such as Door Dash to enter into an agreement with a restaurant or food retail store before offering food delivery service from the restaurant or store. The bill was sponsored by a

bipartisan coalition of four representatives led by four representatives led by Manchester's Matt Wilhelm, a Democrat. It was approved by voice votes of both bodies, and signed into law by the Governor July 26. Most of its provisions will take effect Sept. 1, 2021, with the remainder by Dec. 2023.

For the record, I did vote for House Bill 593, and did for the following reasons as better articulated by Rep. Wilhelm. He stated, "Small businesses across New Hampshire are being taken advantage of by out-of-state tech companies funded by venture capitalists in Silicon Valley who will gladly turn a profit on the backs of New Hampshire's restaurant owners, even if it tarnishes their reputations or puts a few restaurants out of business in the process. While food delivery has become a lifeline for many New Hampshire restaurants during the COVID-19 pandemic, third-party tech companies should not offer delivery service without consent of the restaurant. I am proud that Democrats put power back in the hands of small business owners to make decisions that are right for their restaurants."

Another worthwhile piece of legislation that should help even more small businesses is an amended version of Senate Bill 101, which was signed into law by Gov. Sununu Aug. 10. This bill as amended would raise the mandated threshold for such businesses to pay the Business Profits Tax from its present \$50,000 in gross receipts to \$92,000 in receipts. The bill would also require the New Hampshire DRA (Dept. of Revenue Administration) to automatically adjust this threshold every two years for inflation as the DRA now does for the Business Enterprise Tax. The bill went into effect retroactively July 1, 2021, and its first inflation adjustment would be made in 2023. The bill was sponsored by a bipartisan coalition of legislators led by Manchester Sen. Donna Soucy, a Democrat, and included Lebanon Sen. Suzanne Prentiss, another Democrat who is Claremont's senator. Before being signed into law by the Governor, it was approved by the Senate on an unanimous 24-0 roll call vote, and by voice vote of the House. I did vote for Senate Bill 101, and was pleased that it passed.

Other good legislation that should help some crime victims as well as local law enforcement is House Bill 546. This bill as amended would provide immunity from criminal charges for a person who reports to law enforcement that he or she or another person they know has been the victim of a violent crime. It was signed into law by the Governor June 18, and will take effect Aug. 17 after being passed by voice votes of both House and Senate, myself included. It was sponsored by a bipartisan coalition of 12 legislators led by Manchester Rep. Amanda Bouldin, a Democrat. In a statement, Rep. Bouldin explained why she had introduced the bill. She said, "Not only is it the duty of law enforcement to uphold the law, but it is the duty of law enforcement to be an advocate for victims of crime. New Hampshire police have broadcast their frustration over the inability to obtain the cooperation of some victims of violent crimes in order to bring the perpetrators to justice. Because victims may have a myriad of reasons to fear coming forward about their assailant's identity, House Bill 546 aims to lower those barriers, and establish a cooperative relationship between police and crime victims."

Finally, worthwhile legislation of local interest that became law in 2021 was House Bill 88 which permits the nine-member Claremont City Council to appoint the three members of the Claremont Police Com-

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Letters to the Editor

Nursing Home Project Must be Done

To The Editor:

Last year, the Delegation considered a plan to renovate the nursing home. It needs it. We have had structural concerns, license eligibility concerns, and multiple plumbing issues causing disruption to the residents and emergency repairs. We were initially presented with a plan for around 30 million dollars. That escalated rapidly. It jumped to over 40 million dollars in pretty short order. As the estimated costs climbed (shooting past 50 million dollars), a couple of things happened. I no longer had any faith in the stated true cost of the project, and we were told that we had to pay a bunch of money to get a guaranteed maximum price. That told me that whatever I agreed to today, the cost could go up tomorrow. At that point, we stopped deliberations. A reset was needed.

Then, an election happened. The delegation stayed mostly stable, but has two new members who were not tuned in to the history of the project. Also, we started trying to micro manage the project. The Delegation is not made up of construction project managers and architects. Our opinions on those details are literally irrelevant. A Delegation spends your money, or not. We have to get back to balancing the reality that something must be done, with the tax impact to you. The county has staff who are experts in their fields. They know what the needs are and we should listen to them. I do not believe that it is necessary to get a bunch of consultants or other outside people involved. We know Sullivan County.

I am going to speculate. The price tag, even for what the bare necessities are, is going to be big. I suspect that some Members do not want to be the ones that say your taxes are going up. Let me take some pressure off of them by going first. I know that serious structural issues exist, and I will vote to fix them. Yes, your county tax will go up when we do it. I hope to minimize that impact, but this is still something we have to do and I understand that this is not a popular position. I am taking it nonetheless.

Why do we need a nursing home? Running it costs you very little. It also qualifies us for federal money that we are then able to use for other things. Closing it would be expensive (mothballing buildings, laying off staff, moving residents, etc.). It would also open up the county to future uncontrolled costs. NH RSA 166.8 states that when a person is eligible for certain types of disability and old age assistance, they are the responsibility of the county in which they last resided. If we had no nursing home, those folks would be in other counties and we would pay their bills. It is much better to keep them here where it costs far less and their families can visit more easily.

Why don't we have a big pile of money to do this? The county had a big pile of money. We've been giving it back to you for around ten years. County costs, like everything else, go up. Your taxes haven't. We've been using the stock piled reserve money to zero out county taxes. Many advocated for steady increases to maintain these funds. I don't believe in taking your money unless there is a good reason. Now there is. To ensure that we have a nursing home in the future, we face one of those "every 50 years" scenarios where something major must be done. It may not be politically popular. It may cost some Members votes. It is still the right thing to do.

Rep. Steven D. Smith
Sullivan 11

Sununu Taking Pages From the McConnell Playbook

To The Editor:

With the passage of his new budget, Granite Staters got a reminder of what has been clear for years: far from being a moderate, Chris Sununu is an extreme, right-wing partisan. Sununu jammed extreme, ideological measures through our state's budget process, like siphoning money away from our public schools, interfering with the relationship between a woman and her doctor with extreme measures like mandating ultrasounds, jeopardizing funding for women's health care, and threatening doctors with jail time.

This isn't new territory for the Governor though: in February, he opposed the American Rescue Plan and with it, the Child Tax Cut, a tax cut currently providing relief to ninety percent of New Hampshire families.

If that kind of extreme, partisan politics practiced by Sununu sounds familiar, it's because we have seen it practiced for over a decade in Washington by Mitch McConnell. By jamming through these extreme and polarizing policies with no regard to the consequences to people's lives, Sununu is clearly taking his cues from McConnell. New Hampshire doesn't need McConnell and his brand of partisan, obstructionist politics. We deserve leaders who listen to Granite Staters--we don't need them taking pages from the McConnell playbook.

Virginia Irwin
Newport, NH

Rep. Cloutier, from page 4

mission, instead of Claremont's City Manager, as has been done in the past. It was passed on voice vote of the House April 7, and a 23-1 roll call vote of the Senate April 22. It was signed into law by Gov. Sununu May 17, and took effect immediately. It was introduced by Claremont Rep. Andrew O'Hearne, a Democrat, who is also a Claremont City Councilor, and was endorsed by a majority of the Council. Co-sponsors included Claremont's three other representatives—Gary Merchant, Walter Stapleton, and myself. **Email: jocloutier@comcast.net**

‘Always on Duty’

Claremont Fire Captain Honored by VFW

By Eric Zengota
e-Ticker News

CLAREMONT, NH—Last week, James England, commander of Oliver Lacasse VFW Post 808 in Claremont, presented fire captain Michael Zombeck with the First Responder of the Year award “in recognition for outstanding service to the community of Claremont, N.H.”



Michael Zombeck receiving the award from James England (Eric Zengota photo).

Describing the award to Zombeck’s colleagues and family gathered at the fire station, England noted that the decision wasn’t made by just a few VFW members. Instead, he said, “We wanted to find out who the Claremont community thought was most deserving. So we surveyed a lot of citizens and local organizations. Mike’s name kept coming up as someone who was ‘always there’ whenever anyone needed some kind of help.”

Zombeck has been a full-time firefighter in Claremont for 22 years, and before that was a call firefighter for seven years. He rose to the rank of captain in 2017.

He was visibly touched by the honor. In a voice catching at times with emotion, he said he was especially proud because “I’ve been a member of this community since birth, and it’s supported me my entire life. I’m just ... happy.”

Zombeck went on to say that he was “definitely surprised” when England showed up during lunch break, but also was “a little confused” because someone in the know had recently congratulated him on the award.

All was cleared up on Tuesday.

He said, “I’ve always worked to be a man of action, and as a firefighter pride myself on always being on duty. I like to help people solve problems. They often call the fire department first, whether it’s for a low battery beeping on their smoke alarm or something more serious. That’s because we’re here to help and not to judge.” No particular firefighting incident stands out as the most memorable, he said. “But believe me, you get an adrenaline rush at every call.”

In addition to the award, Zombeck received a check from Post 808 as well as gift certificates from Ramunto’s, Leo’s Market, The Common Man Restaurant, and Claremont Spice & Dry Goods. The gift certificates, England noted, came about “when these businesses were so touched by the idea of the award going to a lifelong Claremont resident who always looks out for his neighbors.”

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NH DHHS COVID-19 Update – August 13, 2021

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

On Friday, August 13, 2021, DHHS announced 268 new positive test results for COVID-19. Those results included 147 people who tested positive by PCR test and 121 who tested positive by antigen test. There were now 1,601 current COVID-19 cases diagnosed in New Hampshire as of Friday.

Several cases are still under investigation. Additional information from ongoing investigations will be incorporated into future COVID-19 updates. Of those with complete information, there are forty-four individuals under the age of 18 and the rest are adults with 51% being female and 49% being male.

The new cases resided in Rockingham (43), Hillsborough County other than Manchester and Nashua (37), Merrimack (34), Strafford (20), Grafton (17), Belknap (14), Cheshire (13), Carroll (12), Sullivan (10), and Coos (2) counties, and in the cities of Manchester (19) and Nashua (9). The county of residence is being determined for thirty-eight new cases.

DHHS also announced one additional death related to COVID-19. We offer our sympathies to the family and friends:

1 male resident of Hillsborough County, 60 years of age and older

There were currently 63 individuals hospitalized with COVID-19. In New Hampshire since the start of the pandemic, there have been a total of 102,901 cases of COVID-19 diagnosed.

As of Friday, the 13th, there were 12 current pos-

itively identified cases in Claremont, 17 in Newport, 8 in Sunapee and 1-4 cases in several other towns. DHHS reported 44 overall in Sullivan County, up from 19 the previous week.

Sununu: “Fall Surge Could Be as Bad as Anything We've Seen Before”

CONCORD, NH—Gov. Chris Sununu held a press conference on Thursday and the message was somber. He, along with public health officials, reiterated the call for members of the public to get vaccinated before what they believe will be a fall surge of COVID-19.

"Hospitalization and fatality – that's really what we're trying to minimize," Sununu said. He warned of increases in COVID-19 numbers this fall or into November and December. "The fall surge could be as bad as anything we've seen before," Sununu said. He said the fight against COVID-19 is not over. "This is the new normal. That's a very important message I want to stress to folks," Sununu said. "We're not out of this by a long shot. This could be with us up and down for potentially years."

SCHC Limits Visitation Again

UNITY, NH—Sullivan County Health Care posted a letter on its Facebook page on Friday, Aug. 13, that "Today, a dietary aide with cold symptoms tested positive with the rapid test. The individual was fully vaccinated." As a result, all staff and residents were being tested; until the test results come in, the facility said it was "pausing social and outdoor visits, along with offsite outings." Compassionate visits could still be scheduled by the Visitation Coordinator.

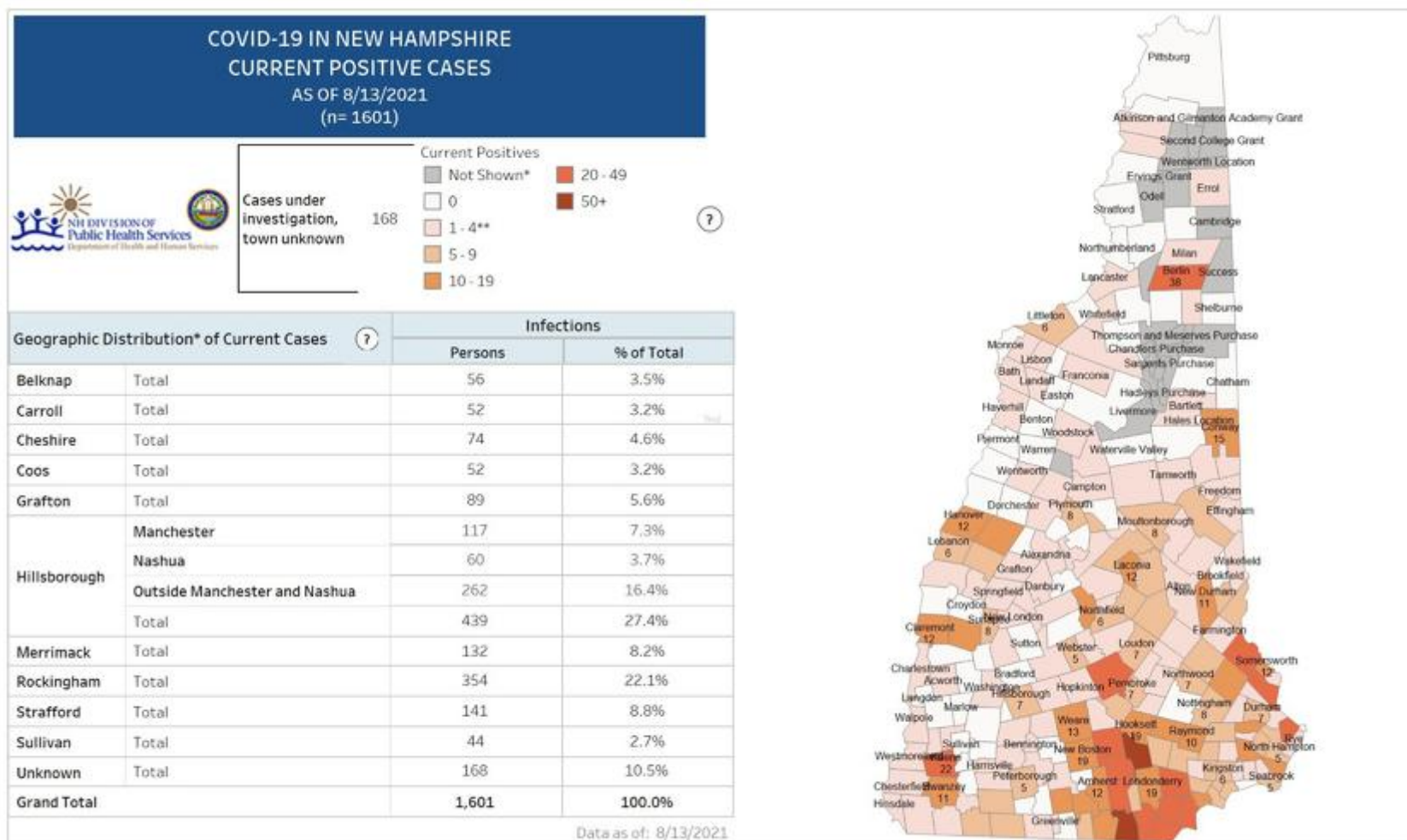
The vaccination rate of staff at the facility stands at 72%.

COVID-19 Hotline

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

Vaccine Information in NH

For vaccine information, please visit <https://www.covid19.nh.gov/resources/vaccine-information>.



Goshen Awarded Funding From Northern Border Regional Commission

GOSHEN, NH—Goshen was one of ten New Hampshire communities to recently receive federal funding of \$500,000 from the Northern Border Regional Commission. Created by the U.S. Congress in 2008, the NBRC is a federal-state partnership whose mission is to help alleviate economic distress and help the region grow throughout 36 northern counties of Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, and New York. The New Hampshire Department of Business and Economic Affairs (BEA) works with communities and organizations throughout the year on projects that are eligible for the grants.

An application was filed on behalf of the Goshen Board of Selectmen on May 14, 2021. Below is the narrative included in the application that frames the scope of the project:

“The revitalization of Mill Village in Goshen is an essential component in the economic development of Goshen. Goshen is located on the back-side of Mount Sunapee and is therefore situated in a critical economic corridor that connects the Upper Valley to the Monadnock region. In March of 2021, the Zoning Board and Selectmen successfully worked with residents to approve the funding and construction of a fiber optic broadband network in partnership with Consolidated Communications, bringing high speed internet to every door in town. The economic climate of today demands access to optimal internet speed. Also in March of 2021, the residents of the town successfully voted for K-12 school choice.

“The town is moving in the direction of a bedroom community with a rural feel, and should Vail Resorts move forward with the expansion of Mount Sunapee in Goshen, the town needs to be prepared to capitalize on a powerful opportunity for economic development and workforce expansion.

“The Mill Village revitalization project will bring together invested stakeholders who are presently working to develop the center of town. In our town of Goshen, Mill Village is the heart of our town. Our fire department, police department, Town Hall, Mt Sunapee Grange Hall, Olive G Pettis Library and Church all incorporate the village, which was once home of mills on the South branch of the Sugar River. The restoration of the historic Grange Hall has

been led by residents for many years, with funding secured already to begin the project. The Library Trustees are in the preliminary stages of constructing an outdoor “Learn and Play” environmental park, one that capitalizes on the natural ecological features of our rural community to give families and visitors an opportunity to enjoy themselves while learning about our locality. A private business owner and resident of Goshen recently acquired what used to be the neighborhood hardware store and is transitioning the structure and four acres of land into a miniature industrial park.

“Our challenge is to bring all these projects to completion, and then create a way for residents, visitors, and workers to travel by foot safely in town. We would like to support these existing projects and reconfigure the center of town to improve the aesthetics and functionality.”

According to the Selectboard, “Unfortunately, the funding criteria established by the Northern Borders Commission prohibits that any monies be used to pay pre-existing debt. Therefore, the bond approved by Goshen voters at the 2021 Town Meeting (Article 2, 64 yes 4 no) to assist broadband construction, until the user infrastructure fee absorbed by subscribers who opt to receive broadband service, will cover the cost of the bond. The broadband bond has been finalized and will be funded by August 18th, 2021. The Goshen Selectboard is currently finalizing the contract with Consolidated Communications and the anticipated start date for construction remains September of 2021, continuing with our promise to our residents that high speed, quality internet will be available to all Goshen households. We are happy to say what was voted on in March is still on schedule.

“With so much fantastic activity already in the works in Goshen, the Board of Selectmen are very excited to have this revitalization project selected and we look forward to improving pedestrian safety and the overall aesthetics of Mill Village.”

A copy of the grant application will be made available on the Town website.

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2021 People's Choice Quilt Awards Announced by Billings Farm & Museum

WOODSTOCK, VT—Billings Farm & Museum is pleased to announce the results of the 2021 People's Choice Awards for the 35th Annual Quilt Exhibition held July 17 – August 22, 2021.

More than 10,000 visitors have viewed the exhibition to date and 1,100 ballots were cast for favorites in the large and small quilt categories. The People's Choice Award winners for this year are:

Full size quilts:

First place: Confetti Carnival – Norma Ippolito, Chester

Second Place: My Red & White Quilt – Mary Guntz, Hartford

Third Place: Variation on Kaffe's Facet – Neomi Lauritsen, Weathersfield

Small/Medium size quilts:

First: Berkeley – Linda Diak, Chester

Second: Floral Bouquets – Mary Jane Arvidson, Brownsville

Third: Kaleidoscope – Kathleen Geagan, Brownsville

At the exhibition opening, the Jurors' Choice Awards were presented to Linda Diak of Chester, Vermont for her quilt, Berkeley, by juror Marti DelNevo; Floral Bouquets made by Mary Jane Arvidson of Brownsville, VT, was selected by juror Nola Forbes; Norma Ippolito of Chester, VT, was selected by juror Froncie Quinn for her quilt, Confetti Carnival, which also received the Billings Farm & Museum Staff Choice Award.

The winning quilts will be on display through Sunday, August 22. Billings Farm & Museum is open daily from 10AM-5PM and the Quilt Exhibition is included in admission.

Visit billingsfarm.org for hours and admissions details.

Visiting safely. For the continued safety of our staff and guests, all guests over the age of 2 are required to wear a face covering in all indoor spaces. For outdoor spaces, mask wearing is optional for fully-vaccinated persons; unvaccinated persons must wear masks when around people and unable to maintain 6' physical distances. No entry is permitted without a face covering. Visit billingsfarm.org/safety for details.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Claremont School Board Regular Meeting August 18, 2021 at 6:30pm Location Sugar River Valley Regional Technical Center

The Claremont School Board will be holding an in person regular meeting following Covid 19 guidelines. Those in attendance will need to adhere to safety rules which may include: temperature check, hand sanitizer, wearing a face mask, social distancing, and others deemed necessary.

The meeting will also be available on CCTV Channel 8 and online using one of these links.

You can watch channel 8 at anytime LIVE here:

<https://reflect-claremont.cablecast.tv/CablecastPublicSite/watch/1?channel=1>

Or channel 10 here:

<https://reflect-claremont.cablecast.tv/CablecastPublicSite/watch/2?channel=2>

Please visit our website: www.sau6.org under School Boards to review agenda.

HELP WANTED

New London Police Department seeking Full-Time Police Officer

Sign-on bonus of \$5,000 for certified officers

The Town of New London is a vibrant community in the Kearsarge-Lake Sunapee region with a population of approximately 4,500 residents. New London is home to Colby-Sawyer College, New London Hospital, and has many civic-minded organizations. There are ample ways to enjoy all that New London has to offer, including many recreational activities such as various walking/hiking trails, multiple bodies of water, and more. New London is also home to the Kearsarge Regional Elementary School, which is part of SAU 65, a top-notch school district. There is a real sense of community in New London, and the police department is no exception.

The New London Police Department protects the town 24 hours a day/7 days a week. This full-time patrol position schedule includes 12- and 10-hour shifts, with opportunity for special details and/or overtime. The patrol work in New London is active, with many opportunities for community engagement and law enforcement. A patrol officer's responsibilities include general patrol functions and investigatory police work.

Applicants must be 21 years old, possess a High School diploma or equivalent, and be a United States citizen. A related college degree or military experience is preferred. A valid driver's license is required. Applicants may be required to pass a written test, physical agility test, oral board interview and extensive background investigation. This may also include a polygraph test, psychological test, and drug testing. The background will be conducted in accordance with New Hampshire Police Standards & Training Council standards.

New London Police Department offers a great salary and benefits package. Police officer pay starts at \$22.48/hour. **Certified officers are strongly encouraged to apply and will be offered very competitive wages, in addition to a \$5,000 sign-on bonus.**

Applications are available on the Town of New London website at www.nl-nh.com. Click on the Our Town tab and then click on Employment Opportunities. You may also contact Detective Lieutenant Rowe at e.rowe@newlondon.nh.gov or call him at 603-526-2626.

Please send a completed New London employment application and your resume to the New London Police Department, 375 Main Street, New London, NH 03257. Documents should be addressed to Detective Lieutenant Rowe and can also be sent electronically to the email listed above. Application deadline is September 3, 2021.



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Built in 1820, this Chester Dunklee house hasn't been on the market for about 70 years, according to friends. This is the perfect restoration project if this is your passion, and you can collect rent while working on it. Large rooms, high ceilings, some original floors, fireplaces, and more. On the back end of the house is a 2 bedroom apartment, a 3 car garage, and a beautiful back yard. An easy walk to downtown.
Claremont MLS #4876012 \$139,000



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Medaling in Monadnock

K-5 Olympic Games Mark End of Summer Camp

CLAREMONT, NH—On Friday, 177 young athletes took part in eight high-intensity games at Monadnock Park in Claremont. They were celebrating the last week of summer camp, a six-week program coordinated by SAU6 and Claremont Parks and Recreation Department. Classes in the morning at Maple Avenue Elementary School — sports, arts and nature activities centered at the Claremont Savings Bank Community Center after lunch.

To beat the heat, however, the final sports took place in the morning. Campers gave their all in the following events: 400m race, shot put (softball throw), discus (Frisbee throw), balance beam, javelin (noodle) throw, hurdles, long jump, and torch relay (a plunger-and-ball obstacle course).

Cheers echoed across the park. Kids and teachers enjoyed lunch treats from a buffet line.



Everyone got a medal to wear at school in the afternoon and show off to their families when they got home.



Text and Photos by

Eric Zengota



Unknown Illness Affecting Songbirds Undetected in New Hampshire

Residents Asked to Take Precautions in Case it Does Appear

CONCORD, NH – The US Geological Survey (USGS) National Wildlife Health Center recently released a statement confirming the presence of sick or dying birds in groups of mid-Atlantic and Midwestern states. No conclusive causes of either illness or death have been determined. State wildlife agencies including New Hampshire Fish and Game are working collaboratively with diagnostic laboratories, federal agencies, and other partners to track reports of the disease and bird mortality.

Symptoms consistent with this ongoing disease event include crusting, swelling, discharge of the eyes and/or neurologic symptoms such as head tilt, rapid eye movement, impaired vision, lack of coordination, and the inability to fly. To date, the majority of affected birds include fledgling common grackles, blue jays, European starlings, and American robins, but other species of songbirds have been reported as well.

According to the USGS report, no human health or domestic livestock and poultry issues have been reported.

No signs of this unknown illness have been detected in New Hampshire but residents are asked to take precautions to prevent it spreading in case it does appear. Birds congregating at bird feeders and bird baths can transmit diseases to one another. Therefore, the USGS and state wildlife agencies including New Hampshire Fish and Game recommend the following standard precautions:

- Cease feeding birds until this wildlife morbidity/mortality event subsides.
- Clean feeders and bird baths with a 10% bleach solution (one part bleach mixed with nine parts water), rinse with water, and allow to air-dry.
- Avoid handling birds unless necessary. If you do handle them, wear disposable gloves.
- If picking up a dead bird, place an inverted plastic bag over your hand to avoid

direct contact with the bird. To dispose of dead birds, place them in a plastic bag, seal, and discard with household trash or alternatively bury them deeply.

The NH Fish and Game Department is collaborating with the University of New Hampshire's Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory and other partners to track reports of this

emergent bird disease in New Hampshire and conduct diagnostic testing. If you observe sick or dead birds with symptoms consistent with this new disease in the Granite State, please report the incident to New Hampshire Fish and Game by visiting <https://www.wildlife.state.nh.us/nongame/index.html> or call the Wildlife Division at 603-271-2461

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A Busy Summer in Claremont

At the first meeting of each month, the Claremont City Council reviews departmental reports highlighting actions taken. On August 11, the Council received the July reports, confirming that summer 2021 is one of our busiest seasons in recent history. City employees, community partners and volunteers are all working together for the success of the greater Claremont area. Here are some of the July highlights:

Fire Department – With all the rain in July, waterways were swollen putting water enthusiasts at risk. Twice fire department personnel rescued people in distress; a stranded boater on the Connecticut River and two adults and a pet in high water in Newport.

Airport – Now that the new terminal building is finished, preparations for more improvements are underway. The evaluation of the runway asphalt surface is complete, a requirement for the Runway Rehabilitation Project scheduled to begin in the spring of next year. Casella Construction received the bid for the Airport Obstruction Removal Project which will begin this winter.

Library – As host of the Summer Reading Program, the library has scheduled events throughout the summer for children. Representing the Children's Literacy Foundation of Vermont, author Mary Kelley came to the library and distributed books donated by the foundation to the 60 children who attended. More of program events are scheduled for Aug 2, 5 and 11.

Parks and Recreation – The department had partnered with SAU6 for the summer youth program which consisted of six, one-week sessions that started on July 5th and ran through August 13. The morning portion of the program was housed at the Maple Avenue Elementary School where youth participated in educational activities. In the afternoon, participants took part in various recreational activities, including sports/games, arts and crafts, swimming, and nature. This popular program averaged 190 children a week.

Planning and Development – Construction is occurring throughout the city. New single-family homes are being built. The conversion of the Peterson Mill Building into 83 market rate apartments continues. The temporary water main has been installed in preparation for the complete reconstruction of downtown Pleasant Street. Approval has been granted for a new dealership on Charlestown Road, and the NH Liquor Store is about to open at its new location on Washington Street.

Police Department - The CALEA accredited department has recruited two new officers and Officer Michael Gilboy is scheduled to graduate from the NH Police Academy in August. Deputy Chief Grasso initiated the idea of hosting the City's first National Night Out event. Partnering with Parks and Recreation, the Police Department held this event in early August.

Public Works – Efforts to remove all lead from the City's water distribution system continue. The department is coordinating with property owners in the Bluff area to remove lead service lines before paving begins in the neighborhood. As a result of a waterline leak on Washington Street, the department discovered and removed a lead coupling. The success of "Operation Get the Lead Out" is re-

flected in recent tests which detect no lead in the water.

The level of activity in July only promises to be higher as the city prepares for two high profile events. On August 21 and 22, Claremont will host the Eastern States Cup Enduro race at Arrowhead. Volunteers, led by Rob Walker of Claremont Cycle Depot, are updating and expanding the trail network in preparation for the race. Approximately 350 participants, including pro riders, have signed up for the race.

In September and October, Claremont will host the regional meet for the Special Olympics. Track and field events will take place at Monadnock Park on September 18. Swimming events will take place in October at the Claremont Savings Bank Community Center.

Because city staff, community partners and volunteers are working together for the benefit of the community, Claremont is attracting new development and new recreational opportunities. The above are just a few highlights, but there is much more. Further information is available on our website at claremontnh.com.

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

St. Mary's Annual Yard Sale
Gym - Main Street
Claremont, NH
Saturday, September 11, 2021
8:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Donations will be received in the gym as follows:

Monday, August 23, 2021	3:00 PM to 7:00 PM
Wednesday, August 25, 2021	3:00 PM to 7:00 PM
Saturday, August 28, 2021	9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Monday, August 30, 2021	3:00 PM to 7:00 PM
Wednesday, September 1, 2021	3:00 PM to 7:00 PM
Saturday, September 4, 2021	9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Accepted Items: tools, small furniture, small appliances, glassware, china, dishes, pot/pans, Christmas items, crafts, toys, jewelry, pictures/frames, movies, CD's, puzzles, linens, home decorative items, etc.

Not Accepted: books, large appliances, large furniture, mattresses, luggage, broken items, rugs, carpeting, clothes, shoes, exercise equipment, ski's/poles, typewriters, computers, VHS, and TV's.

Please contact Norma Limoges @ (603) 542-2916 with questions.

Business News

Artist Pursues 'Passion Projects' at Night

His Day Job? Icing on the Cake

By Eric Zengota
e-Ticker News

CLAREMONT, NH—If you purchase rolls, strudel bites and donuts at the Claremont Hannaford, you probably have lingered by the pastry display case. You may have ordered a three-layer chocolate cake decorated with vanilla icing and topped with tiny, delicious red roses. Or you took home a Super Bowl-themed sheet cake, emblazoned with the Patriots logo.

If you've bought such colorful, sweet-looking concoctions, you've enjoyed the products made in part by Noah Whippie. He's worked at Hannaford for five years, moving from the deli to the bakery four years ago. Decorating, he says, is "really re-making a basic cake, making something fun and creative." He's always refining his technique, air-brushing multiple hues in designs that end up looking like tie-dye, wood grain and even leopard skin.

When day is done at Hannaford, Whippie switches gears to his identity as a professional air-brush artist, graphic designer and illustrator. "I get home and pour myself into artwork. That's when I pursue my passion projects. If I didn't, life would be stressful and restricting."

He started drawing before he went to school, "as soon as I

could pick up a pencil. I'm completely self-taught."

His style ranges from the macabre and fantastical to goth and steampunk. In his illustrated book, "Inkromancer," he credits horror flicks like "Alien" and "Dawn of the Dead" for providing visual inspiration. Celtic art, like the arabesques and "knots" of The Book of Kells, also fascinates him, as do old-school Japanese anime and comic book art.

Recently Whippie began producing issues of a graphic novel, "Gun Devil." This format gives him "the opportunity to tell as wild a story as I

like while maintaining pure artistic integrity." He's currently developing a video game; demos of a practice game, "Crossbolts," can be seen on his YouTube channel. He's designed one playing card deck called "Ebon and Bone" and sold another to Bicycle; unsurprisingly named "Coffin Fodder," it has a dreary, Victorian ironwork motif. He's also adept at creating monster masks, from designing in latex through producing in liquid resin.

Whippie's most public exposure to date came when he was contracted as a model

(Continued on page 17)



Noah Whippie (Eric Zengota photo)

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Business News

Artist, from page 16

artist for Warner Bros. Entertainment to produce artwork for a dream segment on “Scooby-Doo! The Sword and the Scoob,” the 35th direct-to-DVD animated feature in the series. The scenes have a flat, uncharacteristically placid medieval look — until a dragon enters the frame.

Back at Hannaford, Whippie gleefully applies his grimmer designs around Halloween, creating some eyebrow-raising, jaw-dropping cakes.

Take the giant eyeball, for instance. He whipped one up “on spec” and put it in the display case. Sure, it got some “ewwwwws” — but it sold — and in only two days, eight customers placed their orders for that design. Well, who wouldn’t want a party cake that stares back at you?

See more of Noah Whippie’s work at [facebook.com/nwhippie](https://www.facebook.com/nwhippie) and [fineartamerica.com/](https://www.fineartamerica.com/)



[profiles/noah-whippie](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC...), and on his YouTube channel, Noah W.

Lunderville Reaches \$3M in Sales

CLAREMONT, NH—The team at Coldwell Banker Homes Unlimited congratulates Viola Lunderville for reaching \$3 million in sales as of August 2021.



“With hard work and determination Viola has done it again,” said the office. “What an amazing accomplishment in less than 8 months.”

The team at Coldwell Banker Homes Unlimited would like to thank Lunderville “for all her hard work and dedication.” Her professionalism and accomplishments have included serving as the president of The Greater Claremont Board of Realtors from 2019 to 2020.



Left: That eyeball cake ... here’s looking at you, kid! Right: Airbrush art for Claremont Middle School Eagles football. Below: A cel (single frame) from Warner Bros. Entertainment’s animated feature, “Scooby-Doo! The Sword and the Scoob” (Courtesy photos)

**NOTICE OF SALE
TAX DEEDED PROPERTIES**

CITY OF CLAREMONT, NEW HAMPSHIRE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, in accordance with the provisions of RSA 80:80 (II), the City of Claremont, by its Tax Collector, duly authorized, is accepting sealed bids on the following building (no land with property) acquired by the City by Tax Deed.

Current Owner	Map/ Lot #	Location	Minimum Bid	Assessed Value of Property
City of Claremont	58-5-70	3 Angela Pl	None	\$6,600

Persons interested in purchasing this property shall submit a bid amount, in writing, delivered to the office of the City Manager, 58 Opera House Square, Claremont, New Hampshire 03743. The bid must be placed in a **sealed envelope with the property address and map/lot** noted on the outside of the envelope.

This property is subject to any outstanding park rent due to Pine Hill Mobile Home Park. The bid should represent the amount the bidder is willing to pay in good faith for the conveyance of the property in accordance with the terms of sale. **The City reserves the right in its sole discretion to accept or reject any or all bids submitted.**

Bidders are responsible for performing their own due diligence appropriate to the purchase of any real estate. The property is being sold by the City in an “as is” condition. The City makes no express or implied warranties of any information contained herein or as to the title, condition of the property, permitted uses under any law or regulation, information indicated on the City's GIS system, or any deeded property restrictions. **Bids must be received at the office of the City Manager by 10:00 A.M. September 1, 2021.** The bid envelopes will be opened that day at the City Manager’s office. The property will be sold to the highest qualified bidder, subject to collection of the deposit, satisfactory closing, etc. Terms of sale - certified or bank check – 10% deposit, balance 30 days. Legal and recording fees to be paid by purchaser at time of closing. (Deed to be recorded by City). Closing shall be on or before thirty (30) days from bid opening.

Deed by City will be limited to a Deed with No Covenants. Conveyance will be subject to all easements and rights of way as existed at the time of the tax deeding. Failure to close may result in forfeiture of the deposit, and sale to the next highest bidder.

The City Manager reserves the right to reject all bids, and/or impose other conditions on the sale on or before the bid opening.

Questions should be directed to Gwen Melcher, Tax Collector, City of Claremont, 58 Opera House Square, Claremont, New Hampshire 03743; phone: 603-542-7003 or email: gmelcher@claremontnh.com.

City of Claremont

BY ITS CITY MANAGER

529 Plans: Not Just for College

If you've heard of 529 plans, you might think they can only be used to help pay for college. And you wouldn't be alone: Less than one-third of adults properly identified that a 529 plan can be used for more than just higher education, according to a survey by Morning Consult and Edward Jones. But what are these other expenses?

Before we get to them, let's review the main benefits of 529 plans. Contribution limits are high and earnings can grow tax-free if withdrawals are used for qualified education expenses such as tuition and room and board. (Withdrawals for nonqualified distributions are subject to taxes and a 10% penalty on the earnings portion.) Plus, as the account owner, you maintain control of the plan, so you can switch beneficiaries to another qualified family member, if necessary.

Now, let's consider the other uses of 529 plans, which have been made possible by various pieces of legislation over the past few years:

Student loan repayments – The average amount of student loan debt per borrower is well over \$32,000, according to the Federal Reserve. So, many people welcomed the news that 529 plans could be used to repay student loans. There's an aggregate lifetime limit of \$10,000 in qualified student loan repayments per 529 plan beneficiary, plus \$10,000 for each of the beneficiary's siblings. Being able to use 529 plans to repay student loans gives you some flexibility if your family members have excess balances in their accounts.

K-12 expenses – A 529 plan can now be used to pay up to \$10,000 per year in tuition expenses at private, public and religious elementary and secondary schools. This amount is per student, not per account. However, not all states allow 529 plans to be used for K-12 expenses – or to be technical, some states consider K-12 tuition to be a non-qualified 529 plan expense, which means the earnings portion of a 529 plan is subject to state income taxes and possibly a "recapture" of other state income tax breaks connected with 529 plan withdrawals. So, make sure you understand your state's rules on K-12 expenses before taking money out of your 529 plan.

Apprenticeships – Not every child wants or needs to attend a college or university. And now, 529 funds can be used to pay for apprenticeship programs registered with the U.S. Department of Labor. These types of programs, which combine on-the-job training with classroom instruction, are offered at community colleges and trade schools. Once students complete their apprenticeships, they often go on to well-paying careers in a variety of fields. And since these types of programs are typically far less expensive than a four-year college degree, a 529 plan can have a particularly long reach.

The tax treatment of 529 plans for all these expenses can vary from state to state, so, if you move to another state after you've established your plan, you'll want to know the rules. Even if you don't move, it's still a good idea to consult with your tax advisor about how 529 plan withdrawals will be treated.

Nonetheless, a 529 plan could be valuable to you in many ways. Consider how you might want to put it to work for you and your family.

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The Black River Action Team is pleased to host John Broker-Campbell, Floodplain Manager for the State of Vermont, as he engagingly demonstrates the workings of flowing water on Saturday morning, August 21st, from 10 - 11:30 AM.



Location is the red barn at 4140 VT-100, Plymouth VT; parking in field adjacent to barn.

Registration is required on the EventBrite listing, which has all the details:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/stream-table-demonstration-tickets-166310939497>.

Tickets are limited to 20, due to the nature of the presentation and size of the venue. BRAT plans to film the event from several angles, to be aired at a later date on public access television in an episode of Black River Connections.

Many thanks to the Ottauquechee Natural Resources Conservation District for the loan of the table, and to Windsor County Drone Services for filming services.

Please contact BRAT Director Kelly Stettner with questions at (802) 738-0456 or black-rivercleanup@gmail.com

TUESDAY, AUGUST 17
MOBILE FOOD PANTRY IN CLAREMONT
12:00-2:00

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Award-Winning Musical Ventriloquist Kevin Driscoll will perform at 2 pm. Join us for cake after the performance.

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Contacts for more information:
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Sports/Recreation

Head On Over to Arrowhead to Watch 350+ Mountain Bikers Race the Trails

By Eric Zengota
e-Ticker News

“The excitement is growing around Claremont for this weekend’s big mountain bike race,” said parks and recreation director Mark Brislin. “We’ve been getting calls at the community center from lots of people in the Upper Valley who want to know what to expect at this world qualifier race.”

The Maxxis Eastern States Cup Enduro World Series Qualifier will have pros, amateurs and novices speeding up and down the refurbished and newly built trails at Arrowhead Recreation Area. Pros will be competing for prize money as well as earning points that qualify them to compete in future Enduro series races.

Brislin shared details on up-to-date arrangements for spectators. What he can’t arrange, of course, is perfect weather. “This is a rain-or-shine event, so visitors should dress for any kind of conditions,” he suggested. “The only reason the race will be stopped or delayed is in the event of thunderstorms.”

On Saturday, many racers will visit Arrowhead to bike or walk the trails to familiarize themselves with the course and check out trail conditions. There may be opportunities to meet and greet them, as well as learn about mountain biking at an expert level. The race itself happens on Sunday.

There’s no charge for spectators. Anyone who wants a trailside view of the race will have to walk up to specially marked areas.



Maxxis Eastern States Cup Enduro World Series Qualifier

When: Sunday, August 22, 8am to about 5pm or when the last racer crosses the finish line

Where: Arrowhead Recreation Area, 18 Robert A. Easter Way, Claremont

Parking: Claremont Middle School (next to Arrowhead) / Claremont Savings Bank Community Center (across South Street) / Monadnock Park

Eat: Rocky’s Taqueria, breakfast, lunch and supper, Sunday 8am-5pm / Sunshine Cookshop Jamaican Style Cooking, Sunday 12 noon-5pm

Drink: Cold and hot beverages / Sweet Fire BBQ pop-up beer garden (designated age-restricted area), Saturday 3pm-7pm, Sunday 12 noon-6pm

Note: Arrowhead trails will be closed on Saturday and Sunday for general recreational use / Moody Park trails will remain open

“There will be about 1,000 visitors coming to Claremont,” said Brislin. “The race on Arrowhead’s world-class trails will be a great showcase for the city and the recreational opportunities we have to offer.”

Event organizers are currently seeking volunteers for the following:

1. Friday, August 20th - 3PM to 6PM - Help with parking vehicles in on-site spots at Arrowhead.
2. Saturday, August 21st - 7AM to 11AM - Help with general event parking in and around Arrowhead Rec. Area.
3. Sunday, August 22nd - 7AM to 11AM - Help with general event parking in and around Arrowhead Rec. Area.

If you or someone you know can help with any or all of the dates/times listed above, please contact the Parks & Rec Dept. at either 603.542.7019 or via e-mail at cccprograms@claremonth.com.



Inspiration

God Bless the Nurses

By Priscilla Hull

I just spent some time in a health care facility from the ER to the care unit. I had more than a little time to reflect on things. All I can say is, "God Bless the Nurses".

God Bless the Nurses:
The tall ones and short ones!
The slender ones and not so much ones!
The fancy and the plain ones.

God Bless the Nurses:
Each one who comes through the door!
Each one who reaches out!
Each one who does their best!

God Bless the Nurses:
They do so much!
They never rush!
Each one has time just for you!

God Bless the Nurses:
They walk on aching feet.
They work with aching backs!
They work with aching hearts!

God Bless the Nurses:
No matter how upset, they're full of compassion!
When they are with you, they're totally yours!
When their heart is heavy, we never know!

God bless the nurses!
Every day in every way, nurses will always be there for you,
laughing or crying singing or sighing,
always and ever for us!

Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.
Galatians 6:2

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



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Calendar Of Events

SHS Alumni Meeting Aug. 18

CLAREMONT, NH—Stevens Alumni meeting Wednesday, Aug. 18, 5:30 pm, at the Alumni office.

We will be going over the Alumni weekend schedule for our 150th alumni reunion weekend. This is an open meeting for all Alumni members, we welcome your input.

Light refreshments will be available.

Silsby Free Library Program

CHARLESTOWN, NH—My Soul is Sailing—a Night of Original Art Songs for Piano and Soprano by Kirsten Becker, performed by Kirsten and Alyssa Becker. Monday, Aug. 23, at 7:00 PM at the Silsby Free PL, 226 Main Street, Charlestown.

Weekly Band Concerts

CLAREMONT, NH—Claremont American Band, 7:00 pm, Thursdays until Aug. 19, Broad St. Park. Free. Bring a lawn chair.

St. Mary Alumni Invited to Join SHS Alumni Parade

CLAREMONT, NH—Calling St. Mary Alumni, an invitation has been extended by the Stevens Alumni Parade committee to participate in their parade on Saturday, Oct. 2. Class rosters (1957 to 1971) are available if St. Mary Alumni wish to enter a float in this parade. For more info, call Claire Lessard, president, St. Mary Alumni Assoc., (603) 543-3617.

2021 Summer Concerts, Saint-Gaudens

Aug 22nd - Layale Chaker, violinist/composer: Explore the world at the intersection of classical, jazz, Arab, and improvised music.

Aug 29th - Apple Hill String Quartet with Sally

Pinkas: Classical and modern works for string quartet and piano

Due to the pandemic, most concerts will be held in person, outdoors at Union Church in Claremont (with registration) or digitally on the Saint-Gaudens Memorial YouTube Channel. Please verify details online before the show at wcc-ma.org for full info including artists chats, ticket registration, and special pop up mini-concerts. Visit SGM online at saint-gaudens.org.

Registration link: <https://www.eventbrite.com/o/west-claremont-center-for-music-and-the-arts-10648461080>.

Concerts on the Common

NEWPORT, NH—The Newport Area Chamber of Commerce has announced that it is presenting its Annual Concerts on the Newport Common June 27th-August 29th. These concerts are free to the public thanks to its generous sponsors.

Schedule:

August 22, 2021: JJ's Music

August 29, 2021: TBD

COH Pop-Up Concerts Series

CLAREMONT, NH—As part of its reopening and updated Membership Program, the Claremont Opera House has kicked off the summer season with a series of smaller pop-up concerts outside at Arrowhead Recreation Area. These pop-up concerts have something for everyone, are geared to get you out of your seats dancing, and are part of increasing the membership support of the COH.

Sept. 11 - Dixieland Jazz with the COH Orchestra, led by Director Gerry Grimo and members of the East Bay Jazz, will take you back to the start of jazz in New Orleans. You'll want to tap your toes and sway to classic hits from Louis Armstrong and other

well known artists from the period.

Tickets for all summer pop-up concerts are \$15.00 for adults and \$8.00 for K-12 students. Silver and Gold Members receive free tickets in reserved pods according to their membership selection. Tickets and Member Program information is available online at www.claremontoperahouse.org.

All concerts run from 6-8PM. In the event of rain, the concerts will be canceled.

Lake Sunapee VNA Offers Three Grief Support Groups

NEW LONDON, NH – Lake Sunapee VNA now offers three virtual grief support groups for the community. The “Newly Bereaved Widows Group” is for women who have experienced the loss of their husband within the last year and is held on the third Thursday of every month from 10:00-11:00am. The “Widow to Widow Group” is for women in all stages of grief and meets on the first Monday of every month from 3:30-5:00pm. Newly bereaved widows are welcome at this group as well, especially if they are feeling the need for more



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frequent support. In addition, a "Bereavement Check-in" group is available for men and women on the third Wednesday of every month from 4:00-5:00pm.

All of these groups provide an opportunity for participants to come together in a safe place of compassion and confidentiality. Attend once, multiple times or as needed. If interested, email your contact information to loconnor@lakesunapeevna.org and a member of the Lake Sunapee VNA bereavement team will call you with further details.

VFW Post 808 Events

SEPTEMBER 11, 2021 (Saturday); 8-9 PM; VFW's Last Fool Standing

VFW Post 808 will be hosting its first Last Fool Standing competition at the Post Home on 150 Charlestown Road, in Claremont. Five people will try to endure one hour on stage without laughing. Each competitor will have to contend with each other and the audience for the chance to win a cash prize. Audience participation is encouraged. The audience will be asked for a \$5 entry fee which will automatically enter them into a 50/50 raffle drawing to be called at the end of the competition. Proceeds from the raffle will go to the VFW's Voices of Democracy program. For a full breakdown of the rules, please see VFW Post 808's website. Competitors must be entered by no later than SEPTEMBER 1 at 10 PM.

Link: <https://vfwpost808.wordpress.com/2021/07/18/9-11-last-fool-standing/>

Charlestown VFW Bingo Schedule

CHARLESTOWN, NH—Charlestown VFW Bingo is offering a weekly opportunity for some entertainment and socializing while helping us to raise funds for our many Veterans programs. Wednesday nights at 5:00 p.m. for early birds and 6:30 p.m. for regular fun and games. Currently, we play 12 regular and two 2 part games, as well as a 50/50 game, Winner-take-all game, Carry Over Coverall game and a Jackpot game. The Governor's emergency order concerning COVID has expired. It is now time to take the lessons we have learned over the past year plus and act accordingly. If you're sick – stay home. Cover your nose / mouth when you cough, wash and / or sanitize your hands frequently, and we'll all be healthier. The attendance limitation

has also ended. In keeping with the state CDC recommendations, if you have a compromised immune system you may still wear a mask for your own protection. We still have masks and hand sanitizer for anyone that may desire either product. The Charlestown VFW Post is located at 365 Lover's Lane Rd, Charlestown, NH.

Updates to our schedule and the weekly carry over coverall game can be found on our Facebook page.

SHS Alumni Celebration Info

CLAREMONT, NH—As plans for the 150th shift into high gear, the Stevens High Alumni has highlighted the many ways alumni, businesses and donors can get involved:

For general information on the association — and to pay your dues or make a donation — go to stevensalumni.com

Email alumni@stevensalumni.com

Phone the office at 603-542-8987

Find out more about Alumni Weekend at stevensalumni.com/news/10408/alumni-weekend-2021/

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

Mural Making with Allison Zito

Looking for painters, ages 10 and up to dress up the Sullivan County Public Cidery with a mural. No experience necessary. All materials provided. FREE! Reservations are required. Limit of 5 painters per session. Local artist, Allison Zito, will be leading each session.

Sessions times are 9am -12pm and 4-7pm and run from August 23 - 27 & 30-31 on weekdays. We are happy to have families and adults volunteer to help out. Ages 10 and up can help paint, children younger than 10 must be supervised at all times. There is a garden, forested area, nature trail, small stream and pond nearby.

This project is hosted by Sullivan County Natural Resources Dept. and supported by Sullivan County Conservation District, Claremont Makerspace and LaValley's Building Supply in Claremont. Thank you for your contributions!

Reserve a date and time here: <https://calendly.com/2021plantsale/muralmakingwithallison>. Contact Dawn Dextraze with questions, 603.504.1004 or ddextraze@sullivancountynh.gov.

Claremont Senior Center News

Hi, everyone. Sorry for the short newsletter, but we are up to our eyeballs doing meetings and planning for all the upcoming events. Stay tuned.

Woman's Pool started on Monday. Five young ladies came to rack and play. What a great time we had. We were unsure about shots, but you know? They all seemed to go right. Join us, ladies. It's our turn to have some fun. Mondays, 9am-11am.

Julie's Eye Care will be at the Center on Thurs. Aug. 19-11am-Noon. Glasses a little crooked? Outdated? Just uncomfortable? Have Julie check them out. You'll be glad you did.

The Foot Clinic will be at the Center two more times this month. Wednesdays, Aug. 18 and Aug. 23. Don't miss out. Call 748-1731 for an appointment.

The Blood Drive Monday, Aug. 23, Noon-5pm is a very special drive in honor of Jaidyn Hayden, a 16-year-old Stevens Honor Graduate facing a second bout of leukemia. Our Mozden 2 room will have info on a Red Power donation. Donate if you can. Call 1-800-RED CROSS(1-800-733-2767) for an appointment.

Come one!! Come all!! The Claremont Senior Center Car Show will be on Sunday, Aug. 29, 9am-2pm. Show Cars-\$10 (driver and one passenger), Visitors-\$5, 10 Classes, Best of Show, Farthest Traveled, Oldest Car. Remember, you pick the winners. Trophies at 2pm, 50/50, door prizes, car quilt raffle, (you have to see this quilt!), T-shirts, guest DJ, and food. Always fun and a chance to see the history of the Automobile.

Applications for the Winter Wonderland Fair on Nov. 6 will be going out soon. If you wish to display your wares, please call the 542-5798 for an invitation. Tables are provided. Come walk through our Winter Wonderland.

Menu for Tuesday and Thursday:
Tues. Aug 17-Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce, Vegetable, Garlic Bread, Dessert.
Thurs. Aug. 19-Happy Birthday, Pork Loin, Mashed Potato, Vegetable, Birthday Cake.
Take out only, Pick up-11:45am-12:15p. Members-\$4, nonmembers-\$5. Come on down!! No one wants to cook in this weather. Call 543-5998 to reserve your meals.

As many noticed, there was no Bingo this week. The reason—no volunteers. It takes a good amount of reliable volunteers to continue this event. We are in need of callers, number call back people, card sales, and general. If we can get enough volunteers, only once or twice a month would be good. Men are welcome to call even if the wives are playing. This is an important social event for the Center. Call 543-5998 if you have a Wednesday you can help. Thanks.

Well, we said this would be short. Have a good week everyone. Keep cool! We are air conditioned. Eat light. And drink your water!!

Thought of the Week: Always make your past self jealous.

Laughter and good conversation always welcome here. And wacky weather jokes.

Claremont Senior Center, 5 Acer Heights Rd. Claremont, NH. 543-5998. Mask rules posted.

Claremont Fire Dept. Log

Sunday, August 8th

0549 E4 responded to Green St to assist in gaining entry.

0911 E4 responded to a medical call on South St.

1109 E4 responded to a medical call on Broad St.

1240 E4 responded to Heritage Dr for a panic alarm.

2109 E4 responded to a medical call on Lincoln Heights.

2158 E4, E3 responded to Albert St for a house full of smoke.

Monday, August 9th

1237 E4 responded to Washington St for a motor vehicle accident with injuries.

1718 E4 responded to Old Church Rd for an open 9-1-1 line.

2247 E4 responded to Knight St for a person in distress.

Tuesday, August 10th

0717 E4 responded to Bessie Ave for an fire alarm activation.

1301 E4 responded to Broad St for a vehicle vs a pedestrian.

1903 E4 responded to Sullivan St for a well-being check.

2016 E4 responded to Curtis St for a line down.

Wednesday, August 11th

0844 E4 responded to Maple Ave to assist the ambulance.

1208 E4 responded to Pleasant St for a box alarm.

1350 E4 responded to North St to assist the ambulance.

1436 E4 responded to a medical call on Dexter Ave.

1557 E4 responded to a medical call on Stewart Ave.

1735 E4 responded to a medical call on Lincoln Heights.

1934 E4 responded to Washington St for a smoke investigation.

Thursday, August 12th

0940 Utility 1 responded to School St to assist the police.

0959 E4 responded to a medical call on Pleasant St.

1239 E4 responded to a medical call on Maple Ave.

1259 E4 responded to an unconscious person in a car on Maple Ave.

1521 L1, R1 responded to Main St for a motor vehicle accident.

1935 E4 responded to Opera House Sq for a stove fire.

Friday, August 13th

0415 L1 responded to Newport for mutual aid.

0851 E4 responded to High St for an odor investigation.

0924 E4 responded to Winter St for a box alarm.

1023 E4 responded to Prospect St for a detector sounding.

1251 E4 responded to Opera House Sq for a service call.

1340 E3 responded to North St for a person stuck in an elevator.

2024 E4 responded to a detector sounding on Emily Pl.

Saturday, August 14th

1300 E4 responded to Washington St for an odor of burning rubber.

1820 E4, E3 responded to Pleasant St for smoke coming from a residence.

2000 E4 responded first in for the ambulance on Wildwood Ave.

2046 E4 responded to a medical call on East Green Mountain Rd.

2148 E4 responded to Maple Ave for

a motor vehicle accident.

Putting Your Garden to Bed with Master Gardener Ben Pauly

WOODSTOCK, VT—Gear up for autumn gardening! The Billings Backyard Series presents Putting Your Garden to Bed with Master Gardener Ben Pauly on Saturday, Aug. 21, from 10 – 11:30 AM.

After a great season of gardening, how can you set yourself up for success next year? Pauly will show you the best practices to end your season well by putting your gardens to bed. Ben will also discuss the joys of autumn gardening and how to make the most of the growing season.

This presentation takes place at Billings Farm & Museum and is followed by a 30-minute Q&A period. The workshop costs \$15/person; \$10/BF&M Member. Space is limited! Reserve your spot at www.billingsfarm.org/classes-workshops/ or call 802-457-2355.

After the workshop, be sure to explore the Sunflower House in full bloom. Designed by Pauly, the almost 20,000 square-foot maze-like structure is home to thousands of sunflowers and over 100 different varieties ranging from 18 inches to 14 feet in height.

Billings Backyard is a series of workshops designed to teach sustainable living skills to adult participants and is underwritten by a generous grant from the SpringRiver Private Foundation Trust. Workshops includes hands-on demonstrations and concrete steps for incorporating these skills into everyday life.

Visiting safely: For the continued safety of our staff and guests, all guests over the age of 2 are required to wear a face covering in all indoor spaces. For outdoor spaces, mask wearing is optional for fully-vaccinated persons; unvaccinated persons must wear masks when around people and unable to maintain 6' physical distances. No entry is permitted without a face covering.

PUBLIC NOTICE

For a meeting of the

Claremont Development Authority

Full Board

To be held on

Thursday, August 26, 2021 at 7:30 AM

At the

Visitor Center, 14 North Street, Claremont NH

Your Police Department Thanks You!

The Claremont Police Department held its first National Night Out on August 3, 2021. Hundreds of folks showed up to meet not only your City's first responders, but also members of City departments and of the many organizations that make our community so strong. We also recognize the many volunteers who kept the fun and games going all evening! — Mark Chase, Chief of Police



Thank you, one and all!

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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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Manuel Rodriguez, 30

Manuel Rodriguez, 30, of Charlestown, NH passed away unexpectedly on Monday, August 2, 2021.

Born on September 29, 1990, the son of Tammy Martell and Luis Rodriguez Sr. Manny was his mother's little "Monkey".

Manny grew up in Charlestown, NH before moving to Claremont, NH. Manny had many different jobs over the years and was willing to try anything new. His main goal in life was to provide and be a good father to his beautiful daughter, Katèlinah. She was his whole world and greatest achievement in life.

Manny was very active, sociable and known for his "kind soul". He never left without saying "I love you" and his family meant the world to him.

Manny joins his sister, Amanda "Panda" Rodriguez, in heaven. He is lovingly remembered by his mother, Tammy Martell and her fiancé, Joel Berry of Charlestown, NH. His father, Luis Rodriguez Sr. from Bellows Falls, VT. His daughter, Katèlinah Rodriguez. Siblings, Stephanie Rodriguez Maldonado, Luis Rodriguez Jr. (spouse Sarah Rodriguez) and Thomas Rodriguez. Uncle, Clint Martell and Aunt Julie Martell, Grandmother, Carol Haskell and his lifelong best friend, Tony Lewis. He is also remembered by paternal aunts, nieces and nephews, Katèlinah's maternal family, and many many friends.

A small (due to Covid restrictions) Celebration of Life will be held on August 29th at the

Charlestown Town Hall, 29 Summer St. Charlestown, NH, from 12pm to 3pm.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to Tammy Martell for his daughter Katèlinah's savings account.

News from the George H. Stowell Free Library, Cornish

Updates about the library, programming, and new books are available via our monthly newsletter. If you would like to be added to our mailing list, email Stephanie McAndrew at stowell-library@comcast.net.

Cornish New Student Enrollment Information

If you are new to town, or enrolling a student into the Cornish Elementary School for the first time, please contact Dale Lawrence at 675-5891 or dale.lawrence@cornishschool.org for online registration information.

2021 Cornish Fair Special Exhibits

The 2021 Cornish Fair Theme is Farming

through the Seasons. Adult and Youth organizations are eligible to enter. As well as families, and youth from the ages of three to twenty. Our ribbon prizes range from \$35.00 to \$2.00.

For more information, find page 18 in the Cornish Fair Handbook. Visit <https://www.cornishfair.org/exhibitors-handbook>.

Newport Competing for Dog Park Grant

NEWPORT, NH—The Sunshine Town is in the running for a new dog park. Newport is a finalist in the annual Bark for Your Park contest sponsored by PetSafe. Members of the public can go online and vote for Newport to receive a \$25,000 grant to build the park. The top five towns get the money.

Newport is the only town in northern New England that's in the running. The town already owns a five-acre parcel just off Main Street that will be used for the park. Voting is open through Aug. 31. Visit <https://barkforyourpark.petsafe.com/finalists/>.

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The Claremont City Council will hold a public meeting on Wednesday, August 18, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall or via Zoom. **NOTE: Earlier start time.**

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

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86221623974?pwd=bmxWWTVyZ0tZS0c4bzR5NjJxd2doZz09>

Passcode: 849747

Or by telephone: 1-646-558-8656, Webinar ID: 862 2162 3974, Passcode: 849747

The Zoom link is provided for the public's convenience.

If you are having trouble with the Zoom link, please join us in the Council Chambers of City Hall.

AGENDA

6:00 PM 1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

6:02 PM 2. ROLL CALL

6:05 PM 3. CITIZEN'S FORUM (Comments on Non-agenda Items Limited to 5 Minutes per Speaker (Council Rule 24))

4. OLD BUSINESS

6:15 PM A. Sustainable Workforce Compensation Discussion

9:25 PM 5. CONSULTATION WITH LEGAL COUNSEL

9:30 PM 6. ADJOURNMENT

PLEASE NOTE: Claremont City Council's next scheduled meeting will be on Wednesday, August 25, 2021, at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall.

crafters wanted!

The Charlestown Fall Festival is hosting a craft fair!

October 23, 2021

🍁 9AM-3PM along Swan Common

🍁 Cost: \$25 per 10'x10' space; \$35 after 9/20/21 (last day for applications: 10/4/21)

🍁 Set Up: 7-9AM that day; Designated parking available. Clean Up: by 5PM

Questions? Email Michelle Dole at thedoles2@gmail.com

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