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A Cost-Efficient Sullivan House on Its Way to Opening

Energy-Saving Features Will Significantly Lower Operating Expenses

By Eric Zengota
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CLAREMONT, NH—"Floors over floors over floors."

That's how Matt Blanc of Blanc & Bailey Construction described how much demolition was necessary to bring the former Eagle Times building on Sullivan Street to a nearly gutted state. "We spent \$50,000 in dumpsters," he added, "which gives you an idea of how much we had to get rid of before we could rebuild as Sullivan House."

Last Friday, Blanc was giving a progress tour of the site to a group of elected county and state officials and county staff. Sullivan House, on Sullivan Street in Claremont, will provide transitional housing to 14 men and 14 women who will have been recently released from the county's community corrections center. County manager Derek Ferland and David Berry, superintendent of the department of corrections, were also on the tour,

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The main entrance on Sullivan Street will feature a small, energy-efficient airlock vestibule. Residents and staff will have swipe cards to enter through security doors. Visitors and guests will have to request access to the building (Eric Zengota photo).



State Attorney General Releases Report on Officers-Involved March Shooting in Claremont

By Phyllis A. Muzeroll
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CONCORD, NH—On Wednesday, State Attorney General John M. Formella held a press briefing and released the findings regarding the officer-involved shooting that took place on March 31, 2021, in Claremont in which Jeffrey R. Ely (age 40), was shot and killed by members of the New Hampshire State Police Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) team.

According to the 144-page report, "The uses of deadly force by members of the New Hampshire State Police SWAT team in this in-

cident can be divided into two instances. In the first instance, State Police SWAT team members Trooper First Class ("TFC") Nicholas Cyr, TFC Stefan Czyzowski, Sergeant Gary Ingham, TFC Shane Larkin, Trooper William Neilsen, and Trooper Noah Sanctuary discharged their firearms in near unison over a period of approximately six seconds. In the second instance, it appears TFC Larkin discharged his rifle three times approximately sixteen seconds after the initial instance of firing has ceased.

"Based on the investigation by the Attorney General's Office into the Troopers' uses of

deadly force, the Attorney General finds that the uses of deadly force against Jeffrey R. Ely by SWAT team members TFC Nicholas Cyr, TFC Stefan Czyzowski, Sergeant Gary Ingham, TFC Shane Larkin, Trooper William Neilsen, and Trooper Noah Sanctuary on March 31, 2021, were legally justified. As such, no criminal charges will be filed against those SWAT team members."

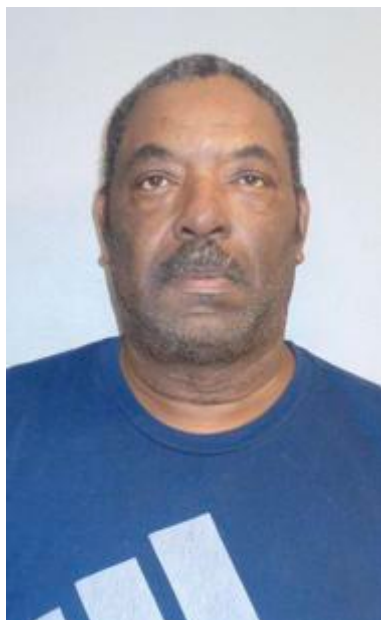
Summary of Facts

At approximately 10:34 a.m. on March 31, 2021, a witness reported to the Claremont

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Arrest Announced in Daddy Pop's Tumble Inn Diner Arson Investigation

CLAREMONT, NH— On July 29, at approximately 9:20 p.m., the Claremont Fire Department responded to a structure fire at Daddy Pop's Tumble Inn Diner located on Opera House Square Claremont. The Claremont Fire Department was able to quickly extinguish the fire, and the Claremont Police Department launched a criminal investigation into the cause of the fire.



**Leo LeBlanc
(Claremont Police Dept.)**

On August 25, the Claremont Police ar-

rested Leo LeBlanc, Claremont, NH, age 59.

LeBlanc is being charged as follows:

- Arson RSA 634:1 Class A Felony – one count
- Arson RSA 634:1 Class B Felony – one count

“This arrest is the result of the criminal investigation into the fire at the Tumble Inn,” said Claremont Police Chief Mark Chase.



Chase said that “LeBlanc turned himself in after learning of the arrest warrant and he is being held without bail at the Sullivan County House of Corrections.” Chase said LeBlanc was expected to be arraigned at Sullivan County Superior Court on August 26.

This incident is currently being investigated by the Claremont Police Department as well as investigators from the Claremont Fire Department and the State of New Hampshire Fire Marshal's office.

If anyone has any additional information into this investigation, they are asked to call Claremont Police Detective Joshua Peavey at 603-542-9538.

The diner reportedly suffered slight damage, and the owners hope to reopen the business once the

electricity can be restored. (Eric Zengota photo).

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Avoid Being the Victim of a Paving Scam

Possible Incident Reported in Goshen

A man knocks on your door and says he has extra asphalt and is willing to pave your driveway at a discounted price. The high-pressure approach is designed to confuse and intimidate you. You are not getting a deal, warns the NH State Police, you are being scammed.

If you agree to the work, here is what likely happens. Men and equipment suddenly appear and begin “working” on your driveway. At some point, the conman claims a mistake was made and you owe thousands more than the original price. He threatens that if you refuse to pay, the “work” will cease. You may be escorted to the bank, to withdraw money. When you realize the scam, you try to cancel the check only to learn it was cashed within minutes of it being written.

Paving scams like this occur regularly in New Hampshire and increase during spring and summer. The perpetrators target senior citizens and are well known to police across the country. Criminal charges vary by state but are commonly filed.

Avoid victimization and consider the following suggestions:

- Beware of unsolicited offers to do paving work. Do not let the solicitors inside your home.
- Calmly but firmly tell the solicitors you are not interested and tell them to leave your property. If they refuse your instructions call the police.
- Educate yourself and your family. Search the internet for “paving scams.”
- Ask to see proof of the solicitors’ insurance. Conmen rarely have worker’s compensation insurance and if one of them is injured at your home, the claim could be made against your homeowner’s insurance.
- Call the police if they begin “working” without your consent for service.
- Be a good neighbor. Paving scams target senior citizens.
- Call the police if you have questions, or if unfamiliar people or companies appear at your door or in your neighborhood.

The NHSP added that “There are similar scams involving offers to perform tree work and chimney work. Usually the scam starts with “We were working down the street and saw that you need to have your tree (or chimney) worked on.”

On Wednesday, a resident in Goshen told the Goshen Police that he had been ap-

proached about having his driveway paved. Chief Edward Anderson said in a town press release that “The solicitor’s truck was described as a green Ford with the possible name of Youngs on the door. Please be aware these types of scams do happen.”

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Commentary

NH House Happenings

By Rep. John Cloutier

Getting Ready for the New Legislative Session



With Labor Day a week away, the brief summer break is just about over for many Claremont area schools, businesses, and New Hampshire's House of Representatives.

Subcommittees of the House's 20 standing policy committees began holding work meetings on retained legislation last Tuesday, Aug. 24. By-retained legislation are measures that a majority of the members of a policy committee voted to hold over for a few more months earlier this year, meaning it's legislation which the majorities at least believed at the time of their votes were worthy of further scrutiny, before making a final recommendation, which is due by Nov. 18, 2021 under House Rules. Final recommendations include either "Ought to Pass," "Ought to Pass with Amendment," "Inexpedient to Legislate," or "Refer for Interim Study." The full House is scheduled to vote on these Recommendations as the very first order of business Jan. 7, 2022 under the same Rules, before the official start of its 2022 Session.

Speaking of the 2022 Session, the period for all representatives to file new pieces of legislation for 2022 will begin Mon. Sept. 13, 2021, and run through Sept. 17, 2021. Officially, these pieces are known as LSRs, which are short for "Legislative Service Requests," and can include not only proposed bills, but resolutions, and amendments to New Hampshire's Constitution. The LSRs have to be filed through a joint legislative agency, officially known as the OLS, or "Office of Legislative Services". The agency was created by law to help both representatives and senators not only file LSRs, but draft amendments to these LSRs once they are officially introduced into either legislative body as bills, resolutions, or constitutional amendments. From my experience, OLS has a dedicated staff that includes several attorneys who help legislators craft LSRs and amendments into legal language. It also has a Research Division which has helped with issues prior to filing LSRs, and in some cases persuaded me to not file an LSR for various constitutional and other reasons. Under current Joint Rules, representatives and senators may file an unlimited number of LSRs, even if they are the sole or prime sponsors. Also, representatives who are the prime sponsors of an LSR may have only ten fellow representatives and five senators as cosponsors under the rules.

Returning to the subject of committee work meetings on 2021 retained legislation, such gatherings are open to the public. But all these meetings must now be held in person at the Legislative Office Building or "LOB" for short, rather than remotely through platforms like Zoom. As House Speaker Sherman Packard explained in the Aug. 20, 2021 House Calendar, all the COVID-19 related State of Emergency and Emergency Orders that had been issued by Gov. Christopher Sununu

in March 2020 were allowed to expire June 11, 2021. These expired orders included Emergency Order #12, which permitted all public bodies, including those at the state, county, and municipal level, to meet remotely without a physical quorum present at a physical location.

Speaker Packard elaborated on the same subject in the following words, which I will now quote verbatim for the sake of readers' clearer understanding: "Likewise, House Rule 67(d) which defined a quorum present to include a quorum of the committee meeting virtually, is also no longer in effect as a result of the expiration of the state of emergency. With the expiration of the foregoing, this means that pursuant to House Rules 105 & 106, a quorum of the committee shall be required to transact business or take official action on any matter. All legislative meetings since June 11, 2021 have therefore required members to be present to conduct business. As such, House committees will require members to participate in person. Additionally, all meetings of House committees will be held in the LOB, and the public will have access to all public meetings, pursuant to RSA 91-A:2-II. The General Court has invested in dozens of additional portable air purification units for use throughout the LOB & State House. These portable air purifiers circulate the air, and use HEPA filtration and UVC light to help reduce contagions and contaminants in the air. Each LOB meeting room will have air treatment equal or greater than CDC guidelines for office buildings. Mask use is encouraged, but not required. PPE will continue to be available in the building."

For readers' information, the General Court is the official name for the New Hampshire Legislature. Also, RSA 91-A:2-11 is the section of state statute that is known as the "The Right-to-Know" Law, and PPE is short for Personal Protective Equipment which is clothing or gear that can protect people from getting hurt or sick from viruses like COVID-19, including face masks and face shields. Finally, HEPA stands for High-Efficiency Particulate Air, UVC is Ultraviolet C, and CDC stands for United States Center for Disease Control.

Nevertheless, in response to Speaker Packard's Aug. 20 Calendar remarks, House Democratic Leader Renny Cushing, and Deputy Democratic Leader David Cote wrote a letter, which was also released on the same date. The letter criticized the Speaker for not allowing at least some representatives the option of participating in committee work meetings remotely, rather than in person. It also criticized him for not requiring all representatives as well as all other individuals attending such meetings to wear masks or other face coverings, if they do attend such meetings in person.

Again for readers' clearer understanding, I will now quote verbatim from a sections of Leader Cushing's & Deputy Leader Cote's Aug. 20 letter. Both declared, "Due in large part to the Delta variant, which is highly contagious, average daily cases have risen more than 600% in NH in the past month, and all ten counties now have 'substantial' or 'high' levels of community transmission. At his weekly briefing last Thursday, Gov. Sununu said, "The fall (COVID) surge could be as bad as anything we've seen. Requiring all legislators to attend Retained

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Letter to the Editor

Gratitude, Appreciation & Would You...Please!

To The Editor:

Many and much thanks to Southwestern Community Action Program in Claremont NH! Those of us who either have no transportation, available friends or neighbors, live alone or, unavailable adult children living in other states find ourselves in a predicament getting to the hospital, pharmacy, dentist or doctor’s appointments.

This was my predicament hearing that I needed two major surgeries within a four month period neither of which allowing me to drive. Thankfully and gratefully I was guided to Southwestern CAP in Claremont. I was advised that Terry, Director of Transportation would help me. And, she did! Terry always has a smile in her voice and an eager disposition to assist! I was connected with Volunteer Drivers who offer their valuable time and cars to transport people in Sullivan County to their often life saving appointments. My special thanks to 3 volunteer drivers who were there for me, Gianna, Sal and most especially Curtis who is so kind and caring as well as a true gentlemen. Without them I do not know what I would have done.

Please consider offering your time and car to help your neighbors in need. If you have a day a month or a week...whatever time you can offer. Along the way you get to meet wonderful people while making an enormous difference in their lives.

**Judith Koester
Claremont, NH**

P.S. As many of you might already know, 7 of the 8 buses at Southwestern CAP were vandalized with the removal of their catalytic converters. Insurance covered this expense with the exception of the deductible for all 7 buses. This is a sizable amount of money not in the CAP budget. If you could and would...please donate whatever amount you can to offset this unexpected and unimaginable expense. Contact tcurtis@scshelps.org or send a check to Southwestern CAP, 6 Kinney Place, Claremont, NH 03743. Thank You!

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Bill work sessions and executive sessions in-person would place significant risk on those who are immunocompromised. The CDC now recommends universal mask wearing in public indoor places of substantial or high transmission (all of New Hampshire) and an additional dose of COVID-19 vaccine for people with moderately to severely compromised immune systems. There is currently no mask policy within the State House Complex, and no established process for the eligible population to receive the recommended additional vaccine dose.”

In the letter both representatives also stated, “The ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) provides a formal process for remote participation in committee work. Permitting members with valid ADA requests to participate remotely through the hybrid committee process will allow immunocompromised legislators to serve their constituents without the risk of contacting a deadly virus. The quorum requirement in House Rules 105 & 106 does not limit your ability to allow for remote participation. As long as a committee majority is present in-person, allowing individuals to participate remotely is permissible under House Rules. Accordingly, we respectfully ask that you utilize the hybrid committee structure and permit members with valid ADA requests to participate remotely for work on Retained bills. As you know many legislators have immunocompromised family members and/or children under 12 who cannot be vaccinated. These members may not have qualifying disabilities themselves, but have valid concerns about exposing themselves and family members with heightened vulnerability. As the CDC now recommends universal indoor masking in public places with community transmission at New Hampshire’s current levels, we urge to require face coverings for in-person attendance at committee members.”

I know I used a lot of quoted words in this week’s column. But I want readers to clearly understand that Democratic and Republican House Leadership have vastly different responses on how we representatives should safely conduct business in Concord this fall, even in the midst of the latest surge of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. **Email: jocloutier@comcast.net**

WHAT ARE THE MAJOR HEALTH NEEDS IN THIS AREA?

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This survey is only conducted once every three years, so make your voice count now! And encourage local friends and family to take part. The more people respond, the more effective our actions to improve health will be.

Take the survey at

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Thank you for your help in making a difference for all of your friends and neighbors in your community.

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NH DHHS COVID-19 Update – August 27, 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 27, 2021, DHHS announced 356 new positive test results for COVID-19. Friday’s results included 185 people who tested positive by PCR test and 171 who tested positive by antigen test. There were now 2,798 current COVID-19 cases diagnosed in New Hampshire.

Several cases are still under investigation. Additional information from ongoing investiga-

tions will be incorporated into future COVID-19 updates. Of those with complete information, there were sixty-five individuals under the age of 18 and the rest are adults with 53% being female and 47% being male.

The new cases resided in Rockingham (83), Hillsborough County other than Manchester and Nashua (43), Strafford (41), Merrimack (37), Belknap (20), Grafton (20), Carroll (18), Cheshire (18), Coos (5), and Sullivan (1) counties, and in the cities of Manchester (25) and Nashua (15). The county of residence is being determined for thirty new cases.

DHHS also announced five additional deaths related to COVID-19.

- 1 male resident of Cheshire County, 60 years of age and older
- 1 female resident of Cheshire County, 60 years of age and older
- 1 female resident of Merrimack County, 60 years of age and older
- 2 male residents of Rockingham County, 60 years of age and older

There were currently 125 individuals hospitalized with COVID-19. In New Hampshire, since the start of the pandemic, there have been a total of 106,525 cases of COVID-19 diagnosed.

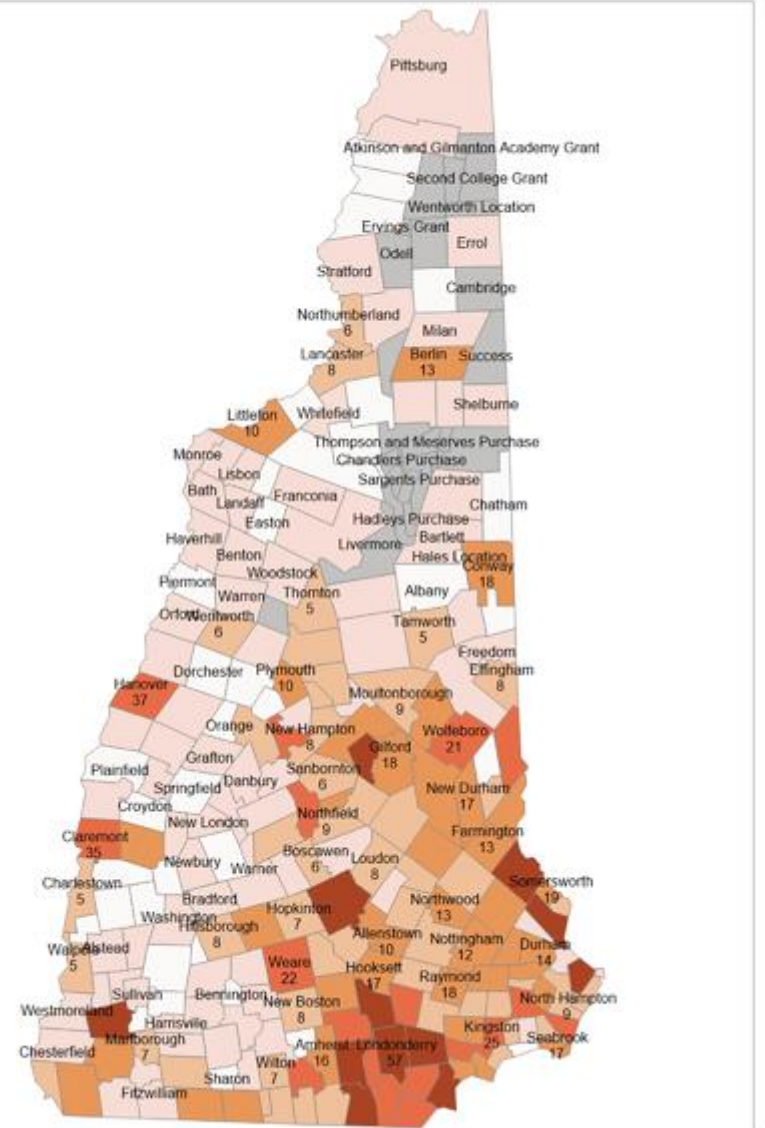
As of Friday, the 27th, there were 35 current positively identified cases in Claremont, 19 in Newport, 5 in Charlestown and 1-4 cases in several other towns. DHHS reported 66 overall in Sullivan County, down from 81 the previous week.

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>.



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Police Department that Ely was behaving erratically at 247 Sullivan Street, a large multi-business commercial building. The witness was identified as an employee of one of the 247 Sullivan Street businesses and was an acquaintance of Ely. He reported that “Mr. Ely had been having ‘psychological issues’ over the previous couple of months and that his behavior was more aggressive that morning,” the witness said. He said that Ely was “yelling, driving recklessly around the building, and threatening to ‘shoot everyone.’” It was noted that Ely’s shop at the commercial building at 247 Sullivan Street was “an automotive shop type space, which was not intended to be a residential property. However, a bedroom area had been constructed within the garage and it was evident Mr. Ely had been living there.”

Later that day, a fellow tenant of the building called 911 and reported that someone driving a maroon GMC Envoy had just shot at three people in the parking lot of the building. A second incident a short time later was reported that the driver of the GMC shot an AR-type rifle at the three men through the SUV window. The gunshot did not injure anyone, but struck a truck that was parked nearby. The witness reported that he last saw the GMC as it drove behind the building, towards Ely’s shop.

Claremont Police officers responded to the scene and located the maroon GMC parked in front of Ely’s shop door. The CPD evacuated the remainder of the building as “several Claremont Police officers attempted to communicate with Mr. Ely, who was barricaded inside of his shop. Mr. Ely’s responses to the Claremont Police Officers’ communications were angry and non-compliant. Mr. Ely discharged a gun on three occasions while the 5 officers were trying to talk to him, firing a total of four rounds. The officers, who were positioned up against the exterior walls of Mr. Ely’s shop, did not know at what—or at whom— Mr. Ely was shooting. It appeared to the officers as though Mr. Ely had ‘lost touch with reality’ and may have believed the Claremont Police Officers were ‘the voices’ he had been hearing.”

The Claremont Police Department ultimately requested the assistance of the New Hampshire State Police SWAT team. At approximately 5:53 p.m., “the Sullivan County Superior Court issued a warrant for Mr. Ely’s arrest for reckless conduct with a deadly weapon, and a warrant to search the building at 247 Sullivan Street.” At one point, a negotiator



The large multi-business commercial building at 247 Sullivan Street (Courtesy, State Attorney General’s Office).

briefly “spoke with Mr. Ely on the phone, but Mr. Ely immediately cursed at him and disconnected the call. Mr. Ely would not communicate with the negotiator by any means, including through social media, phone calls or text messaging. It seemed that Mr. Ely shut his cellphone off at one point.”

The SWAT team, among other things, established a perimeter around the property and evacuated the municipal police officers out of danger by using the SWAT team’s armored vehicle, called “the Bear”, and drove it to the back of Ely’s shop.

A certified crisis negotiator tried to communicate with Ely via the Bear’s loud public address system. According to the report, Ely did not respond. “At approximately 7:50 p.m., unsure if Mr. Ely had harmed himself or whether he had moved into another portion of the building, the SWAT team used the metal ram on the Bear to push Mr. Ely’s front door open. Almost instantaneously, Mr. Ely fired his rifle at the Bear. The troopers within the Bear heard the gunfire, saw the muzzle flash from within Mr. Ely’s shop, and saw sparks as bullets impacted the front area of the Bear. The SWAT team

immediately backed the Bear up to create distance away from Mr. Ely’s door. Trooper Rae, the negotiator, continued trying to communicate with Mr. Ely, pleading with him to drop his gun and to turn his cellphone back on.”

Through the partially opened door to Ely’s shop, members of the SWAT team could see Ely pacing and that he appeared to have more than one rifle. He was asked to drop the firearms and to leave the shop with his hands up. At one point, Ely remained out of sight of 10 to 15 minutes, so the team used the Bear to open the shop door further. “At one point, it appeared to Sergeant Ditolla that Mr. Ely was holding one AR-style rifle in each hand. Throughout this time, Trooper Rae continued asking Mr. Ely to put the gun down and to come out with his hands up. Mr. Ely never complied, or attempted to comply, with Trooper Rae’s requests.

“Eventually members of the SWAT team saw Mr. Ely, still holding a rifle, put on a jacket. The troopers believed that, in putting on the jacket, Mr. Ely was intending to exit the shop. Trooper Rae continued to ask Mr. Ely to put the rifle

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down and exit the shop with nothing in his hands. Eventually, Mr. Ely moved from further inside the shop to an area closer to the front door, still holding the rifle." Ely was again asked to drop his weapon and to stop. Instead, he approached the shop's doorway as if he were about to leave. "That action prompted Sergeant Ingham, TFC Larkin, TFC Cyr, TFC Czyzowski, Trooper Neilsen, and Trooper Sanctuary to fire their weapons at Mr. Ely, striking him several times." Ely began to raise his rifle upward and the troopers continued to fire their weapons. "Mr. Ely's rifle, which was still loaded and later found with the safety off, came to rest at his feet. Approximately 16 seconds after the initial volley of gunfire, TFC Larkin reported that he saw the left side of Mr. Ely's body move. Concerned that Mr. Ely was still alive and might be trying to shoot and kill them in a final stand, TFC Larkin fired three more rounds at Mr. Ely."

The AG's Office, in the report, stated that despite the shots fired at the three private citizens in the parking lot, "firing four rounds in the immediate area of the Claremont Police Officers, and firing numerous rounds at the SWAT team members in the Bear, no law enforcement officers or other private citizens were physically injured during this incident."

According to the report, Claremont Police responding to the scene that day reported that it "became apparent to them that Mr. Ely was experiencing delusions and paranoia" and that officers had attempted to communicate with Ely to de-escalate the situation.

Information from Ely's Facebook page, from March 10 to 31, 2021, "is consistent with descriptions of Mr. Ely's Facebook activity and declining mental state in the days leading up to March 31, 2021, as described to investigators..." said the report. "Investigators also obtained a full record of Mr. Ely's Facebook activity from March 1, 2021, to April 2, 2021, including private messages with other Facebook users. In his conversations with other Facebook users in the days leading up to March 31, 2021, Mr. Ely expressed sentiments similar to those in his Facebook posts: that some person or persons were surveilling him and that he was becoming increasingly paranoid and upset."

Ely was found in his shop with a 5.56 caliber AR-style rifle at his feet and a 9mm pistol in a holster on his right hip. Both were loaded and had a round in the chamber. They also found

several loaded pistol magazines. "Investigators seized various types of ammunition and numerous weapons from the bedroom area of Mr. Ely's shop. Additionally, Mr. Ely had access to weapons and ammunition throughout the open areas of the shop, with ammunition and at least one additional weapon staged for future immediate use." In all, 6 loaded guns and 343 rounds of ammunition were found.

The report said that prior to the incident on March 31, 2021, Ely had interactions with law enforcement authorities in Vermont and New Hampshire. Those incidents included instances of "reckless endangerment, simple assault, disorderly conduct, and multiple counts of simple assault with a weapon."

Friends and acquaintances told law enforcement that he allegedly had started using methamphetamine. Toxicology testing done during the autopsy indicated the presence of "Methamphetamine, Amphetamine, Buprenorphine, and Norbuprenorphine in Mr. Ely's blood."

Conclusion

The AG's office concluded that "Based upon this conduct, it was objectively reasonable for the SWAT team members to believe that Mr. Ely presented an imminent threat of deadly force.

"Therefore, based on all the facts and circumstances known to Sergeant Ingham, TFC Larkin, TFC Cyr, TFC Czyzowski, Trooper Neilsen, and Trooper Sanctuary at the time Mr. Ely was about to exit his shop armed with a rifle, it was reasonable for the SWAT team members to conclude that Mr. Ely was about to use deadly force

against either them, the other troopers on the perimeter, the other first responders at the command post, or private citizens in the residential area surrounding the scene. Accordingly, Sergeant Ingham, TFC Larkin, TFC Cyr, TFC Czyzowski, Trooper Neilsen, and Trooper Sanctuary were legally justified in using deadly force against Mr. Ely during the first volley of gunfire. Therefore, no criminal charges will be filed against Sergeant Ingham, TFC Larkin, TFC Cyr, TFC Czyzowski, Trooper Neilsen, and Trooper Sanctuary related to the first volley of gunfire."

Based on all the facts and circumstances of this case, the Attorney General has also concluded that "TFC Larkin was legally justified in his use of deadly force when he shot at Mr. Ely following the troopers' initial volley of gunfire." Also, the report said, "...although Mr. Ely was apparently injured by other gunshots, TFC Larkin's perception that Mr. Ely still posed an imminent deadly threat was objectively reasonable....Accordingly, TFC Larkin was legally justified in using deadly force against Jeffrey Ely, and no criminal charges will be filed against him as a result of Mr. Ely's death."



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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.

HOME OF THE WEEK



A well-maintained home that offers the opportunity for a rental income with an owner occupied unit, or rent the entire home. The larger unit has three bedrooms, with one on the first floor and 1.5 baths. There is a bright kitchen with a cozy breakfast nook area, dining room and living room. As well, as a mudroom/laundry area located on the first

floor. There is also a bonus finished room in the walk-out basement. The additional rental unit is a one bedroom apartment with its own private entrance. OR, this home could easily be changed back into a single family home with 4 bedrooms. There is plenty of parking. The setting is like its own oasis with privacy. This home is nicely located near Disnard Elementary School, Barnes Park, Valley Regional Hospital, and a nearby convenience store. **CLAREMONT 249,900**



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ready to answer questions about the facility.

In addition to demolition, other building problems had to be resolved. Lead abatement was performed. The ground floor, which had routinely flooded due to runoff from Sullivan and Franklin streets, was finally made useable. A membrane system installed around the foundations diverts water to a drainage area below a new cement slab. The system has no pumps; it relies totally on gravity. It was a success, Blanc pointed out: rain from recent heavy storms drained away.

Now that it's flood-proof, the ground floor is being framed up. Eventually it will house the mechanicals and utilities room, as well as a kitchenette and dining area, lockable pantries for residents, and a conference room. A door will lead out to a patio, green space and parking.



Views from opposite directions. Once the granite window sills were installed, the openings were readied for installation of large, energy-efficient windows. Meanwhile, rooms on the first floor are at the frame-out stage; sheet rock walls are soon to follow (Eric Zengota photos).



Dealing with delays caused by the flooding issue made Blanc & Bailey reverse the usual order of working on floors. They started on the second (top) floor, where half of the interior walls are up, creating two-person dormitory-style rooms, a bath/shower room, and common living space. In contrast to removing the floors over floors over floors, the original exposed beams of the 14-foot high ceilings remain in place. Next will be the first floor, which is still mostly in the frame-out stage.

Blanc pointed out the numerous energy-efficient features throughout Sullivan House. "We have the right spray foam insulation, lights and even bathroom fans," he said. "We passed every item through Eversource, and they gave us \$100,000 in energy rebates. In some cases, the rebates were worth more than the item."

The HVAC system uses energy recovery units (aka energy recovery ventilators, ERVs), which exchange exhausted inside air and pre-condition incoming outside air. In warm weather, the system pre-cools and dehumidifies; in cooler weather, it humidifies and pre-heats. Blanc promised, "When you come back here next summer, the air inside will actually feel crisp."

Other energy-aware elements include a new roof as well as solar panels, which will result in the largest cost savings. "Solar is projected to take care of the summer

months, so we'll be paying zero for electricity. Plus, any excess power we generate goes back on the grid."

In sum, Blanc noted, "Sullivan House will have very low operating costs."

Occupancy is scheduled for November 1. Staff from the department of corrections will work at Sullivan House 40 hours a week; the clinical team, 15 hours. A recovery coach will live in an onsite apartment, in essence, a 24/7 supportive presence.

Blanc concluded the tour by thanking the entire Sullivan County staff. "Everyone has been great to work with. Even with the inevitable construction delays and problems, they've been on our side, especially in helping us make smart financial decisions."



Two residents will occupy each dorm room, which feature exposed beams at a 14-foot ceiling height. (Eric Zengota photo).



From left: Rep. John Cloutier, Rep. Gary Merchant, Matt Blanc, Rep. Sue Gottling, Rep. Brian Sullivan, Rep. Linda Tanner, Commissioner Joe Osgood and Rep. Judy Aron (Eric Zengota photo).



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Sullivan County Grand Jury Indictments

NEWPORT, NH—The Sullivan County Grand Jury released the following indictments on Aug. 25, 2021:

Nicholas Messina, 34, Claremont, NH, indicted for Acts Prohibited, Possession/Intent, Heroin >5 grams or more (Subsequent Offense), Jan. 26, 2021; Acts Prohibited, Possession/Intent, Fentanyl >5 grams or more, Jan. 26, 2021.

David W. Cook, 32, Claremont, NH, indicted for Criminal Mischief-\$1500+ (damage to a Speed Queen Commercial Washer by prying door of said machine open with a crowbar), Nov. 14, 2020; Criminal Mischief-\$1500+ (damage to a Speed Queen Commercial Washer by prying door of said machine open with a crowbar), Nov. 14, 2020.

Michael Kemp, 41, Charlestown, NH, indicted for Possession of Fentanyl, Intent to Sell, 5+ grams, June 16, 2021.

Torin Ruggeri, 29, Claremont, NH, indicted for Habitual Offender, June 20, 2021.

Christina A. Paquette, 41, Claremont, NH, indicted for Possession of Buprenorphine, Feb. 13, 2020; Possession of Alpha-PHP, Feb. 13, 2020.

Jake Sweeney, 33, Charlestown, NH, indicted for Reckless Conduct Deadly Weapon-On Release, Aug. 16, 2020.

Corrine Von Kahle, 36, Claremont, NH, indicted for Acts Prohibited, Possession, Fentanyl, Jan. 26, 2021; Acts Prohibited, Possession/Intent, Fentanyl, Jan. 26, 2021.

Kaley Kowalczyk, 21, Newport, NH, indicted for Acts Prohibited, Possession of Controlled Drug, Methamphetamine, Jan. 8, 2021.

Joshua Champney, 31, Canaan, NH, indicted for Acts Prohibited, Possession of Controlled Drug, Methamphetamine/Subsequent (Criminal Liability for the Conduct of Another; Offense Committed on Release), May 12, 2021; Acts Prohibited, Possession of Controlled Drug, Fentanyl/Subsequent (Criminal Liability for the Conduct of Another; Offense Committed on Release), May 12, 2021.

Jaclyn Lindberg, 37, Rumney, NH, indicted for Acts Prohibited, Possession of Controlled Drug, Methamphetamine (Criminal Liability for the Conduct of Another), May 12, 2021; Acts Prohibited, Possession of Controlled Drug, Fentanyl (Criminal Liability for the Conduct of Another), May 12, 2021.

Brett Lawton, 34, County Farm Rd., Unity, NH, indicted for Reckless Conduct Deadly Weapon-On Release (operating a Saab automobile attempting to elude the Cornish Police and/or Claremont Police), Aug. 18, 2021.

Jeffrey Ellison, 43, Newport, NH, indicted for Burglary, May 23, 2021.

Shalon Barth, 31, Springfield, VT, indicted for

Theft by Unauthorized Taking, Sept. 11, 2020; Burglary, Sept. 11, 2020.

Jeremy P. Maheu, 47, Sunapee, NH, indicted for Second Degree Assault DV, June 26, 2021; Second Degree Assault DV, Aug. 12, 2021; Criminal Threatening—Deadly Weapon, Aug. 16, 2021; Criminal Threatening—Deadly Weapon, Aug. 16, 2021.

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D-H Returns to More Restrictive Policies Due to Substantial Levels of State-Wide Community Transmission of COVID-19

LEBANON, NH – In the interest of continuing to protect the health and safety of patients and Dartmouth-Hitchcock (D-H) staff, and our communities, D-H has returned to a more restrictive visitor policy for its facilities.

COVID-19 testing will also resume for patients being admitted to Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center (DHMC) in Lebanon and prior to surgical procedures in select circumstances. Under the revised visitor policy, which took effect on Wednesday, August 25, adult inpatients are allowed one visitor per day. Pediatric inpatients are permitted to have two caregivers (who cannot be changed once they are designated). For ambulatory (outpatient) visits, both adults and children are permitted one caregiver. Two caregivers are allowed for newborn/ infant appointments. The appointment provider may approve an additional caregiver in advance for other pediatric appointments when necessary. For births, two adult support people (cannot change) are permitted during the entire stay: before, during and after the birth. Two adult support people (cannot change) may spend the night during labor and delivery, and one adult support person (cannot change) may stay overnight before and after the birth. Effective September 1, the Birthing Pavilion at DHMC will allow one dedicated adult support person during the entire stay.

The updated procedures can be found at <https://www.dartmouth-hitchcock.org/covid19/visitors-d-h-facilities>.

Updates to COVID-19 testing protocols

DHMC will also resume COVID-19 testing for any patient being admitted to the hospital, regardless of vaccina-

tion status, and prior to surgical procedures in select circumstances. Patients who are being directly admitted from an outside hospital must have a new COVID-19 test at DHMC regardless of prior testing.

All pre-operative patients will continue to be screened for symptoms of COVID-19 at the time of the pre-op phone call.

The updated testing protocols can be found on the D-H website.

The revised policies will remain in place until further notice.

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Presenters include:

Solalect Energy -- solar trackers & Sonnen batteries

Ted Stiles, Yankee Thermal Imaging - button-up presentation

Henry Herndon, Community Power Coalition of NH (CPCNH)

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City Receives State Award, Recognizes Work of Advisory Committee

At its annual conference in May, the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) Drinking Water and Groundwater Bureau awarded Claremont the Source Water Protection Award. One of two entities in NH to receive this award, the City was recognized for the development of an action plan to protect the Whitewater Watershed. On August 25, the City Council congratulated the members of the Whitewater Watershed Advisory Committee for their work on that plan.

Because the Whitewater Watershed includes portions of Claremont, Cornish and Croydon, taking a collaborative approach was critical to the success of the plan. With support from Granite State Rural Water Association and NHDES, Claremont initiated the formation of an 8-member Advisory Committee in October 2019. Members included Victor St. Pierre, Lionel Chute, Corey Fitch, Robert Lauricella, Scott Magnuson, David Putnam, Eileen Skowronski and Steven Wilkie. Together, they represented three municipalities and Sullivan County. As representatives of conservation commissions, a conservation district, a public works department, a utilities company, a planning board and ATV club, the Committee members had a diverse range of skills and perspectives necessary to create an effective plan.

From November of 2019 to March 2020, the Committee met each month to evaluate the challenges facing the Watershed and provide solutions. They spent many hours identifying the issues, prioritizing the risks and developing action items to promote water resource protection in the watershed. As a result of their efforts, we now have a plan approved by the Claremont City Council and incorporated into the Natural Resources Chapter of the City's Master Plan.

Protecting the Whitewater Watershed is essential to maintaining the quality of water sources for multiple communities. Though the Whitewater Reservoir is Claremont's primary source of water, the City occupies only 6% of the watershed. Therefore, our continued success in preserving one of the most pristine watersheds in the state will be tied to our ability to partner and act upon the recommendations outlined in the plan.

The efforts of the Advisory Committee not only earned us the Source Water Protection Plan, but also provided us a path forward. Recommendations in the plan are being enacted, others already completed. It will be important that this action plan remains a living document for the future success

of protecting one of our most valuable assets, our drinking water.

If you would like to learn more about the Whitewater Watershed, please go to claremonthh.com and search for Management Plan for the Whitewater Watershed.

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

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

FRIENDS OF THE CORNISH LIBRARY MEETING

7pm

Cornish Store Building

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MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2021

6:30PM

Cornish Store Building

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 A purple-themed advertisement for Jenkins Dance & Gymnastics Center. It features a collage of six photos showing children in various dance and gymnastics activities. The text includes:

- 'Saying Good Bye to Summer!' in a decorative font over the top row of photos.
- 'FALL CLASSES BEGIN SEPT 7th' in white text on a black background strip.
- 'Come and join us' in a stylized font over the bottom row of photos, with the phone number '542-9413' below it.
- 'Jenkins Dance & Gymnastics Center' in large white text.
- 'Join us for Gymnastics Ages 3 & up' in white text.
- 'Call 542-9413' in large white text at the bottom.

Start Thinking About Your Retirement Income Plan

If you're getting close to retirement, you're probably thinking about the ways your life will soon be changing. And one key transition involves your income – instead of being able to count on a regular paycheck, as you've done for decades, you'll now need to put together an income stream on your own. How can you get started?

It's helpful that you begin thinking about retirement income well before you actually retire. Many people don't – in fact, 61% of retirees wish they had done better at planning for the financial aspects of their retirement, according to an Edward Jones/Age Wave study titled Retirement in the Time of Coronavirus: What a Difference a Year Makes.

Fortunately, there's much you can do to create and manage your retirement income. Here are a few suggestions:

- **Consider ways to boost income.** As you approach retirement, you'll want to explore ways of potentially boosting your income. Can you afford to delay taking Social Security so your monthly checks will be bigger? Can you increase your contributions to your 401(k) or similar employer-sponsored retirement plan, including taking advantage of catch-up contributions if you're age 50 or older? Should you consider adding products that can provide you with an income stream that can potentially last your lifetime?

- **Calculate your expenses.** How much money will you need each year during your retirement? The answer depends somewhat on your goals. For example, if you plan to travel extensively, you may need more income than someone who stays close to home. And no matter how you plan to spend your days in retirement, you'll need to budget for health care expenses. Many people underestimate what they'll need, but these costs can easily add up to several thousand dollars a year, even with Medicare.

- **Review your investment mix.** It's always a good idea to review your investment mix at least once a year to ensure it's still appropriate for your needs. But it's especially important to analyze your investments in the years immediately preceding your retirement. At this point, you may need to adjust the mix to lower the risk level. However, you probably won't want to sell all your growth-oriented investments and replace them with more conservative ones – even during retirement, you'll likely need some growth potential in your portfolio to help you stay ahead of inflation.

- **Create a sustainable withdrawal rate.** Once you're retired, you will likely need to start taking money from your IRA and 401(k) or similar plan. But it's important not to take too much out in your early years as a retiree, since you don't want to risk outliving your income. A financial professional can help you create a sustainable withdrawal rate based on your age, level of assets, family situation and other factors.

By planning ahead, and making the right moves, you can boost your confidence in your ability to maintain enough income to last throughout your retirement. And with a sense of financial security, you'll be freer to enjoy an active lifestyle during your years as a retiree.

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Many people do not recognize abuse when it is their “normal.” This perception is due, in part, to abusers minimizing their mistreatment of their partner. While abusive behavior cannot always be predicted, abusers may exhibit similar behaviors.

Initially, abusers may appear charming and sensitive, saying they have never felt this way before about anyone. They may exhibit jealous behaviors, justifying that they are just scared to lose you. As the relationship develops, you may notice more possessive behaviors, such as your partner demanding you spend all your time with them instead of your friends and family. The explanations for this behavior may turn to blame. Your partner may say they do not want you going out with friends who are “bad influences,” because it results in you drinking, wearing “that” dress, and flirting with other people. In addition, they may claim to need the car so it is not available for you.

As they continue to distort their image of you, you become an easier target for their resentment and degradation. With their opinion of you as an object to control, they feel entitled to force you to have sex with them or withhold all affection. They may also feel it is their right to become physical in other ways, presenting as a flick to the nose to “get your attention” perhaps escalating to pushing and even strangulation.

Abuse. It comes in different forms including emotional, financial, physical, and sexual. Do you find yourself making excuses to your friends, not having access to your finances, covering up bruises, or patching a hole in the door, racking your brain to figure out what you did this time to upset your partner? It is not your fault. Turning Points can provide support.

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‘There Are So Many Nice People Around’

Food Drive Completely Stuffs Sheriff’s Office Cruisers

By Eric Zengota
e-Ticker News

CLAREMONT, NH—Last Thursday, the Sullivan County Sheriff’s Office held its fourth Stuff a Cruiser food drive. Sheriff John Simonds, deputies, and volunteers from the United Way of Sullivan County were stationed at Hannaford and Walmart in Claremont, and at Shaw’s in Newport.

“We like to do two every year, but during last year’s pandemic, we couldn’t hold even one,” said Simonds. “But we’re back at it, planning them in the ‘off months.’ Around the holidays every group is asking for donations, but people are hungry all year long.”

All of the food and cash donations were for the benefit of the Claremont Soup Kitchen & Food Pantry. Dawn Ranney, who was on her next-to-last day as executive director of UWSC, noted that was because CSK, a United Way affiliate, distributes food throughout Sullivan County.

In only five hours, the volunteers collected \$335 in cash donations. Simonds remarked, “Some shoppers

asked if they could give money instead of food. Of course you can, we said, thanking them for their generosity. We were handed a lot of \$20 bills, which shows just how many good people there are around here.”

In addition to cash, people donated 1,392 pounds of non-perishable food items. Cindy Stevens, CSK executive director, reported that those pounds have a cash value of \$1,972, which in turn translates to 1,160 meals. Taking cash and pounds together gives a total value of \$2,307, which provides 1,357 meals.

From left: Delay Cartier, 10; Zurich Messina, 6; and Jeremy Cartier, 15, donated all of these groceries to help Deputy Glen St. Amant have the most-stuffed cruiser. The siblings were in from Cavendish, Vermont, shopping with their mother, Michelle Cartier. Donald Fontaine, of Charlestown, hands his food donation to Sheriff John Simonds (Eric Zengota photos).





Photo by Phyllis A. Muzeroll

Senator Hassan Visits Claremont Revitalization Project

Briefs City, Elected Officials on Federal Infrastructure Funding

By Eric Zengota
e-Ticker News

CLAREMONT, NH—Senator Maggie Hassan visited Claremont last week for a walkabout through the Rethink Pleasant Street project. She also took the opportunity to answer questions from city employees, local state representatives and a construction company representative about funding to help solve the many infrastructure issues that the City faces.

Hassan noted that the U.S. Senate had passed a \$1 trillion federal infrastructure bill on August 11, with bipartisan support. The bill is now in the U.S. House of Representatives, with a vote expected in late September. Barring any major changes that would send the bill back to the Senate for conference, the final vote, Hassan said, “should take place by September 30, the end of the federal fiscal year.”

How Claremont could actually access the funds is another matter. Hassan noted that there are provisions in the bill that would allow cities and counties to directly apply for federal funding. At present, federal money is appropriated to the states, to which local entities must then apply. Nancy Merrill, the City’s director of planning and development, stressed that this method significantly lengthens the application and funding process. Bypassing the state while retaining procedures for faster permitting, she remarked, would get money into City coffers much more quickly.

One category of the bill allocates funds for roads, highways and bridges. Mayor Charlene Lovett noted that a revamping of Pleasant Street has been talked about since the 1960s. But given the recent determination that utility lines were in critical need of replacement, work had to begin before more damage was done.

Hassan and the group walked along Claremont’s “road” in question. Pleasant Street has been torn up for months due to excavations for new utility lines. City manager Ed Morris pointed out that it will become a one-way street going south, with bump-outs allowing for public gatherings

such as concerts, benches for resting, and an overall pedestrian-friendly zone in the heart of downtown.

The tour included Glidden Street, around the corner from Pleasant. It has already been turned into a one-way that consequently forced changes to traffic patterns and added traffic lights along Broad Street.

Work on the project is scheduled to continue for several more months.

Hassan discussed other proposed initiatives, all of which she supports. Among them are robust broadband access, incentives to build more affordable housing (Claremont’s current vacancy rate is

zero, and New Hampshire’s is less than 1 percent), cybersecurity for water and municipal systems, a resilient electric grid, extensive solar power generation, and increased training in job skills among many fields and trades to better compete with foreign countries.



U.S. Senator Maggie Hassan (center) heads toward Pleasant Street, accompanied by mayor Charlene Lovett and city manager Ed Morris.



Sen. Hassan is hopeful that the passage of an infrastructure funding bill will happen by September 30. She learned that excavations for the new water lines along Pleasant Street went as deep as 13 feet here in Opera House Square (Eric Zengota photos).



‘Dear Old Golden Rule Days’

Festival Attracts Claremont’s Ready-for-School Students

By Eric Zengota
e-Ticker News

CLAREMONT, NH—At noon last Saturday, Courtney Porter looked back at the weeks of planning that had resulted in SAU6’s successful, not to say crowded Back to School Festival. The one in 2020 had been cancelled due to the pandemic. This year, under cloudy skies that delivered the occasional gusty Canadian breeze, several hundred families arrived at Barnes Park.

There they circled the baseball field, visiting the pop-ups from each of Claremont’s schools. They greeted former teachers and met new ones, and even were introduced to two new principals. They sampled nutritious, delicious food from The Abbey Group that in two weeks they’d rediscover on their school menus. They stopped at the more than 20 other booths, learning about groups ranging from Baby Steps Family Assistance and Turning Points Network to Connected Families and the City of Claremont.

The main “activity” was twofold. First, how to pick up a new, free backpack (most of them through the generosity of National Field Representatives). Second, how to fill it with free school supplies (think pencils, pens, erasers, markers) and used books.

Every kid went home with a heavy backpack. Every parent was glad to see their child was eager to return to class. But everyone, no doubt, was just a little sad that summer was quickly coming to an end.



Clockwise: Hula-hooping with T-Rex — awesome! Teachers and students alike are looking forward to September 7, the first day of school. Stevens High School principal Pat Barry greeted every Cardinal, and was especially happy to meet incoming freshmen. If the Abbey Group’s sample meatballs, hummus, fruit cups and cookies are this good, think how scrumptious the full meals will be. He wanted blue. She wanted maroon. Both got what they wanted.



Photos by Eric Zengota



Sports/Recreation

2021 Football Season Kicks Off

Claremont Hosts Local Teams in Snowbelt Jamboree

CLAREMONT, NH—Cool, breezy weather. Gray clouds lowering over Barnes Park. Sprinkles that turned to drizzle that turned to showers.

“Perfect football weather!” exclaimed many a parent as the 2021 Snowbelt League Jam-

SHS Boys Soccer

08/27/21	Lebanon	L 2 - 3
09/02/21	Bow	04:00 PM
09/04/21	at Kingswood	07:00 PM
09/10/21	Pembroke	04:00 PM
09/13/21	at Coe-Brown Northwood	04:00 PM
09/15/21	at Lebanon	04:00 PM
09/25/21	Kearsarge	07:00 PM
09/28/21	at Souhegan	04:30 PM
09/30/21	at Fall Mountain Reg	06:00 PM
10/06/21	Brattleboro Union	06:00 PM
10/08/21	Plymouth	04:00 PM
10/11/21	at Manchester West	07:00 PM
10/14/21	Oyster River	06:00 PM
10/16/21	Fall Mountain Reg	07:00 PM
10/19/21	at Bow	04:00 PM
10/22/21	Pelham	04:00 PM

SHS Girls Soccer

08/27/21	at Lebanon	L 0 - 1
09/03/21	Kingswood	07:00 PM
09/07/21	at Sunapee	06:00 PM
09/10/21	at Pembroke	04:00 PM
09/14/21	Coe-Brown Northwood	04:00 PM
09/23/21	Manchester West	04:00 PM
09/25/21	Kearsarge	05:00 PM
09/28/21	Souhegan	07:00 PM
10/01/21	at Fall Mountain Reg	06:00 PM
10/04/21	Bow	04:00 PM
10/08/21	at Plymouth	04:00 PM
10/13/21	Fall Mountain Reg	07:00 PM
10/15/21	at Kearsarge	06:00 PM
10/16/21	at Oyster River	12:00 PM
10/20/21	Sunapee	06:00 PM
10/22/21	at Pelham	04:00 PM

boree kicked off on Sunday morning. This was the third time Claremont hosted the event since its start in 2013. Visiting teams came from Gilford, Kearsarge, Milford, John Stark and Newport schools.

According to league president Justin Martin, the day's emphasis was not about winning, but learning how to compete on the field with other teams. For coaches, he added, the jamboree provides the opportunity to build a solid foundation for the regular season, by teaching not only football fundamentals but also the meaning of sportsmanship, dedication, discipline and teamwork.

Unfazed by — in fact, probably welcoming — the “perfect” rainy weather, teams played on 20-yard sections of the standard playing field. Three games went on simultaneously. The 20-minute running clock was divided into 8-minutes offense (5/6 team), 4-minutes rest period and 8-minutes defense (4/5 team). Coaches could be on the field at designated distances from the line of scrimmage.

Players cheering from the sidelines, coaches calling out last-second directions, families ap-



plauding every tackle and touchdown — the rainy day turned out to be perfect. After all, it did feel like fall.



Claremont Mini Cardinals are ready for the 2021 season (Text and photos by Eric Zengota)

Inspiration

Saturday Afternoon at the Opera

By Priscilla Hull

My intent was to write something else for today's essay, but I am sitting here reminiscing about days gone by. It's kind of a thing for us elders. So you're stuck with opera for today. Could be worse. You who spent lots of time at our home, if there are any, will remember how often on a Saturday afternoon I would turn on the opera and you listened or not. Probably not! Probably took it as a cue to go home or somewhere else. It was kind of a standing rule in our house that early morning radio time and Saturday afternoons (when we weren't at Monadnock Park for football) were my music times. It's not that I didn't like your music, I just like mine better. Of course, now on a lonely day, I think back and smile at myself remembering the laughter, fun and togetherness we had!



So, here I am listening to Richard Wagner's *Parsifal* on a lazy Saturday afternoon, after spending the morning accomplishing all those odds and ends that I save for Saturday morning. I think back to many more years ago, back in the 1940s and 1950s when, if we weren't involved in band at a football game, or some scout or church or social event, my whole family would gather together maybe in the study or kitchen and listen to Saturday Afternoon at the Opera on WQXR, straight from the Metropolitan Opera House in New York City! Occasionally we'd be at the Met, but even back then then it was rare. How I'd love to go again. . .

Back to 18 Forest Road, where we lived at the time. We might be doing homework, but we'd be together and enjoying the music together. Dad had an old metal radio with tubes which he kept in tip top shape so that we could listen together. Friends came over and often would listen with us. It was nothing that we were ever told that we had to do, it was just something that we did together. We did it because we loved being together. We enjoyed the opera, but the important thing was to be together. We wanted to experience something meaningful together and we did.

I'm sure opera isn't the favorite venue for those who spent time at our home, but maybe there is a memory of being together, of enjoying time together as a little something special soaked in through the pores. I'd like to think you remember some good times together as I do on Saturday afternoons.

Lest you think my life was completely wrapped in opera and classics, let me assure you it was not. Saturday night, that same tin radio reverberated with the music and wit of The Grand Ol' Opry from WWVA, Wheeling, WVA! Daddy loved his Grand Ol' Opry as much as he loved the Met!

Life is good when you can adapt to each other and enjoy a variety of amusements with those you love. Patience, understanding, love are the ingredients for good times, together no matter what!

"Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love."
Ephesians 4:2

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

Calendar Of Events

Soo-Nipi Quilters Guild Biennial Quilt Show Opens Sept. 11th

NEWPORT, NH—The “Together Again with Quilts” exhibit presented by the Soo-Nipi Quilters Guild of Newport opens September 11th at the Library Arts Center in Newport and runs through October 13th.

The Library Arts Center is located at 58 North Main Street, Newport; gallery hours are Tuesdays to Fridays, 11:00 AM through 4:00 PM, and Saturdays, 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Bar Harbor Bank and Trust is sponsoring the event.

Members of the Guild will be on hand to answer questions about the display.

Children are welcome to attend the quilt show and take part in an “I Spy” activity, finding objects in the quilts.

At the quilt show, you will be able to view the beautiful raffle quilt pieced by members of the Guild and machine quilted by Nancy Graham. Tickets will be on sale for \$1.00 each or \$5.00 for six tickets. The drawing will be held on Wednesday, Oct. 13, at 4:00 PM.

Cemetery Walk for 2021 Announced

CLAREMONT, NH—A “Spirits of Claremont” Cemetery Walk will be held on Sunday, September 19, at 2pm in the adjoining St. Mary and Union Cemeteries on Old Church Road. Costumed actors will share stories of local history, blended with the magic of theater on an outdoor stage.

Following a theme inspired by the current pandemic, featured characters will be doctors who served our community, scientists whose work had impact on medical research, benefactors of the “new” Claremont General Hospital, and others whose lives and deaths had great impact on Claremont.

This will be the first outdoor walk in ten

years. OBSP members have been anxious to resume performing after the COVID-19 pandemic interrupted their rehearsals for a dinner theater show planned in 2020.

In addition to the September 19th in-person event, a new episode of “Spirits of Claremont” is being produced and will be ready for broadcast on CCTV later this month. Check the “Claremont NH History Museum” and “OBSP Claremont NH” pages on Facebook for more details or contact Sharon Wood at 603-542-6454.

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.

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.

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 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

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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.

Saint-Gaudens National Historical Park Now Open Daily for the Season

Hours of operation are seven days a week from 9:00am-4:00pm through October 31st. The Little Studio, Atrium and New Gallery Complex, Picture Gallery and Stables are open. Zoe Dufour, our 2020/2021 Sculptor in Residence, is on-site at the Ravine Studio and will be hosting several virtual and in-person workshops throughout the summer and early fall. Currently the Visitor Center is open only for restrooms and Aspét, the home of the Saint-Gaudens Family, remains closed until further notice.

The fee for the park is \$10 per person and may be paid using <https://www.recreation.gov>. Those 15 and under are free and National Park annual and Lifetime passes are honored. Call 603-675-2175 and press '0' to reach an attendant during normal business hours.

Claremont Senior Center News

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.

New activities at the center:

Ladies, come play pool on Monday mornings. All skill levels are welcome.

Wednesday at 4:00 is for Corn Hole. All skill levels are welcome.

Claremont Senior Center is now open daily!

Monday 9 – 3

Tuesdays 9 – 3; 6 – 9

Wednesdays 9 – 3

Thursdays 9 – 3; 6 – 9

Friday 9 – 3

Masks required for those entering that are NOT fully vaccinated (i.e., required dose(s) plus 14 days) and recommended for others

Meals are still Drive Thru takeout ONLY on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Call 543-5998 before 10:30 AM for reservations, \$5 non members, \$4 members. Pickup between 11:45 and 12:15. Menu is subject to change (according to what is available!).

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

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

Claremont Fire Dept. Log

Sunday, August 22, 2021

17:23 Responded with E-4 to Charlestown Rd. for a medical call

17:44 Responded with E-4 and E-3 to Summer St. for an oven fire

Monday, August 23

02:10 Responded with E-4 to Washington St. for a public hazard

08:10 Responded with E-4 to Old Newport Rd. for a wire down



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09:38 Responded with E-4 to Maple Ave for a medical call
 09:45 Responded with E-3 to Main St. for a medical call
 10:41 Responded with E-4 to Beaugard Ave for a medical call
 14:29 Responded with E-4 to Prospect St. for a medical call
 17:11 Responded with E-4 to Broad St. for a medical call
 18:29 Responded with E-4 to Princeton St. for a medical call
 19:24 Responded with E-4 to Laurel St. for an odor investigation

Tuesday, August 24

00:04 Responded with E-4 to Elm St. for a public assist
 08:23 Responded with E-4 to Main St. for a medical call
 09:45 Responded with E-4 to Myrtle St. for a detector sounding
 09:53 Responded with E-4 to Central St. for a medical call
 10:44 Responded with E-4 to Main St. for an alarm sounding
 15:14 Responded with E-4 to Elm St. for a check the well-being
 16 :28 Responded with E-4 to Pleasant St. for a medical call

Wednesday, August 25

09:45 Responded with E-4 to Winter St. for a medical call
 10:22 Responded with E-4 to Winter St. for a lift assist
 11:01 Responded with E-4 to Fern St. for an alarm sounding
 13:45 Responded with R-1 to Opera House Square for a hazardous condition
 22:13 Responded with E-4 to Pleasant St. for medical call

Thursday, August 26

10:00 Responded with E-4 to Pleasant St. for a medical call
 13:15 Responded with E-4 to Pleasant St. for a medical call
 14:57 Responded with E-4 to Pleasant St. for a Box Alarm
 15:20 Responded with E-3 to Bellevue Ave for wires down
 15:26 Responded with E-3 to Chestnut St. for a tree down
 16:35 Responded with E-4 to Spring Farm Rd. for wires down
 19:44 Responded with E-4 to Pleasant St. for a medical call
 23:55 Responded with E-4 to Winter St. for an alarm sounding

Friday, August 27

08:23 Responded with E-4 to North St. for a medical call
 15:07 Responded with E-4 to Walnut St. for a medical call
 18:37 Responded with E-4 to Pearl St. for a medical call

Saturday, August 28

08:03 Responded with E-4 to Pleasant St. for a medical call
 10:02 Responded with E-4 to Lincoln Heights for a medical call
 10:24 Responded with E-4 to Pleasant St. for a public assist
 16:33 Responded with E-4 to Main St. for a motor vehicle accident
 17:08 Responded with E-4 to Maple Ave for a public assist
 20:17 Responded with E-4 to Broad St. for a medical call
 20:27 Responded with E-4 to Veteran's Park Rd. for a medical call
 23:57 Responded with E-4 to Myrtle St. for a medical call

Sunday, August 29

00:36 Responded with E-4 to Central St. for a medical call

**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
 For a meeting of the
 ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT**

To be held on

Tuesday, September 7, 2021 at 7:00 PM in
 Council Chambers, City Hall, Claremont NH
 Face coverings are recommended for all attendees
 The public is hereby notified that the Zoning Board will be holding a public hearing at this meeting to consider the following applications:

A. (ZO 2021-00009) Redfern PMC LLC, Deering NH – Application for a variance from Sec 22-389 of the Zoning Ordinance to reduce the density requirement to allow the addition of 2 dwelling units to the property at 14 Spruce Avenue. Tax Map 119, Lot 316. Zoning District: CR2

B. (ZO 2021-00010) Mark Limoges, 296 Elm St – Application for variances from Secs 22-229 (3) & (4) of the Zoning Ordinance to permit construction of a garage within the side and rear setbacks at 20-22 McKenzie Avenue. Tax Map 130, Lot 68. Zoning District: R2

Interested persons may review the applications at the Planning and Development Department at 14 North Street during normal business hours or on the City website at https://www.claremontnh.com/index.php?section=events_lists or at <https://www.claremontnh.com/zoning-board-of-adjustment>.

Comments may be made at the public hearing; submitted in writing to the Zoning Board of Adjustment at 14 North Street, Claremont NH 03743, or by email to cityplanner@claremontnh.com.
 Michael Hurd, Chair

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.

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Donald S. Clarke

Donald S. Clarke died at the age of 86 on Sunday, August 22nd, 2021, at his home in Claremont, NH. He spent his last month enjoying calls and visits from friends and he was cared for and surrounded by family at the time of his death. He was a dedicated husband to Shirley Clarke and loving father to his children and their families: Susan and her husband Ray Thibodeau, Jim and his wife Vickie Rajaniemi, and Julie Clarke (who passed in 1998). He was also a proud grandfather to six grandchildren: Derek, Cory, Bryan, and Alexandra Thibodeau; and Hannah and Allison Clarke.

Don was born in Jaffrey, NH on September 8th, 1934, to Sydney and Pauline Clarke. He is survived by two sisters Joyce Story and Linda Christian. Don worked with his father on a dairy farm as a young man, graduated from Stevens High, then attended University of NH to obtain a degree in agricultural engineering. He married Shirley Brassard in 1958. Don and his father together managed Shugah Vale Inc., a large dairy and crop farm in Claremont, while raising his family. In 1969 he was awarded the Outstanding Young Farmer Award. In turn he supported other farmers by serving first on the local, and then on the NE Farm Credit Bureau for many years, as a member, director and then as chairman.

Community involvement was always a big part of his life. The Soil Conservation District Board, School Board, and Planning Board were boards that he served on locally, as chairman at times. In his later years, he became a realtor, Chairman of the NH Association of Realtors, and was then awarded The Realtor of the Year in 1999. The future development of Claremont was important to him, and he was on the Claremont Industrial Development Authority and SCEDC. Commitment was further demonstrated when he was our County Commissioner for six years and received the Sullivan County Commissioner of the Year Award. In 2006 Don was recognized for his community commitment, and he was awarded Claremont's Citizen of the Year Award for over 40 years of service to the local area.

For those that knew Don, his love of family and community was also balanced by his love of the outdoors. He supported this for others by being involved with the Sullivan County Sportman's Club, served as Commissioner for the Sullivan County Fish and Game, and ultimately served as interim Director of NH Fish and Game for nine months.

However, he was happiest when he was spending time with his family, hosting a local yearly fishing derby at his home or hunting with friends and family.



Visiting hours are planned at Stringer Funeral Home on Friday, Sept. 17th between 6pm and 8pm, and a service will take place at the funeral home on Saturday, Sept. 18th, at 11am.

Donations can be made in memory of Donald Clarke, in honor of his daughter Julie Clarke, to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

Checks can be made to Northern NE Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, 114 Perimeter Road, Unit G&H, Nashua, NH, 03063, or via <https://www.cff.org/give-today/>.

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CLAREMONT BUS SCHEDULE					
Departure	AM				
Opera House Square	8:00	8:51	9:55	10:51	
Rite Aid			10:00	10:55	
Marion Phillips	8:02	9:02	10:02	11:02	
Bourdon Center	8:07	9:07	10:04	11:05	
Claremont Manor	8:10	9:10	10:07	11:07	
Claremont Senior Center			10:10	11:10	
Opera House Square	8:30	9:20	10:20	11:15	
Sugar River Mills	8:32	9:25	10:25	11:25	
Valley Regional Hospital	8:35	9:40	10:35	11:40	
Market Basket	8:42	9:45	10:42	11:50	
Hannaford's	8:44	9:47	10:44	11:52	
Walmart	8:46	9:52	10:46	11:55	
Opera House Square	8:51	9:55	10:51	*11:59	
Departure	PM				
Opera House Square	12:05	1:00	2:00	2:55	4:08
Rite Aid	12:07	1:03	2:02	2:57	4:10
Marion Phillips	12:08	1:05	2:05	3:00	4:12
Bourdon Center	12:17	1:07	2:07	3:04	
Claremont Manor	12:20	1:08	2:08	3:05	
Claremont Senior Center	12:23	1:10	2:10	3:10	
Opera House Square	12:24	1:20	2:20	3:20	
Sugar River Mills	12:32	1:25	2:25	3:25	*4:25
Valley Regional Hospital	12:34	1:40	2:40	3:40	
Market Basket	12:46	1:50	2:50	4:00	
Hannaford's	12:50	1:52	2:52	4:02	
Walmart	12:55	1:53	2:53	4:06	
Opera House Square	1:00	2:00	2:55	4:08	

LEBANON BUS SCHEDULE				
Departure	AM		PM	
Clmt. Visitor's Center	6:00			
DHMC	6:45			
Clmt. Visitor's Center	8:00	11:30	1:30	
Lebanon Town Hall	8:40	12:15		
Dartmouth Coach	9:00	12:30	2:15	
DHMC	9:10	12:45	2:30	4:30
Dartmouth Coach	9:30		2:40	
Lebanon Town Hall	9:45		2:50	4:45
Clmt. Visitor's Center	10:15		3:30	*5:30

*Drop off only



Public Transit Schedule Newport & Charlestown

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and to make route deviation request.

Departure times subject to weather, traffic, and route deviation delays.

NEWPORT BUS SCHEDULE				
Departure	AM		PM	
Claremont, Opera House Sq	6:25	7:20		3:00
Irving	7:00			4:10
Shaw's		7:45		
DMV		8:20		
Newport Health Center		8:22		4:12
Hannaford's		8:40		
Claremont Opera House Sq		8:45		*4:45
Sugar River Mills		8:53		
Shaw's		9:25	11:40	1:15
Newport Senior Center		9:30	11:50	1:18
Maple Manor		9:45	11:52	1:22
Summer Crest		10:12		1:26
DMV		10:20	12:00	1:30
Irving		10:22		
Newport Health Center		10:25	12:02	1:55
Market Basket		10:40		2:15
Hannaford's		10:42	12:25	2:17
Wal-Mart		10:45	12:27	2:22
Claremont Opera House Sq		10:53	12:30	3:00
Sugar River Mills		*11:08	12:36	

CHARLESTOWN BUS SCHEDULE		
Departure	AM	PM
Opera House Square	7:15	12:07
Mascoma Savings Bank - Perry Avenue	7:40	
222 Lovers Lane	7:50	
Rite Aid	8:20	
Hannaford's	8:30	
Market Basket	10:30	2:40
Hannaford's	10:32	2:45
Walmart	10:35	2:50
Opera House Square	10:40	2:55
Rite Aid	10:50	3:00
Mascoma Savings Bank - Perry Avenue	11:25	3:50
Crown Point Park	11:33	
Twin Maple Park	11:34	
222 Lovers Lane	11:38	
Mayflower & Lovers Lane	11:38	3:25
Emma's Market	11:50	3:40
Opera House Square	12:07	



All vehicles are ADA accessible

*Drop off only

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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 4TH

8AM-1PM

No early birds please

The Ladies Aid Hall

51 Route 12

Hartland Four Corners

Multi-Family yard sale to benefit the First Universalist Society of Hartland.

COVID-19 protocols will follow state guidance at the time of the sale.

Items to include used folding chairs 6 for \$5, fertilizer spreader, toys and books, kitchen items and so much more. Also will include a table of free stuff.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

Reading VT Community and the American Red Cross are hosting an upcoming blood drive.

Please join our lifesaving mission and schedule an appointment today.

Drive Details: Holiday Inn, 485 Hotel Drive, Brownsville, VT, 05037, Ballroom

Date: Wed Sep 8, 2021 Time: 1:00-6:00 PM

Blood Program Leader Name: Lanie Wadelton, 802-376-6676 for assistance making your appointment.

For questions, call 1-800-Red-Cros. Please come with photo ID, wear your mask, practice social distancing, and know the name of your vaccination manufacturer.

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On my Honor...

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Join Scouts BSA Claremont Troop 38

Meeting Thursday nights
starting on September 9th
6:30-8pm at
St. Mary's Gymnasium off
Pearl Street. Any youth
age 11-17 is
welcome to join.

More info is available at

claremontscout@gmail.com or find us on Facebook
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The Claremont City Council will hold a public meeting on Wednesday, September 8, 2021, at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall.

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

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87916056352?pwd=VDdXVWppaDJuOXZITEV2a2tPQkc3dz09>

Passcode: 739587

Or by telephone: 1-646-558-8656, Webinar ID: 879 1605 6352, Passcode: 739587

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

- 6:30 PM 1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 6:32 PM 2. ROLL CALL
- 6:34 PM 3. AGENDA CHANGES
- 6:35 PM 4. REPORT OF THE SECRETARY
Minutes of August 18 and 25, 2021, City Council Meeting(s)
- 6:37 PM 5. MAYOR'S NOTES
- 6:42 PM 6. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT
A. COVID-19 Update
- 6:55 PM 7. APPOINTMENT TO BOARDS AND COMMITTEES
- 7:00 PM 8. CITIZEN'S FORUM (Comments on Non-agenda Items Limited to 5 Minutes per Speaker (Council Rule 24))
9. OLD BUSINESS
- 7:10 PM A. Station Host Program Proposal
10. NEW BUSINESS
- 7:20 PM A. Property Maintenance Policy Discussion (City Manager)
- 7:40 PM B. Ordinance 585 Remove School Zones – First Reading (City Manager)
- BREAK
- 8:05 PM C. Private Lead Water Line Replacement Discussion (City Manager)
- 8:20 PM D. City Debt Discussion (Councilor Contois)
- 8:35 PM E. Transfer Station Ad Hoc Committee Discussion (Council)
- 8:50 PM F. Departments Efficiency Study & Strategic Planning Discussion (Council)
- 9:05 PM 11. COMMITTEE REPORTS
- 9:10 PM 12. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND DIRECTIVES
- 9:15 PM 13. CONSULTATION WITH LEGAL COUNSEL
- 9:20 PM 14. ADJOURNMENT

PLEASE NOTE: Claremont City Council's next scheduled meeting will be on Wednesday, September 22, 2021, at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall.



Despite rain in the morning and cloudy skies and cool temps, the 9th Annual Car Show held by the Claremont Senior Center drew several hundred people Sunday, proceeds to benefit the Center. Thirty-three spectator choice trophies were handed out.

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